

7th Pastor's Anniversary Celebration

of

REV. JIMMY L. GATES, SR.

Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church

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"A place where everybody is somebody"



Rev. Jimmy L. and First Lady Janet Gates

11115 Kinsman Road, Cleveland, OH 44104

JULY 11, 2021

Theme:

"Lord You Said, You Know"

Scripture Reference: Jeremiah 29:11

Morning Worship

11:30 AM

Rev. Jimmy L. Gates, Sr.

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Morning Service

SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021

ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.....SIS BEVERLY DURST

REV ELOISE EAST.....OFFICIANT

DEVOTION.....DEACONS

PRAISE AND WORSHIP.....SIS LUCRETIA COLSTON BOLDEN

THEME ADDRESS.....SIS MARY F. HICKS

OFFERING.....

ENCOURAGING WORDS TO OUR PASTOR.....TRUSTEE LARRY JORDAN

PRAISE AND WORSHIP.....SIS LUCRETIA COLSTON BOLDEN

THE SPOKEN WORD.....PASTOR CHRISTOPHER K. WASHBURN

TIME TO RECEIVE THOSE WHOM THE LORD HAS CALLED..... REV ELOISE EAST

REMARKS.....SIS VICKY DENNIS

BENEDICTION.....PASTOR CHRISTOPHER K. WASHBURN

RECESSIONAL.....LET THE CHURCH SAY AMEN

Announcements:

Responsive Reading today: II Chronicles 32:1-8, 22-23

FROM THE PASTOR:

We will be **celebrating Rev. Jimmy Gates, Sr. Pastor's Anniversary** on today with Pastor Christopher Washburn at 11 a.m. Also, on July 18th at 11 a.m. will be Rev. Larry Harris. There are separate envelopes in the bulletins during the month of July for those who want to bless Rev. Jimmy L. Gates, that will go directly to him.

Asking for volunteers for Woman's Day 2021, the 4th Sunday in July.

Also asking for volunteers for our **104th Church Anniversary** on Sunday, September 3, 2021.

Men's Month and Men's Day will be in October only having morning service.

Sunday School online on Sunday's at 9:15 a.m. –

Call in: 978-990-5047 ~ Access Code 3312613#

Wednesday Bible Study online at 7 p.m. –

Call In: 701-802-5360 and Access Code: 7817353

NOTES FROM THE SERVICE

DATE _____ SPEAKER _____

TEXT _____

SCRIPTURE _____

NOTES FROM THE MESSAGE:

PERSONAL APPLICATION:

Etiquette

- *Please refrain from walking and using the middle aisle during worship service
- *Exiting/Entering the sanctuary during prayer and ministry of giving is not permitted
 - *No food, gum or drink permitted in the sanctuary
 - *Please silence cell phones
 - *Please no talking during offertory service
- *Pray for the Sick, and Shut-in and those in bereavement
- *Come to Bible Study and hear the speakers on people who had relationships in the Bible

REV. JIMMY L. GATES, SR.'s BIO by First Lady Janet

Rev. Jimmy L Gates Sr. is a native Ohioan born and raised in Cleveland, to Willie and Carrie Gates, and the youngest of six children. He attended local area public school before transferring and graduating from Benedictine High School in 1975. He went on to pursue an education and achieved his B.A. degree in Business Management from the University of Phoenix, and his MDVI from Ashland Theological Seminary. Rev. Gates is strongly considering returning to the classroom for a Doctorate degree in Ministry, focusing on Black Church Studies.

Rev. Gates joined Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church in January of 1982. He was ordained as a deacon in June of 1987. Through this encounter and under the tutelage of Pastor Clearance Hicks, he received his formal training and call to the ministry. Recognizing and nurturing the anointing and calling upon his life, Pastor Hicks appointed him to various offices and positions within the church. Following years of preparation God released him to embark upon his own ministry. He was called to pastor July 2014.

Rev. Gates is actively involved in the Mt. Pleasant Ministerial Alliance as Executive Director, Vice President in United Pastors in Mission, President of the Board of Directors Mount Pleasant Now Development Corporation and a Board member of the Cleveland Housing Network. Rev. Gates is also engaged in the community as Project Director of the Imperial Coalition and with Safe Streets Safe School as Project Coordinator at AJ Rickoff Elementary School, where there is collaboration with CMSD to monitor the safety of the children in route to school and home. Rev Gates who is passionate about the stability of our community also works with various clergy committees' addressing public policy, voter empowerment, social justice concerns, and youth violence. Rev. Gates is also engaged in Metro Health Community Trauma and "Save Our Babies" which is an initiative in the Mt Pleasant community attempting to impact and address "Infant Mortality".

Rev. Gates, not only worship and works in Mount Pleasant, but he also lives in the community. He is supported in his ministry by his lovely wife Janet.

The most important part of Rev. Gates life is his wife, Janet, and their blended family that consist of nine (9) children. Eight (8) boys and one (1) girl, with a total of 23 grandchildren and one (1) great granddaughter who affectionately called him "PaPa"

Rev. Gates is an avid sport fan. For over 45 years, a season ticket holder for the Cleveland Browns, season ticket holder with the Cavaliers, supports the Indians and the Buckeyes of the Ohio State University. Rev. Gates loves to read and loves barbequing for his family and friends.

One of Rev. Gates favorite scripture is Isaiah 40:28-31: *"Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint and to them that have no might he increaseth their strength. Even the youth shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall. But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."*

Rev. Gates ultimate desire is to see people fully embrace God's love and to walk in victory and power while experiencing the fullness of God's promise.

TO OUR ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY

The past eighteen (18) months have been the most challenging of the seven (7) years God has blessed me to be in this ministry personally and spiritually. There has been an inordinate number of deaths in the family, sickness, and the worst pandemic in our lifetime that crippled the entire world. When we were forced to close our doors due the pandemic of COVID-19 in March of 2020, no one had an idea of what we were facing and for how long. The recommendations made by those in the medical field to close our doors was a difficult decision to make, but we trusted in God. We had to become innovative in order to ensure our members would have the opportunity to get a word from the Lord. Throughout this ordeal, the membership of this great church trusted in the leadership that God planted in His church, and I just want to say thank you very much.

You were supportive to my wife and I and that was very encouraging to us. Yes, even though we are in the role of leadership, your unwavering support was helpful to fulfilling our responsibility. We had to make major decisions based upon restrictions imposed by governments of various levels and some of those decisions were impactful for our congregants.

Your encouraging gestures and words will never be forgot for they were always timely. I was taught to always appreciate people, for they do not have to be nice.

Sis Vicky Dennis, Sis Carmella Bryant, The Pastoral Services Committee, ministries, and the entire church, how can we say thank you? Your labor of love is appreciated.

In Agape Love,

Pastor and First Lady

FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR.....

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

The contest between Jeremiah and the false prophets was carried on before by preaching, here by writing; there we had sermon against sermon, here we have letter against letter, for some of the false prophets are now carried away into captivity in Babylon, while Jeremiah remains in his own country. Now here is a letter which Jeremiah wrote to the captives in Babylon, against their prophets that they had there, in which the letter, he endeavors to reconcile them to their captivity, to be easy under it and to make the best of it. He cautions them not to give any credit to their false prophets, who fed them with hopes of a speedy release. He assures them that God would restore them in mercy to their own land again, at the end of 70 years.

We are here told that Jeremiah wrote to the captives in Babylon, in the name of the Lord. Jeconiah had surrendered himself a prisoner, with the queen his mother, the chamberlains of his household, called here the eunuchs, and many of the princes of Judah and Jerusalem, who were at that time the most active men; the carpenters and smiths, likewise, being demanded, were yielded up, that those who remained might not have any proper hands to fortify their city or furnish themselves with weapons of war. By this tame submission it was hoped that Nebuchadnezzar would be pacified. It suffices the lion to have laid his antagonist prostrate; but the imperious conqueror grows upon their concessions, like Benhadad upon Ahab.

The case of these captives was very melancholy, the rather because they, being thus distinguished from the rest of their brethren who continued in their own land, looked as if they were greater sinners than all men who dwelt at Jerusalem. Jeremiah therefore writes a letter to them, to comfort them, assuring them that they had no reason either to despair of succor themselves or to envy their brethren that were left behind. The word of God written is as truly given by inspiration of God as his word spoken was, and this was the proper way of spreading the knowledge of God's will among his children scattered abroad. We may serve God and do good by writing to our friends at a distance pious letters of seasonable comforts and wholesome counsels. Those whom we cannot speak to we may write to; that which is written remains. This letter of Jeremiah's was sent to the captives in Babylon by the hands of the ambassadors whom king Zedekiah sent to Nebuchadnezzar, probably to pay him his tribute and renew his submission to him, or to treat of peace with him, in which treaty the captives might perhaps hope that they should be included. By such messengers Jeremiah chose to send this message, to put an honor upon it, because it was a message from God, or perhaps because there was no settled way of sending letters to Babylon, but as such an occasion as this offered, and then it made the condition of the captives there the more melancholy, that they could rarely hear from their friends and relations they had left behind, which is some reviving and satisfaction to those that are separated from one another. We are here told what he wrote. He assures them that he wrote in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, who indited the letter. **“YES LORD, YOU KNOW!”**

ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

*would like to say thank you
for all you do.*

*Thank you for preparing to
share the Word of God,
feeding us so richly and encouraging
us to grow in the things of God.*

*We want you to know that we
love and appreciate you very much!!!*

*May God continue to bless and
keep you!!*