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**A Message
from
Pastor Anthony...**

KEEPING THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

In a recent poll, it was reported that more than 60% of people in the nation are feeling overwhelmed by the current issues our country is facing. Added to that, the local, and personal impact of recent events have had on our society, it's no wonder people are not feeling as festive as they have in times past. There are many people still healing from the impact of social upheaval, economic upheaval and health upheaval in connection with Covid and other issues of the recent past.

If you happen to be one of those persons who are yet dealing with the vicissitudes of the devastation we've face over the past few years, I want to encourage you to remain optimistic about the days to come. I want to encourage you to "Keep The Joy of Christmas". In this note from your pastor, friend, neighbor or servant I want to suggest to you several practical ways you can "Keep The Joy of Christmas".

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11:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
Tues., Wed. and Thurs.
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1. **Celebrate Your Survival.** - Consider the fact that you made it through! We all know others who did not, and although we feel sad that they did not make it, you should not forfeit your celebration as a survivor! Celebrate that you are still here and that you're here despite the extremity of what you've come through! Remember, the greater the journey you make it through, the greater the celebration you are due!
2. **Take Advantage of What You Now Know You Have.** - Be more grateful, be appreciative, and be polite to people in your life. Check on people when you think of them, and show your concern for others. Ditch the temporal things and get back to what really matters! Grip the Intangible Values of God, Love, Family and Life itself!
3. **Let Lacerations Heal Overtime.** - Give yourself and others time to heal from tears. Acknowledge that all separations relative to humans, heal overtime! Give people room to be human. No scab pulled to soon reveals healing.
4. **Get Ahead of Grief.** -When you know that an action or practice is going to open you up to sentiments that cause you to remember and take you down "grief-lane," be a game-changer. Create a new norm, do something different. Visit someone, travel somewhere, whatever you do Don't Sit In The Middle of Misery! Start a new future!
5. **Celebrate "Social Media" Style.** -Take advantage of Zoom, FaceTime, etc. Don't let distance disconnect you!
6. **Also, don't be afraid to Celebrate "Me-Style."** Solitude can be Satisfying.
7. **Finally, Remember The Joy of Jesus (Hebrews 12:2) and The Joy He gave to You! (John 17:13)**

My earnest prayer for you this Holiday Season and always is that you Keep The Joy of Christmas!!!

Merry Christmas with Love

Leroy Hines Anthony

Reverend Leroy Hines Anthony, Pastor

Mt Carmel Missionary Baptist Church

1st Annual Christmas Gala

18 December 2021

"Church Family Fellowship Hour"

5:45 p.m. until 6:45 p.m.

followed by

"Every Knee Shall Bow"

Christmas Performance

5370 Dayton Liberty Rd... Dayton, Ohio

7:00 p.m.





"T'WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE JESUS CAME"

'Twas the night before Jesus came, and all through the house
not a creature was praying – not one in the house. Their Bibles
were lain on the shelf without care In hopes that Jesus would
not come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed, not once ever
kneeling or bowing a head; and mom in her rocker with baby
on her lap was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.

When out of the East there arose such a clatter, I sprang to my
feet to see what was the matter. Away to the window I flew like
a flash, tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!

When what to my wondering eyes should appear but angels
proclaiming that Jesus was here. With a light like the sun sending
forth a bright ray, I knew in a moment this must be THE DAY!

The light of His face made me cover my head; it was Jesus returning
Just like he had said. And, though I possessed worldly wisdom and
wealth, I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.

In the Book of Life which he held in His hand was written the name
of every saved man. He spoke not a word as He searched for my name;
When He said "It's not here" my head hung in shame.

The people whose names had been written with Love He gathered to
take to His Father above. With those who were ready He rose without
a sound while all the rest were left standing around.

I fell to my knees, but it was too late; I had waited too long and sealed my fate.
I stood and cried as they rose out of sight; Oh, if only I had been ready tonight.

In the words of this poem, the meaning is clear; The coming of Jesus is
drawing near. There's only one life and when comes the last call.
we'll find that the Bible was true after all!



Revelations 19:1-16



Lesson for Sunday, December 5, 2021
"Justice and Obedience"

Deuteronomy 5:1-3, 10:12-13, 27: 1-10

Lesson for Sunday, December 12, 2021
"Justice and Kindness"
2 Samuel 9:1-7, 9-12

Lesson for Sunday, December 19, 2021
"Justice and Righteousness"
Isaiah 9:2-7

Lesson for Sunday, December 26, 2021
"Justice and Deliverance"
Nahum 1:1-3, 6-8, 12-13

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Books of the New Testament

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Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Acts	Romans	Corinthians	Galatians
Ephesians	Philippians	Colossians	Thessalonians
Timothy	Titus	Philemon	Hebrews
James	Peter	Jude	Revelation

Thanksgiving Basket Give Away

ANNOUNCEMENTS



DID YOU KNOW?

Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church formed a partnership with the Neighborhood Association of Jefferson Township (NAJT) in 2019 to sponsor a Thanksgiving Basket Give Away each year to needy families in the Dayton Community. The program is advertised throughout the community on Social Media and flyers.

The Committee solicits donations from area businesses for purchase of food items.

On Wednesday, November 23rd we distributed a total of 125 baskets to families in the Dayton area. This is an ongoing partnership with the Neighborhood Association of Jefferson Township to provide yearly holiday food assistance to needy families in our community.

- Pastor Anthony will teach Sunday School the First Sunday of every month starting at 9:30 am.
- Our food pantry will be closed December 23rd and 30th.
- Youth Bible Study is CANCELLED for the remainder of the year and will resume January 2022.
- Women's Empowerment, CANCELLED for the remainder of the year and will resume January 2022.
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 11:00 am; Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting, 6:30 pm and Bible Study, 7:00 pm. Zoom meetings ID 870-6093-2226 Passcode 251111. Dial in (312) 626-6799.
- If anyone would like to submit announcements / information or suggestions for our newsletter, please forward information to Mtcarmeldayton@gmail.com or call (937) 301-7992 no later than the 2nd Sunday of the month. If you would like the newsletter emailed or mailed to you, please ensure the office has your email address or mailing address.
- Watch Night Service will be held here at the church. December 31, 2021 at 10:30P.
- December Keeper of the Keys...If you need access to the church outside normal office hours you may call Trustee Deacon Gates at (937) 654-5167. Please give a three (3) day notice for the keeper of the keys.

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