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Pastor's Message

The Power of the Resurrection is Still Alive...

This word, Power is indicative of might, strength, force, and is used to render many definitions in Scripture. There are other words to define power, "valor", "rule", "strength", "might", and "dominion". The principal word for "Power" in the New Testament is "dúnamis" or dynamite. Paul declares we ought not to be ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the Power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes. Power is attributed preeminently to God, it is one of His greatest attributes. His omnipotence is the Supreme manifestation of His Wisdom and His Love and it ends in our Redemption. God used His Power to resurrect Jesus from the grave signifying His power over death, and His power of the grave. Through the Resurrection of Christ God has redeemed mankind to Himself, "bought us back if you will". All of mankind was bought back to God by His Resurrection Power. For centuries men have tried to falsely disprove the Resurrection of Christ. But on every turn they have been defeated by the Power of His Might...

Scripture confirms the Resurrection: physical evidence – the Resurrection is the proof of the atoning character of the death of Christ, and of His Deity and Divine Exaltation (Rom 1:4), evangelistic proof – the early Gospel was preached including testimony of the Resurrection as a key feature (I Cor.14:1-4), Spiritual proof – The resurrection is regarded as the source and standard of the holiness of the Believer. Every aspect of the Christian life from the day we accept Christ as our personal Savior to our physical end is associated with Resurrection Power (Rom. 6). Eschatological proof – the resurrection is the Guaranty and Assurance of the Believers resurrection (I Cor. 15). Our bodies will be quickened and raised in like manner as Christ was raised Himself (Rom. 8:11).

The miracle of the Resurrection is God made it available to "whosoever believes that Jesus is the Son of the Living God and that He raised Him from the dead shall be saved"... This saving Grace and the Power of God through the Resurrection is as Powerful that day Christ arose as it is today in 2021. The invitation is still open and heaven is accepting RSVP's for new believers. For those believing Christians who sins have been washed away by the Power of the Blood of the Resurrection, whose Salvation is sure we can sing:

*God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus, He came to love, heal and forgive,
 He lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives,
 Because He lives I can face tomorrow; Because He lives all fear is gone
 Because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living because He lives...*

Rev. Johnny Vance, Interim Pastor

ENJOY YOUR CHRISTIANITY, HAPPY RESURRECTION !!!



Rev. Johnny Vance

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 Dayton, Ohio 45417
 937-268-6651**

Join us online for Live Service
 facebook@mtcarmeldayton
 11:00 a.m..

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What's happening now...

Leaf of Faith Capital Improvement Project

In 2020, we embarked on the first year of our *Leaf of Faith Capital Improvement Project*. We want to thank you Mt. Carmel for supporting this effort. Because of your generosity in 2020, we received pledges of over \$31,000.00 and we collected \$28,952.00. These funds have helped facilitate the much-needed improvements to our church. We were able to repair and or upgrade our security system, the HVAC system, the parking lot, carpeting, lighting, paint, and install our new multimedia and sound systems.

If you look at our donor tree, you will see that there are plenty leaves remaining to be filled. Also, we can purchase additional branches to expand the tree as needed. **In other words, the tree can grow as we grow it. Mt. Carmel, Its limits are directed by our efforts.**

As we continue this project into 2021, it is our desire to use these funds to complete the remaining improvements and upgrades to the church property and equipment. With this in mind, we hope that you are thinking about your 2021 pledge and encouraging others to do the same. ***Pledge cards are available at the front lobby desk. For information you can contact Sherry Thompson or Doris Ferguson at***

mtcarmeloffice@aol.com

This year, we are also exploring ways to expand this project. We plan to reach out to the surrounding community and start a second tree for business and community partner donations. Look for more info to come on this effort as well as updates on the 2021 membership pledges.

Again, we thank you Mt. Carmel for your continued support. It is a blessing to belong to such a giving church. We love you and pray God's blessings on each and every one of you.



MT. CARMEL CULINARY MINISTRY

The ***Culinary Ministry*** is the group who oversees the food services of our church. We are a dedicated bunch who are always willing to serve. Our goal is to serve delicious meals to our church family and friends and to see their smiling satisfied faces. We plan, purchase, and prepare the meals for all our annual days, funerals, special events, and any other requests from the church and congregation. Our ministry is primarily funded by the church budget. However, we do on occasion solicit and receive donations from the congregation. We love it when we get all those wonderful deserts from you Mt. Carmel! They are a big help in planning our meals and saving the church money.

Our group currently consists of:

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| <i>Sherry Thompson, Chair</i> | <i>Sharee Gates, Co-Chair</i> |
| <i>Barbara Hill, Secretary</i> | <i>Forest Jean Jordan</i> |
| <i>Betty Green</i> | <i>Doris Ferguson</i> |
| <i>Shari Dansby</i> | <i>Felix Lark</i> |
| <i>Cindy Jones</i> | <i>Doris Kirkland</i> |

We have several helpers who assist with events and we want to thank them for their help. We recognize Donna Ragland, Pam Reid, Tenika Smith, Renee Caldwell & Nancy Smith to name a few. We also want to recognize our deceased member Sis. Darlene Wilcox, we miss and love her so much!

Guest Preachers for the month of April



11 April 2021
Rev. Dr. Marcus A. Brown

Currently Pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Hamilton, Ohio (2004), was raised in Cincinnati.

- Moderator of the Western Union Baptist District Association (2016-2020), prior 1st VP of the Congress of Christian Education, Pastoral Youth Advisor, Convention Lecturer, Teacher and Preacher.
- Education: Temple Baptist College (1998-2002); Andersonville Theological Seminary; Bachelor of Divinity, Master of Theology, PhD Pastoral Counseling, PhD in Theology.



18 April 2021
Rev. Leroy Hines Anthony

Native of Dayton. Currently serves as Pastor of Middle Run Baptist Church in Xenia.

- Western VP of OBGCC Congress of Christian Education; member of the African American Ministerial Alliance, Xenia.
- Education: Dual BA degree from Bluefield College, in Organizational Management and Development, and Christian Ministry; MDiv from United Theological Seminary.
- Veteran United States Airforce



25 April 2021
Rev. Marcettes L. Cunningham,

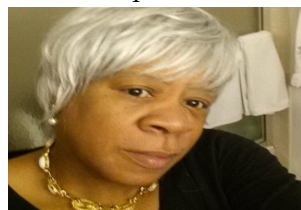
Resides in Dayton. He is the gifted shepherd of The Shiloh Baptist Church, Dayton.

- Pastor Cunningham is the president of the Congress of Christian Education for the Ohio Baptist General Convention. The former president of the General Missionary Baptist Association of Ohio.
- Education: D.Min and a Masters of Theological Studies from Faith Evangelical Seminary, Tacoma, WA.; BA in religion from Ashland University.

Honoring our members...



Darlene worked actively and passionately at Mount Carmel, having joined as a young child. She shared her talents and efforts in many areas throughout her life. She was president of the Deaconess Ministry member of the Senior Choir, Sunshine Ministry, Senior Missions, Young Davids Counselor, Sunday School Ministry, Culinary Ministry, Spiritual days and special events, and a tremendous "Shunammite Woman" (a great woman of Baptist Association). She also served as a for the Hattie Jackson Guild Girls, under



Darlene Wilcox

Youth Ministry leader, Guild Girls and and Bible Study teacher, Floral Fragrance Women with a Purpose, decorator for annual prayer warrior. In 2020, was honored as a faith) by the Northwestern Ohio Missionary Counselor and the NW 2nd district Organizer the Ohio Baptist Convention.

As a charter member of Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist church, Cora served as Pastor's secretary and later church secretary for 50 years. During her years at Mount Carmel, she served on the Finance and Budget Committee, Family and Friends Day, Church Anniversary, instrumental in the mortgage burning of the raiser extraordinaire for many church pro-Board in front of the church. Even after her Finance and Budget Committee and food



Cora Franklin

Funeral Program Committee, and was in- edifice at 5370 Dayton Liberty Road, Fund-jects. Her most significant was the Electronic retirement she stayed very active with the pantry.

Announcements...Family, Fun and Future

**** Feedback is needed!** This is your opportunity to let us know what you believe is working well and what you would like to see. Here are a few important notes about the survey: The survey will take approximately 5 to 10 minutes to complete. The survey is anonymous and completely confidential. You do not have to provide a name, but we would like an email address if we need clarification on an answer. We will not use these questions to try to figure out "who said what." Instead, we will use them to find out how different groups of people feel about things. Survey responses will be accepted until May 1, 2021. To take the survey, go to <https://mtcarmeldayton.org/survey>.

* **The Women's Empowerment Hour** is held every Tuesday at 7:00 PM via Zoom. The meeting ID is 843 5219 0754, and the passcode is 079825. If you want to dial in, the number is (312) 626-6799.

* The **Annual Giving Statements** for tax purposes are available to members upon request. Please contact Sister Joan Roberts in the church office.

* **Bible Study:** Join our Call-In Prayer Meeting and Bible Study via Zoom on Wednesdays, 6:30 PM-7:30 PM. The meeting ID is 870 6093 2226, and the passcode is 251111. Tune in by dialing (312) 626-6799. Bible Study information is posted at <https://mtcarmeldayton.org/bible-study>.

* We are pleased to announce the launch of our **e-newsletter!** Our first issue will be sent out in April, and we will be regularly creating content each month. If anyone would like to submit announcements/information 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.

* **Youth Bible Study** is held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 – 7:30 PM Dial-In #: 701-802-5242 Access Code: 5277792.

* Our food **Pantry** is open on Thursdays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. For more information, call the church at 937-268-6651.

April Birthdays

Jayla McDaniel-4/2
Brother Douglas Potter-4/11
Sister Doris Kirkland-4/13
Sister JoAnn Jackson-4/14
Sister Faye Lark-4/20
Sister Jean Jordan-4/25
Deacon Derrick Roberts Sr.-4/29

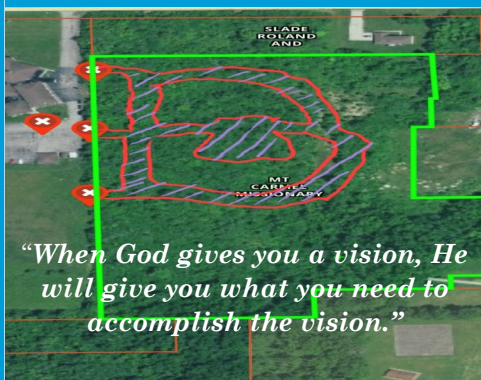
Sick and Shut-In

Brother Leon Hughes
Sister Dorothy Crane
Sister Bertha Jackson
Sister Lois Singleton
Sister Barbara Smith
Sister Effie Mitchell

4 Ways to Give

Everyone is urged to continue to give your **Tithes** and **Offerings** every week. You can Give via **Givelify**; mail **checks** to the church; Mtcarmeldayton.org and remember your Annual Days Assessments (Church Anniversary, Youth Day, Women's Day, Men's Day, Birth Months and Ministry Assessments).

Working for You...



REDUCE YOUR RISK OF COVID-19 INFECTION

- WASH HANDS**
Wash your hands with soap or use a hand sanitizer.
- COVER A COUGH OR SNEEZE**
Cover your mouth or nose with your elbow or tissue. Dispose the tissue and wash hands afterwards.
- SOCIAL DISTANCING**
Keep a distance of around 1 meter away from others in public.
- STAY AT HOME**
Always stay home unless you have an important reason to leave the house.

Mount Carmel Missionary Baptist Church
May 22, 2021
11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m...