



GREETINGS

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Greetings my fellow Ebenezerites and friends!

Recently (August 28th) the nation celebrated the 60th anniversary of the March on Washington led by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The march was for jobs and justice as well as a signal to this nation to live up to its creeds as written in the Constitution. One of the biggest gaps in this nation is the gap between creeds and deeds, beliefs and behavior, and dogma and duty. Dr. King led a march, and more importantly, a movement, to close that divide but now, as we consider where we are as a nation, it appears that the clock of human rights is being turned back, and the cause of Freedom and Justice is calling us in this present age to step up to the plate and let our voices and votes be heard and counted. A charge we have to keep and to God to glorify, let us arise and glorify God through the living out of our profession in Christ as radical agents of righteousness.

September's word is the word "Radical." I believe that the Church of Jesus Christ is called to a bodacious purpose; a purpose that is out of the ordinary. Too much of post-modern post church Christianity is too tame and too trendy. But as my friend Dr. Gary Williams says, "Truth does not trend." We are called to be countercultural! We are called to swim upstream! During this month, we will explore what it means to be radical as a church and as a believer. I am excited about this month's emphasis as we continue to explore what it means to be an "R-rated" church!

Hey saints, Women's Day is coming! Ladies, wear your purple and bring your \$100.00. Let's be blessed by the Women's Day Choir and the marvelous ministry of our daughter, Rev. Dion Terry Clark!

Be blessed!

Rev. Dr. Larry E. Covington



MEMBER *of The* MONTH



Mr. Laval & Rev. Joyce Lanier

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I am excited to present The Laniers as our incoming Co-Directors of Christian Education and iLearn Academy. God has richly blessed this loving couple with unique gifts and talents that they are effectively using for God's service and for the good of humanity.

Brother and Sister Lanier joined our fellowship in 2022 after a season of visiting with us with their youngest son. They are a wonderful couple and family that love the Lord and they are serious about ministry. Brother Lanier served as a deacon and a lay leader in their previous ministry, and Rev. Joyce served as a director of ministries, among other positions.

Ebenezer has already been blessed by their contribution of time, talent and treasure, and as they take on the leadership of our Christian education ministry, I am sure that they will continue to offer to us excellent, spirit-filled leadership giving direction to our Sunday school, iLearn, Vacation Bible School and the Institute of Practical Christian Living.

Congratulations to Deacon Laval and Reverend Joyce Lanier, and welcome aboard! You are our September 2023 Members of the Month!



BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER 2023

Adams, Tawanda	Falls, Angenella	Lockett, Rena	Rorie, Reyan
Anderson, Sadie	Ford, Rochelle	Madkins, Crystal	Rushing, Beverly
Arnold, Atoya	Ford, Raven	Madkins, LJ	Sellars, Brandon
Ballard, Ashani	Foushee, Siti	Martin, Judie	Sellars, Gordon II
Barton, Arnold (Rev)	Foust, Delayne	Martin, Sylvia	Sellars, Whitney
Battle, Noah	Foxx, Brandy	McClure, Gladys Shepard	Shaw, Shanita
Baxter, Patricia	Fuller, Lee	McQuillan, Virginia	Shoffner, Chris
Blackwell, Christina (Rev)	Fuller, Brooke	McAdoo, LeNette	Shoffner, Karol
Blackwell, Mashayla	Garner, Tyson	Mebane, Marvin	Simmonds, DeMonte
Brooks, Ellis (Rev)	Graves, Sheila	Melson, Corey	Simpson, Larry
Brown, Barbara	Graves, Lathan	Miles, Annie	Slade, Marsha
Brown, Brielle	Graves, Toni	Miles, Jamie	Slade, Terry
Bryson, Jazz	Haith, Faye	Miles, Virginia	Smith, Norman
Burnett, Sandra	Harris, Brenda	Mills, Makayla	Snipes, Jason
Burns, Darren	Hatchett, TaQuilla	Milton, Tracey	Snipes, ReAndrea
Byrd, Courtney	Hayden, Joyce	Moore, Marquis	Stanfield, Robin
Byrd, Patsy	Hill-McCain, Jordon	Moore, Wanda	Stanfield, Sharon (Rev)
Carlton, Lauryn	Hopkins, Jermique	Newby, Sherry	Stewart, Marquita
Carlton, Silken	Ingram, Lesa	Nobles, Alexander	Suffern, Shayne
Carr, Ashley	James, Sabrina	Norman, Kristen	Tapp, Larry
Carr, Melissa	Jeffries, Clara	Ollison, Melanie	Terry, Sonya
Cheeley, Nicholas	Jeffries, Victor	Parker, Bryan	Thompson, Justina
Corbett, Ronald (Dea.)	Jones, Emonie	Parker, Nakiya	Ward-Jeffries, Denean
Cousin, Trey	Jones, Thomas	Pettiford, Jennifer	Wells, Tamika
Croom, Kai	Kirby, Christopher Jr. (y)	Pinnix, Gabrielle	White, Sonja
Currie, Carol	Lanier, Dalton (Y)	Pride, Greg	White, Tatum
Dawson, Alexander	Lawson, Candace	Ragsdale, Trudy	White, Logan
Daye, Marie	Leath, Aiesha	Rankin, Dianne	Whitta, Cartei
Diggs, Billy	Lee, Andre	Reaves, Charita	Wiley, Carolyn
Emehel, Shawana (Rev)	Lee, Magan	Richmond, Tisha	Woods, Malik
Evans, Aretha	Lloyd, Rose	Rogers, Samuel	



ANNIVERSARIES

Marvin & Joann Miles
Chad & Venessa Stone
Darrel & Doretha Winstead
Kenneth & Tomeka Harrtis
Kevin & Keristen Boriphet
Terry & Nancy Maynard
Shayne & Rochelle Suffern
Randell & Brudell Whitaker
Tyrone & Anita Jefferies
Mason & Lakeisha Butts

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Lindsay & Amy Harris
Marvin & Melinda Mebane
Vincent & Wendy Spruill
Gary & Sylvia Foxx
Robert & Ruth Wiley
John & Gwendolyn Gibson
Frankie & Beverly Poole
Elton & Devonn Allison
Michael & Millicent Cash
Jerrell & Rev. Timica Wright

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September 28

SICK MEMBERS



*Mr. Robert Boyd
*Mrs. Carolyn Cooper
*Miss Amiah Corbett
*Rev. Wilbur Crawford
*Mrs. Janie Crisp
*Ms. Gwendolyn Daye
*Mrs. Willie Mae Daye
*Rev. Bobby Faucette
*Mrs. Fannie Francis
*Sis. Valinda F. Graves
* Rev. Lisa Jackson

*Mr. Victor Jeffries
*Mrs. Bonnie Johnson
*Mr. James Johnson
*Mrs. Lorraine Johnson
*Mr. Selma Keyes
*Mrs. Fannie Kirby
*Mrs. Martha Lee
*Mr. Terry & Mrs. Nancy Maynard
*Mr. Ronnie McCain
*Mrs. Lillian McDowell
*Mrs. Retha Mickens

*Mrs. Carlene Nixon
*Mrs. Alma Pinnix
*Sis. Alexis Smith
*Ms. Rose Marie Smith
*Ms. Elizabeth Turner
*Mrs. Mamie Walker
*Ms. Dimples Whitaker
*Mrs. Ruth May Wiley
*Ms. Diane Williamson
*Mrs. Dorothy Wilson

SICK NON-MEMBERS



*Mr. Travis Alston
*Mr. Robin Ellison
*Mrs. Zellia Everette
*Mr. Celo Faucette
*Mr Edward "Tony" Foust

*Mrs. Ruth Harris
*Min. Elisabeth Johnson
*Mr. Melvin Jones
*Mrs. Velma Jones
*Ms. Ayonna 'Nikki' Morrow

*Ms. Donna Morrow
*Mrs. Theresha Rochelle
*Mrs. Ruthie Rogers
*Mrs. Nancy Stewart
*Mrs. Brenda Tapp
*Mrs. Denise Vinson

BEREAVEMENTS



- *Mr. James Ballou, Jr.(Sister of Sis. Jean Oliphant, Sis. Freda Bennett/Bro. Thomas & Uncle to Sis. Krystal Bennett)
- *Mr. Corey Neal(Brother of Sis. Cynthia Slade. Uncle to David Thaxton)
- *Sis. Ethel Faulk
- *Mr. Deeja Jones (Nephew of Sis. Miranda Blackwell)
- *Ms. Jovanna Dodson (Niece of Sis. Tonya Brown)
- *Mrs. Colene Blue (Mother of Bro. Allen Blue/Cheryl and Grandmother to Soijett and Courtney Blue)
- *Bro. Rodney James (Husband of Catina James, Father to Sabrina and Caleb James)