

Celebrating 76th



76th Church Anniversary

God Has Kept His Promises

"Now I am about to go the way of all the earth. You know with all your heart and soul that not one of all the good promises the Lord your God gave you has failed. Every Promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed."

Joshua 23:14

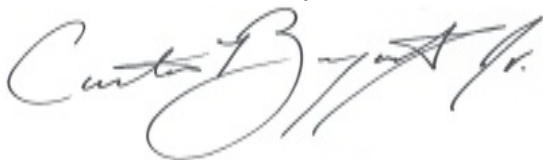
Throughout antiquity and contemporary times, the Lord has manifested creation, miracles, and blessings with the power of His words. Suffice it to say that whatever God says will happen. God's word is a guarantee. God's word is a bond. God's word is a promise—and God doesn't break His promises.

Mt. Zion Family and Friends, we can look back over our lives and celebrate how God has kept every promise made to us. God has been faithful with His provision, protection, and presence on a daily basis. Every day we can wake up with our own reasons to worship the Lord. Today, we gather with a collective reason to worship God. We praise God for blessing us with this church, Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Joliet, for 76 years! To God be the Glory!

For 76 years God has exceeded the expectations of the greater Joliet community through the service of our church. God has used wonderful men and women of this congregation to find problems to solve, find hurts to heal, find needs to meet, and find the lost and love them. For 76 years God has given us a standard of excellence in preaching, teaching, worshiping, and serving. For 76 years God has given Zion a unique sound in music and regality in dance. For 76 years God has blessed our congregation with special hands to cook, build, direct, heal, help, hug, drive, edit, instruct, pray and to uplift in worship. For 76 years God has kept every promise made to our church. Throughout times of celebration and challenge, God has been faithful to every word and every promise.

Today we worship God as a "promise keeper" to our church for 76 years. We praise God for it ALL! And we celebrate the biggest promise that has yet to be fulfilled—that is, "the best is yet to come!"

Happy 76th Church Anniversary, Mt. Zion
To God be the Glory!



Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Bryant Jr.
Senior Pastor



Order of Worship

"76 Years of God's Promises"

Worship in Song

Prayer and Welcome

Anniversary Video Tribute

Mt. Zion Music Ministry

Rev. Dr. Curtis Bryant Jr.

Worship in Giving

Video Announcements

Introduction of Speaker

Rev. Dr. Curtis Bryant Jr.

Worship in Song

Mt. Zion Music Ministry

Anniversary Message

Rev. Dr. Eric Baldwin

Invitation

Rev. Dr. Curtis Bryant Jr.

Remarks & Benediction

Rev. Dr. Curtis Bryant Jr.

Anniversary Speaker

Rev. Dr. Eric E. Baldwin is a native Washingtonian; however, Dr. Baldwin was raised in Washington, D.C. and Durham, North Carolina. In December of 2014, the Antioch Baptist Church in Deanwood unanimously voted Dr. Baldwin in as their 6th Senior Pastor.

Dr. Baldwin graduated from North Carolina Central University with a Bachelor's in Business Management; earned his Master's of Divinity at the Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University, and in May of 2014, Dr. Baldwin earned his Doctorate of Ministry from the United Theological Seminary.

Prior to pastoring Antioch Baptist Church in Deanwood, Dr. Baldwin pastored the Manasseh Baptist Church in Greensboro, North Carolina for ten years, beginning at the age of 28. Under Dr. Baldwin's leadership, the church membership grew, new ministries were formed, and their budget increased.

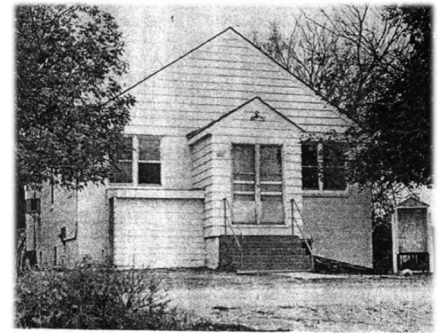
A sound Bible based preacher/teacher, Dr. Baldwin has restructured the numerous ministries within Antioch to better serve the body of Christ, as well as Ward 7 and beyond in the Nation's Capitol. He serves as the Baptist Convention of D.C. and Vicinity's Assistant Recording Secretary, and as the Assistant Chaplain and Protocol Manager of Woodbridge Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi. He was recently appointed District Leader of DC and vicinity of Global United Fellowship.

The pride of Dr. Baldwin's life is his family. He is married to the former Davishia Anne Jones, and they have two daughters; Erica and Elisha.



Church History

The Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church was organized On July 17, 1947 by pastors Rev. T. Moore King, former pastor of Second Baptist Church, Rev. C. G. Holston, former pastor of Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. John Clayton and Rev. Harris of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church.



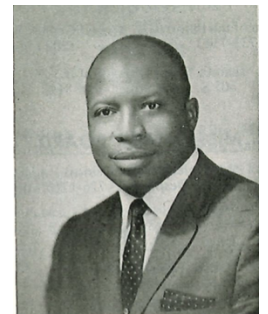
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During this time, there was a church membership of eight.

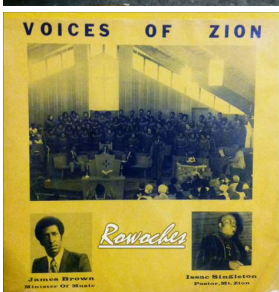
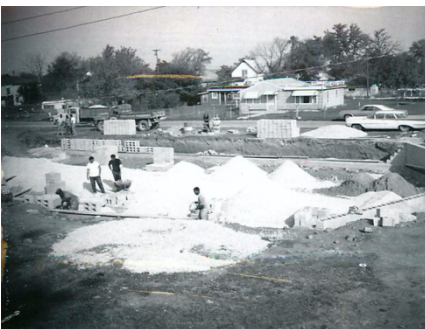
A short time later, Rev. R. G. Gates was elected pastor. Under his leadership the church grew to one hundred and sixty - five members and the church basement was built. Rev. Gates served as pastor for two and a half years. On July 11, 1951 the church elected Rev. L.D. Davenport.



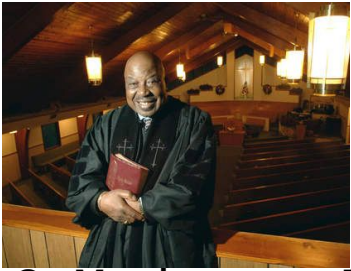
On July 15, 1952, Rev. James W. Hill was elected pastor. Under his leadership many of the church auxiliaries were organized. Two hundred and forty additional members were added to the congregation. Rev. Hill served as pastor until his death on July 13, 1961.



On December 11, 1961 Rev. Dr. Isaac Singleton, Sr. was elected pastor. Under his leadership several new ministries were established. More than sixteen ministers were ordained of which eight are pastors of their own church. A new sanctuary and Family Life Center was built to further the ministry.



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On March 31, 2009 Rev. Singleton became the Pastor Emeritus of this great ministry. February 2011, the Mt. Zion family celebrated the homegoing of this great man of God.



On May 10, 2009, Rev. Dr. David G. Latimore who joined our ministry to serve as Senior Pastor on May 10, 2009. Under Dr. Latimore's leadership Congregational Care and three Pastoral positions were established. Six associate ministers had been licensed. The church

expanded its exposure in Joliet and the Chicago area by hosting community wide worship experiences at Silver Cross Field and Bicentennial Park. Dr. Latimore served until July 2018.



We are blessed by God's continued favor of our ministry through the work of Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Bryant Jr. Dr. Bryant began his tenure at Mt. Zion in 2017 while serving as the Youth Pastor. On February 9, 2020, Dr. Bryant was received by the congregation as Senior Pastor. Dr. Bryant's vision is to continue to lead Mt. Zion as a community-driven ministry that celebrates putting family first.



To God be the Glory for all that He has done for Mt. Zion, and for all He will do through Mt. Zion.



Church Memories



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Church Home



Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Bryant Jr.
Senior Pastor

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Mission Statement

To create disciples of Christ by serving the world with the love of Christ.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Vision Statement

We are a church called by God to fix problems with answers, to touch hearts with healing, address needs with solutions, and embrace the lost with love through faith, teaching, serving, and community.

"GOD IS WITH YOU, AND SO ARE WE!"

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