

Welcome to Mount Morish

The wonderful thing about the black church for me is that it forces you to come to terms with the centrality of love in the world.



FEATURED ARTIST – This program features *First Sunday* on the Front Cover and *Congregation* on the Back Cover by Jonathan Green.

One of the most influential and important painters of the Southern experience, Jonathan Green was born and raised in the small Gullah community of Gardens Corner located near the South Carolina Sea Islands. Green's early life was greatly influenced by his grandmother who relied heavily on oral traditions to instill in him the values and traditions of his African and African-American heritage.





Dweninmmen is a symbol of strength with humility. Humility is a cherished virtue among the Akans

Mount Moriah has fully ordained four members: Reverends Will Smokes, Lossie Reese, Missionary Veronica Mangum and the Reverend Jerry Adatsi (presently serving in Manchester, Georgia). Mount Moriah has licensed several ministers over the years including the current Daughter of the House, Minister Valerie Frasier.

Further, Mount Moriah has ordained thirty-seven Deacons: Brothers J.D. McMoore, Will Pee, Edmond Bass, N.N. Beatty, Henry Brown, Joe Crawford, Mack Cochran, Charlie Jackson, Richard McKee, Arthur Simmons, Will Simmons, John Stephens, Harley Surrency, Raleigh Surrency, Allen Wallace, George Bush, Bobbie Stewart, Obie Brown, Elzie Bryant, James Garrison, Henry Sparrow, Earl Garrison, Lovette Roberson, Robert McCloud, Avery Roberson, Gene Miller, Leo Garrison (accepted by a letter from Mount Zion Baptist Church of Savannah, Georgia), Eli Rogers (accepted by a letter from Cypress Bay Baptist Church of Lanier, Georgia), Johnnie A. Miller Sr., Robert McGhee, James Miller, David Boyce, Sam Bradley, Stevie Stringer, Dave Williams, Earl Edenfield, and Sister Carolyn Frasier, the first woman.

Our Laymen leadership: Brothers J.D. McMoore, Charlie Jackson, Mack Cochran, Will Simmons, Richard Mckee, Henry Brown, Leo Garrison, Gene Miller, Robert McCloud, and Johnnie A. Miller Sr., and David Williams (presently serving).

Our Women have leadership: Sisters Lucille Brown, Bessie Surrency, Mary Bush, Clara Garrison, Elbertha Smokes, Lettie Stewart, Maggie Miller, Letha M. Lawson, Eula M. Bowers; and Angie Miller.

Ten seasoned Sisters have been designated Church Mothers: Sisters Mary Able Treadway, Annie McKee, Mae Bell Bass, Mamie Simmons, Mandy Rogers, Eula M. Bowers, Letha M. Lawson, and Mary A. Lawrence. Mothers Linda Sparrow, Elnora Corbett, and Ethel M. Collins (presently serving).

Ten members have served as Treasurer: Sister Mary Able Treadway, Deacons Henry Brown, George Bush, Sisters Lettie Stewart, Inez Stewart, Minnie P. Geiger, Deacons James Garrison, Robert McGhee, Dave Williams, and Carolyn Frasier (presently serving).

Nine members served as Church Clerk maintaining the official records: Sisters Minnie H. McMoore, Annie McKee, Bessie Surrency, Elberta Smokes, Mary R. Rogers, Linda Sparrow (Clerk Emerita), Pamela Geiger Baker, Manda Nixon, and Sabrina Simmons (presently serving).

Our Youth have always served at Mount Moriah and the following members have carried the program over as Youth Directors: Sisters Mary Paul, Annie M. Gillard, Miriam Bush, Lula Garrison, Elnora Corbett, Mary A. Lawrence, Mary Ruth Rogers, Lillie Hicks, Debbie Jackson, and Meca Williams-Johnson (presently serving).

Christian Education known as Sunday School has been led by nine leaders as Superintendent: Sisters Mary Able Treadway, Annie McKee, Clara Garrison, Deacon Bobbie Stewart, Sisters Dorothy George, Elberta Smokes, Lettie Stewart, Brother Malcolm Hudson, Sister Angie Miller, Debbie Jackson, and David Williams (presently serving).



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Strengthening Our Relationship with God and Mankind

LEADER: Having been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, and this assembly host solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

RESPONSE: We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

LEADER: We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions, to bring up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

RESPONSE: We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay.

TOGETHER: We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.





CHURCH ANNIVESRARY Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 10, 2022 | 11:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL - THE WORD BECAME FLESH

Lesson Text: John 1:1-14; Time of Action: 26 A.D.; Place of Action: East of the Jordan. Golden Text: "All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made" (John 1:3).

CALL TO WORSHIP

You Reign by William Murphy as inspired by Psalm 8 with Spirit of the Living God as a Chant and The Church Covenant as a Responsive Reading

SERVICE OF LIGHTS

The Altar Candles and tribute, We Are One by Timothy Wright as inspired by Mark 10: 2-16, honor the pioneers of Mount Moriah on this 132nd Church Anniversary

Mount Moriah will utilize all our resources to provide a Christ-centered setting where people in this community can be redeemed to a personal relationship with Christ, reconciled to God and his people, restored to wholeness, to well-being, and revived for a full life involved in service to others. In this church, everyone is welcomed and affirmed. In this community, you can be redeemed, reconciled, restored, and revived.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Great Things by Preshea Hilliard inspired by Ephesians 3:20-21

Offertory Claim - I am a consistent Tither, a Bountiful Sower, and a Cheerful Giver. I have confessed my sins; therefore GOD rebukes the Devourer for my Sake, and GOD makes all Grace abound toward me! Malachi 3:1-11 and II Corinthians 9:5-8

THE LORD'S TABLE OF COMMUNION
This Ordinance of the Church is inspired by 1 Corinthians 11:17–34

HYMN OF PREPARATION

To God be the Glory by Andre' Crouch as inspired by 2 Corinthians 1:20

THE PREACHED WORD Rev. Dr. Francys Johnson

BENEDICTION

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:58



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Black churches are very powerful forces in the African American community and always have been. Because religion has been that one place where you have an imagination that no one can control. And so, as long as you know that you are a human being and nobody can take that away from you, then God is that reality in your life that enables you to know that.

Professor James H. Cone

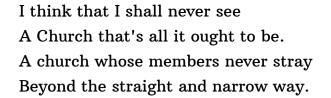
On the second Sunday in March 1890, the Reverend Sampson Eason called together a group for the purpose of having religious services in the Baptist tradition. The persons who established the foundation of Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church were Deacons J.D. McMoore, Claudius Ealy, Will Pee; Brothers Emanuel Smart, Frank Byrd; sisters Sallie McMoore, Annie Able, Mary Able Treadway. They appointed the Second Sunday as Worship Sunday. Unfortunately, Reverend Sampson soon became sick and notified Reverend N.A. Hart to fill his appointment on the second Sunday in April.

Before the second Sunday in May 1890, Mount Moriah's organizer, the Reverend Sampson, passed away. The Reverend Hart continued the organizing work with us until the fourth Sunday in June 1891. Mount Moriah then called the Reverend W.H. Styles, and Brothers J.B. Barry and Lane Walker gathered to organize us into a church. Having no house in which to meet, we obtained permission from the St. John A.M.E. Church of Pembroke, Georgia to organize in their house.

The first members of the newly organized church consisted of Brothers J.D. McMoore, Emanuel Smart, Will Pee, Sisters Annie Able, Sallie McMoore, Mary Neill, and Mary Able Treadway, these having obtained peaceful letters from Saint Phillips Baptist Church of Ellabell, Georgia. The new church was named Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church and the Reverend N.A. Hart was called as the first Pastor. The first candidates for baptism were Brother Daniel Able and Sister Maggie Able.

Since the founding of this body, God has graciously provided 9 under shepards:

- 1. Reverend N.A. Hart (1890–1891) with Reverend W.H. Styles (Not a called Pastor but interim minister serving 1891–1892);
- 2. Reverend W.C. Whitfield (1892-1922);
- 3. Reverend S.M. Walker (1922);
- 4. Reverend J.A. Lockett (1922-1938);
- 5. Reverend C.W. Anthony (1938);
- 6. Reverend A.E. Hagins (1939-1989);
- 7. Bishop K.E. McNeal (1990-1997);
- 8. Reverend R.S. Tremble (1997-2003);
- 9. Reverend Dr. Francys Johnson (1999-Present)



A Church that has no empty pews
Whose preach never has the blues.
A church whose deacons always "deak"
And none is proud, and all are meek.

Where gossips never peddle lies Or make complaints or criticize. Where all are always sweet and kind And all to others' faults are blind.

Such perfect churches there may be, But none of them are known to me. But still we'll work and pray and plan To make this one the best we can













