



46th PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY

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August 2, 2015

7:45AM & 11AM Worship Services

Antioch Baptist Church North

Rev. C. M. Alexander, Pastor

Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, Co-Pastor

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REV. C.M. ALEXANDER: THE MAN IN THE CHAIR

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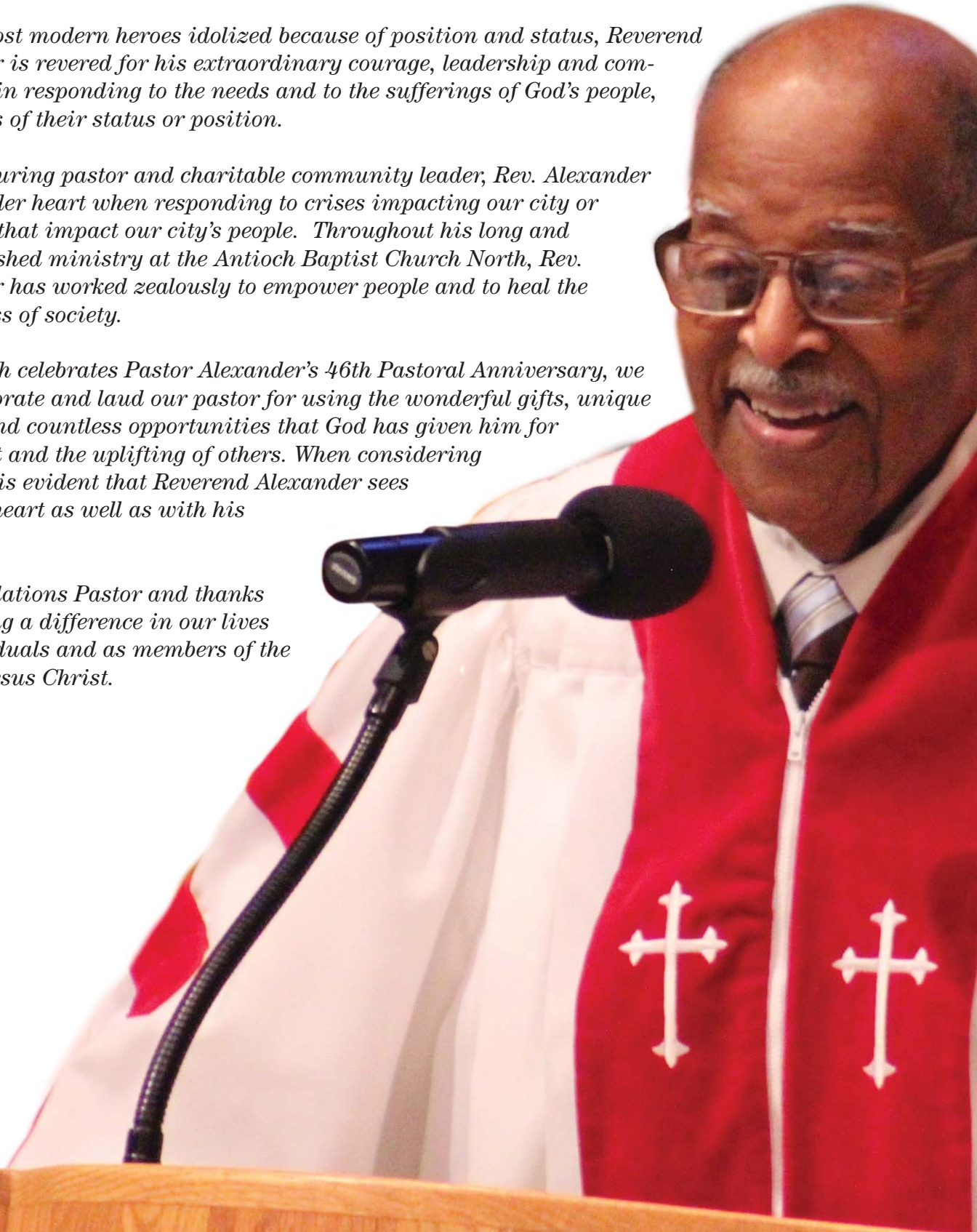
The Reverend Dr. Cameron Madison Alexander is an Atlanta hero! For the past 46 years, he has been a man of relentless courage...a fearless fighter... in addressing the holistic needs of so many of our city's disenfranchised people who are too often counted among the least, the less, and the lost.

Unlike most modern heroes idolized because of position and status, Reverend Alexander is revered for his extraordinary courage, leadership and commitment in responding to the needs and to the sufferings of God's people, regardless of their status or position.

As a nurturing pastor and charitable community leader, Rev. Alexander has a tender heart when responding to crises impacting our city or struggles that impact our city's people. Throughout his long and distinguished ministry at the Antioch Baptist Church North, Rev. Alexander has worked zealously to empower people and to heal the brokenness of society.

As Antioch celebrates Pastor Alexander's 46th Pastoral Anniversary, we commemorate and laud our pastor for using the wonderful gifts, unique talents, and countless opportunities that God has given him for the benefit and the uplifting of others. When considering others, it is evident that Reverend Alexander sees with his heart as well as with his eyes.

Congratulations Pastor and thanks for making a difference in our lives as individuals and as members of the body of Jesus Christ.



A Message from the Pastor

My Brothers and Sisters:

My heart is warm and my emotions are filled with absolute joy this morning as our Church Family gathers for worship and the observance of my 46th Anniversary as Pastor! God has truly blessed me in measures far beyond any of my dreams or aspirations. His blessings have included a wonderful wife and a supportive family, as well as an awesome Church Family that has allowed me to serve as Spiritual Leader for more than four incredible decades. For such blessings, I am truly grateful and humbled beyond belief.

To someone not familiar with the special bond that exists between Antioch and me, forty-six years might seem like a very long time. But for Barbara and me, these past 46 years have been remarkable...filled with grand opportunities steeped in an abiding faith enhanced by multi-generational friendships that have been a source of great personal satisfaction for me as pastor of one of God's best churches.

I certainly want to thank every member of Antioch for my journey and experiences as your pastor. When I arrived in August of 1969, you showered me and my family with love, emotions and promises for a special relationship built upon trust and mutual respect with leverage for me to have spiritual charge of the congregational family. I can honestly report, that the Antioch Congregation kept its promises to me during every step of our incredible journey together. You have allowed me to be the Pastor, preaching the word in season and out of season.

I am excited that the Reverend Rodney K. Turner and the Reverend Johnny H. Flakes, III are a part of our Anniversary Observance. As Sons of Antioch, they have been involved in many of the programs and outreach ministries that have endeared Antioch to the people within this community. Their presence and active participation in this Anniversary Observance is a clear indication of our reach and commitment to the building of God's kingdom.

For the past 46 years, I have tried to lay a solid biblical foundation to guide our evangelistic outreach and our Christian service. That is why our spiritual emphasis and all of our programs have been ***Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led, and Mission-bound.*** Such a foundation has kept us focused and prepared to do God's work in a manner in which God would be pleased.

Antioch, we have had a remarkable journey- both tangible and spiritual. So today, after 46 years of continued servant leadership, I am no ways tired. In fact, your enthusiasm and your energy give me the stamina to continue our journey so we all can hear Him say: "***Servant of God, job well done!***"

Yours in God's service,



Reverend Cameron M. Alexander

46TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY
WORSHIP SERVICES

I like the silent church before the service begins.
By Emerson

The Call to Worship

The Devotion.....Deacons' Ministry

The Special Anniversary Processional.....Pastor and Family, Ministers, Special Guests,
Dancers, and Pastoral Anniversary Committee

The Hymn, #153.....**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**.....Congregation

The Gloria Patri

The Pastoral Tribute from the Music Ministry

7:45AM - Antioch Choir, BWT Verse Speakers, Vessels of Praise Dance Ministry

11:00AM - Antioch Choir, Adult Handbell Choir, Teen Dance Ministry

The Announcements & Recognition of Visitors

THE LITANY OF PRAISE

MINISTER: *Let us stand for our Litany of Praise*

MINISTER: *We are...*

CONGREGATION: *Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led, and Mission-bound*

MINISTER: *We stand on...*

CONGREGATION: *The four pillars; Fellowship, Evangelism,
Doctrine, and Stewardship*

MINISTER: *So, let us...*

ALL: *Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD He is GOD: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the LORD IS good; HIS mercy is everlasting; and HIS truth endureth to ALL generations.*

Psalm 100

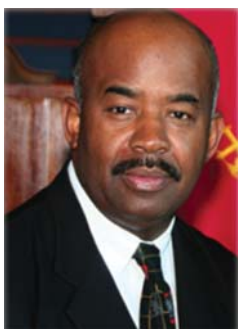
THE DOXOLOGY.....*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

The Offertory Prayer

O God, our Father, we gather this morning to thank you for sending to our congregation a strong and compassionate pastor, the Reverend Cameron M. Alexander. We ask, O Lord, that you will forgive our indifference and neglect and make us responsive to thy call to serve. Help us, Lord Jesus, to remember your blessings to us as we share them cheerfully for the building of your Kingdom on earth. It's in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we ask it all. Amen.

OUR 7:45AM SPEAKER

Rev. Rodney K. Turner



Reverend Rodney Kirk Turner is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. He attended Berean Junior Academy and graduated from Frederick Douglas High School. He obtained his college education at the historical Morehouse College as a sociology and criminology major. At Morehouse, Rev. Turner became a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and served as president for two years. He furthered his biblical education at Carver and Beulah Heights Bible Colleges. In May 2015, Rev. Turner received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity Degree from Carver College in Atlanta, Georgia for his revered work during the past twenty-seven years in the field of Substance Abuse and Outreach Ministries. For nine years Rev. Turner served as the Pastor of Canaan Missionary Baptist Church in Roanoke, Alabama. Presently, he is serving in his twelfth year as the Pastor of Mount Vernon Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia. He is the loving husband to former State Representative LaNett L. Stanley of Atlanta, GA, and a proud father.

As a member of the Antioch Baptist Church North, Rev. Turner served as a spiritual son and student, under the leadership of Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander. Rev. Turner served on staff for 17 years as Antioch's Substance Abuse, AIDS, Prison Ministry and Outreach Coordinator. He was the director of Antioch's first recovery residence for men, the Ananias House, and their first recovery residence for women, Ruth's Place. Rev. Turner is the Founder of Product of the Power Ministry, a biblically based 7-step model of Christian Recovery that fosters help, hope and healing to those suffering with substance abuse issues and other spiritual behavioral disorders.

Reverend Turner presently works with Clark Atlanta University and the Fulton County Judicial system as the senior counselor for Project Redirection, a special program designed to provide alternatives to incarceration for Fulton County non-violent offenders. In addition, he has worked with Juvenile offenders in DeKalb and Fulton Counties. Currently, he is a chaplain for the Fulton County Sheriff Department, and a member of the Georgia Sheriff Association Chaplain's Division.

He served on the Governor's AIDS Task force, the SCLC Wings of Hope Anti-Drug Task Force, and was chosen to participate in a one-year internship at Atlanta West Drug and Alcohol Treatment Center and Methadone Clinic. Rev. Turner also served as the Substance Abuse Coordinator for the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, as a member of the Board of Directors for CARP and as a board member for the CHEM Lab (Creating Healthy Empowered Minds). He currently serves as a board member for Antioch Urban Ministries and is a member of Atlanta Ministers Union.

Reverend Turner has received several major awards including: The Atlanta Dairy Association's Movers and Shakers Award, Antioch Baptist Church North's Man of The Year and Community Service Award, the 2004 Antioch Urban Ministries Mighty Faith Award, the Concerned Black Clergy's Community Service Award, recipient of the 2006 Gospel Choice Chosen Award and recipient of the 2012 God's Trombone Award from Rainbow PUSH. Reverend Turner has authored six books to assist those recovering from sin and substance problems. Many churches around the nation seeking to start Christian based recovery programs have used his seven-step model and materials from his books. He has taught recovery classes in the urban ministries department at Beulah Heights Bible College and he is a faculty member of the General Missionary Baptist Convention Congress of Christian Education. He has also served as a faculty member for the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc. He served as a columnist for the nationally published magazine, *Recovery Solutions*.

With more than twenty-seven years of Christ-centered recovery work, Rev. Turner has helped countless men and women come to Christ, knowing and understanding that to be a Product of the Power is not just a matter of becoming clean and sober, but one having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ which leads to a successful and productive life. He is an advocate for the disadvantaged, the hungry and the homeless in the community; always sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. Reverend Turner's motto is, "Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature, old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new," 2nd Corinthians 5:17.

OUR 11:00AM SPEAKER

Rev. Johnny H. Flakes, III



Reverend Johnny H. Flakes, III is the second child of the three siblings born to the late Reverend Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Flakes, Jr. He is married to the lovely Jacqueline Denise Flakes. They are the parents of two children, a daughter, Braya; and son, Kevin.

Educationally, Reverend Flakes received his elementary and high school education from the Muscogee County School system. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Tuskegee University (Alabama), a Master's degree from the University of Iowa (Iowa City), and a Master of Divinity degree from the Morehouse School of Religion at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

Reverend Flakes earned the distinction of being one of twenty-one students to be nominated by the Interdenominational Theological Center for inclusion in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

Prior to becoming the Senior Pastor of the Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church, Reverend Flakes served as Pastor of the Mount Gilead Missionary Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia. Additionally, he served as Co-Pastor of both Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church of Columbus, Georgia, and the Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church of Phenix City, Alabama.

Reverend Flakes' Ministerial and civic affiliation:

Served as executive board member of the Metro-Atlanta Baptist Minister's Union

Served as First Vice President of the Fifth District of the Congress of Christian Education

Served on the Executive Board of the Atlanta Chapter NAACP

Chairman of current events

Chairman of the Political Action Committee

Co-Chair of the Fellowship of churches committee

Served as a member of the "Concern Black Clergy" of Atlanta, Georgia

Served as the chairman of the publicity committee for the 2005 National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc, GMBC Host Committee, Atlanta, Georgia.

Helped to develop and implement the Atlanta Baptist Minister's Union Institute

Served as a member of the John Amos Cancer Center Advisory Board

Serves as a faculty member of the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education

Served as Vice-President of the East Alabama Association of Congress Education

Served as Chairman of the General Missionary Baptist Congress of Christian Education State of Georgia Chapters

Served as President of the Muscogee County Clergy Association

Served as a board member of the Enrichment Service Program of Columbus, Georgia

Serves as secretary of Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance

Serves as member of the Turner Ministry Resource Center Advisory Board - Pastoral Institute

Serves on the "Right from the Start" Marriage Initiative Advisory Board - Pastoral Institute

Serves on the Columbus Regional Foundation Board

But more importantly, Reverend Flakes serves as the Senior Pastor of the Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church, where his father, the late Reverend Dr. J. H. Flakes, Jr., served as pastor for fifty (50) years.

Reverend J. H. Flakes, III, is a doctrinal teacher and preacher of the Gospel of Jesus the Christ.

A SERVANT OF GOD!

Our Leader for 46 Years

The Leadership Legacy of Dr. Cameron Alexander at the Antioch Baptist Church North

By Brother Barney Simms

As a Church Family, we have been blessed for the past 46 years to have as our beloved pastor, the Reverend Dr. Cameron Madison Alexander. His long and lasting legacy of Christian Service to our congregation and to the greater Atlanta community has been both magnificent because of his many accomplishments and awe-inspiring because of his tireless efforts to bring new converts to Christ. Today all of Antioch is extremely overjoyed to commemorate this historic milestone and also the 61st Anniversary of his preaching ministry.



During the late spring of 1969, the Antioch Congregation was ending an extensive pastoral search and had focused on five final candidates from which to select a pastor to fill the vacant Antioch pulpit. The young Reverend Alexander was invited as a “guest preacher” that Sunday Morning so none of the final candidates would have an edge on the voting process to be held the following Monday evening. His first sermon at Antioch was entitled “There is a Man in Town!”

In retrospect, no one knew then that God in His infinite wisdom had already chosen and brought “the man” to town to fill the void in His pulpit at Antioch. After 46 remarkable years of servant leadership, the “man” is still in town...still preaching the Gospel, baptizing new converts, marrying couples, dedicating babies, celebrating home goings, and caring for “the least of these,” while developing and mentoring ministers, church leaders, and feeding God’s flock.

Always following the lead of the Holy Spirit, Pastor Alexander has led our congregation on an incredible spiritual journey during the past 46 years. That journey thus far has been astounding in its spiritual rewards, extremely beneficial to the causes of Jesus Christ, and to the building of God’s kingdom on earth.

Pastor Alexander’s servant leadership, steeped in strong traditional Baptist values that are Bible-Based, Christ-Centered, Holy-Spirit Led and Mission Bound, has had a profound impact upon the growth and the vitality of our congregation. Born in Atlanta, the son of an “old-fashioned” preacher, Pastor Alexander was educated in the Atlanta Public Schools; graduating from Booker T. Washington High School. He attended Florida A & M University and graduated from Morehouse College where he earned his baccalaureate degree and the Morehouse School of Religion where he earned his Masters of Divinity Degree. When he accepted the Call to Antioch in 1969, he was well prepared for the myriad of difficult challenges that he would face at a church of historical significance faced with a decline in membership.

Even as a young minister, Pastor Alexander knew if Antioch was to be restored into a healthy, strong church, he had to spend time retooling and strengthening its foundation; clarifying in the minds of everyone involved—deacons, trustees, lay leaders and members—exactly why the Church exists! The healing power that our congregation gained from Pastor Alexander’s teachings and preaching during his first five years of leadership were phenomenal. It united us in purpose and prepared us for the most ambitious growth and building programs in our church’s 137 year history.

Pastor Alexander's impact at Antioch was felt immediately upon his arrival! He wasted little time in reuniting the Church's dwindling membership; fostering morale, instituting numerous innovative and varied programs to enlist the entire congregation in Christian works appropriate to interests and specializations. During the early 1970's, he provided leadership for the congregation to amass parcel after parcel of land surrounding the church building for future growth and to accommodate the vision for his exemplary outreach ministry that would holistically address the needs of the congregation and surrounding Fifth Ward Community.

In 1986, when he believed the congregation was ready to build a new worship center, Pastor Alexander commissioned a demographic study which recommended the relocation of Antioch to a more suburban community away from the challenges of the inner city. The study underscored facts that the majority of the membership, which had grown from less than 500 that were here when he arrived to more than 6,000, now resided away from Atlanta's urban core. However, Pastor Alexander decided then that for Antioch to be effective, the Church had to be near the people in need of help and not down some shady tree-lined suburban lane.

To the chagrin of the demographers, Pastor Alexander accelerated his building plans by acquiring 42 additional parcels of land, demolished the existing houses on the properties, and led the congregation in building Antioch's current multi-million dollar worship center and adjoining administrative wing at its same location at 540 Kennedy Street (now named Cameron M. Alexander Boulevard), the very location that the demographers had deemed economically depressed. The new worship center was dedicated in 1990, twenty years after the promise that he made to the congregation shortly after his arrival as pastor. He had made believers of those who were his naysayers.

Pastor Alexander understood clearly that the city and community knew Antioch as "a rock in a weary land" and as a catalyst for change. Since Antioch believed in the intrinsic value and future vitality of its neighborhood location, other viable corporate entities have been built in the area including the Georgia Dome, the enlargement of the Georgia World Congress Center, and the international headquarters for The Coca-Cola Company. Additionally, Antioch has partnered with the Atlanta Development Authority to develop the Northyards Business Park. The City's leadership has since thanked Pastor Alexander for spurring redevelopment in what is often called a depressed area so close to downtown Atlanta.

Under God's direction, Pastor Alexander has been blessed to grow Antioch into a wonderful example of a strong Church that stands as a beacon of hope and an anchor in its community. His ministry combines the trained eye of the academician, the imagination and resourcefulness of the missionary, and the empathetic understanding of the loving pastor. His pulpit style has been described as captivating! Our pastor has both the power and gift of persuasion. The Atlanta Tribune Magazine has described his theology as a "possible collaboration between Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X, from a fusion of their respective emphasis on divine love and divine justice."

Since the early days of his ministry at Antioch, Pastor Alexander has been serious about healing what he calls "the broken society." His compassion for the poor and overlooked has been chronicled and praised in local and national publications. He has been fearless in his efforts to serve those who are all too often counted among the least, the less, and the lost.

In 1991, Pastor Alexander provided visionary leadership for Antioch to acquire the 12-story Walton Hotel in downtown Atlanta for one million dollars and transformed it into apartments for the working homeless. Originally called the Walton House, it has since been renamed the Madison House as a tribute to Pastor Alexander's works for the poor and the disenfranchised. Also in 1991, Pastor Alexander established his nationally acclaimed Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. as the cornerstone of his outreach ministry. A non-profit, charitable organization inspired by the six ministries in the Book of

Matthew, AUMI has provided housing and a variety of supportive services for recovering addicts, and persons with AIDS or who are HIV positive and persons with noninfectious tuberculosis.

Committed to the revitalization of the English Avenue Community where the Antioch congregation has worshipped for the past 137 years, Pastor Alexander established the Bethursday Development Corporation in 1994 as a community development extension of the Antioch Baptist Church North. This non-profit, named to commemorate the Bethursday Prayer Band that was founded by eight former slaves that evolved into our beloved Antioch Baptist Church, has become a major stakeholder and real estate developer in the English Avenue community. The corporation provided leadership in the building of the Gateway Apartment complex, 261 affordable units which features fantastic views of downtown Atlanta, an Olympic size swimming pool, fitness center, and a business center with a 400 car parking deck. Other Bethursday developments and partnerships addressing the affordable housing shortage are scattered across the city.

In 1997, Pastor Alexander led the congregation in purchasing the Selig business plaza (located on Northside Drive adjacent to the worship center) to house the offices and administrative staff for AUMI, the Bethursday Corporation and the Church's Human Services Department.

In 1999, Pastor Alexander encouraged the congregation to purchase surrounding property and a multi-purpose building at 590 North Avenue. Known to the congregation as "the 590," the building hosts a variety of events and is used most frequently for youth activities.

In 2001, Pastor Alexander provided leadership for Antioch's purchase of an additional eleven "prized" acres of land located between Simpson and Kennedy Streets. The purchase was considered a prize inasmuch as several major developers wanted the property. Also, four additional adjacent acres were purchased from the CSX Railroad. These additional acres have expanded the immediate Antioch campus holdings into 38 valuable downtown acres that will support future church growth and prevent the Church from becoming land-locked in the community where the Church has called home for 137 years.

While many congregations, especially those that are as old as Antioch, often split and reorganize for a variety of reasons, under Pastor Alexander's leadership, Antioch has successfully established nine missions, two of which have become strong, thriving congregational churches. These new congregations serve as living testimonies that Pastor Alexander's commitment to the spread of the Gospel and God's teachings are important to him as a person and especially to him as a minister.

Pastor Alexander has become one of the nation's best known Pastors—a pastor's pastor. He is a former Vice President of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. and is the President Emeritus of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. where he served as the body's illustrious president for 29 years. During his long and distinguished legacy of leadership with the GMBC, he served as Host and the General Chairman for the 1985, 1992 and 2005 National Baptist Conventions that were held in Atlanta. In 1994, he served as the Co-Chair for the Reverend Billy Graham's Atlanta Crusade. Also in 1994, Pastor Alexander was a key player and major sponsor in bringing former South African President Nelson Mandela to Atlanta, his first American visit following his release and long ordeal from a South African prison. As his official host, Antioch honored Mandela with a special luncheon in fellowship hall with a guest list that included national and international dignitaries from all walks of life from around the world.

Pastor Alexander played a key role in working with the campaign to elect Atlanta's first African American Mayor, the Honorable Maynard Jackson, who appointed him to serve as the Chairman of the Atlanta Religious Mobilization Against Crime in 1978. Pastor Alexander has served as President of the Operation PUSH, now know as Rainbow Coalition in Geor-

gia, and President and treasurer, respectively, of the Morehouse School of Religion and a trustee of the Morehouse School of Medicine. To celebrate the advent of the new millennium, Pastor Alexander implemented the Community of Faith March through downtown Atlanta (1999) which brought together diverse religious communities.

In recognition of his illustrious ministerial career, Pastor Alexander has been awarded honorary Doctor of Divinity Degrees from the United Theological Seminary (1978), the Interdenominational Theological Center (1991), and from the Carver Bible College (2007). In 2000, his alma mater, Morehouse College, honored him with its prestigious Bennie Award, the highest recognition that the College gives to its most distinguished alumni. His portrait hangs in the Hall of Great Preachers in the Martin Luther King, Jr. International Chapel on the Morehouse College campus. On July 22, 2008, the Atlanta Business League inducted Pastor Alexander into its Legends Hall of Fame. The distinguished honor recognized the significance of Reverend Alexander's influence, good deeds and trailblazing impact on Atlanta's vitality as a great city.

During 2009 a variety of well deserved major recognitions were given to Pastor Alexander as further testament to his influence on the quality of life for citizens in Atlanta and all across Georgia and the nation. In January 2010, he was inducted onto the International Civil Rights Walk of Fame. In February 2010, the Georgia General Assembly honored him with a Resolution. In March 2010, two of his sermons were placed in the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress.

In April 2010, a documentary on Pastor Alexander's "Spiritual Journey" was profiled by the Atlanta Interfaith Broadcast. In July 2010, our own Brother Hank Stewart honored Pastor Alexander during his Eighth Annual White Linen Affair. In September 2010, he was inducted into the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame. In December 2010, the Atlanta City Council approved the re-naming of Kennedy Street to Cameron M. Alexander Boulevard to recognize Pastor Alexander's historical legacy of leadership within the city. Most recently, he was appointed to the Global Advisory Board for the National Center of Civil and Human Rights. As in years past, presidents, governors, senators, mayors and other elected officials continue to seek his counsel and wisdom regularly.

Looking back on his 46 years of servant leadership at Antioch, Pastor Alexander says he is proud of the loyal and consistent support that he has received from his family; especially his beloved wife of 61 years, Barbara (affectionately called "Mrs. A"), and their four children. And of course he dotes on his nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Pastor Alexander is keenly aware of the historical record of strong pastoral leadership that preceded him at Antioch. He is quick to give special recognition to all of the courageous pastors who preceded him as trailblazers upon whose shoulders he proudly stands. He is careful and always vigilant to give God the credit for the wonderful opportunity to serve as His under shepherd at Antioch; saying passionately, "It wasn't me. It was God working through me. God deserves the credit and To God be the glory!"



The Heart of a Woman



An open letter to the Pastor's wife,
Sister Barbara Jackson Alexander

Dear Sis. Alexander:

The heart of a woman is one of the most powerful gifts that God could have given to humankind. In it is placed the power to love, the strength to forgive, the faith to persevere, the Wisdom of Solomon, and the vision to see farther than the horizons. On this journey to become what God had intended for the Christian woman to become, you have become many things to the many people who have found in you a respite, a balm in Gilead, just a joy to be around.

No one typifies the dictates of God's gift more than you, Sis. Barbara.

The ladies of Ruth's Place and the men at Luke's Place know you as "Mother." The wives of the many Sons of Antioch know you as "Mentor." Among many other endearing traits, your children know you as "Friend". Your husband knows you as "Soul-mate." The rest of us who know and love you call you "Orchestrator."

It is inspiring to look back so many years ago to a time when African-American realtors were largely ignored by the white establishment and relegated to certain areas to buy or sell properties. Yet, out of this deprecating and dehumanizing atmosphere emerges Barbara J. Alexander Realty Company, Inc.

It is inspiring to know an African-American Christian woman who was always able to instruct as well as demonstrate how to build a business, a marriage, and a family, ALL TOGETHER, who didn't get it from Ebony or Ladies Home Journal, but from her own personal relationship with God and her trust in Him.

It was always inspiring to share your enthusiasm and generosity as you gave faithfully of your time, business experience, and financial resources to provide help and hope to those whom God had deemed "the least of these." It is so inspiring to see the love, respect, and appreciation in our Pastor's eyes when he introduces his "best friend," "honey" and wife, Sis. Barbara J. Alexander.

The heart of a woman knows God. She knows that it is because of Him that she is able to climb many mountains, cross many valleys, swim deep rivers, and to love uncompromisingly. "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity." I Cor. 13:13

We are deeply appreciative to you, Sister Alexander, for always keeping that Scripture before us. We thank you for becoming and for continuing to be the living example of the faith by which we all strive to live, for the hope that God has instilled in all of us, but most of all for your Christian charity which embraces the low as well as the high.

We don't always take the time to say "Thank You" for all that you have done and for what you have become to us. But we say it today. We thank you for being that pillar of strength upon which your family could and does depend on. We thank you for standing graciously and stalwartly beside our Pastor as he shepherds our congregational family. But, again, most of all, we thank you for always embracing us, the Antioch Family, in your personal ministry to serve the King.

However, this tribute which we present today pales in comparison to the tribute which you pay to God everyday of your life - by becoming a living witness to His goodness and mercy. The real tribute is in you, Mrs. "A". It is in your heart. As you have always shown us many times over...there is no Greater Joy!!

Therefore, please allow us to join you in giving God all the praise, glory, and honor and to thank Him most worshipfully for sending you to us as our First Lady and for His greatest gift - the heart of a woman - who has received the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

We love you.

In the Spirit of our Heavenly Father,
The Antioch Baptist Church North Family

THE PASTORATE

*by the late Rev. Levi Terrill**

Roman 10:15 states: “And how shall they preach, except they be sent?” as it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!” This lyrical scripture states eloquently the mode of transportation of the early preachers. Our pastor, cut from the same mold, has served the pastorate well by bringing the good news to us in our sick rooms, during our lonely hours, during moments of despair, and during our times of confusion.

In Psalms 66:9, God is praised for not suffering our feet to be moved. Those who occupy the pastorate must forever be “steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord...” Reverend Alexander has stood in the gap for forty-six years resisting the wiles of the devil while teaching us to be strong in the Lord. His feet have not moved.

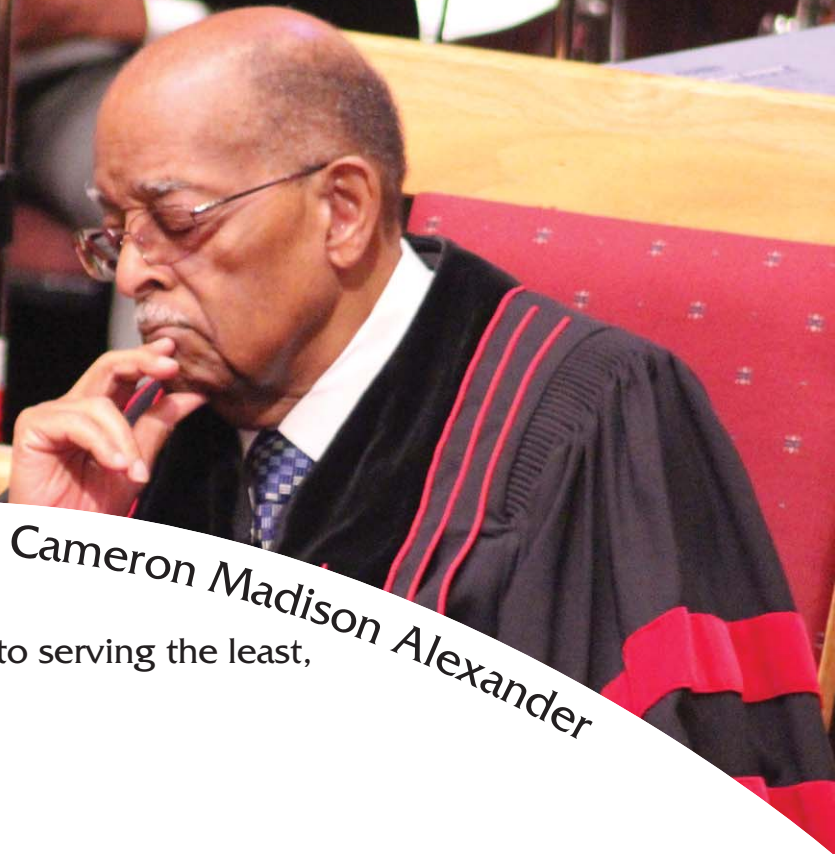
Isaiah 52:7 states: “How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, thy God reigneth!”

The man who sits in the seat of the pastorate must always bring the good news and keep the peace and lead the way to heaven. Our pastor has certainly done that! Reverend Alexander’s forty-six years at Antioch North have been years of peace, joy, prosperity, and obedience for those who dwell herein. His sounding of the good news has pointed the way to salvation for thousands. Our pastor has kept his “feet” shrouded with the preparation of the gospel of peace.

The Pastorate requires strong feet, for the shepherd must lead the flock on the long journey. May the feet of this occupant of Antioch’s Pastorate remain strong, steady, straight, and solid. As his strong voice continues to proclaim God’s Eternal Truth, may his feet forever remain in the “paths of righteousness.”

From today’s vantage point, it is extremely difficult to imagine where our beloved Antioch would be if it had not been for the Lord sending one of His best under shepherds to our pulpit at a time when we needed him most. Just like a tree planted by rivers of water, Reverend Alexander has nurtured within the hearts and souls of the Antioch congregational family a strong belief and persistence that everything having to do with “Church” must be Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led and Mission-bound. Having abided by that basic principle, today, Antioch stands tall as a place of refuge, a stalwart and an uncompromising beacon of hope that sheds a true light of promise in Atlanta at the corner of Northside Drive and Cameron M. Alexander Boulevard.

OUR LEADER FOR 46 YEARS



The Portrait of a Man: Reverend Cameron Madison Alexander

C - He is **C**onscientiously **C**ommitted to serving the least, the less, and the lost

A - He has a servant's **A**ttitude

M - He is **M**agnanimous

E - He is **E**arnest in his Endeavors

R - He is a **R**esponsible leader

O - He is **O**bedient to the call of the Lord

N - He is **N**oble

M - He is a **M**aster administrator

A - He is an **A**dmirable role model

D - He is a **D**iligent steward

I - He is an **I**llustrious Pastor

S - He is **S**teadfast

O - He is an **O**vercomer

N - He is **N**urturing – feeding the flock the Word of God

A - He is **A**vailable to serve

L - He is a **L**oving husband and father

E - He is **E**xhilarant – knowing that the joy of the Lord is his strength. He believes in the power of laughter

X - He is an “e**X**traordinary” man

A - He is a man with **A**ptitude-because he is a scholar and a gentleman

N - He is a **N**ative son of Georgia-who has walked with great men and Women, but still has the common touch

D - He is **D**edicated, **D**etermined, and **D**ependable

E - He is **E**nergetic

R - He is a **R**esilient runner for God

THIS IS THE CHARACTER OF OUR LEADER

THE REVEREND CAMERON MADISON ALEXANDER



Rev. Dr. Kenneth B. Martin



August 2, 2015

Dear Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander,

Congratulations as you celebrate your forty-six years of being the shepherd and pastoring at Antioch Baptist Church North, Atlanta, GA and preaching for sixty-one years exhibiting dedication, untiring commitment and distinguished service.

We commend you and the Antioch Baptist Church North Family for the valuable roles you have played in making a difference in the lives of countless men, women, boys and girls in your community, city, state, nationally and abroad. We applaud you for your outstanding leadership and the many souls that have come to Christ as result of your powerful preaching and teaching.

Antioch Baptist Church North is a great supporter of our Convention. Thank you for your love for the convention and charitable spirit.

We pray that this time of special recognition, reflection and appreciation will be a joyful celebration for you, your family, church family and friends. It is my sincere hope and prayer that you will be inspired and encouraged to keep the Church moving through these challenging times with a changeless commitment to your faith.

We extend best wishes for success in all of your endeavors.

Yours in God's service,

Kenneth Martin

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August 2, 2015



To: Reverend Cameron Madison Alexander

It is with great joy and honor that I extend a heartfelt thanks and congratulations to my pastor, Rev. Cameron Madison Alexander for his 46 years of service to our church and 61 years of preaching the gospel. 1 Timothy 5:17 best describes the labor and honor of a great leader, "Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in the word and doctrine." I join with the members of the State Senate and the Great State of Georgia in honoring Rev. Alexander, a pillar and shepherd in our community.

I am blessed to celebrate my pastor, who is loved and well known nationally and internationally. His dedication and commitment to serving the Lord has been an inspiration to our church and the community. I am proud of his teaching and preaching for my family and I for 46 years. I credit him for his prayers, guidance and direction in my political life for 23 years.

My family joins me in congratulating Rev. Alexander for 61 years of preaching the gospel and 46 years at Antioch Baptist Church North, where I accepted my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I love you and God Bless you and the entire Alexander family.

Sincerely,

*Your State Senator
District 34*

Our Pastor

By: THE YOUTH MINISTRY

"He is the Best!"

Armoni - 4

"I like to read about God."

David - 5

"Church is Good!"

Ian - 3

"He is a good Pastor when it is time to do the prayer. Always looking on our right side. He shouts so we can hear him nice and loud and clear."

Blake - 4

"He is the President of the church. He brings joy and kindness to us. He has a great mind."

Riley - 5

"He preaches and says all the words to God. He gives thanks to God."

Tiffany - 5

"I like church and to praise the Lord. He tells us things about Jesus"

Sydney - 5

"He is a really nice Preacher."

Bryson - 8

"He is the best Pastor ever."

Ryahn - 8

"He is a really nice Preacher."

Bryson - 8

"He is Lovable."

Quashawn - 10

"He is a Good Pastor!"

Jaurice - 8

"He is an Awesome Preacher"

Lyric - 7

"A Good Influence"

Preston - 11

"He makes me feel like I want to be a Pastor like him."

William - 8

"He means love."

Cameron - 10

"He is a Good Speaker!"

Eli - 9

"A great speaker and we learn so much from him."

Aianna - 7

"I like the Nursery."

Dylan - 3

"He is the best Preacher in the world."

Armari - 6

"I like the Nursery"

Nathan - 6

"He is my Role Model."

Olivia - 10

"He is a great preacher."

Elijah - 10

"He is a Good Preacher."

Kolby - 10

"He is the best Pastor!"

Joshua - 9.5

"He is awesome-"My Pastor"

Micheal - 12

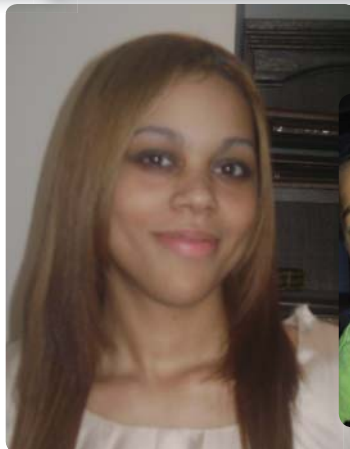
"He makes me understand the word of God because sometimes I don't understand when I read the Bible."

Elizabeth S. - 1 3

"He helped me in the past years to learn about the Word of God. He also taught me about forgiving others and he is kind to people."

William S. - 12

The Alexander Family



Because Antioch Cares...

TELEPHONE HOPE LINE MINISTRY offers prayer and confidential support. The phone number is 404-522-HOPE(4673).

HUMAN SERVICES MINISTRY

For the week ending July 25, 2015, 578 bags of food were distributed. A total of 13,900 pounds of food was distributed, and 294 meals served to AUMI residents.

CLOTHING BANK

Twenty-nine (29) families received goods through the Clothing Bank.



8TH ANNUAL CMA GOLF CLASSIC

On behalf of Rev. Herman Cain and Sis Myrna White, the co-chairs of the **8th Annual CMA Golf Classic**, we are excited to invite you to a day of fun on the green! It's happening on Saturday, August 15, at the Eagles Landing Country Club. Golfers of all experience levels are invited. Whether you want to gather a team of four and compete for the coveted Eagle Trophy or you want to brush up on your golf skills at the clinic with expert golf instructors, you're sure to have an awesome time! This year, a new bonus tennis clinic has been added for players of all skill levels. For more information and to register for this event, please contact Benny Williams through the church office. All proceeds will support the Antioch Urban Ministries. See more information at www.antiochnorth.org.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School Ministry requests your presence at Sunday School. Today's lesson is **"The Rescuer Comes"** The scripture comes from **Isaiah 59: 15-21**. We have classes for every age group, so we look forward to seeing you in Sunday School at 10:00am today. All college students are encouraged to attend the College Student's class in room 4. The lesson for next Sunday will be **"Doing Justice", Jeremiah 7:1-15**.

BOYS TO MEN!

The newly established Malachi Ministry of Antioch cordially invites all fathers, sons, uncles, nephews, grandfathers, grandsons, godfathers and mentors to a special breakfast fellowship entitled "Boys to Men" on Saturday, August 8, at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. The purpose of the fellowship is to encourage communication, trust and Christian participation. This event will also serve as the initial kick off for the ministry. Please sign up today after each service in the narthex or on Wednesdays before and after Bible Study. For more information please contact Brother Andre Stephney through the church office at 404-688-5679.

TERRY WEST BIBLE CLASS

Members and friends are encouraged to join the Terry West Bible Class every Wednesday morning, from 10am to 12 Noon in Burden's Rest. Come share in the fellowship and study the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. We are currently studying the Book of Job. You are also invited to remain for the Noonday Worship Service.

THE WOMANHOOD OF ANTIOCH FALL RETREAT

The Womanhood of Antioch will host a **Fall Retreat**, October 16, 17 and 18, 2015 in Orange Beach, Alabama. The theme is **"Standing on the Promises"** and the Scripture reference is Jeremiah 29:11, **"For I know the plan I have for you."** Our keynote speakers are Ms. Cynthia Butler McIntyre and Mrs. Lanette Thomas Kidd. For further info, see the Retreat Committee in the narthex.

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

Weekly Prayer Meeting and Bible Study is held at the Church every Wednesday evening. For your convenience, dinner is served at 5pm and Bible classes begin at 6:15pm. These classes provide instructional and training opportunities to gain deeper insights into the teachings of Jesus Christ. At 7pm, Pastor Alexander will lead the Prayer Meeting and provide guidance and spiritual insights into meaningful ways in which we can strengthen our personal relationships with God.

Care & Comfort Ministry Sick & Shut-In List

Members in Hospitals

Sis. Irene Hudgins – Piedmont Hospital
Sis. Tyren Stone – Emory Hospital Decatur, Rm. E-1012

Members in Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation Centers

Sis. Alice Arline – Brightmoor Senior Living, Griffin, GA, Rm. 310
Bro. Thirus Brinkley – Manor Care of Decatur, Decatur, Rm. 149
Sis Robertine Bryant – UniHealth Post-Acute Care, Decatur, Rm. 216
Mother Mattie Chivers - Summerset Assisted Living, Atlanta Rm. C-110
Sis. Lillian Edinburgh – Genesis Healthcare, Upper Riverdale Rd, Rm. W16
Sis. Bettye Harris – Nursecare of Buckhead, Atlanta Rm. 205
Sis. Billie Hartley – College Park Healthcare Center, Rm. 215
Mother Mary Hood – Signature Healthcare of Buckhead, Rm. 406
Sis. Ruby Snyder – Bud Terrace Rehab, Rm. 221
Dea. Ronald Smith – Signature Healthcare of Buckhead, Rm. 204
Bro. Dallas Tucker – Sadie G. Mays Rehabilitation Center, Atlanta, Rm. C-9
Mother Lula West – Traditions Health and Rehab, Rm. G-11
Sis. Roselle Wright – UniHealth Post-Acute Care, Fairburn, Rm. 109

Members Convalescing at Home

Bro. Michael Adams	Sis. Minnie George	Sis. Cynthia Price
Sis. Zeporia Alexander	Bro. Paul Graham	Bro. Richard Ragland
Sis. Rosa Ashe	Rev. Marion Green	Bro. Fred Samuels, Jr.
Sis. Evelyn Battle	Bro. Randall Griffin	Sis. Candace Scott
Bro. Robert Brown	Bro. Michael Holmes	Mother Ernestine Shaw
Dea. Nesby Cain	Bro. Donald Hutson	Mother Rosa Smith
Sis. Ayanna Clark	Mother Elizabeth Johnson	Sis. Pamela Starks
Bro. Eddie Clark	Bro. Rufus Kelly	Sis. Tyren Stone
Bro. Henry Claybrook	Sis. Emma Lewis	Sis. Vivian Walker
Sis. Miriam Crawford	Bro. Phillip Lyde	Sis. Mae Weaver
Sis. Dora Dallas	Sis. Sylvia McClain	Sis. Annette Webb
Sis. Alice Debate	Sis. Lisa Mobley	Mother Lillie Willis
Sis. Doris Dennis		

*Beloved, I wish above all things
that thou mayest prosper and be
in health, even as thy soul pros-
pereth.*

3 John 1:2

Worship Service Coordinator:

7:45am & 11am - Bro. Rodney Thompson

Security Chiefs on duty:

7:45am-Bro. Larry Parks

11am-Bro. Julius Simmons

Trustees on duty:

7:45am-Sis. Naomi Floyd

11am-Bro. Michael Williams

Health Professionals on duty:

7:45am-Dr. Dorothy Wiggins

11am-Sis. Felicia Jackson

