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## UFCCM HQ Jurisdiction The Messenger and Fellowship Newsletter







A Short Note from the Editor Please note that this edition of the UFCCM HQ Jurisdiction Messenger and Fellowship Newsletter will be an abbreviated issue with inspirational and informative articles designed to uplift and encourage you as we begin this new year, along with relevant and current announcements. We will plan to move to a tri-monthly format to capture the events more adequately within our UFCCM HQ Jurisdiction. Our next regularly scheduled edition will be published in April 2021. We are asking that you please send articles, photos, and announcements into HQ that you would like to have published in the newsletter no later than April 1, 2021!

Some Encouraging Words From The Editor-Mother Bishop Shirley Tindal : "Continue to Move Forward By Faith"

Greetings All in the most precious and glorious name of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ of God! What a blessing it is to be able to say, "the Lord has kept us another year and has allowed us to see this new year of 2021!" The Winans Brothers sang a song many years ago, that said "millions did not make it, but thank God I was one of the ones who did!"

As we reflect over the struggles and challenges that many of us faced in 2020, we now look forward to what lies ahead in 2021. We think of what the psalmist David declared to us in Psalms 27: 1, *"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear. The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"* 

What powerful verses the psalmist shares during a time of distress, hopelessness, and trouble. David reaffirms his faith in God, and is daily strengthen by the powerful words that God speaks to his heart. Having trusted in God before, he knows first-hand the faithfulness of God to deliver those who have completely devoted themselves to the Lord.

Remember that in the time of wickedness and trouble and even when men rise up against you, David declared that "When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell" (Psalms 27:2). Our God is forever faithful and "...in the time of trouble he will hide me in his pavilion"... Therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord" (Psalms 27:5a-6b). David understood that when we rejoice, our focus moves from our problems and troubles to the goodness and greatness of God! We think about His power and majesty, and we are reminded that nothing is too hard for Him. So, as we begin to make plans, decisions, and choices for this coming year, remember that our God is faithful to carry us through as we "Continue to Move Forward by Faith"!

Take a moment today and sign up for the <u>"Feasts of Israel Course"</u> that will be presented by Bishop Tindal Ministries. This course begins Monday February 1, 2021. <u>Please visit the website www.ufccm.org</u> for more information and to register! You will not want to miss this informative and exciting course that will enrich you both spiritually and intellectually! Do not hesitate- do it today!





Words of Encouragement from our UFCCM Ecumenical Patriarch, Bishop Henry A. Tindal, Sr.



### A New Year Prayer for Wisdom

God, Give me wisdom from your truths, fill me with a desire to faithfully follow you, more than any other thing. Thank you that you are far greater than whatever I may face in the day. Thank you that your presence goes with me and that your joy is never dependent on circumstances, but it is my true and lasting strength. I ask for your peace to lead me and for your **grace** and goodness to cover my life this day. Let your Spirit and power breathe in me and through me again, fresh, and new.

### What will you get done in 21?

A New Year is here. As you make plans for things you would like to accomplish in this year 2021, the real question is "what will you get done in 21?" I want to offer a few suggestions to help you **GET IT DONE IN 21**.

- 1. Realize that you can only accomplish your goals by understanding that you must completely rely on the Lord and not wholly on yourself. Philippians 4:13 states "*I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.*"
- 2. Plan your work and work your plans. Proverbs 6:6:says "Go to the ant, though sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise." (I wonder why Solomon referred to the ant in the feminine sense).
- 3. Ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in making your plans. Proverbs 16:7 states *"When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him."*
- 4. Believe that the Lord will reward you with victory in your desires. The Lord Jesus promised in Mark 11:24 *"Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."* Notice that Jesus speaks as if it is **done when you ask**!
- 5. See (visualize) it as done. The words of the Lord Jesus in John 14:14 are *"If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it."* Faith sees the invisible!
- 6. What are you waiting for?

# Díd You Know?

### THE NAMES OF GOD

In Hebrew thought, a name was not just a way of identifying a person, it was a way of revealing his or her very identity and essence. It is the same with the names of God - only in Scripture, God's identity is expressed not just in one name but in many. Each name of God is like a curtain on a window. When the curtain is drawn back, the name becomes more fully known and glimpses of God can be seen. An example of this can be found in Exodus 3:13-22 when Moses asks God what is his name? Was he just asking what he should call God? No, he was asking, "Who are you? Describe yourself yourself?" God doesn't just say I am God. He explains that he is eternal, the God of the Jewish people, a God of compassion who has taken notice of Israel's captivity and who will free them. Moses asked for a name. He was given an expression of God's compassion and his desire to free his people.

The word *EI* appears as an ordinary name of God in Assyrian and Phoenician language as well as in the Hebrew language. As a name of God, *EI* is used chiefly in poetry and prophecy. It is the most common of the names of God, used thirty-two times in the first chapter of Genesis alone, and twenty-five hundred times in the Tanakh (the Jewish Old Testament). The root meaning of the word is unknown. The most probable theory is that it may relate to the old Arabic verb *alih (*"to be perplexed, afraid, to seek refuge because of fear). *Elohim* would therefore translate as "he who is the object of fear or reverence (or he with whom one who is afraid takes refuge).

Here are some of the familiar names that have been used to identify specific attributes and characteristics of God:

- El Elyon- God the Most High,
- El Shaddai- God Almighty,
- El Olam- everlasting God,
- El Hai- Living God,
- El Roi- God of seeing,
- *El-Elohel Yisra' el-* God, the God of Israel, and *El Gibbor* Mighty God.

As children of God, we certainly can use these powerful names when we are approaching our Lord Jesus the Christ of God in prayer and praise!

Source: Davis Stern from the Complete Jewish Bible, 1998

#### Abbreviated Message from Saturday January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Laity Training Broadcast, presented Bishop Tindal

Subject: Jesus the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith. Scripture: Hebrews 12: 1-2 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, (2) fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

This great cloud of witnesses warned that along the way temptations will come to entice you to succumb to hindrances and or yield to easily besetting sins- which Solomon described in Canticles 2:15 as *"little foxes that spoil the vines"*, sins that may seem to be insignificant but are designed to destroy faith. These so called "little things" which can so easily beset, can confuse the mind, trigger frustration with the journey and cause spiritual shortsightedness.

Continue to Move Forward by Faith. To run the race with patience or perseverance you need to emulate JESUS, the Pioneer, and Perfecter of Faith. To be like HIM you need to KEEP your EYES on HIM! These two verses are often used to encourage Christians who are either young in their faith, preparing to begin the race, or those who are older, who have been enduring the race for a long time, and are growing weary. They are a helpful reminder for all Believers to look to Christ, who has experienced the same kind of suffering and temptation that we have, yet without sin. Hebrews 4:15 assures us that, "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet he did not sin."

Whether it was forty days of fasting and being tempted at his physically weakest, or walking on a storm lashed sea, or agonizing in the Garden of Gethsemane with sweat falling from his brow as great drops of blood, or enduring the horrors of the brutality of the cross, JESUS continued to Move Forward by Faith!

It took the Pioneer, and the Perfecter of Faith to accomplish what Jesus accomplished, and rightfully, the writer of Hebrews said in Chapter 2 verse 10, "For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering"

### News from Around the UFCCM HQJ Jurisdiction

### **!!!UFCCM LAITY NETWORK** CONNECTION!!!

### **NEW IN 2021**

Please mark your calendars!!! February 27, 2021 at 11:00 AM will mark the beginning of a new ministry initiative of the UFCCM Ministry of Laity Training. This new initiative is called:

### UFCCM LAITY NETWORK CONNECTION.

It is specifically designed as an opportunity for UFCCM laity to network via Zoom for the purpose of fellowship, sharing, and learning from and about each other across the UFCCM.

UFCCM LAITY NETWORK CONNECTION, co-hosted by Elder Bea Emmerson, Midwest Jurisdiction, and Teacher Margaret Tindal, will feature topics of general interest to the laity, opportunities for laity to share what they are doing in their churches and ministries, introducing, and highlighting accomplishments by and among UFCCM laity, and strengthening the bonds of fellowship among UFCCM laity.

More information will be forthcoming on the UFCCM website at <u>www.ufccm.org</u>.

Stay tuned!!!

Teacher Margaret Tindal, Chairlady of Laity

# First Church of FPD in Baltimore &

### KCCM in Rock Hill, South Carolina

Overseer Henry Tindal. Jr., and Pastor Atia Watkins along with their congregations prayed the old year of 2020 out and prayed in the New Year of 2021 via ZOOM. What a wonderful time we had lifting up the name of Jesus and thanking him for how he brought us through another year! Many of the saints have successfully completed 12 days of feasting and praying. There are still others who have embarked upon the Daniel Fast - some for 14 days and others for 40 days. We pray that El Shaddai will strengthen each one as they continue this sacrificial journey to draw closer to the Lord!

### The Reconstruction Church in Brockton, MA

His Grace Bishop Hobson along with the wonderful saints in TRC, continue to be faithful in both their Sunday worship services as well as their weekly Bible studies. We look forward to the time when we can meet face to face with the entire UFCCM Jurisdiction!

### UFCCM Headquarters Jurisdictional Advent Season Fellowship ZOOM Meeting on Friday December 11, 2020!

We thank God for such a wonderful time of blessing and fellowship during our HQ Advent Meeting! Elder Glenda Cooper brought a wonderful and encouraging word about the Advent season and what it means. She spoke to us from Psalms 23. We had representatives from every church on the jurisdiction telling us about their favorite Advent Season scripture and what it meant to them! What powerful and inspirational words that came forth. Our Ecumenical Patriarch shared with us the "real meaning" behind the 12 Days of Christmas! Our Pastors, Bishop Hobson, Overseer Tindal, Elder Atia Watkins, along with Bishop Brown from New Jersey and our special guest Bishop Marion Davis who visited us from Killeen, Texas; took their time and gave wonderful remarks at the close of our meeting. We thank God for a powerful meeting!



# From the Archives of Bishop Tindal's Daily Reflections-A Word From The Word

"For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." (Hebrews 4:15 KJV) "Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted." (Hebrews 2:18 NIV)

### HE DID SO THAT YOU CAN ESCAPE

Does it sometimes seem that the temptations with which you must resist and or overcome are more than it seems you are able to bear? **To "just say no," is not always enough to receive the deliverance that you need.** Your mind may say no, but other powers within you usually want to lead you contrary to doing what is right. You may even experience that feeling that your "case" is unique and no one else knows your struggle. We learn in the Scriptures above, from the book of Hebrews that we have a High Priest, who understands **completely** the temptations to which we are subjected. This High Priest, after the highest order of Priesthood, that of Melchizedek "was in all points tempted, like as we are..." This High Priest is our Lord Jesus. "*And God designated him to be a High Priest in the order of Melchizedek*." (Hebrews 5:10 NLT)

In fact, the temptations that Jesus endured were greater than any we will ever have to face. In the Synoptic Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke it is recorded that Jesus was personally tempted in the wilderness by Satan. He overcame them and made a way or us to overcome Satan's temptations as well. "*The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure.*" (1 Corinthians 10:13 NLT)

In this same passage in the KJV it says, "*There hath no temptation taken you, but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.*" (I Corinthians 10:13) The beauty here is not only will the way be made for you to escape but also bear the temptation. It is no joy being tempted. Thank God for his provisions for our escape from the devil's temptation. Always watch and pray, because if Satan fails on one hand, he will try on another, but, take heart in knowing that God's got you covered, and you are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. "Nay, in all these things we are more *than conquerors through him that loved us.*" (Romans 8:37)

# A Few Things to Remember

### **UFCCM Summary of Dates -Please Mark Your Calendars!**

- 2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE—JUNE 23-25, 2021-- MILWAUKEE, WI @ NEW BETHEL, MIDWEST JURISDICTION, HOST, BISHOP WILLIAM A. STRONG, (pending status of vaccinations, may be Virtual with same dates)
- CONSECRATION OF BISHOP -ELECT BEVERLY HAYWOOD—SATURDAY JUNE 26, 2021, FOND DU LAC, WI @ 12:00 NOON CDT
- 2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE—JUNE 22-24, 2022—CHARLOTTE, NC, HQ JURISDICTION, HOST, BISHOP SHIRLEY A. TINDAL
- 2023 ANNUAL CONFERENCE—JUNE 21-23, 2022—MONROE, LA @ GREATER REALNESS, SOUTHWEST JURISDICTION, HOST BISHOP DON G. BANKS
- UFCCM LAITY TRAINING BROADCAST ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISER— APRIL 10-30, 2021
- REMIND ALL LICENSED CLERGY/MINISTRY MEMBERS REGARDING REQUIREMENT FOR ANNUAL UFCCM LICENSE <u>RENEWAL- DUE MARCH</u> <u>30, 2021</u>
- THE UFCCM ANNUAL CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE HAS BEEN REACTIVATED IN PREPARATION FOR CONFERENCE 2021. MOTHER BISHOP SHIRLEY TINDAL WILL BE CONTACTING ALL MEMBERS WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

\*\*Please noted that the members from the UFCCM Southeast Jurisdiction will be joining us in our various HQ Jurisdiction activities as Mother Bishop Shirley Tindal will temporarily preside while His Grace Bishop JG Kramer has been granted a 6-month sabbatical. It is our pleasure to welcome all of our Southeast Affiliates as they fellowship with us during this time!

### **Prayer List**

- Bishop Betty Brown
- Bishop Ronald Hobson and family
- Mother Elizabeth Kramer
- Pastor Atia Watkins and family
- The entire UFCCM Fellowship

Please Note- the next UFCCM 24 Hour Prayer Meeting will take place on Friday January 29<sup>th</sup> to Saturday January 30<sup>th</sup> .

UFCCM HQ Jurisdiction prayer time slot is <u>12 Midnight Friday January</u> <u>30<sup>th</sup> to 6:00 AM Saturday January 30<sup>th</sup>.</u> We are asking that you please sign up early to select a time slot to pray. It can be 30 minutes or 60 minutes - just send in your request. We have some who have already selected a time slot and we thank you! Remember that prayer changes things, people, and situations!

Please note that the new mailing address for the UFCCM Headquarters Office is: UFCCM HQ, P.O. Box 481056, Charlotte, NC 28269-9598

### **HQ Jurisdiction Officers**

Overseer James Brooks HQ Director of Evangelism and Outreach

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Elder Loretta Brooks Liaison for Laity Training and BYKTOA

Bro. Chandler Tindal Youth Reporter Bro. Christian Tindal Assistant Youth Reporter Please note that many of our churches are offering their services online, via Facebook Live, Live stream, Conference Call, ZOOM, and You Tube. We are excited that we have access to this technology so that we can stay connected to one another. **But remember when you are in a live stream such as Conference Calling or ZOOM- remember to PUT YOUR DEVISE ON MUTE!** This is particularly important because the microphones on our devises ( iPhones, computer, or iPads) are extremely sensitive and the audience can hear the slightest sounds that are made in the background. Also, if you are running two devises (computer and phone) you get a large amount of feedback which disables the audience from clearly hearing the speaker.

\*\*\*\*Please note that our Jurisdictional Newsletter will be published tri monthly. If you have any articles, announcements, birthday wishes, event photos, poetry, or any church news to share, please forward that information directly to <u>secretarygeneral@ufccm.org</u>. The deadline for our April issue is April 1, 2021. If you are interested in assisting with this endeavor, please send an email with your information (tell us a little something about yourself and why you would like to assist). Please include your church affiliation, Pastor's name, special talents that you may have, and how you can be reached.

Love and Blessings,

**Mother Bishop Shirley Tindal**