## New Mt. Olivet VOICE

Bishop Hopeton W. Mair, Sr., Pastor • Bishop Van Bynum, Sr., Assistant Pastor

## VOICE OF THE EDITOR





Missionary Marlene McNeil

The year Twenty-Twenty-one has come to an end, but this is just new beginnings for us as we continue to MOVE FORWARD in Jesus. So many obstacles have come our way for the past few years, but we have weathered the storms and came out victorious. The fire came and we were displaced for a while. Then the pandemic happened and we had to choose other platforms of worship. Yes, the mountains did rise up, but we did not falter, because the Lord ordered our steps to keep marching forward. The Lord is doing a new thing in His Church and we can decide to get off the train or keep riding the train to the end. We cannot afford to let our past keep us from Marching forward, but like Paul told the Philippians, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before." Philippians 3:13. We might not understand what God is doing, but one thing we must do is to trust God and keep marching forward.

As the new year approach, let's be persistent in pressing our way forward. We are living in serious times and our very lives are at stake. There are so many variables in this life, but we must stay constant and immoveable. Every day, we are moving closer to the coming of the Lord and things are starting to get weirder and weirder. The presence of evil is so blatant and encompassing. Many things that use to be hidden by the enemy has now become the norm. All we can do now is pray without ceasing and stay save and ready. Like Paul, let us press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:14

## VOICE OF THE BISHOP



**Bishop Hopeton Mair** 

## **Moving Forward**

The Church of God is in a challenging time of moving into a high realm of Spirituality. The power of God which is in us is greater than all the instabilities and the distractions that come to challenge us. This COVID-19 is a main distraction to many of the believers who have developed more fear for the virus than the fearing God who can destroy both body and soul. Thank God for those who God is using to help us move forward electronically via line and ZOOM. The gates of hell would love to see Mt. Olivet shut down, but that will never happen. The writer says though the billows dash and spray, with a conquering tread, we will push ahead and roll the sea (obstacles) away. God/Jesus is our leader and I have learned from HIM to always have God's people best interest at heart. Going forward means that we do the right things every day. Going forward means we do not wrestle with flesh and blood, but we resist the devil so that he can flee away. The devil and his angels are our true enemies, and they cannot prevail against us Paul let us know that when we are living godly, we will suffer persecution. Some people in the church are evil and will get more evil to the point that they are deceiving themselves and others. II Timothy 3:12-13. I have learned that going forward means you will have to bless those who are trying to mar your character in the hearts and minds of others. Going forward means you will respect those who have been disrespecting you. Going forward means you are quick to forgive those that say all manner of evil against you for God's name sake. Going forward means you do good prayers for those that despitefully use you and persecute you. Going forward means saved folks do not pray evil prayers on anyone but are quick to forgive and move on. Going forward means you do not take revenge because that is God's territory; however, you put the evil one in God's hand and leave them there so that they change and do the righteous things.

Finally, going forward means you do not let evil engulf your heart and mind, but you overcome evil by doing good to the evil ones. Romans 12:21. God bless you!

## VOICE OF THE ASSISTANT PASTOR





In the beginning God created all things. As creation came into being, day one through day six, God said it was good. He never went back to add or subtract, God just moved forward. The clock cannot be rewind and words that are spoken cannot be retracted into our vocal cords. God has designed time to move forward.

I had a conversation with a friend some time ago and the statement was made, and I quote, "If I could go back and do things over again, I would do things a lot different and make different choices." You and I know that is impossible. If that were possible perhaps many others would do the same. We cannot comprehend the chaos that would cause. God in His great plan did not design things that way.

Bishop Van Bynum, Sr

Just as Adam was not permitted to go back into the Garden of Eden in Genesis, Chapter 3. God drove out Adam and placed at the East of the garden Cherubim and a flam-

ing sword to keep Adam from going back.

We cannot rewind the clock and go back in the past and change history. We must move forward. In Moving Forward, we must be conscious of the past, not dwelling on it, but prayerfully asking God to direct our every step. We must live so that what we do today will please God if he should call us home. We must do as Paul said to the Church in Philippi (Philippians 3:13-14 and I quote "Brethren I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." We can repent for the past sins by faith, but then MOVE FORWARD.

Brethren, let us keep Moving Forward!

## VOICE OF PRAYER

## Missionary Donna Archer



Almighty God, the Creator of Heaven and earth; our Omnipotent God. We praise and adore you for your goodness and your mercy towards us. Our purpose is to serve you Lord. Help us to live a life that will be pleasing to you at all times.

Oh Lord empower us to move forward in the name of Jesus no matter what is going on around us. Let us not get distracted. Lord, order our steps and help us to keep faith. Regardless our challenges, we are moving forward in the name of Jesus. Lord, continue to keep us in the palms of your hands. Thank you Lord for everything that you have done in our lives and for what you continue to do. I say thank you in Jesus Name I pray Amen.

## Mount Olivet Church of Jesus Christ Kingston, Jamaica

The church continue to Move forward as Elder Khani Stephenson was Consecrated to the office of Interim Pastor of the Mount Olivet Church of Jesus Christ, Kingston, Jamaica on Sunday, December 5, 2021.



# **COVID-19** Infections Increase Risk

HEALTH CORNER

## of Serious Heart Conditions Up to a Year Later By WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS FEBRUARY 13, 2022

An in-depth analysis of Federal health data indicates that people who have had COVID-19 are at increased risk of developing cardiovascular complications within the first month to a year after infection. Such complications include disruptive heart rhythms, inflammation of the heart, blood clots, stroke, coronary artery disease, heart attack, heart failure, or even death.

Such problems occur even among previously healthy individuals and those who have had mild COVID-19 infections, according to the study, from researchers at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis and the Veterans Affairs St. Louis Health Care System.

But most remarkably, people who have never had any heart problems and were considered low risk are also developing heart problems after COVID-19," he added. "Our data showed an increased risk of heart damage for young people and old people; males and females; Blacks, whites and all races; people with obesity and people without; people with diabetes and those without; people with prior heart disease and no prior heart disease; people with mild COVID infections and those with more severe COVID who needed to be hospitalized for it."

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#### December 30, 2021

#### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY WHAT ARE YOU **MANIFESTING?**

When, you see a car, you know that the purpose of a car is for driving you where you want to go. When, you see a house, you know that the purpose of a house is for shelter from the elements. When, people look at us as saints, what are we manifesting (able to be seen: clearly shown or visible)? Do they see the works of the flesh manifested in us, or do they see the fruit of the spirit manifested in us?

#### Galatians 5:19-21

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

#### Galatians 5:22-24

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts."

**TFTD Ministry** Mt. Olivet Apostolic Churches

## Youth have a VOICE! - Staying in the Holiday Spirit

Our Youth department presented the JOY of Christmas as they enacted the birth of Jesus. The youth was able to portray to us why we celebrate the birth of Jesus and to show that Jesus is the reason for the season.

## CAST

Introduction/ZOOM – Abigail and Chloe Archer

Piano Duet – Alexandria and Adrian Allen

Mary – Jeneil Cogle

Joseph – Adrian Allen

Grandma Narrator – Taylor Archer

Grandkids – Lillian Mair Charity Norman Kerri Mair

Angels — Shamaya Chin Eleyna McNeil Robynn Bynum Alexandria Allen

Shepherds – Shemari Clarke Jace Freeman Leo Markman



## The Church Is Moving Forward Anniversary Celebration 2021

In the Month of October, we celebrated our 66th year anniversary of our Church and 40TH for our Bishop. We enjoyed services every Thursday night on our ZOOM platform and then culminated on the last Sunday for a special service of thanksgiving and celebration. We honored several people for their long years of support to the ministry and some were honored for their loyalty and harwork during our setbacks that we experienced a few years ago. Brother Clive Archer was honored for his loyalty in providing equipment during the time of worship at the fire house and also for being a tower of help during the pandemic with our ZOOM platform. Deacon Sheldon Allen was also honored for his continued dedication with working as our Church Technician and electrician. Brother Archer and Deacon Sheldon are known for their commitment to keeping the Radio Broadcast online.

Sister Joan McGowan was also honored for being the member that has been at Mount Olivet since birth and for being a hardworker and dedicated member of the Board of Trustee. Missionary Minnie Guiynard was honored for her long years of dedication as our secretary and Sunday School Teacher. Our Assistant Pastor and Lady Bynum were also esteemed for their non-stop work and dedication to the ministry. Lady Bynum, our secretary works endlessly to make sure everything is always in place. Bishop and Lady Mair were also honored for their tireless work and dedication to the ministry in leading the flock as Lead sheep.

We had two visiting pastors: Pastor Courtney Davis, Glorious Light Apostolic Temple, Stewart Town, Trelawny Jamaica and Bishop Robinson, who encouraged us to continue to move forward.



## OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Elder Colin Drake – 17 Sis. Pam Casey – 20 Sis. Everleigh McNeil – 28



## **ORDER OF SERVICES**

Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Youth Fellowship – 9:30 a.m. Prayer and Bible Study each Wednesday from 6:45 to 8:00 pm.

**SUNDAY** Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Youth Fellowship Hour – 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship – 11:30 a.m. NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Missionary Urcella Drake – 1 Sis. Joyce Bryant – 5 Bro. Kevinn Mair – 8 Sis. Mary Kelly – 16 Lady Annie Mair – 17 Sis. Cordel Bainbridge – 18 Sis. Kim Noble – 19 Bishop Van Bynum – 22 Sis. Christine Briscoe – 25 Bro. Bruce Markman – 26 Sis. Joy McKenzie – 27 Sis. Kim Allen – 27 Deacon Sheldon Allen – 27 Sis. Alexandria Allen - 28

**MONDAY** Fast Day

**WEDNESDAY** Prayer – 6:45 p.m. Bible Study – 7:00 p.m.

**SUNDAYS SERVICES** 1st Sunday – Brotherhood 2nd Sunday – Missionary 3rd Sunday – Joy Fellowship

#### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bro. Clive Archer – 3 Sis. Robynn Bynum – 12 Sis. Simone Drake – 23

#### DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Deacon Sheldon and Sis. Rosemarie Adams – 23 Deacon Sheldon and Sis. Kimmone Allen – 28

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY** (daily through text messaging)

If you would like to be on our distribution list for **'THOUGHT FOR THE DAY'** please call our Church office so that we can add your mobile number.

#### **Important Message**

Our Sunday Morning Worship service is held at our church located at 5908 Addison Road, Seat Pleasant, Maryland. If you are unable to physically come to the building, please join us each Sunday at 11:30 a.m. on our ZOOM Fellowship Line and each Wednesday for Prayer and Bible Study on ZOOM from 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 828 5228 1620 Passcode: 089913 Call In Number: 1-301-715-8592 RADIO

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