



**The Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church**  
**Rev. Kennedy Young, Jr., Senior Pastor**

  
CELEBRATING  
**FATHER'S**  
*Day*

**JUNE 21**  
AT 10:00 AM

MOUNT ZION MBC  
1300 E 50<sup>TH</sup> STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90011  
MTZIONLAA.ORG

**June 21, 2026**  
**1300 E. 50<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA 90011**  
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**ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:00 AM**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

**RESPONSIVE READING**

**PRAYER & PRAYER LIST**

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORSHIP IN GIVING**

**SELECTIONS**

**SERMON**

**PASTOR KENNEDY YOUNG, JR.**

**INVITATION**

**BENEDICTION**

# CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

## DOWN AT THE CROSS

Down at the cross, Where my savior died  
Down where for cleansing, From sin I cried  
There to my heart Was the blood applied  
Glory to His name

I am so wondrously Saved from my sin  
Jesus so sweetly Abides within  
There at the cross  
Where He took me in  
Glory to His name

Singin' glory to His name  
Glory to His name  
There to my heart was the blood applied  
Glory to His name

Oh, precious fountain that saves from sin  
I am so glad I have entered in  
There Jesus saves me and keeps me clean

Glory to His name  
Singin' glory to His name  
Glory to His name  
There to my heart was the blood applied  
Glory to His name

Come to this fountain so rich and sweet  
Cast thy poor soul at thy savior's feet  
Plunge in today  
You'll be made complete

Glory to His name  
I'm singin' glory to His name  
Glory to His name  
There to my heart was the blood applied  
Glory to His name



*prayer*  
changes  
EVERYTHING

## **June Prayer List**

"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."

1 Peter 5:7

Together we lift every concern  
to the Lord who loves and sustains us.

**Praying for Bro. Michael Thompson.**

**Praying for Sis Andrea Ward and Family.**

**Praying for the Family of Dwayne Drear.**

**Praying for Sis. Chloe Lee.**

**Praying for Sis. Juanita Williams.**

**Praying for healing for Deac Ben Ashley.**

**Praying for healing for Sis. Glenda Moore**

**Praying for healing for Sis Dominique Hutchins.**

**Praying for healing for Mother Oretha Yarzieh.**

**Praying for Sis Beverly Tryon., Mother Shirley Tyus.**

**Mother Shirley Nevils, Mother Bernestine Mabrie,**

**Bro. Leroy Mabrie, Mother Louise Campbell,**

**Sis. Cookie Britt, Bro. AJ Black, Bro. Michael Stine,**

**Rev. Bobby McGee, Sis. Verleen Harris,**

**Mother Wilma Woodhouse, Rev. Mark Chiles**

## Responsive Reading – Psalms 122:1-9

- (L) I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
- (P) <sup>2</sup> Our feet are standing in your gates, Jerusalem.  
Jerusalem is built like a city that is closely  
compacted together.
- (L) <sup>4</sup> That is where the tribes go up the tribes of  
the Lord to praise the name of the Lord according  
to the statute given to Israel.
- (P) <sup>5</sup> There stand the thrones for judgment, the  
thrones of the house of David. <sup>6</sup> Pray for the peace  
of Jerusalem: “May those who love you be secure.
- (L) <sup>7</sup> May there be peace within your walls and  
security within your citadels. <sup>8</sup> For the sake of my  
family and friends, I will say, “Peace be within  
you.”
- (ALL) <sup>9</sup> For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,  
I will seek your prosperity.

**Psalms 122:1-9 + "We are family"  
MZLA SUMMER SERMON-SERIES**

**Thesis:**

**Corporate worship is not an inconsequential scheduled church service but rather a unified, transformational gathering where believers recognize God's sovereignty, confront sin, and collectively celebrate His name.**

**Objective:**

**Worship is not solely based on what happens in a moment. It's based on the magnitude of who God is.**

**Joy in going to worship vv.1-2**

- Personal \_\_\_\_\_ 1
- Aerial \_\_\_\_\_ 2

**Unity in gathering for worship vv.3-5**

- People's \_\_\_\_\_ 3
- People are \_\_\_\_\_ 4
- People's \_\_\_\_\_ 5

**Serenity whenever we worship v.6-9**

- Requested \_\_\_\_\_ 6
- Anticipated \_\_\_\_\_ 7-8
- Expected \_\_\_\_\_ 9

**Kennedy Knots...**

**Worship is a setting in which individuals can engage with God, express their emotions, and extradite their struggles in the presence of a community.**

**Unity is achieved not via mutual emphasis, but through individual devotion to God. The Holy Spirit is the unifying force among us.**

**Peace is not the absence of chaos; it is the presence of God in the midst of life's challenges.**

## WE OUTSIDE

Read verses 1–2.

- Thinking about our church family, when was a recent time you felt genuinely excited or refreshed to gather for worship?
- What was happening in your life or heart that made the prospect of attending so joyful?
- What is one thing you can do this week to shift your mindset from "having" to go to worship to "getting" to go to worship?

Read verses 3–5.

- David describes Jerusalem as a city "bound firmly together." As a church family, what are some practical ways we can better "lock arms" and support one another through the different seasons we are walking through?
- How does the physical description of Jerusalem in these verses reflect the spiritual and relational unity God desires for His church today?
- What does a church community look like when it is "firmly bound together" despite its diverse members, and what part are you willing to play?


Read verses 6–9.

- How does praying actively for the people in this group shift your perspective when you are facing personal tension or relational struggles?
- How does praying for or serving the people of Mt. Zion bring a sense of serenity or stability to your own heart during chaotic weeks?



		<b>FATHER'S DAY</b>
SUNDAY, June 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM	Sunday School Sunday Morning Worship Faith In Action Ministry Fundraiser
MONDAY, June 22 <sup>nd</sup>		VBS Workers Meeting
TUESDAY, June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:00 AM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Prayer – Dial In: 857-799-9242 MZ Band & Praise Team Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY, June 25 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 AM	Prayer – Dial In: 857-799-9242
SATURDAY, June 27 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 AM	Prayer – Dial In: 857-799-9242
		<b>Graduates Recognition Day</b>
SUNDAY, June 28 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM 12:00 PM	Sunday School Sunday Morning Worship Missions Ministry Meeting Austin & Olivia's Wedding Reception
<b>MONDAY, June 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Vacation Bible School</b>
TUESDAY, June 30 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 AM <b>6:00 PM</b>	Prayer – Dial In: 857-799-9242 <b>Vacation Bible School</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, July 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Vacation Bible School</b>
THURSDAY, JULY 2 <sup>ND</sup>	6:00 AM <b>6:00 PM</b>	Prayer – Dial In: 857-799-9242 <b>Vacation Bible School</b>
		<b>FOURTH OF JULY</b>
SATURDAY, July 4 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 AM	Prayer – Dial In: 857-799-9242

**Mount Zion MBC**  
*invites you to*  
**COME OUT FOR**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

 **MONDAY, JUNE 29 – JULY 2**  
*nightly at* **6:00 PM**

**CLASSES FOR ALL AGES!**

Sis Lillian Walker, *Director*  
 Pastor Kennedy Young, Jr.,  
*Senior Pastor*

*"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."*  
 Matthew 5:16

**SAVE**  
*The*  
**DATE**

  
**MOUNT ZION**  
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**CHURCH-WIDE BUSINESS MEETING**

 **SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026**

 **10:30 AM**

PASTOR KENNEDY YOUNG, JR.  
 SENIOR PASTOR

YOU ARE INVITED

Please join our soon to be married couple on Sunday June 28, 2026

**Austin & Olivia**

Everyone please join immediatley after church in the FH Prentice basement to congratulate our couple with some cake, coffee and love.

# The Historical Legacy of Juneteenth

## Freedom's Eve and Watch Night Services

On "Freedom's Eve," or the eve of January 1, 1863, the first Watch Night services took place. On that night, enslaved and free African Americans gathered in churches and private homes all across the country, awaiting news that the Emancipation Proclamation had taken effect. At the stroke of midnight, prayers were answered as all enslaved people in Confederate States were declared legally free.

Union soldiers, many of whom were black, marched onto plantations and across cities in the south reading small copies of the Emancipation Proclamation spreading the news of freedom in Confederate States. Only through the [Thirteenth Amendment](#) did emancipation end slavery throughout the United States.

## Reflections on Emancipation and Reconstruction

The post-emancipation period known as Reconstruction (1865-1877) marked an era of great hope, uncertainty, and struggle for the nation as a whole. Formerly enslaved people immediately sought to reunify families, establish schools, run for political office, push radical legislation and even sue slaveholders for compensation.

Given the 200+ years of enslavement, such changes were nothing short of amazing. Not even a generation out of slavery, African Americans were inspired and empowered to transform their lives and their country.

## Understanding the Significance of June 19, 1865

But not everyone in Confederate territory would immediately be free. Even though the Emancipation Proclamation was made effective in 1863, it could not be implemented in places still under Confederate control. As a result, in the westernmost Confederate state of Texas, enslaved people would not be free until much later.

Freedom finally came on June 19, 1865, when some 2,000 Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas. The army announced that the more than 250,000 enslaved black people in the state, were free by executive decree. This day came to be known as "[Juneteenth](#)," by the newly freed people in Texas.

## A Celebration of Freedom

Juneteenth marks our country's second independence day. Although it has long been celebrated in the African American community, this monumental event remains largely unknown to most Americans.

The historical legacy of Juneteenth shows the value of never giving up hope in uncertain times. The National Museum of African American History and Culture is a community space where this spirit of hope lives on. A place where historical events like Juneteenth are shared and new stories with equal urgency are told.