



The Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church

Rev. Kennedy Young, Jr., Senior Pastor

MOUNT ZION
—MBC—
SERMON SERIES

STRENGTHENING *Your* **CORE**

THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH. **HABAKKUK 2:4**

- SHARING CHRIST**
- REACHING PEOPLE**
- BUILDING LIVES**
- LOVING LOS ANGELES AND THE WORLD**

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SENIOR PASTOR

AUGUST 2 - DECEMBER 27 | A SERMON SERIES | FOUR VALUES | ONE MISSION

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FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR YOUNG

**Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church
Monthly Newsletter
September Edition**



Beloved Family of Mount Zion,

Praising God for His continued Faithfulness

"Great is His faithfulness" (Lamentations 3:23). As we reflect on the blessings bestowed upon us, let us take a moment to praise God for His unwavering faithfulness. Each day, He renews His mercies, guiding us through our journeys with hope and love. It is with a grateful heart that I acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our congregation, especially during our recent church picnic and the inspiring turnout for each one of the 3P attendance. Your spiritual and financial contributions have not gone unnoticed, and I am deeply thankful for each of you.

Core Value Focus: Reaching Others

This month, we will delve into our second core value: "Reaching Others." Together, we will explore practical ways to share the love of Christ, emphasizing the importance of outreach. Each weekend, we will draw insights from the Gospel of Luke, particularly the 15th chapter, a series entitled, "Lost + Found," which beautifully illustrates the heart of God for reaching others through human instruments.

I encourage you to participate in one of the following ways to "Reach Others":

1. Share Your Stories

Every one of you has a unique story that can inspire and encourage others. I would like to invite at least five of you to share your testimonies, which our media team will record. These stories will be shared on the 4th Sunday, helping our church family grow in confidence as witnesses for Christ. Your experiences can spark conversations and motivate others to share their own stories.





2. Include a Way to Respond

Sharing the message of Jesus is just the beginning. We must also provide opportunities for others to respond. After discipleship opportunities or Sunday morning worship, let us make ourselves available for deeper conversations. Whether it's sharing our cell numbers or simply being present, we need to ensure no one feels left out or unsure about how to follow Jesus. Every invitation to explore faith should come with the chance to ask questions and seek understanding.

3. Pray. Invite. Bring.

I challenge each of you to pray for opportunities to share the gospel, invite those who aren't currently involved in a Bible study, and bring them to our virtual meetings. Notice how "invite" and "bring" are distinct actions. When we offer to pick someone up, pay for a Metro pass, or meet them at the parking lot, we increase the likelihood of a positive response. Let's be intentional in our efforts to connect others to Christ.

Praying Always

Let us continue to hold our prayer list close to our hearts, lifting up our ministry leaders, our community, missions team, and missionaries around the world. I also ask for your prayers for my family and me as we strive to serve Zion and each other with love and dedication.

Small Groups Update

A heartfelt thank you to each of our small group Bible studies for their commitment over the summer. Congratulations to Deacon John Ashley's group for meeting all criteria! We will be sharing testimonials highlighting the impact of our small groups. If you feel called to lead a group, we will resume in the Spring and Summer of 2027. Please let Mother Shephard know.

As we embark on this month of **"Reaching Others,"** let us continue to commit to being vessels of His love. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of others, fulfilling our mission to reach those in need of His grace.

Peace to you,



Pastor Kennedy Young, Jr.

Senior Pastor



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

THE LORD'S SUPPER

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN OF THE MONTH

LEANING ON THE EVERLASTING ARMS

¹ What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
 leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
 leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain:

 Leaning, leaning,
 safe and secure from all alarms;
 leaning, leaning,
 leaning on the everlasting arms.

² O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
 leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
 leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]
³ What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
 leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
 leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

Responsive Reading –Luke 15:4-7

- (L) ⁴“Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?
- (P) ⁵And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’
- (ALL) ⁷I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

PRAYER *List*

LIFTING OUR CHURCH FAMILY
IN PRAYER

—♥—
“The prayer of a righteous person is powerful
and effective.” James 5:16

- 🙏 *Praying* for Temre Britt and the Britt Family
on the loss of her God Mother Valerie Rodgers.
- 🙏 *Praying* for *healing* for Mother Ella Arnold.
- 🙏 *Praying* for Sis. Chloe Lee.
- 🙏 *Praying* for Sis. Juanita Williams.
- 🙏 *Praying* for *healing* for Deac. Ben Ashley.
- 🙏 *Praying* for *healing* for Sis. Candace Blackshear.
- 🙏 *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.

We are praying for you. —♥—

MAY GOD'S PEACE, HEALING, AND COMFORT
SURROUND YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TODAY AND ALWAYS.



MOUNT ZION
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

SHARING CHRIST.
REACHING PEOPLE.
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Offertory Statement:

Gracious Father, our provider and sustainer, we
present these gifts, a symbol of the work You have
given us to do at Mount Zion and abroad. Use it, use
us, in the service of Your world, according to Your
Word, will, and way to the glory of Your name.
Amen.

"The Heartbeat of Heaven"

Scripture Passage: Luke 15:3–7

MZLA STRENGTHENING YOUR CORE SERMON-SERIES

Thesis:

God's merciful concern compels a sacrificial rescue mission that transforms human lostness into heavenly jubilation.

Objective:

To reveal that the relentless, rescuing, and restorative grace of God requires sacrifice.

A. The Merciful concern 4a

- _____ sheep
- _____ sheep
- _____ sheep

B. The Sacrificial investigation 4b-5

- _____ search
- _____ search

C. The Celebrational reception 6-7

- Shepherd's _____
- Shared _____

"The Heartbeat of Heaven"

Scripture Passage: Luke 15:3–7

Sermon Overview:

What prompts heaven to celebrate? In Luke 15, Jesus addresses the religious detractors who scorned His association with societal outcasts. In the parable of the lost sheep, Jesus unveils the essence of eternity, highlighting God's paramount concern. Engaging with the lost transcends mere pressure or church initiative; it embodies the very essence of heaven's pulse. The study examines the profundity of God's unwavering quest for the broken and urges us to unify our hearts with His.

Core value: Reaching Others

A. The Merciful Concern (v. 4a)

Lost Sheep (v. 4)

- When you picture someone who is spiritually "lost," what kind of image or person comes to mind in today's culture?
- How does it change your perspective to know God views a lost person not as a nuisance, but as someone missing from home?

Lone Sheep (v. 4)

- In a hyper-connected digital world, why do you think so many people still feel utterly isolated or alone?
- How can Mount Zion or your ministry become a safer place for someone who is isolated to feel noticed and welcomed?

Loved Sheep (v. 4)

- What does unconditional love look like in practical, everyday interactions with coworkers or neighbors?
- If your friends or family members knew how much God values them, how might that change their daily self-worth?

B. The Sacrificial Investigation (vv. 4b–5)

Initiating Search (v. 4b)

- Who is one specific person in your life right now who seems to have wandered away from hope or faith?
- What is one low-pressure, kind way we can initiate contact with a disconnected neighbor or friend this week?

Intensifying Search (v. 5)

- How far out of our comfort zone are we willing to go to help someone who is hurting in our community?
- What does persistent, non-judgmental support look like for someone who is resistant to faith?

C. The Celebrational Reception (vv. 6–7) Shepherd's Lifting (v. 6)

- How does it feel to imagine God carrying you gently rather than scolding you when you mess up?
- How can we help carry the burdens of people in our circle without making them feel judged or small?

Shared Rejoicing (v. 6–7)

- Why is celebrating recovery and restoration together so vital for a healthy Mount Zion?
- How does heaven's reaction to one restored life challenge our human tendency to keep score of people's pasts?

MOUNT ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

BIBLE STUDY

WEEKLY ON THURSDAYS

12:00 PM

In Person & Online

7:00 PM

Online Only

Grab your lesson and prepare for Bible Study.
Come ready to learn, grow, and be encouraged!



JOIN US ON ZOOM

Meeting ID: 828 3310 4481

Passcode: 654944

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Candidates FOR BAPTISM



BAPTISMS ARE HELD ON
2ND SUNDAY
OF THE MONTH



— please —
CONTACT
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OR SEE

Sis Debbie Wilson



CHILDREN'S Church

WHERE FAITH GROWS AND KIDS SHINE!





EVERY 2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS

AT 10:00 AM

SIGN IN IS AT 10:00 AM



REMINDER

for late-arriving parents to formally sign their children in before sending them to a classroom. Even if their child is already in a room, it's important that parents complete the sign-in so we can ensure:

-  We are aware of any allergies
-  We avoid giving snacks that may trigger reactions
-  We know any pre-existing conditions or behavioral needs
-  We can monitor their mood/temperament for the day



FOR SAFETY REASONS, WE ARE NOT ABLE TO ACCEPT ANY CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT FORMALLY SIGNED IN.



RAISING KINGDOM KIDS

Porscha Johnson,
Children's Church Team Leader

Rev. Kennedy Young, Jr.,
Senior Pastor

PANCAKES WITH THE PASTOR





Saturday, October 3, 2026



10:00 AM



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Come out, learn about our ministries and fellowship with Pastor Young.



RSVP: mountzionchurchla@gmail.com

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DIRECTOR
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Includes:
Sessions, Meals
& Materials



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PASTOR WAYNE CHANEY



PASTOR GREGORY PERKINS



PASTOR XAVIER THOMPSON



BISHOP KENNETH ULMER



PASTOR KENNEDY YOUNG, JR.



19TH
SEPT. 2026

8 AM
SATURDAY

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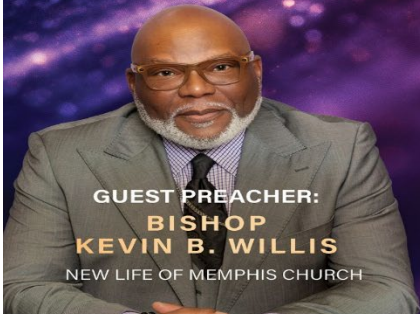
Pastor
KENNEDY
YOUNG, JR.



1st YEAR ANNIVERSARY

MOUNT ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

OCT 11
10:00 AM *Sunday* 2026



GUEST PREACHER:
BISHOP KEVIN B. WILLIS
NEW LIFE OF MEMPHIS CHURCH



MOUNT ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH



"He was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses was faithful in all God's house..."
Hebrews 3:2 NIV

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9/01 Hamilton, Rev. K.
9/01 Parker, Helen
9/01 Tryon, Brandon
9/02 Frederick, Jasmine
9/03 Taylor, Toby
9/03 Tyus, Shirley
9/06 Brooks, William
9/08 Giles, Anthony
9/09 Hunnicutt, Lynetta
9/09 Nevils, Valerie
9/11 Britt, Thomas
9/11 Duvenary, Natalie
9/11 Mabrie, Bernestine
9/13 Brooks, Otis
9/13 Duvenary, Lumon
9/13 Watkins, Jennifer
9/14 Peoples, Kourtney

9/14 Peoples, Ji'Maiya
9/14 Peoples, Ji'Naiya
9/14 Smith, Ja'Dawn
9/15 Williams, Joshua
9/18 Moore, Richarnda
9/20 Napoleon, Ira
9/21 Monge, Chail
9/22 Dean, Chiksha
9/22 Moss, Paige
9/23 Allen, Betty
9/23 Smith-Dupies, Shaylia
9/24 Haywood, Zikia
9/26 Nickson, Cherrelle
9/26 Walton, Lawrence
9/27 Hulitt, Wiilliam
9/28 Collins, Veola
9/28 Ashley, Joy
9/30 Ashby, Jonathan
9/30 Williams, Juanita