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**Sunday, January 28, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.**

He that dwells  
in the secret  
place of the  
Most High  
abides in  
His Love  
forever.

Psalm 91:1

**Church School Lesson:** "Faith and Transformation" Lesson Text: Romans 12:3-8

**Key Text:** "We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us." Romans 12:6A

**Happy Birthday!! – Tymir Banks, Bro. Gerald Samuels, Sis. Deb Roberts & Sis. Martha Woods**

## Summary of the Lesson:

The journey in this life toward the promise of eternal life can only be made by faith. It is filled with surprises, opportunities, disappointments and victories, heartache, and joy. It is not a smooth ride – that's the way life is. We make all kinds of preparations in this journey of life for those things we need for ourselves and our families. What is more essential as Christians, however, is for us to allow God to prepare our hearts to be available for all that He wants to do in us and through us in response to what Christ has done for us. Yes, we live in confusing, violent, and chaotic times. These can be faced more confidently when we remind ourselves of that God has already done for us and that He always leads us rightly as we trust Him. It takes faith to know and understand that things are not always as hopeless as they seem - - there is always hope as we trust in God. We are reminded in Romans 8:28 of this truth (not in today's lesson): "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." Each of us makes a conscious decision to be a follower of Christ. Another word in the lesson's title is "transformation". "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is good and acceptable and perfect will of God." (Romans 12:2). As a Christian, you are to be different from the non-Christian community. There should be a progressive transformation of life by the "renewing of our mind". The mind is changed by reading and reflection on God's Word, by worship, and my meditation on God's acts as the Holy Spirit works in us; being changed from the inside out. The lesson today is a reminder of how we are to think of ourselves. "Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you." (Romans 12:3). That "measure of faith" is not to be used to compare ourselves to others. The analogy Paul gives to help us understand is that of the human body, made up of different parts, each with its own function, but serving to complete the whole. Likewise, as Christians in the church, each has its own function, and each serve to complement the whole. It doesn't matter if you are the church custodian, or the kitchen chef, or the usher, or church officer, or Church School teacher, a choir member, an evangelist, or the preacher, your function is important part of the unity of the church, which can function well only if all its parts are functioning well. Even if you are none of these, you are important and there is work for you to do as well. We serve a wonderful and awesome God who has equipped each of us for service. The expectation is that those gifts/talents will be used to serve Him. More importantly, the gift/talent; whatever it is, is not intended just for you. It is intended to be used to show others what God's love is like. Trust God with your ordinary day-to-day life. Please God with your best service to Him and others. Don't give up! Don't give in! Don't give out! Press on! Amen.

**Sunday Worship Webinar:** <https://zoom.us/j/93197056304> - **Webinar ID:** 931 9705 6304 –

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**Bible Study, Meetings, Church School & Special Services - Join Zoom Meeting:** <https://zoom.us/j/99882887220> -

**Meeting ID:** 998 8288 7220 **Mobile** +1 (301) 715-8592 then dial 998 8288 7220#

**ANNOUNCEMENTS - "Virtual Bible Study" – Tuesdays @ 7:30p** - All are Welcome!

**TODAY after the morning** service "**Party for the Youth**" Food, Music, Games & Fun. All youth welcome.

**Mon., Jan., 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm "MCWMS meeting** is on My Zoom" per Sis. Rosemary Manley, pres.

**Feb. is "Black History Month!" The Christian Ed Dept.** will have presentations in the bulletin and during the morning worship service.

**Sun., Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> – The YPD will celebrate their Annual Day** during the morning worship service. The Rev. William Gary, of Enoc Baptist Church is the preacher. Dinners will be served after the morning service -**Donation.**

**Sun., Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00p, "Annual Lay Day 2024"**, The Rev. Jacqui Pinkney, pastor of Bethlehem AMEC is the preacher. Lunch will be served after the morning service. All are welcome.

The **Sign-Up Sheet** is in the rear of the sanctuary to request a **tax statement (financial giving) for 2023.**



Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

**Scripture of the Month:** "He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." Psalm 91:1 NKJV

### Order of Service

**Call To Worship** (based on Matthew 14:13-21, Isaiah 55:1-3)

**L:** To those who are hungry, Jesus says: "Come and eat! There's more than enough for all!"  
To those who are thirsty, he says: "Come and drink! It's free for the taking!"

**P:** Stop wasting your money on food that doesn't satisfy.

**All:** Come to Me, and you will find everything you need!"

**Opening Hymn** "Can't Nobody do me like Jesus"

**(chorus)** Can't nobody do me like Jesus, Can't nobody do me like the Lord. Can't nobody do me like Jesus, He's my friend (Repeat)

He healed my body, then he told me to run on, (repeat) He's my friend - **Chorus**

He saved my soul, put my name on the roll, (repeat) He's my friend...

**Prayer** 

**Prayer Response**

**Worship through Music**

**Declaration** **Brother Robert Love** - This is my Bible. I am what it says I am. I can have what it says I can have. I can do what it says I can do. Today I will be taught the word of God. My mind is alert. My heart is receptive. I'll never be the same again. In Jesus' name. Amen

**Reading of the Will-**

**Old Testament- Genesis 12: 1-9 New Testament - Romans 5: 8-11 The Gospel - John 3:16-21**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Gloria Patri - "Glory Be To The Father"

**Sermon** **Rev. Dr. Louis P. Attles, Pastor**


**Invitational**



**Giving of our Tithes/Offering**

**The Pastor's Word/Announcements**

**Benediction "Reach out and Touch Somebody's Hand"**

Elder Smith, family and friends on the homegoing of his mother, Sis. Mildred Smith, Bryan Patterson, Brett Patterson's brother and Natasha's brother-in-law, Carl Rollins and Sis. Maggie Bullard at home healing, Our country, Our youth and senior citizens, Bro. Leroy Williams, husband of Sis. Debbie Williams,, Sister Lottie Chisholm's mother, Lula King, Tuwana Jones, niece of Sis. Mary & Keith English, Rev., Dr. & Mrs. Melvin D. Wayns, Sis. Deb Williams' Mom & Dad, those who have family members and friends who are sick and have lost loved ones. [Birthdays or Anniversaries in Jan.,](#)

**Happy Birthday**  **January** - Tymir Banks 4<sup>th</sup> Malinda Miller 4<sup>th</sup> Natasha Patterson 5<sup>th</sup> Paris Graves 6<sup>th</sup>  
Jeannette Congleton 8<sup>th</sup> Gerald Samuels 11<sup>th</sup> Robert Sewell Sr. 11<sup>th</sup> Robyn Manley 12<sup>th</sup>  
Ebony Barrier 15<sup>th</sup> Josea Martinez 15<sup>th</sup> Robert Sewell Jr. 16<sup>th</sup> Diane A. Davis 23<sup>rd</sup> Willie Johnson 25<sup>th</sup>  
Deborah Roberts 26<sup>th</sup> Martha Woods 26<sup>th</sup>

**Happy Anniversary**  **January** - Gerald & Wanda Samuels 3<sup>rd</sup> - 23 years Bobby & Jackie Sewell 19<sup>th</sup> - 49 years 

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