

# True Love

Missionary Baptist Church

*Celebrating our 83rd*

*Church Anniversary*

Sunday, September 21, 2025



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***Dr. Herbert B. Robinson, Jr., Pastor***

*Coming together In Unity  
To Praise and Thank God for 83 Years*

*“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren  
to dwell together in unity!”*

Psalm 133:1

# Sunday, September 21, 2024

11:15 am WORSHIP Service

## ***PRELUDE***

Call to Worship

Proverbs 3:5-6 (KJV)

## ***DEVOTION***

*Responsive Reading ~ Jeremiah 23:18-24*

## ***WORSHIP OF INSPIRATION***

*\*Choir Selection*

Sermonic Hymn ~ *Amazing Grace*

Sermon

Altar Prayer / Invitation

## ***WORSHIP OF GIVING***

**Offertory Period**

Preparation: Deuteronomy 26:5-10a (KJV)

Dedication: Deuteronomy 26:13-15 (KJV)

*\*Choir Selection (during offertory period)*

## ***SALUTATIONS***

*\*Visitors, Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries*

*& Announcements*

Benediction

## ***POSTLUDE***

The asterisk (\*) indicates times in which the ushers may allow worshippers to enter the sanctuary.

# ***Sunday, September 21, 2025***

*True Love Missionary Baptist Church  
83<sup>rd</sup> Church Anniversary Celebration*

*3:00 PM*

*Call to Worship: Proverbs 3:5-6 (KJV)*

## ***DEVOTION***

<i>Welcome</i>	<i>Trustee Cassandra Crenshaw</i>
<i>Reflections</i>	<i>Mother Jerelene Sargent (Pre-recorded message)</i>
<i>Music Selections</i>	<i>Good Shepherd Missionary Baptist Church Choir</i> <i>True Love Missionary Baptist Church Adult Choir</i>

## ***WORSHIP OF GIVING/Offertory Period***

<i>Introduction of Guest Speaker</i>	<i>Good Shepherd Missionary Baptist Church Member</i>
<i>Guest Speaker</i>	<i>Pastor Kenneth A. Staples Good Shepherd Missionary Baptist Church</i>

## ***Invitation***

<i>Remarks</i>	<i>Trustee Veronica Crawford True Love Missionary Baptist Church Chairperson, 83<sup>rd</sup> Church Anniversary Committee</i>
<i>Closing Remarks and Benediction</i>	<i>Pastor Kenneth A. Staples Good Shepherd Missionary Baptist Church</i>

# RESPONSIVE READING:

## *Jeremiah 23:18-24*

**Leader:** For who hath stood in the counsel of the LORD, and hath perceived and heard his word? who hath marked his word, and heard *it*?

**People:** Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked.

**Leader:** The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly.

**People:** I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

**Leader:** But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

**People:** *Am* I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

. . **All:** Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.



*Pastor H. B. Robinson, Jr and  
First Lady Brandi Jenkins-Robinson*

***Praise the LORD, Saints!***

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“Elevate Jesus, edify the Saints, evangelize the lost and pray for our enemies” is our continued message. The church mission statement has been a great part of our journey. Prayerfully, it will continue to support our efforts with the belief we have in Proverbs 3:5-6. “Trust in the LORD with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths.”

*Yours because of Jesus Christ,*

*Pastor Herbert B. Robinson, Jr., D. Min.  
God bless*

*Flowers on the altar are donated by Sister Verlisa Mosley in memory of her parents Clarence Garner, Sr. and Sister Louise Garner.*

*Flowers are also donated by Sister Betty Driscoll in memory of her husband, Brother Alfred Driscoll.*



### ***Taking it to the Altar***

Take your worries, concerns and prayers to the altar and leave them there.

*'Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.'*

*Philippians 4:6-7 (KJV)*



## GOOD SHEPHERD MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

*Building the Kingdom of God together!*

September 9, 2025

### Condensed Biography of:

Pastor Kenneth A. Staples and Lady Shalonda Staples have been married for over 30 years, to that union they are blessed with four children Aundrea, Stephan, Aunjelyse and Khaliyah. Their family has grown with abundant blessings of the Lord adding four grandchildren, Kaeden, Damon, Kamden and Khyrie. Pastor Staples Has worked within the community for 31 years serving the city of Detroit in various capacities within the Detroit Police Department now retired. Pastor Staples began his ministerial pursuit being Licensed to preach the gospel by Bishop Herbert B. Robinson Sr. at True Love M.B.C. May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2002. In 2009 He was Ordained by Dr. Herbert B. Robinson Jr.. Pastor Staples worked with the youth of True Love and the Prospect District, holding the offices of Youth Leader and 1<sup>st</sup>. Vice Moderator Within the District, Pastor Staples dedicated his life of serving others, on January 3, 2010 Pastor Staples preached his first sermon as the Pastor of Good Shepherd M.B.C of Detroit.

Pastor Staples is the President of Handz of Hope Mission, Inc., dedicated to serving and assisting those in need.

Pastor Staples and The Good Shepherd congregation moved to Southgate, Mi. in 2015, working diligently to plant their feet in a new community. Under Pastor Staples leadership Good Shepherd continued to grow spiritually and numerically. In 2022 while working through the difficulties of the pandemic, under Pastor Staples Leadership G.S.M.B.C. paid off their current Sanctuary lifting the burden of debt. Pastor Staples continues to work, Loving family and Church, feeding the people both physically and spiritually standing on the word of the Lord in John 9:4 "I must work"... Achievements, accolades, meritorious awards are not important to Pastor Staples, what's important to him is to be a "Servant" of the Lord thy God, that one day he will hear well done thy good and faithful servant well done you've been faithful. God's man serving and laboring to share the Good News.

Pastor Kenneth A. Staples  
Good Shepherd Church



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## **OUR AMAZING HISTORY**

As an offshoot of the Chapel Hill Baptist Church, a small mission began in 1942 in the residence of Rev. Moses Small, 5218 Roosevelt Street. In addition to Rev. Small, this small band included Rev. Glover, Bro. Cherry Miller, Bro. Solomon, Sis. Bessie Jenkins, Rev. Alexander and Sis. Amanda Summers, Sis. Bettie Bowman, Sis. Mary Thomas, Sis. Geraldine Vandergrift, and Rev. Bennie Day.

After a short time, the mission evolved into a church and moved to 5126 Roosevelt Street. At the suggestion of Sis. Clara Miller, the church was named **True Love Missionary Baptist Church**. The Rev. J. S. Murray accepted the call to become the first pastor of this fledgling flock.

In 1943, The Rev. Ernest N. Cox was called as the new leader of True Love Missionary Baptist Church, and was a faithful and dedicated servant for 27 years.

Pastor Cox and his loving wife Martha came from Rising, Arkansas. They put their shoulders to the task and immediately their labors bore fruit. The congregation grew from eight members to 47. Pastor Cox spearheaded a financial drive and purchased property located at 2927 West Warren Avenue in Detroit at a cost of \$7,500.

This was a time of spiritual and numerical growth with the birth of many church auxiliaries, including a Sunday School, Baptist Young People Union (B.Y.P.U.), Senior and Junior Choirs, Mothers Board, Nurses Guild, and Senior Usher Board. The church became associated with a quadruple church fellowship each fourth Sunday with Warren Avenue, Messiah, New Liberty, and later Oakland Avenue Baptist Churches.

Because of such rapid growth, the members launched a successful drive to obtain monies for a new church plant. On December 4, 1955, the congregation marched to its new home at 3987 Maybury Grand, a former Lutheran house of worship, which was purchased for the sum of \$80,000.

The new edifice included a school with an auditorium, cafeteria, and bowling alley. The church continued to grow with the following auxiliaries being added: Excelsior Choir, Pastor's Chorus, Young Adult Chorus, Vacation Bible School, and The El Dorado Youth Club.

In order for the church to succeed and grow in winning souls to Christ, the members knew work had to be done, and with that mindset, members pitched in. The Trustees volunteered their services and built a baptismal pool. Sisters Vashti Bowman, Farrie Brandon, Vessie Bynum, Lovie Jefferson, and Sadie White, along with the wives of the Trustees, worked faithfully with Trustee James Bender to enhance the financial stability of the church.



True Love remained at its Maybury Grand address for 11 years, until city progress mandated the congregation move to another facility to make way for the Fisher and Jeffries Freeways.

Pastor Cox and other committee members selected our present site, 8200 Tireman, for our new home. The property was purchased and a church plant was built for \$168,000. ***This would be our first church home built from the ground up!*** Prior to moving to our present location, we held services at 5050 Joy Road on Detroit's northwest side.

The congregation proudly marched into its new edifice on November 26, 1967. Pastor Cox's first sermon was entitled, *"Upon this Rock, I'll Build My Church"*, with the text coming from Matthew 16:18. New members were added, old members returned, and Pastor Cox continued faithfully in his ministry until April 19, 1970, when he answered a higher calling from God to rest from his earthly field of labor.

In September 1970, Rev. Herbert B. Robinson, Sr., accepted the call to the True Love pastorate. His faithful wife, Sister Verdie Robinson and their four children, Velton, Herbert Jr., Cedric, and Kevyn, joined him and the True Love Church family. He served with effective service for over 32 years at **True Love Missionary Baptist Church**. Under his leadership, we were challenged weekly with the precious promise of **Proverbs 3:5-6** of which the church still stands by today.

During Pastor Robinson's tenure, the fellowship grew. His leadership spearheaded many positive changes. The Seven Weeks of Prayer at the beginning of each New Year has become an integral part of our worship services, during which prayer services are held three times daily. Sunday School attendance more than tripled and was departmentalized. The Baptist Training Union (B.T.U.) was departmentalized, re-established, and revitalized with a dean, teachers, and classes certified by the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education. A Board of Christian Education was also organized.

The B.T.U. was reorganized as our School of Ministry. Pastor Robinson was a teaching preacher. He became a ***"Trainer of Trainers"*** as he educated others on the Bible and Christian Ethics. Lessons were written and taught by in-house trained teachers. These lessons/courses were offered on a 13-week/quarterly basis.

The 15-36 Plan and Federal Credit Union was established, and a child care center served the community for several years. The Music Department grew to include a Male Chorus and a Chancel Choir. Other ministries, some still active today, added under the leadership of Pastor Robinson include: The Altar Circle, Benevolent Ministry, 7:00 a.m. Worship Services, Deaconess Board, Youth Fellowship, The Children's Church (with previous ministers Rev. William Jackson and Rev. Kenneth Staples, ushers and choir), New Member Fellowship, the Nursing Home Ministry, the Consolation Choir, "Freedom School" (set up for our students during the 1973 and 1979 public school strikes), off-campus satellite for William Tyndale Bible College, Adult Education site for Detroit Public Schools, Drug & Alcohol and Stop-Smoking Program, Annual Youth

Round-Up, a youth Tutorial Ministry under our Community Development Program called "Break Through: Knowledge Pursuit", and the E. N. Cox Lecture Series held annually by the Laymen.

Several additional properties have been acquired, parking lots paved, and the church building was completely renovated. Part of the renovation included a new library, new classrooms, and a ladies' lounge. The Fellowship Hall was named in honor of the late Deacon Mal Robinson, and our beautiful new library in honor of the late Deacon William R. Davis. Our administrative offices are equipped with state-of-the-art equipment. Many new accomplishments were achieved under the pastorate of Pastor Robinson; however, we are most proud of our continued evangelistic outreach efforts and ongoing pursuit of a deeper knowledge of Christ via revivals, retreats, and Christian Education classes.

On October 21, 1994, during our historical 52nd Church Anniversary, we celebrated the occasion with a banquet *hosted and **paid for*** by **True Love Missionary Baptist Church** at Cobo Hall's Riverview Dining Room. During the banquet, Pastor Robinson presented the First Annual Christian Service Awards to Deacon Howard Denson, Trustee Thomas Dixon and Deacon Ozzie Gardner, for their years of dedicated service and support to the True Love Baptist Church. Over the years, many other dedicated and faithful members have been recipients of these awards.

Over the years, **True Love Missionary Baptist Church** has developed, groomed, and ordained several ministers, some of which include: Rev. James Marvin Cunningham, Rev. Herbert B. Robinson, Jr., Rev. John Whitby, Rev. Edwon Brown, Rev. Willie M. Williams, Sr., Rev. Cedric Robinson, and so many more ministers who are a part of the True Love Missionary Baptist Church family. Some of the ministers from True Love who have been called upon to serve pastorates for other congregations are: Rev. Cleophus C. Jackson (Christ Love Divine Baptist Church), Rev. Gregory Foster (Kadesh Full Gospel Baptist Church), Rev. James Moore (True Light Missionary Baptist Church), the late Rev. Mellwood Brown (New Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church), Rev. Willie Fountain and the late Rev. Willie Chambers (Co-pastors, Agape Fellowship), Rev. I. Miller, former pastor of Greater Love Baptist Church, now pastoring in Pensacola, Florida, Rev. Jimmy Perrien, pastoring in Meridian, Mississippi, the late Rev. O. W. Moore (New Whitestone Baptist Church), the late Rev. John Lewis (Calvary Baptist Church in Mt. Clemens, MI), the late Rev. J. A. Williams (Aijalon/Kadesh Baptist Churches), the late Rev. H. R. Ramsey (Christ's Mission Baptist Church), the late Rev. Bennie Adams (Adams Chapel Baptist Church), Rev. Thomas Benge (Covenant Baptist Church), Rev Charles Kirby, and Rev. Willie A. Roberts who has relocated to Augusta, Georgia. Both the Deacon and Trustee Boards have grown as well, adding many respected church men to the leadership.

In November 1997, Pastor Robinson led a delegation of members from True Love to Israel for a tour of the Holy Land where Brother and Sister Curley Moore renewed their

marital vows with Pastor Robinson officiating. Pastor Robinson also conducted baptismal services in the River Jordan for more than 30 persons.

In February 1999, Pastor and Sis. Robinson journeyed to countries in Africa. Upon their return, their report ignited a missionary fire in the souls of many congregants, whose response to their appeal resulted in sending more than 400 pounds of clothing and school supplies to the Ivory Coast. Among many missions served, our church humbly appreciates the opportunity to serve Haiti, Campus Crusade (Mark Anthony) and The National Negro College Fund.

Pastor Robinson was a faithful, dedicated, and well-loved Pastor and continued to lead True Love members until his death on November 22, 2002.

For a short period, we were without a pastor. During those times, our Deacon Board and Trustee Board worked jointly to maintain the spiritual and financial integrity of the congregation and God's house.

In 2005, the congregation selected Rev. Richard B. Fields to serve as pastor. He moved on to serve another congregation in 2006.

God's Word is True. As written in Jeremiah 3:15: *"And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding."* On Sunday, October 12, 2008, the Reverend Herbert B. Robinson, Jr. preached his first sermon as pastor of the **True Love Missionary Baptist Church** at our 7:00am Worship Service. The message was from Job 22:21-23 and was entitled *"It's Time for R & R"*. The 11:15am message was from Zechariah 4:1, 5-9 and entitled *"The Lord Has Sent Me to You"*. His personal goal is to preach the gospel, teach the Word of God and serve the people. After accepting the pastoral call from the Lord, he is now leading us to the next level of Worship and Praise.

Under the leadership of Pastor Robinson, additional ministries have been added: the Divine Mothers of Favor (a group of seasoned women given one specific task to pray daily for the pastor), the Pastor's Aide, the MIME and Thespian Ministries; and in 2013, our quarterly Newsletter, the *True Love Informer*, was added. In 2014, the All Male Usher Board (known as the *MOB: Men on Board*) was formed, originally to serve on Mother's Day. It was so successful, they now serve every 5th Sunday. In addition, The Baptist Training Union has been re-named *"The Christian Café Hour"*.

Rev. Kenneth Staples, one of True Love's sons in the Ministry, was called to Pastor the Good Shepherd Missionary Baptist Church and installed by Pastor Robinson in January 2011.

The church continues to grow under Pastor Robinson, Jr.'s leadership. Trustee Thomas Dixon, Brother David Jones, and Brother James Phillips were ordained as Deacons. Brother Calvin Scruggs, Brother Clinton Garr, Brother Alphonso Murphy Jr. and Brother Ennis McGee, Sr., were appointed as Trustees and ordained in 2013.

Brother Eugene Dickerson, Jr. and Minister Katherine Talmadge became licensed to preach the gospel. In October, 2014, Evangelist Virggie Donel, Evangelist Carol Fitzpatrick, and Minister Helen Spruiel were ordained. Minister Marilyn Jordan, Evangelist Valerie Walker, Rev. Reginald Simpkins and Rev. Dimitri Fox joined the Ministerial staff in 2015. Soon after, Rev. Stephen Lee and Rev. David Reed were added to the ministerial staff.

Brother Charles Pettway and Brother Bobby Williams were ordained as Deacons, and Brother Dennis Belton was appointed and ordained as a Trustee in October 2017.

In March of 2020, when we were unable to have in-person service, by the grace of God, we pivoted to Virtual Worship by way of ZOOM and Facebook Live. True Love continued to praise the Lord through this pandemic. We opened the doors of our Church for service once again on July 4, 2021 while adhering to all required social distancing protocols. We have also continued with virtual Sunday School and worship service.

On Sunday, August 21, 2022, True Love hit another milestone. Rev. Sylvester Taylor was ordained and joined our ministerial staff; Brother Victor Sanders was ordained and added to our Board of Deacons, and for the first time ever, five women were appointed, ordained, and added to our Board of Trustees: Sister Elena Acoff, Sister Sonya Bell, Sister Veronica Crawford, Sister Casandra Crenshaw, and Sister Wanda Pettway-Norris.

By strides, we go on . . . .

*True Love, it does not yet appear what we shall be. Until the Lord comes, let us continue to hold up the bloodstained banner and march forth in the army of the Lord.*



Greetings to My True Love Family,

On this wonderful occasion, we are celebrating another milestone in fellowship by way of God's guidance and His blessings.

Our theme "Coming together In Unity To Praise and Thank God for 83 Years" embodies the significance of our history, and further provides a reflection of the tapestry that has been woven by countless generations of true, tried and tested faith.



While we unselfishly give our time, talent and treasure, it is the cornerstone of true love that serves as a beacon of light!

To our Pastor, Dr. Herbert B. Robinson, Jr., thank you for your endless and consistent divine guidance in helping each of us better develop and become enriched with a solid prayer life bit by bit.

As we continue this journey, allow the presence of the Lord to speak to us, walk with us and lead us.

In Christian Love,

*Trustee Veronica Crawford*

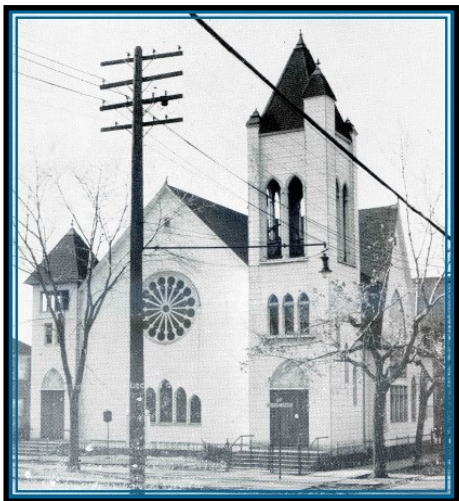
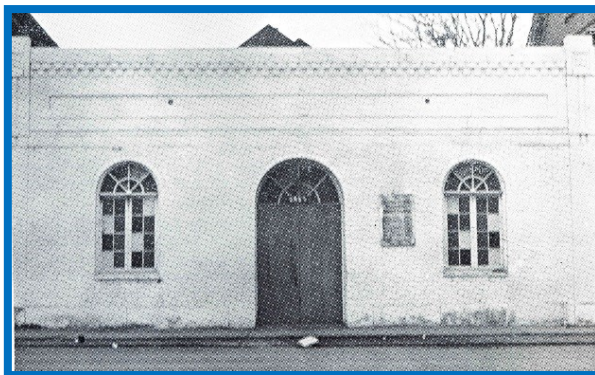
*True Love Missionary Baptist Church*

*Chairperson, 83rd Church Anniversary Committee*

## **Our Humble Beginnings, 5126 Roosevelt**



## **Our 2nd Location, 2927 W. Warren**

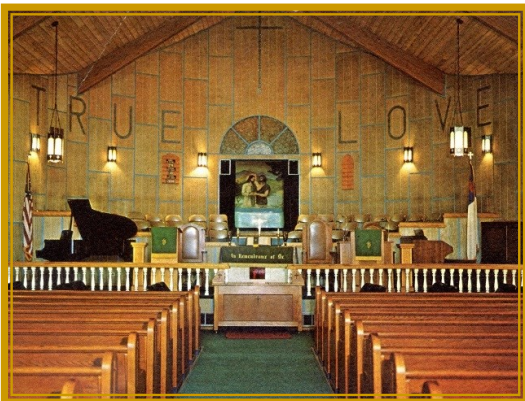


## **Our 3rd Location, 3987 Maybury Grand**





**Our Current Location**  
**8200 Tireman Avenue, Detroit**  
**Original ~ Church Sanctuary ~ Now**  
**(1967) (2025)**





*"The effectual fervent prayer of  
a righteous man availeth much."  
James 5:16b*

### **PRAYER LIST**

Bro. Maurice Allen  
Sis. Mildred Belton  
Sis. Arelia Bennett  
Bro. Curtis Bennett  
Sis. C. Theresa Bowie  
Sis. Pamala Broner  
Sis. Olivia Brown  
Sis. Shirley Davis  
Trustee William Davis  
Sis. Ione Dyer  
Sis. Waltina Gorman  
Sis. Dorothy Harris  
Bro. Donald Hill, II  
Sis. Annie Holcomb  
Sis. Cathy Jackson  
Sis. Mary Jackson  
Sis. Shelia Jefferson  
Sis. Karen Jenkins  
Sis. Ovaedia Johnson  
Bro. Percy Jones  
Bro. Roscoe Johnson  
Sis. Evelyn King  
Sis. Kimberly Lane

Deacon Thomas Latimer  
Sis. Annie Myles  
Breia Myles  
Elijah Myles  
Sis. Pamela Myles  
Trevon Myles  
Sis. Margaret Phelps  
Sis. Shirley Quick  
Latrice Reynolds  
Sis. Patricia Richardson  
Sis. Verdie Robinson-Curry  
Sis. Dionne Scott  
Mother Elsie Scruggs  
Mottan Seals  
Bro. Edward Sumler  
Sis. Shirley Sykes  
Sis. Michelle Thurmond  
Sis. Shirley Trent  
Sis. Monica Van Buren  
Mother Ceciel Walker  
Sis. Raven White  
Sis. Bessie M. Williams  
Sis. Frenchie Williams

### ***Healing Scriptures***

*Isaiah 53:3-5      Isaiah 54:17  
Jeremiah 32:27      Psalm 103:3  
Matthew 8:16-17*

*Take this dosage 3 times a day.*





## **PRAYER LIST (continued)**

### **SHUT-IN**

Sis. Katrina Appling  
Mother Earnestine Haugabook

Mother Bertha Weems

Bro. Alex Malden  
Mother Jerelene Sargent

### **HEALTH CONCERNS**

Bro. Desmond Brassell  
Bro Samu-El Fletcher  
First Lady Brandi Jenkins-Robinson  
Sis. Tracy Johnson

Mother Bernice Jones  
Deacon James Phillips  
Mother Mary Smith  
Sis. Donna Taylor



## ***BEREAVED:***



***Please keep all bereaved in your prayers.***

**UPCOMING**

*Mark Your Calendars*

**EVENTS**



## **September 2025**

### **Cultural Month**

Monday, Sep. 1	Labor Day
Sunday, Sep. 7	Communion Sunday
Monday, Sep. 8 — 12	National Baptist Convention Annual Session
Friday, Sep. 12	Pastor at Unity Baptist Church
Sunday, Sep. 14	Altar Circle Annual Day Rev. Dr. Blanton L. Banks, I Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Men's Ministry Meeting
Saturday, Sep. 20	Pastor Kenneth A. Staples Good Shepherd Missionary Baptist Church
Sunday, Sep. 21	
Sunday, Sep. 28	83rd Church Anniversary Bishop Cedric A. Robinson Judah Tabernacle

## **October 2025**

### **Hallowed-Be-Thy-Name Month**

Monday, Oct. 5	Communion Sunday
Monday, Oct. 6 — 9	BME State Kirby-Terrell Fall Institute
Sunday, Oct. 12	Nurses & Ushers Annual Day
Sunday, Oct. 19	Pastor's 17th Anniversary
Friday, Oct. 31	Halloween

**EACH FIRST SUNDAY ~ BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER**

***Mission Statement:***

Elevate Jesus, Edify Saints, Evangelize Souls,  
and Pray for our Enemies.

*“And how shall they hear without a preacher?”  
Romans 10:14b*

Date: September 21, 2025

Messenger: \_\_\_\_\_

Biblical Text: \_\_\_\_\_

Sermon Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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# *83rd Church Anniversary Committee*

Trustee Veronica Crawford, Chairperson

Trustee Sonya Bell, Co-Chairperson

Brother Johnny Belton

Sister Viola Harper

Deacon Thomas Latimer

Sister Charnae Sanders

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