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THE UPDATE

NEWS & EVENTS

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*Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser:
Teach a just man, and he will increase in learning. Proverbs 9:9*

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*One Hundred and Thirty-Five Years In His Service
Happy Anniversary Mount Horeb!*



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Aspire to inspire
Aspire to inspire
before you expire.

**Behold, how good and how
pleasant it is for brethren
to dwell together in unity!
Psalm 133:1**

~FROM THE CHURCH CLERK~

TO OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS: Pastor Cooper and your Church Family's thoughts and prayers are always with you. We pray that you will be renewed with strength, good health and healing. The God who holds the universe is the God who is holding you.

TO OUR VISITORS: "A careless word may kindle strife, a cruel word may wreck a life, a timely word may lessen stress, a loving word may heal and bless." Pastor Cooper and the Mount Horeb Parishioners welcome all visitors. We are working together for Christ in Christian love and are indeed blessed to have you worshiping with us. You are invited to return as often as you like.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have had a change of address, phone number or name, please let the Church Clerk or Church Secretary know, so we may keep current and accurate records.

Sister Joan Randolph
Church Clerk

Although things are not perfect
Because of trial or pain
Continue in thanksgiving
Do not begin to blame.
Even when the times are hard,
Fierce winds are bound to blow.
GOD is forever able;
Hold on to what you know.
Imagine life without His love.
Joy would cease to be.
Keep thanking Him for all the things
Love imparts to thee.
Move out of "Camp Complaining."
No weapon that is known
On earth can yield the power
Praise can do alone.
Quit looking to the future.
Redeem the time at hand.
Start every day with worship.
To "thank" is a command
Until we see Him coming
Victorious in the sky.
We'll run the race with gratitude
Xalting GOD most high.
Yes, there'll be good times
and yes some will be bad, but...
Zion waits in glory...where none are ever sad!

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True happiness can never be obtained through the things of this world, but through completely and faithfully following Jesus.

AUGUST SUNDAY SCHOOL SUBJECTS

Sunday, August 7th - "Called to Mission"

Lesson Scripture - Luke 4:16-24, 28-30

Sunday, August 14th - "Healing the Incurable"

Lesson Scripture - Luke 8:40-56

Sunday, August 21st - "Being a Good Neighbor"

Lesson Scripture - Luke 10:25-37

Sunday, August 28th - "Accepting the Invitation"

Lesson Scripture - Luke 14:7-11, 15-27

UNSUNG HERO

Brother Terry Moore, Jr.



When asked what he would say to others to encourage them to remain devoted to the Lord during their Christian journey, Brother Terry Moore, Jr. replied: "Put God first in everything that you do. He holds your future, so let Him lead you in the way that He wants you to go." And this sixteen year old is truly putting this statement into practice during his own youthful life, demonstrated by his active participation in church organizations and projects, his Christian servanthood, and his commitment to being the best that he can be spiritually and academically.

Terry Moore, Jr. is the son of Deacon Terry Moore, Sr. and Deaconess Pamela Moore and the grandson of Deaconess Rupearl Jeter; they have been great influences in his life. So in keeping with Proverbs 22.6, he has been trained up in the way he should go.

Brother Terry joined Mount Horeb at the tender age of nine and has been active in the church ever since. He often reads the announcements during Sunday worship services. He serves as a helper to the Church Clerk, often assisting her on Sundays. He works with the audio tape ministry. He is also a member of the Fellowship Hall staff. This year, he is serving as a youth assistant for the church's Summer Camp, coordinating this church work with his job at Six Flags Amusement Park. Furthermore, he is a member of the Young People's Choir and attends the Sunday School adolescent class conducted by Sister Katrina Thomas. So, he lives quite a busy Christian life-one that is a blessing for others to witness of a person in his youth!

Brother Terry is currently attending Bowie High School. He proudly states that he is in the Class of 2006 and humbly proclaimed that he has a B+ average. When he graduates from high school, he plans to study forensic science or pre-medicine. In terms of his extracurricular activities, he is participating in indoor/outdoor track.

His siblings-older sister Letisha, younger brother Brian, and younger sister Tiffany-are also active members of Mount Horeb. So, Brother Terry comes from a line of exemplary "Moore" children.

Brother Terry's Church Family commends him on his Christian dedication and undoubtedly knows that he will excel in all of his future pursuits while he keeps God first!

Sister Lisa Hawkins, Reporter

“WE ALL MAKE MISTAKES”



Henry Ford forgot to put a reverse gear on his first automobile. Thomas Edison once spent two million dollars on an invention that proved to be of very little value. Actually, a person who never made a mistake probably lacks normal boldness and a spirit of adventure so he/she doesn't try new things and is really a break on the wheel of progress. And yet, if he never makes a mistake, the biggest mistake is that he/she tries nothing or does nothing. Our greatest inventions have come through inventors trying over and over and making error after error. Finally, they reach their intended goals. Our Creator expects us to use all of our talents and energies to better others first, then ourselves. If we make mistakes along the way, get up and try again and again. With the help of God, you will reach your goal.

Congratulations to the graduates!

Pastor Cooper

TIMELESS WISDOM

ABC's for Living

- A** -affirm and approve of yourself .
- B** -build a strong foundation of faith.
- C** -center and cherish every moment of life.

And always remember:
Every person is God's precious darling.
Transformation is possible in every moment.
Never give up on your faith.
Rejoice and relish every accomplishment, small or large.
Most challenges in life are only temporary.
Start and end each day with thanksgiving for everything and everyone.
Forgive yourself; forgive others.
Love yourself; love others.
Eventually, everything falls into place.
God loves you just the way you are.

Taken from a Workshop by Edie Jurmain
Sister Dorothy Dines Davenport

EDITORIAL

“After Ehud came Shamgar son of Anath, who struck down six hundred Philistines with an ox goad. He too saved Isreal” (Judges 3:31)



Ehud killed the King of Moab with a double edged-sword (Judges 3:21); an unidentified woman dropped a millstone on the head of king Abimelech and cracked his skull (Judges 9:53); Samson struck down a thousand men with the jawbone of a donkey (Judges 15:15); and David struck down Goliath, the Philistine, with a sling and a stone.

There are possibly three lessons to be learned from the above scriptures:

1. Use what you have
2. Do what you can
3. Make a difference

Even in the twenty first century, in spite of, not because of all the technological advances, Christian boys and girls and men and women are using their God-given talents to make a difference in the world. One does not need to be highly educated or computer literate to make a difference in the life of another person.

One person may share a lunch with another. Someone else may call a neighbor and invite him or her to Sunday School. Another may send a card to cheer a shut-in or offer to shop for him or her. An individual can even say “You did a good job” and lift the spirit of the receiver. The list of possibilities is endless.

School is out and many parents and children are on vacation. This year your vacation could be just as enjoyable and even more rewarding if you could allot some time to make a difference in the life of one of God's children. Won't you give some thought to the idea?

Congratulations to the Graduates!
Sister Bernice Perry Perkins, Editor

JUNIOR USHERS

Congratulations to our young Ushers who participated in the Vice Juan pageant in June.

Frank Fleming who was running for the King title came in 4th place. Kirston Fleming was a very good model in the pageant as she displayed her talent.

The Ushers thank all the auxiliaries and other groups who generously gave donations for the King campaign.

Congratulations to Booker T. McAuthur who will be attending Morgan State University. We thank everyone who diligently serves as an Usher. Have a wonderful Summer.

Sister Mary Gudger, Reporter

Prayer Concern:

Ask God to make us good stewards of our time, talent and tithes.

Deacon James Boseman
Chairman Deacon Board



One Hundred and Thirty-fifth (135th) Church Anniversary Celebration ... All Mount Horeb members are invited to join in celebrating the 135th Church Anniversary in a banquet planned for Saturday, August 20th at 4:00 p.m. You may begin signing up today through August 14th in the Arizona Cousin Fellowship Hall. An early response will be helpful for planning purposes. For this special occasion, our membership is asked to contribute \$135.00, or any portion as you may be blessed to give. Additional details will be forthcoming from Sister Tania Allen, Program Committee Chairman.

Deacon Paschall



CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC

Mount Horeb's Annual Church Picnic was held at Cosca Regional Park in Clinton, MD on Saturday, July 16. The food was outstanding. The deacons provided an unlimited supply of delicious fried fish. Our Church auxiliaries and individual members provided an assortment of savory dishes and deserts.

There were football and volleyball activities and games of scrabble and bingo. Many members adorned MH T-shirts. Everyone appeared to have a great time. Many thanks to all who made this an enjoyable day of food, fun, and fellowship at the park.

Sister Carrie Webster, Reporter

Learning is the best of all wealth. It is easy to carry. Thieves cannot steal it. Neither fire nor water can destroy it, and far from decreasing, it increases with giving.

Education helps one cease being intimidated by strange situations.

Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Matthew 7:20

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. Psalm 90:12



Words of encouragement from 1st Lady "Ma" Willie B. Cooper.

*I know you can do it!
A good education is hard to beat!
Keep up the good work!
Keep up those grades up!*

*Don't Stop Now!
Stay Focused!
Be Positive!
Straight_O's_Huh?*

Order Of Service

Sunday	7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.....	Worship Services
	Fourth Sunday.....	Holy Communion
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Prayer Service
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	12 NOON	Prayer Service
Saturday	12 NOON	Youth & Adult Bible Study

"MEN'S DAY 2005"

*Reverend Rufus Nix
Distinguished Service Award*

On Saturday, June 4 and Sunday June 5, 2005, the Laymen's League and the Mass Male Chorus hosted the 2005 Men's Day Celebration.



Unquestionably, this 2-day celebration continues to be the most significant church event of the year for men.

The festivities began with a delectable luncheon served to the Church Family and visiting friends at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 4 in the near-packed Fellowship Hall, which had been beautifully decorated by the Fellowship Hall staff. A musical program, skillfully organized by Chairperson Brother Jerry Carter and Co-Chair Trustee Joseph D. Saunders, was presented immediately following the luncheon. The program featured male choirs from New Image, Springfield and New Southern Rock Baptist churches. The Mount Horeb Mass Male Choir, systematically fine-tuned by Director Dr. Williams Morris and Musician Sister Jenay LaRue-Robinson, added trimming to a "delicious, well-baked cake." The luncheon and the program, timely navigated from beginning to end by Brother Robert Warren, Master of Ceremony, were appropriately described by attendees as "grand affairs."

As on past Men's Day celebrations, the most rewarding aspect of this annual celebration was the immense sense of satisfaction derived from paying homage to a fellowman whose services have greatly and continually contributed to spiritual growth and enrichment and promoted a spirit of Christian unity in our midst. In this connection, at the conclusion of the worship services on Sunday June 5, the Church Family paid tribute to Reverend Rufus Nix, Assistant to the Pastor, in recognition of the warmth of his friendship and the faithfulness of his services to the church and community. As a tangible token of appreciation, Reverend Nix was presented a beautiful plaque inscribed: "Distinguished Service Award: In recognition of your Loyal and untiring services to Mount Horeb and in appreciation of your unceasing diligence in promoting spiritual enrichment in the Church Family and within the community." The Citation for the presentation read: "Our honoree is truly a man of God. He is a man of the highest integrity and sincerity; a man of courage and complete honesty; and a man with a deep sense of compassion for fellowmen. His many attributes, constantly displayed in his interrelationship with them, have earned him love, respect and admiration." "AMEN" is appropriate for each of the superlatives and statements contained in the Citation and for the brief, but heartwarming ceremony honoring him. We can only add our amens and extend our thanks and congratulations to Reverend Nix for his exemplary services. May God continue to bless him, his family and his ministry.

Brother Horace L. Williams

MY WORK WEEK

MONDAY ~ Wash Day

Lord, help me wash away all my selfishness and vanity so I may serve you with perfect humility through the week ahead.

TUESDAY ~ Ironing Day

Dear Lord, help me iron out all the wrinkles of prejudice I have collected through the years so I may see the beauty in others.

WEDNESDAY ~ Mending Day

God, help me mend my ways so I will not set a bad example for others.

THURSDAY ~ Cleaning Day

Lord Jesus, help me to dust out all the many faults I have been hiding in the secret corners of my heart.

FRIDAY ~ Shopping Day

O God, give me the grace to shop wisely so I may purchase eternal happiness for myself and all others in need of love.

SATURDAY ~ Cooking Day

Help me, my Savior, to brew a big kettle of brotherly love and serve it with clean, sweet bread of human kindness.

SUNDAY ~ The Lord's Day

O God, I have prepared my house for you. Please come into my heart as my honored guest so I spend the day and the rest of my life in your presence.

Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood.