

Young Missionary Temple C.M.E. Church
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THE YMT MESSENGER

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From The Pastor's Desk

Happy New Year YMT!



I thank and praise God for all of the love and support you have shown me in the first five months of my tenure as pastor. The love you have shown towards one another and the enthusiasm shown to grow closer to the Lord and each other has been a blessing. If you have not noticed by now, I am a people person. I love being around people, especially, my family and the people of God.

Since arriving the focus of the educational program has been learning more about us and others. Many thought provoking and soul stirring seminars and workshops were conducted for this purpose. (i.e., Communications within Relationships, Wisdom of the Enneagram, Discovering Spiritual Gifts, Free and Equal in Christ, Living Single, and The Boyfriend/Girlfriend Thang). All of these teachings worked together to give us a better understanding of each other. What a wonderful time we've had and it's going to get better. Forget those things which are behind us and speak no more of them. "We hear the Abundance of Rain". YMT is the Place to Be!

As we welcome in a new calendar year, let us be faithful in paying the full Tithe of Time, Talents, and Stewardship in our church and God's ministry. Our God is Faithful, Holy and He requires the same from His people. Be faithful in all things and do not forsake those weekly established means of Grace designed to help your grow spiritually. Ministerial Staff and Officers must set the tone and pace. During the next six months, I will be taking a very close look at the programs geared towards our children and youth programs and newly established "Arts Ministry".

As we continue to live out of motto, "YMT" Loving God… Loving People, let us look for opportunities to share our witness with others this year. Jesus said: If I be lifted up from the earth, I'll draw all men unto me. Remember: What Did We Get? We got Love, The greatest gift of all. Now that the season is gone, let's keep giving on. Because when you've got love, Its Christmas all year long.

Minister's Bio



Our next ministerial highlight is of Reverend Brenda Yvonne Mills. Rev. Mills was born on August 4th in Raleigh North Carolina where she was also raised. Her parents are the late David L. Edwards Sr. and Bessie M. Edwards. She has 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

She is currently married to the love of her life, Raymond Mills. They have 4 children (Antonio Raphel, Sherrod Andre', Demetrius Orlando Mills and Raynita Yvonne Mills), one daughter in-law (Lavonne Mills), and 13 grandchildren.

She joined YMT in 1989 under the leadership of Reverend Bobby Best. She says that the love, friendliness and of course the Gospel Choir drew her to YMT. She preached her initial sermon in 1999 here under the leadership of Rev. Frank T. White Sr.

Over the years, Rev. Mills have served on many Boards, including Stewardess, Trustee Board, Assistant Sunday School Teacher and Missionary Board.

Rev. Mills' favorite sermon is from Psalm 34. She says that after all she's gone through in her life, she refuses to stop giving God praise and the devil will not steal her joy.

When preaching, Rev. Mills says she has no fancy strategy or outline sometimes. Her technique is to pray and tell the Lord, "Take over the sermon, It's up to You. I'm an instrument in Your hands".

The Mothers Of Young Missionary

Mother Olivette McGill



Mother Olivette McGill, "The Fox", was born in New York City, New York on February 3, 1930 to the late Sadie and Winslow Merrick and had 3 brothers and sisters. At an early age she moved to Wilmington North Carolina, where she grew up. She was home-schooled through the third grade and then attended St. Francis Academy and Mary Potter Academy Boarding Schools. After graduating high school she received her BA Degree in music from St. Augustine's College where her major was Voice and Piano.

She was married to John Beasley, and God bless them with 6 children five boys and 1 girl.

She joined Young Missionary under the leadership of Reverend Frank T. White Sr. where she continues attend and serve faithfully. She use to sing on the Senior Choir and was once back-up pianist. She is a current member of the SAINTS Club.

Mother enjoys music very much. She taught piano in her home for many years and played piano for various choirs and organizations. She also loves to write poems. One of her poems was even published in "Reader's Digest" magazine. Her favorite saying is "I am fine as wine and twice as sweet".

Mother Jessie Smith



Mother Jessie Smith was born on May 11, 1920 in Johnston County, North Carolina where she was also raised. Her parents' names were John McPherson and Ozzie McPherson. She had 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

She was married for over 40 years to the late Luther Smith. They raised 7 children together, (1 daughter and 6 sons). She has 12 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild on the way.

Mother Smith joined YMT in the 1960's under the leadership of Reverend J.L. Durden. She says that she's always loved the people and Pastors here and she can always count on some good eating. Through the years she was a member of various Boards and Auxiliaries including, the Stewardess Board and Usher Board and is now a current member of the SAINTS Club.

"Our Golden Girls"
We Love You!

Our Sick (Maggie Cooper)



Mother Cooper is located in the Wake Med Fuquay-Varina Nursing Facility (400 W. Ransom St., Fuquay Varina, 27526)

Please feel to pray for her and her children, Charlean, Caroline, Ora Mae, Mary, Judy, Anita and Chester. Her birthday is December 25th, so send her a Birthday Card and remember to say a special prayer for Mother and their family on that blessed day.

We Love You Mother!

Continue to pray daily for our sick and shut-in daily and please, if you know of any church member that is sick or is in a nursing home, please let Pastor White, the Stewardess and the Church Secretary know so they can be visited, called and especially, prayed for.

"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James *5:15-16* (NIV)

The Launch of YMT's Drama Ministry



Academy Awards watch out! The Young Missionary Temple Drama Ministry is here! In October YMT launched it's newest ministry, the Drama Ministry. The first production was called the "Hell Train" written by our own Pastor White and starred Lee and Marguerite Cross, Charity Pace, Delores Hinton, Ashton Howard, Rev. Angela Black, Christian Johnson and Rev. An'war Pace. The drama/comedy made you laugh at the characters but also made you stop and think. When the Lord comes back to the station, what train do you want to be on, the Gospel Train or the Hell Train?



In November the second production, "Class Reunion", starring Karen Cooper, Tanis Black and Darius Cooper also wowed the audience. The setting is a class reunion where three classmates from the past get together and one of them can't seem to put the past behind her. Especially when it came to other people. She holds the past against her classmates although she has skeletons too; however, one of her classmates who put the past behind her, has found God and the other who couldn't quite put down his disappointments from the past, was searching for God but just hadn't found the right path yet, but by the end of the reunion had found God! Is your past one that you wish you had never lived? Is your past something that you want to continue to live and relive? Remember, you cannot enter your tomorrow as long as you hold on to your past.

Pictures of the Dance Ministry











Walking a Good Fight



The Young Missionary Temple S.T.A.R.S. (Saints Trusting and Righteously Stepping) participated in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. The event was Saturday, October 2, 2010 in Raleigh, North Carolina. This is the fourth year that Young Missionary Temple, CME has been apart of the breast cancer's organization annual event.

We walk to celebrate more birthdays for survivors. Our very own Sis. Delores Hinton is a breast cancer survivor (twice). Therefore, we walk in her honor.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is the signature event for of the American Cancer Society. For nearly 100 years, the American Cancer Society has been working to create a world with less cancer and more birthdays. Their goal is to raise money for preventive measures.



Members of Team STARS:

Pastor Ronald White	Connie Caldwell	Andrea Deloatch
Roxane Waller	Gabrielle Caldwell	Debra Thomas
Logan Waller	Rev. Angela Black	Lee Cross
Deborah Ragland	Marguerite Cross	Tanis Black

The State Fair Comes to YMT



Ladies of Distinction Women's Fellowship celebrated the State Fair in the fellowship hall. Our reigning chairperson, Neice L. King had the great idea to bring such a festive event to us. As with the NC State's Can Day, ladies brought in canned goods for our Missionary Society Ministry as well as new and gently worn clothes to donate to Interact. We collected more canned goods at one time than any other time prior to this event.

Sister Ida Dawson, our master chef of the day, along with her lovely assistant Roxane Waller, helped managed the kitchen They cooked up some Italian sausages with grilled onions and peppers. The sweet and savory aroma filled the room as we played games and visited booths.

We could hear "BINGO" yelled out throughout the festivities as Delores Hinton was in charge of the bingo table, complete with prizes for all the winners. There were plenty of joyous claps and smiles, as Juanita White set up her scrapbooking booth, in which is a great hobby of hers. We were delighted as we traveled to the booth of Cassandra Williams, who brought her sewing machine. She proceeded to teach the ladies the fundamentals of quilting, stitching and sewing. Glenda Johnson displayed her hand crafted jewelry, which were simply lovely. Barbara Jones set up a photo shop with assistance from Ethel White. The ladies were able to take beautiful pictures and decorate photo frames. They were extremely excited about this booth. Roxane Waller maintained the "Guessing Game" booth, where she guessed either the ladies birth month, age or weight. So much fun! Let's just say Roxane was on point.

We also had an information booth which covered Interact and Domestic Violence Awareness, Breast Cancer Awareness and Early Voting Literature. During this event we planned our next outing for November; a day of shopping at the new Tanger Outlet Mall in Mebane, NC. Ladies of Distinction are moving and shaking….ministry beyond the walls.

Communication Within Relationships



The Covenant Group sponsored a workshop on communication on October 27th. The lecturer for the evening was Rev. Donna Battle, Associate Dean of the Shaw University Chapel. She presented four key points needed for good communication:

1. Must be willing to do something different. In other words compromise. Compromise is willing to change something or see something from a different prospective for better communication. Compromise doesn't mean your weak, it may show that you're the stronger one for taking an initiative to make things better.
2. Pay attention! That's pretty self explanatory. We have two ears and one mouth, let's listen twice as much as we talk and, listen with an intent to understand where other people are.
3. Have fair expectations for yourselves and others. We sometimes have or expect a Savior complex
4. Be patient and understanding with others. Remember it's ok to say I'm sorry .

Hallelujah Night 2010

On October 31, 2010 YMT held its annual Hallelujah Night Costume Party. Many Princess, Ladybugs and Superheroes hurried out so not to miss this special event. The party consisted of fantasy, fun and games including, musical chairs, limbo, lots of cool prizes and let's not forget the pizza and cupcakes served to all the hungry Cheerleaders and Indians. But the highlight of the night: THE CANDY BAGS! After patiently waiting, the first one up to receive a candy bag was none other than, Minister Deon Davis. Can you believe it? After distributing the candy bags to the children, the party wrapped up with smiles all across the room.

A big thank you to Sister Tracey King and to everyone who helped to make this event successful, including the parents and congregation for your donations to the candy. You have made a lot of children, and few adults, very happy.













2010 YMT Revival

On November 9th YMT kicked off the first night of our annual revival. We had three anointed nights of Worship, Praise and Preaching of the Word of God!



On the first night we were honored to have **Rev. Dr. Lloyd Watkins** and the Russell Memorial CME Church family of Durham, NC as guests. The Word of God came from Matthew 6:25-34 NKJ and the topic was "A Spiritual Prescription for Stress". What a topic to talk about in these days and times where stress seems to be at an all time high. He explained that some use this passage of scripture as an excuse to be lazy, but God has no room for laziness. And also remember that you can't do it all by yourself. Know what you can and can't do and put what you can't do in His hands and leave it there. Learn to trust in God! Prayer and worry don't go together!



The Spirit of God continued to move on a high note Wednesday evening as **Rev. Doris L. Hicks** and Prince Chapel CME Church joined us. The Prince Chapel choir graced us with the song "He's Able", just reiterating last night's message of trust. After songs and introductions it was time for The Word. Rev. Hicks brought the message "Handpicked for the Increase". Isn't that powerful!? She spoke from Ezekiel 34:26-31 and reminded us that God's fruit is endless and that we're not always picked for the good but sometimes for the bad, but through it all God is in charge. Thank you for the prophesy Rev. Hicks, that on that night God looked down on Raleigh, NC and handpicked YMT for the increase.



Thursday night, the Grand Finale! **Rev. Frank T. White Sr.** and Antioch Bible Fellowship dropped by to visit the Temple. Once again the choir reiterated Faith by singing "I Won't Let Go!" Is that a coincidence or is God trying to tell us something? After the introduction of the speaker by Rev. Johnson, a powerful Word was brought forth Rev. White about having a "Whatever State of Mind" from Philippians 4. He explained that life has its seasons, but through your bad seasons think about your attitude. You can either make it more difficult by saying "I can't see my way" or help yourself by saying "Lord help make a way". And realize that limitations have significance. We need to be content with what we have. Sometimes God keeps us hungry so we learn appreciation. But through it all, remember where your strength abides. In a jail cell with nothing but a window. Paul looked UP and said, "I do all things through Christ that strengthens me".

YMT 94th Homecoming Celebration

Praise the Lord,



On Sunday November 14th YMT celebrated our 94th Homecoming Anniversary. Our celebration was a great success. The theme was: "Lord Rain on us…. Prepare us for the increase" from Ezekiel 34: 26-31, and that the Lord did.

We would like to thank Pastor Ronald White for your prayers and encouragement. Rev. William Mosley (New Horizon CME Church) for bringing such a dynamic message from II Kings 4:1-7.

Following an awesome word from the man of God, YMT family and friends moved to First Cosmopolitan multi-purpose center for an awesome dinner catered by Sister Edith Peterson. We thank the St. Matthews Baptist Church Dance Group for letting the Lord use them. Their moving dance was beautiful. All the wonderful food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.



St. Matthew's Baptist Dance Group

We would like to say thank you to everyone who worked so diligently to make this event a great success, and to our guest who came to share in this blessed event. We couldn't have done it without each and every one of you.

To God be the Glory
Co-Chairs
Deborah, Marguerite and Lee

Lord Rain On Us….Prepare Us For the Increase
Ezekiel 34:26-31

Christmas Program



"Oh Come Let Us Adore Him"

The Young Missionary Temple C.M.E. church held its annual Christmas Program on December 19th, 2010 at 4:00 PM. The program included all ages and areas of our ministry. Participants in our Christmas Program were: Solo - Felisha Wilson, Poem – Delores Hinton, Play #1- The Birth of Jesus, Chosen Generation, Mime – by Face to Face, Liturgical Dance – Chosen Generation Dancers, Play # 2- A Christmas Carole Remix, and Rappers – "Leviticus verses Santa Claus", a 4 month ongoing challenge. After both had performed, the crowd voted and Santa Claus was declared the winner. Thanks you Pastor White for showing us once again your willingness to go above and beyond for our kids.

It was a wonderful and exciting Christmas Program and a great time shared by all in attendance. Special Thanks to the Board of Christian Education under the leadership of Sis. Deborah Ragland, and to Sis. Juanita White who oversees Chosen Generation. The evening ended with Santa Claus giving out gifts to each and every child in attendance.

Spotlighting Our Youth



Davione King
Plays Defensive End/
Linebacker
Knightdale Knights



Ahsha Peebles-
Massenburg
Cheerleader for the
Knightdale Knights
Mini Mites



D'Anthony Bryant
Senior at Wake Christian
Academy
Plays Running Back and Line
Backer



Kye'Liyah Hinton
Received Perfect
Attendance and
Wildcat Scholar Award



Damarion King
Received Good
Listener Award

Fishermen of the Month



<u>October</u>
Chris McLeod

Then Jesus said to them,

"Come after Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." Mark 1:17



<u>November</u>
Delwyn King