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THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



For as we have many members in the body, and all members have not the same office: So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

(Romans 12:4-5)

We, as members, can build onto this body, the Church, with all the gifts that were so graciously given to us. We are gathered together in Spiritual direction to complete the needs of our foundation. We must take advantage of what we have and use it to our capacity. We have a great history in which we have a past that contributes to our future. Let us prepare to fulfill our dreams for New Nonconnah M. B. Church.

A vision of constant growth in our membership is one goal of our church. Another vision is a Family Life Center that will meet the needs of all the moral responsibilities of life, as it exists today. We must continue to meet the needs and demands of our members through continued training and preparation. As a Church, we must stand ready to meet the challenge of the great commission which is: “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”

(Matthew: 28:19–20)

FOREWORD



New Nonconnah MB Church Handbook

This Handbook is given with the intent of helping to integrate new members in the church. It contains the doctrine by which the Baptist Churches is governed. It is an aid in the indoctrination of the Baptist faith. It will be helpful in understanding what is expected of the church and what is expected of you as a member. It also serves as an informational source that will aid in the interest of various ministries that one may be interested in becoming a part.

As the church evolves, this handbook may change to add ministries that will be helpful to the service of the church and outreach ministries within the surrounding communities. Ministers that become inoperable for various reasons may be removed from the handbook.

This book does not serve the purpose of Policies and Procedures as that is the legal document governing the church.

THE CHURCH HISTORY



New Nonconnah Missionary Baptist Church was originally Nonconnah Baptist Church. The land on which the white Baptists built the log structure was first owned by Epperson Cairo, an Indian. Mr. Cairo sold two acres located at Shelby Drive and Tulane to Geraldus Buntyn who dedicated it to the church in 1848. The church was named Nonconnah Baptist Church. At this time, the boundary line between Tennessee and Mississippi was Winchester Road. This boundary put the church's location in North Mississippi. Nonconnah Baptist was in the Coldwater Baptist Association.

William Hudgens, James Gary and Lemuel Farrow were the first deacons. All servants (slaves) were members of this church. The graveyard space was used by Blacks as well as Whites.

All activities of the church were stopped when the War Between the States began and the rolls of the original church were dropped. In 1876, a funeral held in the church was the last service.

In 1885, the white Baptists built a church on Highway 51 and named it Whitehaven Baptist Church. The property on Shelby Drive and Tulane was given to the black members to be used as a place of worship with an understanding that the cemetery be kept decent. This church was renamed New Nonconnah Missionary Baptist Church.

The first pastor of New Nonconnah Missionary Baptist Church was the late Rev. Dunican who led the church into a great soul-winning for Christ. Following him several others served as pastor: Rev. Flynn, Rev. M. Ruffin, Rev. E. Elliott, and Rev. S. A. McDonald.

In 1950, Rev. R. L. Jones became pastor. Under his leadership, the church launched a building fund program which resulted in the construction of another building. The congregation moved into the new building in 1962. The church cornerstone was laid in 1968. In 1979, the land directly behind the church was purchased for additional parking space. The current worship sanctuary was completed in June 1986. Classrooms were completed in October of the same year. The dedication services were held on the 4th Sunday of October, 1986. Rev. Jones retired as pastor in 1991 and served as Pastor Emeritus until his death in 2001.

In 1991 Rev. Douglas McGuire was elected pastor and served until 1994.

In 1994 Rev. Dr. Clennon Saulsberry, Sr., was elected pastor and continues to serve as pastor and leader.

The history of the church will continue to be written by the energetic efforts of all who are a part of the church. It is by the grace of God and His blessings that the members of New Nonconnah Missionary Baptist Church will continue to serve God through the preaching and teaching of His Word.

CHURCH COVENANT



Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel to all nations.

We also engage to:

1. Maintain family and secret devotions
2. Religiously educate our children
3. Speak the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances
4. Walk circumspectly in the world
5. Be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment
6. Avoid all tattling, backbiting and excessive anger
7. Abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage
8. Be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.
9. Watch over one another in brotherly love
10. Remember each other in prayer
11. Aid each other in sickness and distress
12. Cultivate Christian sympathy and courteous speech
13. Be slow to take offence but always ready for reconciliation
14. Be mindful of the rules of our Savior and to secure it without delay

Moreover, we engage that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

And now unto Him, who brought from the dead, our Lord Jesus, be Power and Glory forever.
Amen.

ARTICLES OF FAITH



I. The Scriptures

We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us, and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions shall be tried.

II. The True God

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is one, and only one, living and true God, an infinite, intelligent spirit, whose name is Jehovah, the Maker and Supreme Ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness, and worthy of all possible honor confidence and love; that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.

III. The Fall of Man

We believe the Scriptures teach that Man was created in holiness, under the law of his Maker; but by voluntary transgressions fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint but choice; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, positively inclined to evil; and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defense or excuse.

IV. The Way of Salvation

We believe that the Scriptures teach that the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace; through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God; who by the appointment of the Father, freely took upon Him our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by his personal obedience, and by this death made a full atonement for our sins; that having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tendered sympathies with divine perfections, He is in every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all-sufficient Saviour.

V. Justification

We believe the Scriptures teach that the great Gospel blessing which Christ secures to such as believe in Him is justification; that justification includes the pardon of sin, and promise of eternal life on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of

righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood; by virtue of which faith His perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.

VI. The Freeness of Salvation

We believe that the Scriptures teach that the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by cordial, penitent and obedient faith; and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, but his own determined depravity and voluntary rejection of the Gospel; which rejection involves him in an aggravated condemnation.

VII. Regeneration

We believe that the Scriptures teach that in order to be saved, sinners must be regenerated, or born again; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind that it is effected in a manner above our comprehension by the power of the Holy Spirit in connection with divine truth, so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel; and that its proper evidence appears in the holy fruits of repentance and faith, and newness of life.

VIII. Repentance and Faith

We believe the scriptures teach that repentance and faith are sacred duties, and also inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God; whereby, being deeply convinced of our guilt, danger and helplessness and of the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession, and supplication for mercy; at the same time heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as our prophet, priest and king, relying on Him alone as the only and all-sufficient Saviour.

IX. God's Purpose of Grace

We believe the Scriptures teach that election is the eternal purpose of God, according to which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely free, wise, holy and unchangeable that it utterly excludes boasting and promotes humility, love, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects in all who truly believe the Gospel; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence.

X. Sanctification

We believe the Scriptures teach that Sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of his holiness, that it is a progressive work; that is begun in regeneration; and that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Sealer and Comforter, in the continual use of the appointed means especially the Word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, and prayer.

XI. Perseverance of Saints

We believe the Scriptures teach that such only are real believers as endure to the end, that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

XII. The Law and Gospel

We believe the Scriptures teach that the law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of His moral government; that it is holy, just and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen men to fulfil its precepts, arise entirely from their love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy Law, is one great end of the Gospel, and of the Means of Grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.

XIII. A Gospel Church

We believe the Scriptures teach that visible church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by His laws; and exercising the gifts, right, and privileges invested in them by His Word; that only scriptural officers are Bishops and Pastors, and Deacons whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the Epistles to Timothy and Titus.

XIV. Baptism and the Lord's Supper

We believe the Scriptures teach that Christian baptism is the immersion in water of a believer, into the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Ghost; to show forth in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in the crucified, buried, and risen Saviour, with its effect, in our death to sin and resurrection to a new life; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation, and to the Lord's Supper, in which the members of the church by the sacred use of bread and wine, are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ; preceded always by solemn self-examination.

XV. The Christian Sabbath

We believe the Scriptures teach that the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and sinful recreations, by the devout observance of all the means of grace both private and public, and by preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God.

XVI. Civil Government

We believe the Scriptures teach that civil government is of divine appointment, for the interest and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed; except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience, and the Prince of the Kings of the earth.

XVII. Righteous and Wicked

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death.

XVIII. The World To Come

We believe the Scriptures teach that the end of the world is approaching; that at the last day, Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave for final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness.

ORDINANCES



Since the Apostolic Age, Baptism and the Lord's Supper have been recognized as practices which were commanded by Jesus Christ. These two acts are called ordinances.

BAPTISM

There is only one baptism. Scriptural baptism is by immersion. The Greek word for baptize, "baptism" means immerse. Immersion is depicted by three steps: going into the water (immersion), going under the water (submersion), and coming out of the water. These steps closely parallel the concept of entering into the death of Christ, experiencing the forgiveness of sins, and rising to walk in the newness of Christ's resurrected life. (Rom. 6:4)

Most Baptists agree that four things are necessary for the administration of the ordinances of baptism:

- (1) The proper subject, a saved person;
- (2) The proper authority, a church of Jesus Christ;
- (3) The proper purpose, to show salvation, not procure it; and
- (4) The proper mode, immersion.

Baptism sets forth the burial and resurrection of Christ and shows the individual's salvation by death to sin and resurrection to new life in Christ (**Rom. 6:4, 11**). It is an illustration by figure or symbol of salvation (**I Peter 3:21**) or putting on a uniform showing that we are saved (Gal. 3:27), done in obedience to Christ's command. (**Matt. 28:19 –20**).

Lord's Supper

The meaning of the Lord's Supper may be gained by viewing its origin and theological significance.

Its historical significance arises out of the context of its institution by Christ on the night of His betrayal. When celebrating the Passover with His disciples as they were eating, *Jesus took bread, and blessed it and brake it, and gave to the disciples and gave it to the disciples, and said; Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.* (**Matt. 26:26 – 28; Mark 14: 22 – 24; Luke 22: 10 – 20**).

Its theological significance arises out of the interpretation placed on it by the apostle Paul who wrote, "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not to communion of the body of Christ? For we being many are one bread and one body: for we are partakers of that one bread." (**I Cor. 10: 16 – 17 and I Cor. 11: 23 – 28**). Both the historical and theological significance constitute it as the basis of fellowship by which the church commemorates the death and resurrection of Christ as its source of spiritual life.

Two requirements for participating in the Lord's Supper are specified in scripture: (1) that the communicant be regenerated by grace, and (2) that he walks a life consistent with commemorating the death of Christ.

Since the Supper symbolizes the inward experience of grace, only such persons as have participated in Christ's meritorious death memorializes his death. Each communicant is required to examine his faith before participating. (**I Cor. 11:27 – 29**).

Furthermore, the communicant must be living a life of obedience, refraining from deliberate sin, and intent upon a more intimate fellowship in Christ when he comes to the table, discerning the full meaning of his act in commemorating Christ's death in his life (I Cor. 11:28).

Baptism is thought of as being a prerequisite to the Lord's Supper.

At New Nonconnah M.B.Church communion is observed the 2nd Sunday of the every month. However, there is no command to this. The Scriptures simply say "*as often as you eat.*"

CONCLUSION

The uses of the term "ordinances" emphasizes that these two observances are based upon commands of Christ. However, God's grace and man's faith are closely related in both rites; and, when properly observed, either occasion should bring a heightened experience of God's presence and power.

Certificate of Baptism

This certifies that (member's name) was baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit on the (date) day of (month and year) at New Nonconnah Missionary Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee.

Rev. Dr. Glennon Saulsberry, Sr., Pastor

The Meaning of Baptism

Know, ye not, that so many of us were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death. Therefore, we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

(Romans 6:3-4 KJV)

MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITY

*A*s members of Baptist Churches, we have many responsibilities placed upon us. We should make the church and its work first in our lives because the church has done more for the world than all the governments ever organized, all the institutions ever established and all the armies ever assembled. It is our obligation to use our time and talents for the glory of God and to support the work with our presence as well as money.

ATTENDANCE AND CHRISTIAN GROWTH

*R*egular church attendance plays a major factor in spiritual growth. You cannot live as good a Christian life outside the church as in it, therefore, make the church the most important interest of your life and attend the services and participate in the church activities. Matthew 6:33 says, “Seek ye first” the work of the Lord.

Some of the principles for a Christian to grow in grace while doing the work of the Lord are as follows:

1. First, you must be born again. Certainly you cannot grow spiritually if you are not a child of God. The Lord said, “Ye must be born again.” We are born again when we repent of sin and commit ourselves to Christ as our personal Lord and Savior.
2. Cultivate your devotional life through Bible study and prayer. The Bible is God’s word to us; therefore, we should read it daily and pray for everything.
3. Make much of Christian fellowship. Let your closest friendship be with other Christians. Such fellowship is rich and blessed and will be a great strength for you in resisting temptation and growing spiritually.
4. Use and cultivate your talents for the Lord. Every Christian has abilities which can be used for God. Use your ability to speak, to sing, handle business, to teach, or whatever your talent may be.
5. Exercise self-control. Satan is ever seeking to hinder our Christian lives and the Lord’s work by bringing jealousy, ill-temper, and selfishness into our hearts.
6. Seek the counsel and help of your pastor. God has set the pastor in the church to aid you.
7. Win others to Christ. The greatest work in the world is soul-winning. Every Christian can and should bring others to the Savior.
8. Be honest toward God in the use of your money. Every Christian’s income belongs to God.

*A*llow the Holy Spirit to guide you and He will lead you into greater spiritual knowledge and blessings day by day

STEWARDSHIP

*G*od works by plans, but he gives only one plan of church finance in the Bible, and that is tithes and offerings from His people. The tithe, is the tenth, meaning that God’s people are to bring a tenth of their incomes to the Lord and His work. Offerings are the amounts that are given above the tenth. This is the plan that God teaches all through His word, and it is the one scriptural plan of church finance.

*T*ithing was mentioned before the law was given to Moses (Gen. 14:18, 28:22). It was also part of the Mosaic Law (Lev. 27:30-32; Mal. 3:10). **Finally, it is mentioned specifically by Christ in the New Testament (Matt. 23:23).** Paul indicated that, if anything, our giving should be more liberal than that commanded under the law because we are under Grace: (I Cor. 16:2; II Cor. 9:6-7).

*O*ther New Testament passages teach tithing. The relation of I Corinthians 9:13-14 to Numbers 18:24 has already been set out. First Corinthians 16:2 clearly teaches proportionate giving, “as God hath prospered.” Hebrews 7:8 says, “And here men that die, receive tithes; but, there he receiveth them, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth.” “Men that die” refers to Levitical Priests, so now they pay tithes to Christ, as the greater Priest. Tithes and offerings are paid to Him through His Church.

*T*hese scriptures show plainly that God’s plan of church finance is for His people to bring His tithes to His house for His work. Everyone who has an income is expected to tithe. “Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him.” (I Cor. 16:21). God teaches that everyone is to support His work.

*H*ere then is God’s plan for financing the Baptist Church. We believe in God’s plan in everything and we believe that every member of the Baptist Church should be a tither, bringing to the Lord a tenth of his income. If we love Him we will keep His commandments.

Certificate of Completion

Presented to

Having completed the course of study prescribed by the New
Membership Class at New Nonconnah Missionary Baptist Church.

Month and Year

Rev. Dr. Glennon Saulsberry, Sr., Pastor

Membership No. _____

ORDER OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES



Prayer Service

9:00am

Sunday School

9:30am

Morning Worship

11:00am

PASTORAL STAFF



PASTOR

Rev. Dr. Clennon Saulsberry, Sr.

ASSOCIATE MINISTERS

Rev. Clarence Adams

Rev. Melvin Alexander

Rev. Annie Baker

Rev. Bobbie Casey

Rev. Ricky Clayton

Minister Jordan Garner

Rev. Aurelia Hall

Rev. Willie Hardy

Minister Kiera Johnson

Rev. Lee Parson

Rev. Helen Pratt

Rev. Clennon Saulsberry, Jr.

Rev. Margaret Toles

CHURCH MINISTRIES

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Mission Statement

The New Nonconnah Christian Board of Education (The Board) serves as a forum for our leaders to guide planning, coordination and evaluation of the total work of the church. The Board will depend on the various church organizations to implement the church's program according to their assigned tasks.

GOAL: To assist the church in determining its course and to coordinate and evaluate its work.

DUTIES:

1. Help the church understand its mission and define its priorities
2. Coordinate studies of church and community needs.
3. Recommend coordinated plans for evangelism, missions and Christian development
4. Coordinate the church's schedule of activities, special events and use of its facilities
5. Evaluate progress and the priority use of church resources.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mission Statement

Teach and train through a sound doctrine; promoting the Kingdom of God; strengthening believers and enabling non-believers to learn the Word of God through a sound teaching ministry based solely on the Holy Scriptures.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations ...teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Matt. 28:19a-20.

WHAT IS THE SUNDAY SCHOOL?

The Kingdom of God prospers most in communities where there are churches. Churches are essential to the progress of the kingdom of God. Jesus came to seek and to save that which was lost. His method reaching people with the message of salvation is through the churches.” The Sunday School is the strong teaching arm of the church. It is to reach the people, teach the bible and lead church members to perform the work of Christ. The Sunday School has the greatest potential of any church organization for involving the largest number of members and prospects.

Through the Sunday School the church expresses its concern for both members and prospects, both the reached and unreached. The Sunday School is the church organized to enroll people in bible study with express purpose of bringing them to become reconciled to God. The Sunday School distributes the outreach task among its members so that every prospect becomes the specific responsibility of a worker, a member, or a group. Man’s need for reconciliation to God becomes the concern of the Sunday School leaders who, in turn, enlist their members to share that concern.

While the Sunday School has major responsibilities in the areas of reaching and teaching, it is no less responsible for the growth and development of members who are Christians. As Paul admonished the Christians at Ephesus to be strong and to put on the whole armor of God, so does the Sunday School equips its members to face the world in battle array against the wiles of the devil.

DEACONS

Mission Statement

Deacons are called by God and elected by the church to serve in numerous ways, assisting with the ordinance of the Lord’s Supper; visitation of those suffering from illness, injury, or some other great needs of life, also assisting the pastor in his daily duties and responsibilities.

The major function of Deacons is to assist the pastor in his workload. Deacons must act as arbitrators, counselors, social workers and assume the role of financial consultants.

The Bible defines a deacon as: “One that is grave, not doubled, not given to too much wine, not greedy of filthy money, the husband of one wife, ruling his own children and house well...” **I Timothy 3:8-12.**

The original responsibilities of deacons were to care for widows and orphans. But because of the complexities of our society, to simply take care of widows and orphans would find him lacking in his responsibilities. He must now exercise his talents in all areas of our changing world. Deacons are a liaison between the pastor and the congregation and are involved in every area of the church.

The duties and responsibilities of a deacon include but are not limited to the following:

1. They help establish, maintain and enforce church policy.
2. They play a key role in the decision-making processes of the church
3. They provide spiritual support for the Pastor

4. They are the supporters and advisors in every function of the church and its activities

CURRENT DEACONS

Bro. Thelton McCrackin – (Chairman)	Bro. Gregory Toles, Sr. - (Co-Chairman)
Bro. David Boddie	Bro. Larry Brandon
Bro. Early Garner	Bro. Anthony Rankin
Bro. Earnest Richardson	Bro. Rodney Saulsberry
Bro. Walter Toliver	Bro. Aldred Williams, Sr.
Bro. David Scott	Bro. Fred W. Williams, Jr.
Bro. James Toles, Sr	Bro. Eddie Young

THE MOTHERS/DEACONESS

Mission Statement

To enhance spiritual matters of the church; foster peace, love, Christianity and unity within the membership by witness and deportment. Our aim is to glorify God's name which will result in kingdom-building.

Scripture Focus: Titus 2:3 -5 and I Timothy 3:11

The Mothers/Deaconesses Ministry consists of the elder women and Deacons' wives in the congregation. Their duty is to counsel the younger women of the church on their spiritual as well as their moral behavior.

Duties:

1. Prepare Communion Table
2. Prepare sanctuary for funerals
3. Visit sick and shut-in members and administer services as needed
4. Be ready to give sound advice to younger women and girls in the church
5. Comfort those in mourning or distress

CURRENT MEMBERS ARE

Sis. Theresa Boddie	Sis. Alfreda Brack
Sis. Mona Brandon	Sis. Julia Clinton
Sis. Pearlina Garner	Sis. Florence Mason
Sis. Albertine Merriweather	Sis. Lena McCrackin
Sis. Louiza McCrackin	Sis. Ethlyn Nichols
Sis. Vera Oatis	Sis. Brenda Rankin
Sis. Tiffany Richardson	Sis. Alicia Saulsberry
Sis. Lesidia Scott	Sis. Bonita Toles
Sis. Vera Winford	Sis. Dale Young

TRUSTEES

Mission Statement

To faithfully care for and oversee all areas of the church's property and ensure the safe keeping of all church records.

1. The Trustees shall hold in trust all property belonging to the Church and shall take all necessary measures for its protection, management and upkeep.
2. The Trustees shall supervise ways and means of raising the treasury funds for the support of the Church and for benevolence. They shall supervise the disbursements of these funds as appropriated.
3. The duty of the Trustees is to execute legal papers in the name of the church when a purchase, transfer or sale has been ordered by the authority of the church.

CURRENT TRUSTEES

Bro. Aldred Williams, Sr. -- Chairman
Bro. Gregory Toles, Sr.
Bro. Isaiah Callicker

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mission Statement

To execute the financial responsibilities of the church with honesty and integrity.

The general treasurer shall be the custodian of all money contributed for general expenses of the church. The treasurer shall keep correct records of all receipts and disbursements. All disbursements are authorized by the finance committee. All disbursements of money shall be by check.

CURRENT MEMBERS

Bro. Aldred Williams, Sr. – Treasurer
Bro. Isaiah Callicker
Sis. Albertine Merriweather – Financial Secretary

MISSION DEPARTMENT

Mission Statement

To encourage each member to study the Bible daily and to seek divine guidance in order to be spiritual witnesses for our Savior Jesus Christ and the community.

Outreach Ministries

Weekly Meetings
Bible Study
Visitation to sick and Shut-In
Mid-South Food Bank
Whitehaven Community Living Center
Old Path Shelter
Christmas Angel Project

Focus:

“This is my mission; this is my prayer;
Helping the needy everywhere.”

USHERS

Mission Statement

To provide hospitable service to the congregation and to ensure that the needs and comfort of all God's people are met.

“For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.” Psalms 84:10

The usher is the church's official representative of the Holy Spirit – a side of church expressional life which in too many cases has been neglected and has resulted in the serious detriment of the church as a soul-gripping institution.

The usher cannot bear the whole burden of friendliness, but consider it a privilege to stand in the gap to perform for the church that which the church as a whole cannot do for itself.

Some do well in its capacity without special training, but few there are who may not do better by giving the matter careful study. This, along with prayer and practice, will work wonders for anyone who earnestly desires to be a good host in the house of God.

THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Mission Statement

To maximize the musical and artistic gifts and talents in the areas of choral and instrumental music. We continue implementing our mission by means of joyfully singing unto the Lord inspirational songs and hymns that invite the presence of the Holy Spirit and by dedicating and committing our time to perfecting these gifts. Psalm 100 serves as a model to us as it speaks in terms of invitation, participation, rejoicing and praising and doing so with the right attitude.

Music is truly the “handmaid of religion.” It is to be enjoyed in meaningful participation.

*“Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!”
Psalms 47:6*

The Music Department consists of a Mass Choir, a Men’s Choir, and a Youth Choir. The Mass Choir provides song services on the first, second and third Sundays; the Men’s Choir renders song services on the 5th Sundays. The Youth Choir provides song services on the 4th Sundays.

WOMEN’S

Mission Statement

To do the work of Christ by teaching, witnessing and fully supporting our pastor and church.

Furthermore, our aim is to work with integrity, structure and accountability, being reverent in the way we live, teaching women to love and be subject to their own husbands, and train their children to be self- controlled and pure.

HEALTH

Mission Statement

The Health Ministry resources are designed to meet the health needs of our members. We pledge our lives to Christ and to demonstrating His Spirit through home, hospital visitations and after hospital care as needed. We will carry out our biblical commitment to care for our bodies and spirits by promoting good health.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the youth and young adults of NNMBC to dedicate ourselves to the teaching and learning of God's word. We endeavor to strive to be an example to those that will come behind us that they may have a sanctified glorious path to follow. Moreover, we are committed to the growth and development of the church. We are the youth serving the Risen Savior, Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Mission Statement

To help our children become established in the faith and to gain a firm belief in the truth of the Bible; to lead them into a personal relationship with Christ; to lay a solid foundation for the development of Christian character; to instill awareness of beauty in all that God has made.

AWANA

Mission Statement

Our goal is to reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ and train them to serve him. The AWANA ministry provides different life perspectives and biblical references for our children.

Our ministry is designed to be a life-defining, long lasting program with spiritual impact, built on a biblical foundation for children's faith. Therefore, the Bible is the bedrock for raising kids who know, love and serve Jesus Christ. As they mature, we teach teens about biblical character, values and an unshakeable faith that endures a lifetime.

AUXILIARY MINISTRIES

R. L. Jones & Geneva Bradley Scholarship Ministry

Mission Statement

To give an opportunity for recognition and provide some financial assistance to our members who are graduating from an accredited high school, technical school, college or a Christian education program that is approved by the church.

In these challenging times, monetary aid is needed more than ever to help reach our members' educational goals.

Proverbs 1:5 provides us with our spiritual and biblical foundation: "The wise also will hear and increase in learning, and the person of understanding will acquire skill and attain to sound counsel (so that he may be able to steer his course rightly)."

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Mission Statement

To focus on the unique strengths and opportunities that men have to influence their work, home and church environment.

VIDEO

Mission Statement

The mission of the Audio/Video Sound Team Ministry is to support all the audio needs of the various ministries of New Nonconah M. B. Church. Our mission supports the "Evangelize," "Edify," and "Encourage" portions of the overall mission of the church.

The Media Team exists for the purpose of investing ourselves in a ministry that will directly support anything that goes forth from the church requiring audio, lighting, video, graphics, or any other form of technical or stage support, in a manner that is pleasing to God, and will provide for a better reception and understanding by all those whose services are touched by our efforts. The team provides sound during all regularly scheduled serve including revivals and other services on request

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Mission Statement

The mission of the newsletter staff is to provide information, entertainment and encouragement to members while edifying God through inspirational articles Christian faith.

BOY SCOUTS

Mission Statement

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

OTHERS

CHURCH STAFF

Sis. Lois J. Moore Secretary

Sis. Albertine Merriweather, Financial Secretary

Sis. Regina Nichols , Announcer

KITCHEN STAFF

Sis. Mozella Metcalf

Sis. Jennie Johnson

Sis. Glenda Faye Hardaway

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



January

Men's Day ----The First 5th Sunday in the Year (no specific month)

1st Sunday ---- Installation of Officers

February

--Black History Month--

4th Sunday ---- Black History

March/April

Per Yearly Calendar ---- Palm Sunday

Per Yearly Calendar ---- Easter

Whitehaven District Institute

May

--Memorial Month--

2nd Sunday ---- Mother's Day

June

2nd Sunday (On Monday) ---- Vacation Bible School

3rd Sunday ---- Father's Day

National Baptist Congress Monday after 3rd Sunday)

4th Sunday ---- Youth Day

July

--Independence Month--

3rd Sunday ---- Usher's Day

August

1st Sunday ---- Annual Mission's Day

2nd Sunday ---- Fall Revival Week

3rd Sunday ---- Annual Choir Day

4th Sunday ---- Sunday School Promotion Sunday

September

--Women's Month --

1st Sunday ---- Grandparent's Day

October

1st Sunday ---- Annual Women's Day

November

1st Sunday ---- Pastor and Wife Anniversary

December

3rd Sunday ---- Christmas Program

December 25th ---- Christmas Sunrise Services