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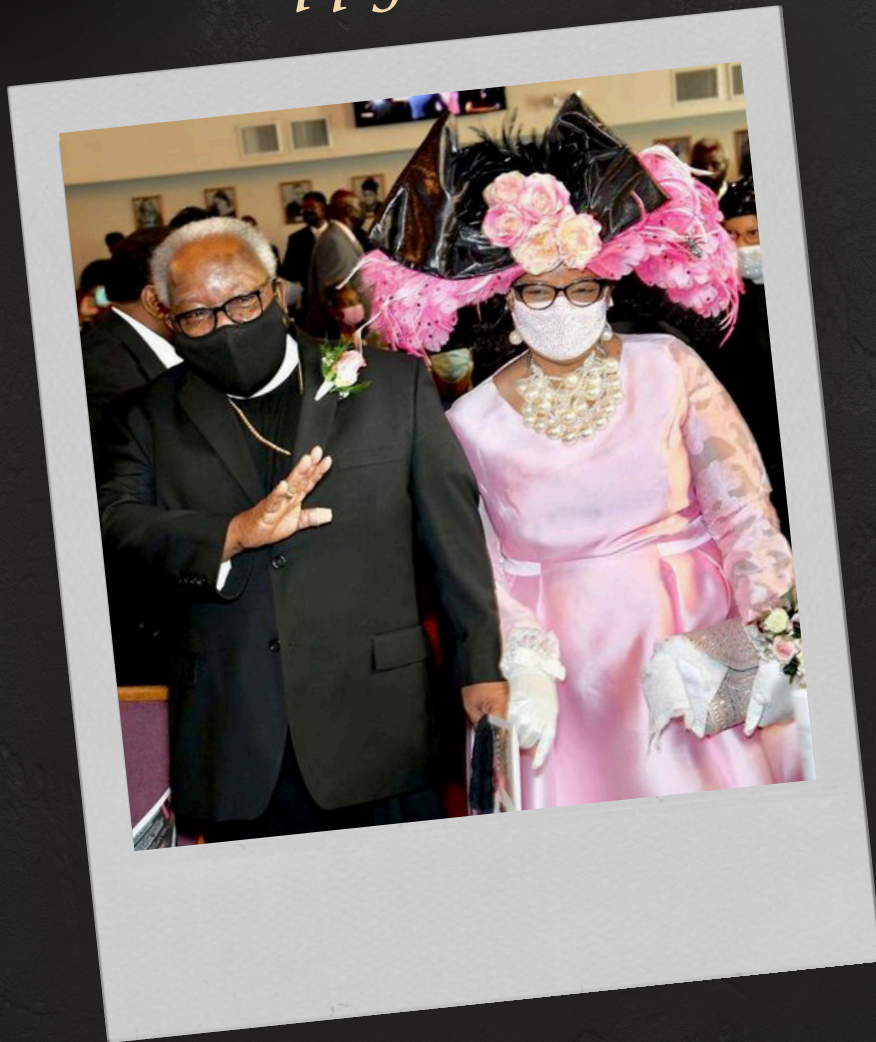


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Happy New Year



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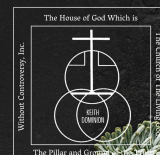


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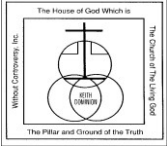
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HOLIDAY COMMUNIQUÉ WINTER 2022/2023

To the Saints of the Most High God,

“Grace *be* to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ: According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love.” Ephesians 1:2-4

This is the season for all the Saints of God, the faithful in Christ Jesus, to rejoice and give thanks for his grace and his wonderful blessings. The LORD God is merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy *endureth* forever. We must now focus on the soon appearing of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. “O taste and see that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.” Psalm 34:8



Now is the time for us to awake out of sleep. Our salvation is near, the judges at the door. The LORD *is* good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knows them that trust in him. Be ready, God is depending on each Holy Ghost filled saint to keep the faith in the midst of national wickedness. “Cry aloud, spare not, lift up your voice like a trumpet, and show God’s people their transgressions, and the house of Jacob their sins.” Isaiah 58:1

“This know also, in the last days perilous times shall come. Men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof” 2 Timothy 3:1-6. We are not ignorant of Satan’s devices. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Matthew 24:24 “There is a way which seems right unto man, but the end are the ways of death.” Proverbs 14:12

Satan’s strategy is to deceive the nations of the world by having them to redefine mankind's definition of God. If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do? Let us walk honestly, righteously, and holy. Let us cast off the works of darkness, let us put on the armor of light. Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to *fulfil* the lusts *thereof*. Romans 13:14

THANKSGIVING DAY & WATCH NIGHT SERVICES

Thanksgiving is not just a one day celebration in which we thank God for the material things of life. Thanksgiving is an ongoing occasion when we thank God for both spiritual and material things that are made available to us by Him. 1) We are to thank God for His love, kindness and faithfulness. 2) We should thank Him for His judgment and His great works of deliverance.

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, November 24, 2022. I recommend that you continue virtual meetings locally or by districts on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 A.M. (or at an appropriate time for your congregation) for approximately one hour to render due praises to God for His goodness in a Thanksgiving Day Service. Let us resurrect the practice of gratitude. Your virtual worship service should include reading of the Thanksgiving Lesson or some other appropriate scripture reading of your choice.

Watch Night is Saturday, December 31, 2022 . As we faithfully assemble in person or virtually, let us gratefully praise and thank God for bringing us through 2022, while requesting His devout blessings and guidance of our souls throughout the coming year.

SEVEN DAYS FAST

Let us join together wholeheartedly as we observe the SEVEN DAYS FAST beginning Saturday, December 31, 2022, at midnight. The appointed time of the fast will be from midnight to 6:00 pm (or the approximate time of “sundown”/the setting of the sun in your location) on a daily basis and will continue until 6:00 pm (or the approximate time of “sundown”/the setting of the sun in your location) on Saturday, January 7, 2023. The first seven days of the new year are our annual fasting days. This is a period of sanctification and consecration to help us abide in the True Vine. This will bless the Church to reunite into one body as we move forward with the Sixth Administration of this Church.

As we prepare for the Seven Days Fast, let us pray, cry, repent and allow God to fix our hearts so God will anoint and bless us as we go forth, fishing for lost souls in the “Great Sea of Humanity.” Pray for God’s anointing as we sanctify the altar in God’s House, that the Church might be filled with the great harvest of lost souls.

As we prepare for the Seven Days Fast that pleases God, let us observe how Paul and Silas in Acts 17:11 searched the Scriptures daily to see whether the things taught were of God. The sacred fast that pleases God can also be a type of the Christian Church that was born on the Day of Pentecost, when individual believers for the first time were baptized with the Holy Ghost into a unified spiritual organism, likened to a body of which Christ is the Head. For there is one Holy body, which is the body of baptized believers, and Jesus died for us all.



THEME: THE UNSPEAKABLE JOY

1 Peter 1:7-9

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, November 24, 2022. Churches may meet virtually or by zoom; locally or by districts on Thanksgiving Day for approximately one hour to render praises to God for all his goodness and blessings. Let us resurrect the practice of gratitude. You may have your worship service followed by the reading of the Thanksgiving lesson or some other appropriate scripture reading of your choice.

Thanksgiving is not just a one-day celebration in which we thank God for the material things of life. Thanksgiving is an ongoing occasion when we thank God for both spiritual and material things that are made available to us by Him. We thank God for His love, kindness, and mercy. We also thank Him for His Divine Healing and His great works of Deliverance.

CHRISTMAS LESSON

Christmas Day is Sunday, December 25, 2022. Churches should meet for Sunday Bible School and worship in person or by ZOOM, etc.; locally or by districts. Your worship service should include reading of the Christmas lesson, sermons, and other appropriate scripture readings of your choice. When we think about Christmas, we think about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the promised seed who came to deliver mankind from the curse of sin and death. Jesus Christ, God's gift of love to the world.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICES

Watch night is Saturday the 31st of December. As we assemble, let us gratefully praise and thank God for bringing us through 2022, while requesting His devout blessings and guidance of our souls throughout the coming New Year 2023. We are truly blessed beyond measure.

SEVEN DAYS FAST

Let us join together wholeheartedly as we observe the Seven Day Fast beginning Sunday midnight. The appointed time of the fast will be from midnight to 6:00 PM on a daily basis and will continue until 6:00 PM on Saturday, January 7, 2023. The annual fast is a period of sanctification and consecration to help us abide in the True Vine. The Seven Day Fast will bless the church and reunite the us as one body moving forward together with the Chief Overseer and Six Administration. As we prepare for the Seven Days Fast, let us pray, cry, repent and allow God to fix our hearts that He may anoint and bless us as we go fishing for lost souls in the great sea of humanity. Pray for God's anointing as we sanctify the altar that the church might be filled with the great harvest of lost souls.

THANKSGIVING LESSON

IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS

CHRISTMAS LESSON

GOD IS WITH US

WATCH NIGHT LESSON

WATCH AND PRAY

IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS

LESSON TEXT: 1 Thessalonians 5:18 In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

As you gather for the teaching of our Annual Thanksgiving Lesson, engage in “speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.” Ephesians 5:19-21

“Be careful for nothing; but in everything 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. Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.” Philippians 4:6-8

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, we have so much to give thanks God for His daily benefits. Man looks on the outside, but God looks on the heart. “Give thanks unto the LORD, for he *is* good: for his mercy endures forever.” Psalm 107:1 “When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places, be thankful for the end is not yet. This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.” Matthew 24:15

We must give thanks unto the LORD for His righteousness and magnify His holy name with thanksgiving. “Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise, be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endures to all generations.” Psalm 100:1-5

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: Offer to God a sacrifice of Thanksgiving. Someone called your name this morning, and you were able to answer. God delivered you from danger seen and unseen. Is there anything too hard for God? We thank God because He has been so good to us. Let us thank God today for “...the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance....” Galatians 5:22-23. Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, continue steadfast in prayer and be thankful, “and whatsoever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.” Colossians 3:17

LET’S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. Do you have anything to be thankful for (answer individually)?
2. The question was asked in today’s lesson, “is there anything too hard for God?” What are some things that seem impossible to man but are possible for God?
3. 1 Thes. 5:18 says, In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” How can a person give thanks “in everything” (answer individually)?
4. Describe a time you expressed gratitude and were pleasantly surprised at the response.

ACTIVITY:

Gratitude Conversation

If your group desires to organize a way to show gratitude, consider asking each person to develop a list of 5 or 6 people they are willing to call (or text, email, etc.) in order to say, “thank you” for something they have done but have yet to be appreciated. This is called a “gratitude conversation.” When you meet again as a group, allow each person that participated in the activity a minute to share a highlight or two from their “gratitude conversation.”

GOD IS WITH US

LESSON TEXT: Matthew 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Jesus Christ is the promised seed that came to deliver mankind from the curse of sin and death. Jesus said, "...Lo, I come in the volume of the book it is written of me, to do thy will, O God." (Hebrews 10:7). Today God is with us. "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." (Luke 2:11-14)

"Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6.) Furthermore, it is written in Matthew 1:21, "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins."

God is with us. He has not abandoned us for it is written Hebrews 13:5, "I will never leave you, nor forsake you." "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?" (Numbers 23:19). David said in Psalm 23:6, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever." "What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31)

As we celebrate Christmas, we have so much to be thankful for daily. Just knowing that God is with us is comforting. Jesus promised not to leave us without a comforter. It is recorded in John 14:18-19, "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world see me no more." John 14:16-17 states, "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it sees him not, neither knows him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." We are given more assurance in John 14:26, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: God is with us. Jesus is here right now. God is with us even in our prayer meetings. And when he was ready to leave us, Jesus said, "...I go and prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also. I am the way, the truth, and the life. (John 14:2-3,6). "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." (Matthew 28:20)

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. List 5 things you can do to make God smile this Christmas (answer individually).
2. What is the "good news" of Jesus Christ?
3. In your own words, what is the overall message of Matthew 28:20?
4. Isaiah 9:6 states, "and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." If you were to give Jesus a positive attribute (like "wonderful" or

“counsellor”) based on what he has done in your life, what would you call Him (answer individually)?

ACTIVITY:

As the lesson illustrates, “God is with us” but often during the Christmas season people feel alone and depressed. It’s hard for some people to realize and appreciate the presence of God when facing the trials of life.

Unfortunately, some people did not receive a gift this Christmas but it’s not too late. Consider being the hands and feet of Jesus by organizing a small Christmas gift bag distribution for homeless people near you, incarcerated, widows, orphans or anyone experiencing severe economic difficulty. The small gift bag can be simple and include very modest items such as: a \$1 Bible, encouraging card, snack (such as a honey bun or twinkie), pencil, notepad, socks, hand sanitizer, etc. The bag does not have to include all of those items. If you participate in this activity, consider capping the total amount spent on each bag to \$5 or \$6. If your group organizes this on behalf of the church or a ministry at the church please be sure to let the pastor know before you begin your activity.

Watch Night Services in America and in many countries around the world is Saturday, December 31, 2022. Your worship service may include reading of the Watch Night Lesson, sermon(s), singing, rejoicing, appropriate scripture readings, praying, seeking God and fellowship.

WATCHNIGHT LESSON

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

WATCH AND PRAY

LESSON TEXT: Matthew 26:38-42 Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me. And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt. And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak. He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.

Ever since Freedom Eve, December 31, 1862, African Americans across America would gather in little churches and homes to wait, watch and pray. Watch night service in America was mainly celebrated in African American communities. They were waiting for the great news that the Emancipation Proclamation (signed by President Lincoln) had become law. Today many African American churches still gather on New Year’s Eve to thank God for another year. New Year’s Eve service is a cultural and spiritual experience in America and throughout the world.

There is something about midnight. It is the beginning and end of each day. “And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one’s bands were loosed. And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled. But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here. Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas, And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.” (Acts 16:25-31)

“At midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.” (Matthew 25:6-13)

The Midnight Cry

1. **Exodus 11:4-6** “And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt: And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that *is* behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts. And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.” **Exodus 12:29** “And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that *was* in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.”
2. **Acts 20:7-9** “And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his preaching until midnight. And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together. And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.”

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: The most important midnight cry will be when Jesus returns. “Of that day and that hour knows no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.” (Mark 13:32). “As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.” (Matthew 13:40-42). “Jesus said behold, I come quickly and my reward *is* with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.” (Revelation 22:11-12)

LET’S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. What are potential consequences of watching without praying?
2. What are potential consequences of praying without watching?
3. Describe a time in your life where you experienced what these verses describe, where Jesus’ soul was exceeding sorrowful but he pressed on.
4. In your own words, what is the overall message of Matthew 28:20?
5. Isaiah 9:6 states, “and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” If you were to give Jesus a positive attribute (like “wonderful” or “counsellor”) based on what he has done in your life, what would you call Him (answer individually)?

SEVEN DAYS FAST LESSONS

FASTING DAY ONE

Stand Fast in the Lord

FASTING DAY TWO

Bring Back the Love

FASTING DAY THREE

There is Hope for Tomorrow

FASTING DAY FOUR

Believe the Word: Jesus is Real

FASTING DAY FIVE

Deliver Us From Evil

FASTING DAY SIX

Perfecting Holiness in the Fear of God

FASTING DAY SEVEN

Stand



STEADFAST IN THE LORD

LESSON TEXT: 1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Steadfast-means to hold firm to your beliefs and teaching, not "...tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive." (Ephesians 4:14). "But do not waver, for he that wavers is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed." (James 1:6)

1. **Galatians 5:1** "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage."
2. **2 Thessalonians 2:15** "Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle."
3. **Ephesians 6:13-14** "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness."
4. **Colossians 2:6-7** "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving."
5. **2 Peter 3:16-17** "As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction. Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness."
6. **Galatians 6:9** "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."
7. **Joshua 1:9** "Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee whithersoever thou goest."

BONUS SCRIPTURES

(a) **Romans 12:12** "Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer."

(b) **1 Corinthians 16:13** "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong."

(c) **Hebrews 10:23** "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; for he is faithful that promised."

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT:**(Discussion/Small Group Questions)**

1. What does it mean to be steadfast?
2. What does it mean to, "hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering"?
3. What are obstacles to always abounding in the work of the Lord?
4. What are some ways to make certain your life is consistently covered with the "whole armor" of God?

BRING BACK THE LOVE

LESSON TEXT: Matthew 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

Because wickedness is everywhere the love of many believers has grown cold. The love for the church, for holy living, and even for the Saints has turned cold. “Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God. Everyone that loveth is born of God and knows God. He that loveth not knows not God; for God is love.” (1 John 4:7-8)

1. **Jesus instructing his disciples.** “Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. These things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin.” (John 15:16-22)
2. **Bring back the love.** “Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.” (Revelation 2:4-5)
3. **Love shall cover the multitude of sins.** “And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.” (1 Peter 4:8). Jesus said, “...Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” (Matthew 22:37-40)
4. **The greatest love of all.** “Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.” “John 15:13”
5. **Don’t forget the Golden Rule.** “Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.” (Matthew 7:12) “And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.” (Ephesians 4:32)
6. **God’s mercy is renewed every morning.** “It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.” (Lamentations 3:22-23)
7. **Put on mercy, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering.** “Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do ye*. And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.” (Colossians 3:12-15)

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. What are 3 ways you can create or continue a consistent environment of love and positivity in your local church (answer individually)?
2. What does it mean for the "love of many to wax cold" (answer individually)?
3. How can we love God with all our heart, all our soul, and with all our mind (give an example)?
4. In your own words, what is the overall message of Matthew 22:37-40?

FAST DAY THREE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023

THERE IS HOPE FOR TOMORROW

LESSON TEXT: Romans 5:3-5 And not only *so*, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope: And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Our hope rest in Jesus. We are "looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ." (Titus 2:13). "Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost." (Romans 15:13). There is hope for tomorrow. "Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;" (Romans 12:12). "For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it." (Romans 8:24-25)

There is hope for tomorrow. But do not boast about tomorrow; for you do not know what a day may bring (Proverbs 27:1). "Therefore, take no thought for tomorrow: for tomorrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is its own troubles." (Matthew 6:34). "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever." (Hebrews 13:8)

1. **1 Thessalonians 4:13** "But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope."
2. **Psalms 71:5** "For you are my hope, O Lord GOD: you are my trust from my youth."
3. **Romans 15:4** "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope."
4. **1 Corinthians 15:19** "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable."
5. **James 4:14** "Whereas you know not what shall be on tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appears for a little time, and then vanishes away."
6. **Psalms 103:15-18** "As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourishes. For the wind passes over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more. But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children; To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them."
7. **2 Chronicles 20:17** "Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them: for the LORD will be with you."

Conclusion: Tomorrow is not promised to anyone. Work while it is day. Jesus said, “I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” (John 9:4-5)

LET’S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. What does the phrase “tomorrow is not promised” mean (answer individually)?
2. Describe a time you remember being hopeful as a child (examples may include Christmas Eve, family vacation, reunion, birthdays etc.)?
3. As adults how can we remain hopeful in the midst of troubling times, trials and despair?
4. What does it mean to “glory in tribulation” (give an example)?

ACTIVITY:

EXHIBITION OF HOPE

If your group desires to organize a way to exhibit hope, consider asking each person to develop a list of 3 people they are willing to call (or text, email, etc.) and encourage. Your encouraging words can be a hope-filled scripture, a pleasant short illustration of something that gave you hope or some kind words (such as a compliment or recognition of a past achievement). When you meet again as a group, allow each person that participated in the activity a minute to share a highlight or two from their “exhibition of hope.”

FAST DAY FOUR

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023

BELIEVE THE WORD: JESUS IS REAL

LESSON TEXT: Matthew 16:13-16 When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And they said, Some *say that thou art* John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

1. **Believe on the Lord** - “Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas, And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.” (Acts 16:29-31)
2. **Whom having not seen, yet believing** - “Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see *him* not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory.” (1 Peter 1:8)
3. **That believing ye might have life** - “And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.” (John 20:30-31)

4. **Be not faithless, Jesus is real.** “Then saith he to Thomas, reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust *it* into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.” (John 20:27)
5. **Believe on the name of the Son of God.** “He that hath the Son hath life; *and* he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.” (1 John 5:12-13)
6. **Born of God** - “Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and everyone that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. (1 John 5:1)
7. **The Father sent the Son to be the Savior of the world.** “Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son *to be* the Savior of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.” (1 John 4:13-15)

BONUS SCRIPTURES

- (a) **Romans 10:14** “How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?”
- (b) **Acts 26:28-29** “Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian. And Paul said, I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds.”
- (c) **John 1:14** “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”
- (d) **Matthew 1:21** “And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.”

LET’S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. Jesus used signs, miracles and wonders as one of the ways to prove his “realness” as the Son of God and savior of the world. Which miracle, sign or wonder performed in scripture inspires you the most to appreciate the reality of Jesus as savior of the world?
2. Describe something you previously thought were real and how it made you feel to find out they were not real (examples may include the tooth fairy, Santa Clause, etc.)?
3. Describe a time Jesus proved he was real to you (answer individually).
4. What does it mean to be faithless? What does it mean to be faithful?

FAST DAY FIVE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023

DELIVER US FROM EVIL

LESSON TEXT: Matthew 6:13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Do not give space for the devil to do evil. “Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needs. Let no corrupt communication

proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby you are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamor, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.” (Ephesians 4:28-32)

1. **James 4:11** “Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.”

2. **Isaiah 41:10** “Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.”

3. **Psalms 34:17** “The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.”

4. **2 Timothy 4:18** “And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.”

5. **John 17:15** “I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.”

6. **2 Thessalonians 3:3** “But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil.”

7. **James 1:13** “Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man.”

BONUS SCRIPTURES

- (a) **Revelation 3:10** “Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.”
- (b) **1 John 5:18** “We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.”

LET’S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. Give an example of how you can do the following:
 - Be kind
 - Be tenderhearted
 - Overcome temptation
 - Release malice
 - Release bitterness
2. Explain what this verse means to you (answer individually): Isaiah 41:10 “Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.”

PERFECTING HOLINESS IN THE FEAR OF GOD

LESSON TEXT: Isaiah 35:8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

- Perfecting-perfect, without fault.
 - Holiness-way of life, righteous, clean.
1. **Matthew 5:48** “Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.”
 2. **Hebrews 6:1** “Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God.”
 3. **Hebrews 12:14** “Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.”
 4. **2 Corinthians 7:1** “Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.”
 5. **1 Thessalonians 4:7** “For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.”
 6. **Leviticus 19:2** “Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God am holy.”
 7. **1 John 4:17** “Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.”

BONUS SCRIPTURES

- (a) **1 Peter 2:9** “But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.”
- (b) **Romans 12:1** “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.”

LET’S TALK ABOUT IT:

(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. What is the difference between a secular view of perfection and the view of perfection given in scripture?
2. Is it hard to change? Explain why or why not.
3. Is there a biblical character you identify with (or like most) (answer individually)? How perfect was he or she?

ACTIVITY

List 3 spiritual goals you have for the year that you can share publicly and pick a person from the group to hold you accountable, maintaining those goals. Pick check-in dates and give yourself permission to start again if you are unsuccessful the first time. Examples can be reading through a certain book of the Bible, joining a church, participating in a ministry, attending church more regularly, praying more consistently, etc.

FAST DAY SEVEN

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023

STAND

LESSON TEXT: Ephesians 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive.

God is holding the record of our steadfastness in the faith of Jesus Christ. As we "...have therefore received Christ, we must walk in him; rooted, and grounded, established in the faith and built up in him, abounding with thanksgiving." (Colossians 2:6-7). Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be dismayed: for the LORD *is* with you wherever you go. Stand fast in the Lord.

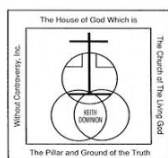
1. **Ephesians 6:11** "Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."
2. **1 John 4:1** "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world."
3. **Philippians 1:27** "Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel."
4. **Matthew 24:13** "He that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved."
5. **James 1:6** "But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed."
6. **2 Timothy 2:3** "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."
7. **Psalms 46:10** "Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth."

BONUS SCRIPTURES

- (a) **James 1:12** "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him."
- (b) **Exodus 14:13-14** "And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever. The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace."

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT:
(Discussion/Small Group Questions)

1. List 3 activities only children should do and 3 activities only adults should do.
2. What does it mean to “endure until the end”?
3. Ephesians 6:11 states, “Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.” List 3 “wiles of the devil” (answer individually).
4. List 3 ways you will overcome adversity and difficulty in 2023?



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*But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly;
and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.
Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give;
not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.
II Corinthians 9:6-7*

An open letter to the Keith Dominion
From the Desk of the Chief Overseer

We salute you with Holy Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Now is truly the season of giving, and I am writing to encourage all who love the Lord; whose earnest desire is to see that his kingdom be built on earth as it is in heaven. On January 22nd, 2023 we will acknowledge the great history of our Annual Headquarters Complex program, which was initiated under the divine leadership of our third Administrator, Chief Overseer Bishop J.W. Jenkins and carried forward from then until now by his successors, Bishop J.C. Elliott, Bishop R.W. Fletcher and Bishop C.K. Butler, Sr.

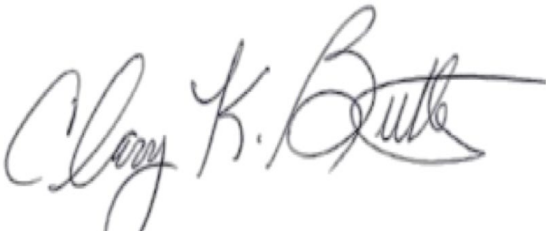
The diverse number of completed projects that your Complex contributions have wrought are too numerous to mention. Most recently, in addition to the continuous maintenance, repair and upgrades to our headquarters properties, we completed an interior “facelift” of the business office reception area, which includes painting, flooring and window treatments. Security on our campus has also been improved, by enhancements to our property security systems, so that video surveillance of key locations can now be centrally monitored from our main sanctuary building.

God’s word tells us that, “You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day” (Deuteronomy 8:18). May this letter echo the biblical call that resounds throughout the Bible that we all, from the least to the greatest, are to be good and generous stewards of the blessings that God has bestowed upon us when making financial contributions in support of our church. In reference to Complex Sunday 2023, we are asking all dioceses and local churches to make every effort to report and remit all complex contributions to headquarters within the month of January, so that your contributions can be tallied appropriately in a timely manner.

Please also allow me to acknowledge all those who have supported your church down through the years by practicing "The Ministry of Tithing." In our organization, any tithes that you pay do not personally benefit the Chief Overseer, or any other church official. Rather, they provide a good measure of the financial support that is needed for our organization as a whole. I prayerfully encourage those of you who are tithing to continue to do so, and appeal to those of you who are not to catch hold to faith, and begin tithing right where you are. I and many, many others are witnesses that the Lord is not slack concerning his promise to those who tithe that he will open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it (Malachi 3:10).

Please receive these instructions in the loving and kind manner in which they were given.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Clary K. Butler". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Bishop Dr. Clary K. Butler, Sr.
Chief Overseer & General Manager

THANKSGIVING DAY is Thursday, November 24, 2022.

CHRISTMAS DAY is Sunday, December 25, 2022.

Please make an effort to collect the regular contributions of \$2.00 per individual for both Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. These offerings assist our evangelistic soul-winning teams and related efforts, including foreign missions.

OUR GENERAL COMPLEX RALLY DAY is the Fourth Sunday, January 22, 2023.

The contributions for this day remain the same as last year.

The pledges are as follows:

All Bishops \$400.00

All Elders \$300.00

Ordained & Local Ministers \$200.00

Exhorters and Deacons \$150.00

Laymembers \$100.00

Reporting Finances to Headquarters

Send all Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Complex Rally Day Offerings to:

The House of God Church
Attention: Mrs. Nova Walker-Carter
P . O. Box 22675
Nashville, TN 37202-2675

The **GENERAL PASTORAL DAYS** for the 2023 calendar year are January 29, April 30, July 30, October 29, and December 31. Please strive to have a complete report.

Contributions for each General Pastoral Day (5th Sunday)

Chief Helpers.....	\$15.00
Bishops	12.00
All; Elders	10.00
All Ordained Ministers	8.00
Local Ministers and Exhorters	7.00
All Deacons.....	5.00
Laymen	4.00
Children (not working)	2.00

Make all Fifth Sunday reports payable to Bishop Clary K. Butler, Sr. and mail to:

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NOVEMBER 2022 GLOBAL PANDEMIC UPDATE

Contact Tracing and temperature checks are no longer required.

Family members may sit together, and non-family members should be spaced 3 feet apart rather than the prior 6 feet.

MASKING AND ALL OTHER COMMUNICATED PROTOCOLS REMAIN IN PLACE. ALL COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL BE REVIEWED FOR RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE SPRING TO THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND GENERAL TRUSTEE BOARD.



The House of God Academy and Bible College
Bishop Dr. Clary K. Butler, Sr., Chief Overseer
Trial Bishop, Dr. Jacqueline Tuggle Taylor, Executive Director
Deaconess Angie Anderson, Administrative Assistant
November 2022

There will be changes to the 2022 and 2023 academic school years of the HOGABC programs. We will be comprised of two divisions: “The Academy,” Classes K – 12, 18 – 25, Laity, and the Two- Year Ordination Training Program. The aforementioned classes will offer a non-degree certificate as in the past. The Laity class is a new offering for people of all ages who desire enrichment and are not taking Ordination training. The second division is the “House of God Academy and Bible College Online” which is the Degree Program.

FAQ’s: “The Academy”: Classes K – 12, 18 – 25, Laity, and the Ordination Training Program.

How to Register?

We will follow the same procedures as in the past for registration. Persons interested in General Assembly training are to register into the General Assembly first, then register for the HOGABC classes. Please specify the classes you plan to attend (ordination or enrichment).

When Will Classes Begin?

Classes will begin on Tuesday following Opening Day of the General Assembly and continue through Thursday of the same week. Graduation day is on Friday.

How Many Certificates are Needed to Graduate?

As of 2022, one certificate is needed for the enrichment classes, however, two certificates are required to meet the educational requirements for ordination. Three-out of three classes in each general assembly over a two-year period, as well as take and pass a final exam at the end of each year in order to receive a certificate each year. Only certificates from 2022 forward will be honored.

Educational Requirements beginning 2022 for Ordination Screening Candidates only:

- Only persons who have completed two years of Ordination Training from HOGABC with two certificates can be screened for ordination.
- The candidate’s Pastor is to recommend the individual to the Presiding Elder.
- The Presiding Elder is to submit to the State’s Ordination Committee for screening with the State Bishop’s approval.
- Each State Bishop is to follow the protocol already established for submission of Confirmation/ Ordination candidates.

Graduation Guidelines:

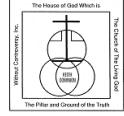
Persons who successfully completes the Two-Year Training Program will be eligible to participate in the graduation exercise, which will be held on Friday of the first week of the assembly. In the same year the person completes the final three classes of the second year (For example, 3 classes completed in 2022 and 3 classes completed in 2023, graduation would be in 2023). For further inquiries regarding this notice you may contact Deaconess Letonia Moore, Registrar by telephone, (336) 710-9983, or through email at: lvmoore27030@yahoo.com.

In His Care,

Trial Bishop Dr. Jacqueline Taylor



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TO THE CHURCH - AT- LARGE

October 7, 2022

Dear Saints:

Please note there will be some changes in the 2022 and 2023 academic school years of the General Assembly House of God Academy and Bible College programs.

Qualifications for Ordination of Church Officers

1. Spiritual Growth and Promotion are not based on any time frame, one's ability, education, favoritism, nor by self-choosing, but solely by good works produced by the indwelling power of the Holy Ghost. Psalm 75:6-7 states that promotion *cometh* neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God *is* the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.
2. To qualify as a candidate for ordination or to be reclassified in the 2K23 General Assembly one must have a certificate from 2K22.
3. Beginning in 2K24, the number of certificates to qualify as a candidate for Ordination in the 2K24 General Assembly is Two. It must be a 2K22 and 2K23 certificates.
4. Exhorters should obtain at least 1 certificate beginning in 2K22 as one of the requirements before reclassification as a local minister.
5. All candidates:
 - (a) Must be filled with the Holy Ghost.
 - (b) Must have at least a 96% report.
 - (c) Must be fasting.



- (d) Must not be a novice.
 - (e) Must be a member of this church at least 3 years.
 - (f) Must have been serving in your current possession at least 3 years.
 - (g) Must have attended the General Assembly at least 3 years.
 - (h) Must have 2 years of Complex paid since 2020.
 - (i) As a minister: How many souls have you caused to come to Christ? Have you caused at least one soul to be saved (filled with the Holy Ghost)? Verification required.
 - (j) Must be in good standing with your State Bishop and recommended by at least two of the following: Pastor, State Elder, General Elder, and Presiding Elder.
 - (k) Must vow to obey the Constitution Government and General Decree of the House of God Church.
6. As we review the qualifications for ministers set forth in the Bible and our church decree, a clear record of distinguished works and accomplishments, continued obedience, and duty to those over you in the Lord must be plainly and firmly established.

THE ACADEMY

The House of God Academy and Bible College will be comprised of two divisions: (1) The Academy and (2) The Bible College Online.

The General Assembly Academy Classes are K – 12, 18 – 25, Laity, and the Two-Year Ordination Training Program. The aforementioned classes will offer non-degree certificates as in the past. The Laity class is a new offering for all persons who desire enrichment and are not taking Ordination Training classes. The following questions addresses these classes:

How Will I Register?

We will follow the same procedures as in the past for registration. **Persons interested in General Assembly classes are to register into the General Assembly first, then register for the HOGABC classes.** Please specify the classes you plan to attend (ordination or enrichment).

Go to our Church website: WWW.HOGCONLINE.ORG for further information.

The second division is the “House of God Academy and Bible College Online” This is our Associate Degree Program in Biblical Studies.

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY CLASSES

Dates	Deacons	Un-Ordained Ministers	All Elders & ordained Pastors	Laity Personal Enrichment
June 20, 2023	Duties and Responsibilities Of Deacons	Duties and Responsibilities Of Ministers	Duties and Responsibilities Of Elders	Discovering Spiritual Gifts
June 21, 2023	Stewardship	Homiletics	Salvation Counseling/Evangelism	Understanding and Cultivating Spiritual Gifts
June 22, 2023	Faith and Doctrine Ordinances	Ordinances	Guidelines for Preparing Deeds and Other Official Documentations	Utilization of Spiritual Gifts Within and Without Church Walls

Three days of Classes will be held for K-12 and Young Adults. We encourage all our youth and Young Adults to register for the General Assembly Classes.

When Will Classes Begin?

All Staff and Students are ask to view the Zoom Orientation Presentation online at WWW.HOGCONLINE.ORG. Orientation will be available for viewing Monday, June 19, 2023. Further information will be listed in the Easter Communique 2023.

Classes will begin on Tuesday June 20, 2023 of the General Assembly and will continue through Thursday June 22, 2023 of the same week. Graduation day is on Friday, June 23, 2023.

Graduation Guidelines:

Persons who successfully complete the Two-Year Training Program will be eligible to participate in the graduation exercise, which will be held on Friday of the first week of the General Assembly. Participation will be allowed in the same year the person completes the final three classes of the second year (For example, 3 classes completed in 2022 and 3 classes completed in 2023, graduation would be in 2023).

For further inquiries regarding the Academy, you may contact:

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Grace and Peace!

Please note that the HOGABC Online is a **separate entity** from the House of God Academy and Bible College held in the annual General Assembly. The HOGABC Online is a two-year Associate Degree program in Biblical Studies offered to persons regardless of race, color, creed, sex, gender, ethnicity, natural origin, culture, and disability. The courses are *asynchronous*, which means that they are fully online, which enables people to work at their own pace from anywhere in the world.

HOGABC IS FULLY ACCREDITED. Accreditation is with Transworld Accrediting Commission International (TACI). They are a renown accrediting commission that accommodate Christian churches with established bible colleges. TACI is an international, non-governmental, educational accrediting body, federally **recognized as a non-profit church organization** and assists in providing guidelines for accrediting standards and resources to over 1000 Theological Schools, Seminaries, Universities, Colleges, and Programs throughout the World. This is inclusive of On Campus, Online, and Distance Learning programs. Their IRS Federal ID no. is 72-1226053. To learn more about Transworld visit <https://www.transworldaccrediting.com/>.

We had an extraordinary experience recruiting applicants that turned into a remarkable number of registrants after the inaugural opening on September 12, 2022. Classes are now in session! The first two course offered were: ***The Origin of the Bible and The Black Church.***

We anticipate more growth during our next terms. Below is information that may assist you in questions you may have regarding the HOGABC Online:

From the Dean of Academics, Dr. Brandon Hall, EdD

What a historic moment for the body of Christ and our organization. You can now earn your Associates in Biblical Studies. All your courses may be completed from the comforts of your home. The Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies degree program is perfect for you as we have highly qualified individuals who have an in-depth understanding of the Bible. This program is recommended for anyone who does not have any prior Bible

school training. The program consists of 8 courses and each term is 8-weeks long. In the Department of Academic Affairs, we ascribe to the thought that we are not only responsible for your intellectual growth, but we are responsible for making sure that you mature spiritually, socially, and culturally. In the House of God Bible College Online we are concerned about your total man. **(See Academic Calendar below)**. Please address any academic concerns to Brandon Hall, EdD, at 843-867-2220 ext.157 or via email @ brandon.hall@hogabc.org.

From the Dean of Student Services, Monica Coffee, MBA

The Department of Student Affairs is committed to ensuring that student needs are met by providing academic support, social support and health and wellness support. The three major goals of the Department of Student Affairs are:

1. Every student enrolled in The House of God Academy and Bible College Online will be assigned a counselor. The counselors will be responsible for assisting students to identify and continue their academic plan. Counselors will frequently check in on students during their term.
2. The Department of Student Affairs will build relationships with students in providing social activities to help in encouraging, promoting, and building confidence in each student to exercise faith in knowing that they can do all things through Christ which strengthens them.
3. The Department of Student Affairs will provide Health and Wellness tips to ensure that students remain emotionally strengthen throughout their educational journey.

The Department of Student Affairs look forward to working with every student and pray that each student will be richly blessed as they dive deeper into the word of God. This office may be reached by contacting the Dean at 843-867-2220 ext.115 or via email @ monica.coffee@hogabc.org.

From the Registrar, Carol Jessup, BA

Current enrolled students who wish to continue their trajectory of Biblical Studies should look for information via email with dates to register and enroll in the next 8-week term of classes. Any questions concerning registration of current students should contact the Registrar via phone at 843-867-2220 ext.130 or via email @ carol.jessup@hogabc.org.

From the Office of Finance & Budgeting, Director Christopher Coffee, MBA

The Finance Team was able to successfully open a bank account with Citizens Bank, a Black owned company. We are so appreciative for the assistance received from Deaconess Nova Carter.

Application fees were waived for the first term for all of those who registered. Applicants were and continue to be able to make tuition payments directly on Moodle which is processed securely through a third-party company. We have also made provisions for payment plans so not to overtax our students.

We are so appreciative of the partnership established between the Registrar and the Finance Team to make the registration and payment process as easy as possible. We appreciate the patience that our students demonstrated during this process and look forward to their return next term. Questions regarding payment plans should be addressed to Christopher Coffee, MBA at 843-867-2220 ext.134 or via email at christopher.coffee@hogabc.org.

From the Director of Human Resources, Jonathan T. Lott, Sr., MPA

The HOGABC Online is excited for the recruitment of so many talented individuals. Truly, everything that we need is right here in the “house.” As students are becoming excited and more are beginning to enroll, the Bible College needs qualified instructors. The requirements are that you must hold at least a bachelor’s degree. Qualified applicants must submit their official transcript per the below listed.

Instructions for Potential, Fulltime and Part-time Professors/Instructors

Persons interested in teaching in the Bible College, whether you have or have not written a course. If you so desire, please submit the following information as soon as possible.

1. An official academic transcript**
2. A professional resume
3. A spiritual resume
4. A two-by-three passport photo of yourself



**Please request your official transcript to be sent online through “parchment” directly to the President’s email address President@hogabc.org

Also, please be advised that selection of faculty (full or part-time) is contingent on your works of skills and abilities which would be documented on your spiritual resume, official transcript, and by the divine guidance of the Holy Ghost.

There are several vacant positions available. If you wish to inquire or apply for any of the vacant positions, please contact the HR Director at 843-867-2220 ext.128 or via email @ Jonathan.lott@hogabc.org.

From the Public Relations Department, Director Dr. Marcia L. T. McCoy

The Public Relations department is committed to promote and maintain a professional favorable public image of and for the House of God Academy and Bible College

Online. We will work with media outlets for the purpose of informing the public of the House of God Academy and Bible College Online organizational mission, policies, and practices in a positive, consistent and credible manner. This means coordinating directly with the people responsible for producing the news and features in mass media.

The Public Relations department has developed a method of strategic communications by marketing and designing a communicating concept, with a long-term strategic goal of recruiting and promoting exciting and engaging designs for the House of God Academy and Bible College Online, while communicating over long distances byway of international telecommunications and global networks. Finally, we are exploring every outlet with organizations, who may place in their will to bequest a portion of continuous financial funding of support for the House of God Academy and Bible College Online. Questions for this department should contact Dr. Marcia McCoy at 843-867-2220 ext. 132 or via email @ marcia.mccoy@hogabc.org.

From the Office of Enrollment & Recruiting, Nathan Tibbs M.Ed.

This office is responsible for the continuous enrollment of new and transfer students to the House of God Academy and Bible College Online. The following questions concerning enrollment of new students are listed below:

- **How Do I Enroll?**

- Go to www.hogabc.org and click on **Admissions**. From there click on **Application**.
- After completing and signing the online application, a User ID and a temporary password will be sent to your email from **Admin HOGABC**. (Please check your spam for this information if it does not show in your "IN" box).
- Once you have received your User ID and Password, return to the www.hogabc.org website and scroll halfway down and click on "**ONLINE COURSES**."
- In the upper right-hand corner, you will find the login link. Click on that link and a box will appear which will prompt you to enter you User ID and Password.
- Once you are in, select your course, click "**ENROLL ME IN THIS COURSE**."
- You will then be prompted to add your payment information into the HOGABC Online's 3rd party payment system (STRIPE). Once you have entered your payment you will be enrolled into the course you have selected.

All questions concerning enrollment should be directed to Nathan Tibbs at 843-867-2220 ext.137 or via email at nathan.tibbs@hogabc.org.

In thanking the entire staff and faculty, saints, and friends, the HOGABC Online is anticipating more growth during the next terms. We ask that you continue to pray for us and help us spread the word of the Chief Overseer's vision of promoting evangelic,

Pentecostal, Biblical education for the world. We are grateful and thankful for your support during this historical moment for the House of God Church, Keith Dominion. For any further inquiries please contact Eloise Andrews, MBA via phone at 843-867-2220 ext. 112 or via email @ eloise.andrews@hogabc.org.

**HOGABC ONLINE ASSOCIATES OF ARTS
BIBLICAL STUDIES**

Year 1

FALL TERM – 16 WEEKS

Session 1: Sept. 12 – Nov. 6, 2022

BIB100	Origin of The Bible	3 credits
LHIS101	The Black Church	<u>3 credits</u>
		6 credits

Session 2: Nov. 7 – Dec. 31, 2022

OT101	The Pentateuch.	3 credits
BLIT113	Biblical Journalism.	<u>3 credits</u>
		6 credits

WINTER BREAK: JAN 1 – JAN 8, 2023

WINTER TERM – 8 WEEKS

Session: Jan. 9 – March 5, 2023

OT102	Books of History	3 credits
OT103	Books of Poetry	<u>3 credits</u>
		6 credits

SPRING SEMESTER – 16 WEEKS

Session 1: March 6 – April 30, 2023, BIB114

	The Tabernacle	3 credits
BCOM110	Oral Communication For Bible Students	<u>3 credits</u>
		6 credits

Session 2: May 1 – June 25, 2023

NT201	The Four Gospels	3 credits
NT203	Paul's Missionary Journeys	<u>3 credits</u>
		6 credits

SUMMER BREAK: JUNE 26 – JULY 9, 2023

SUMMER SESSION – 8 WEEKS

Session: July 10 – Sept. 3, 2023

CHIS102	Liberation Theology	<u>3 credits</u>
		3 credits

TOTAL 33 CREDITS

Year 2

FALL TERM – 16 WEEKS

Session 1: Sept. 11 – Nov. 5, 2023

OT104 The Major Prophets. 3 credits
BIB231 The Trinity 3 credits
6 credits

Session 2: Nov. 6 – Dec. 31, 2023

OT105 The Minor Prophets. 3 credits
NT204 General Epistles. 3 credits
6 credits

WINTER BREAK: JAN 1 – JAN 8, 2024

WINTER TERM – 8 WEEKS

Session: Jan. 8 – March 3, 2024

NT205 The Acts of the Apostles 3 credits
And the Early Church
BIB232 Pentecostalism 3 credits
6 credits

SPRING SEMESTER – 16 WEEKS

Session 1: March 4 – April 28, 2024

NT206 The Pauline Epistles. 3 credits
BIB235 Science and the Bible. 3 credits
6 credits

Session 2: April 29 – June 23, 2024

NT207 The Book of Revelation 3 credits
BIB240 The End Times 3 credits
6 credits

SUMMER BREAK: JUNE 24 – JULY 7, 2024

SUMMER SESSION – 8 WEEKS

Session: July 8 – Sept. 1, 2024

BIB299 Practicum Project 3 credits
3 credits

TOTAL 33 CREDITS



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Supreme Executive Council Meeting Dates and Times:

10am ET December 8, 2022

10am ET January 12, 2023

10am ET February 9, 2023

10am ET March 9, 2023

10am ET April 13, 2023

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THE PRESENT GOSPEL SPEAKER

The annual edition of our church news magazine, the **PRESENT GOSPEL SPEAKER**, will be printed for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

We are asking all local church reporters to submit 2022 news articles beginning now. Submit articles electronically by March 17, 2023.

Articles that warrant pictures, please send **High-resolution pictures; YES, pictures in color are now acceptable for print. Limit of one or two pictures for each article.** (*We cannot guarantee the quality of color photos*). For articles with photos, upload the pictures, identifying information linking the picture with the article. This will help us link the article with the photos.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING NEWS ARTICLES

Please send ALL news articles typed in **12-point Times New Romans font and SINGLE-SPACED** to e-mail address, novawc@outlook.com, by March 17, 2023. **DO NOT DOUBLE-SPACE any article!**

All articles are to be written as a **Microsoft WORD** document or a **PDF** file. Digital **Color** or **Black and White** photographs may be scanned and sent via e-mailed along with your article. Reporters, you must **PROOF-READ** each article prior to submitting your work. Please submit from each diocese your **deceased list for 2022.**

This will guarantee a memorial historical record of our laboring saints for years to come.

Bishops, please assign someone in your diocese to compile and submit your diocese deceased list.

We will do our best to confirm and verify each article submitted with the request. *We truly do not desire to omit any newsworthy article.* Do note that articles submitted **without confirmation of payment will not be included in the PGS Magazine.**

Send to **Headquarters** only the completed form (*included in this Communique*) and **ALL FINANCE** made payable to **The House of God.** Mail all finance to the **Headquarters office only!**

The Present Gospel Speaker
Bishop Clary K. Butler, Sr., Editor
P. O. Box 22675
Nashville, TN 37202-2675

Please share interesting and noteworthy news with the church, such as:

- Church Revivals
- Evangelistic In-Reach and Outreach Activities
- YFFU News
- High School and College Students/Graduates and their Activities
- Weddings, Births, etc.
- Church Dedications, Anniversaries, New Programs, Obituaries, etc.

CHARGES FOR NEWS RELEASES:

State Assemblies, Conventions, etc.	\$ 8.00
Church News, Testimonies, Sermonettes, Obituaries	6.00
Wedding Announcements, Wedding Anniversaries, Acknowledgements, Births	6.00
Each Black and White Photo - <i>limit of one or two per article</i>	6.00

Adult registration packet will include a complimentary copy of the **Present Gospel Speaker.** Additional copies of The Present Gospel Speaker can be obtained at a minimum cost of **\$5.00 each.**

REMINDERS

1. The Fourth Sunday in January of every year is recognized as General Complex Day.
2. Fifth Sunday is General Pastoral Day and is set aside as an opportunity to honor the Chief Overseer.
3. It is not necessary after a person has already honored the Chief Overseer to continue honoring the Chief Overseer each time you speak or sing in the same service.
4. Presiding Prelates, if a church needs additional SBS books, the attached book request form must be completed, signed, and sent to the Branch Office for review, approval, and signature. Please remember that the lessons will be posted online.
5. If you or someone you know desires an application (or more information) on becoming a Chief Overseer Fellow (Intern), email: ChiefOverseer@hogconline.org
6. Blessed Handkerchiefs and blessed oil are now available. Order in the on-line bookstore.
7. Social Media
 - Web: Hogconline.org
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RISK MANAGEMENT
FALL AND WINTER 2022

Greetings and appreciation to all officials and congregations of the House of God Church – Keith Dominion for keeping our facilities properly insured and maintained. The Chief Overseer, Supreme Executive Council and General Trustee Board recognize and applaud all you do to make our church a visible contributor in the communities we serve.

Winter, extreme cold, strong wind/rain and a potentially abnormal hurricane season requires our best efforts and awareness to protect our properties and people against loss and injury.

NORTH, NORTHEAST AND NORTH CENTRAL

- Ensure HVAC systems are inspected including an ample supply of filters for frequent replacement.
- Keep all combustible materials away from furnaces and hot water heaters.
- Clean and clear all storage rooms and closets of debris and non-routinely used materials.
- Caulk or seal windows, doors, and plumbing traps to prevent cold air entry.
- Gutters should be cleaned and cleared of leaves, dirt, pine needles or anything that may cause water back up. Gutter and down spout damage or water rot fascia.
- Maintain interior thermostats in areas with water piping/plumbing at a level well above freezing temperatures.
- Visually inspect your facility once a week or as required by weather conditions in your area.
- Install and maintain outside perimeter lighting on photo cell or timer to illuminate your facility at dusk.
- Remove snow or slush from your facility's sidewalks, all stairways, driveways and parking lots. Apply proper anti-freezing material to avoid slip and falls.

SOUTH, SOUTHEAST, SOUTHWEST, SOUTHCENTRAL AND WEST COAST

- Be aware and responsive to all forecasts and warnings for earthquakes, uncontrolled fires, strong winds/rains, mudslides and sink holes.
- Inspect your HVAC systems, gutters and down sprouts.
- Keep all combustible material away from furnaces and hot water heaters. Maintain an ample supply of filters for frequent replacement.
- Inspect, repair and seal all window and door mouldings to prevent water seepage which can cause water rot.
- Clean and clear storage rooms and closets of all debris and non- routinely used materials.
- Set a schedule to visually inspect your facility once a week or as required by weather patterns in your area.
- Repair sidewalks, driveway and parking lot of cracks, holes or uneven surfaces.
- Install and maintain outside perimeter lighting on photo cell or timer to illuminate your facility at dusk.

CHILD YOUTH AND SAFETY TRAINING

Risk Management is developing a recommendation to assist our diocese to facilitate training members of the church who work directly with our youth and have not received training. An approved recommendation should be ready for presentation by January 1, 2003.

DIOCESE EVENT SCHEDULE

Alabama, Northwest Florida and Texas
February 11-12, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary

California
March 09-12, 2023 | State Assembly

Connecticut
March 12, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary

DMV
April 5-9, 2023 | State Assembly

Florida East Coast
***January 28, 2023 | Dinner Honoring the State Bishop, Dr. C.K. Butler, Sr.**

Florida West Coast
December 7-11, 2022 | State Assembly

Florida #4
March 9-12, 2023 | State Assembly

Georgia
March 12, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary

Jamaica
February 24-26, 2023 | Sunday Bible School Convention

Kentucky
March 11-13, 2023 | Sunday Bible School Convention

Illinois/Wisconsin
April 8, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary

Indiana
April 21-23, 2023 | State Assembly

Massachusetts

**March 13, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary
April 12-16, 2023 | State Assembly**

New Jersey

April 15, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary

New York Downstate

April 23, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary

North Carolina

March 10-12, 2023 | Sunday Bible School Convention

Ohio

March 3-5, 2023 | Sunday Bible School Convention

Pennsylvania, DE, Brooklyn, NY

**December 11, 2022 | Bishop's Anniversary
March 29 - April 02, 2023 | State Assembly**

South Carolina

***March 12, 2023 | Bishop's Anniversary**

Tennessee

**December 10, 2022 | Bishop's Anniversary
March 22-26, 2023 | State Assembly**

***Tentative Itinerary of the Chief Overseer, Bishop Clary K. Butler, Sr.**

Christmas Service

YOUTH CANDLELIGHT PROCESSIONAL

CALL TO WORSHIP

“Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good ” (Isa. 7:14, 15).

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE

“ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH”

PRAYER

CHRISTMAS CAROL

“O HOLY NIGHT”

SCRIPTURE

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

“For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.” (John 3:16-17).

GREETINGS

OCCASION

CHRISTMAS CAROL

“JOY TO THE WORLD”

RECITATIONS / CHRISTMAS PLAY

INSTRUMENTAL SELECTION

CONGREGATIONAL SONG (SILENT NIGHT)

DISTRIBUTION OF GIFTS

REMARKS

SHEPHERDS ON THE HILLSIDE

Christmas Skit for Children's Ministry | by Faith Scott

Characters: Joel, Joshua, Eli, Abel, Angel, Narrator.

Opening Scene: Shepherds around a campfire at night.

Joel: "Boy, I hate watching the sheep. It is so cold and Lonely out here. I wouldn't have to be here if Abel had come."

Joshua: "I don't like it either, but there is no need complaining."

Eli: "Sometimes there are robbers out here at night and it scares me. And Uncle Amos is so old, he probably couldn't chase them away."

Joshua: "Come on, let's be positive. How about having something to eat and drink?"

(The shepherds start to eat and drink something.)

Joel: "Shh! Listen, I hear something."

(All of them listening)

Eli: "I hear something too, and look I can see a light over there."

(Everyone looking in the direction of the light and looking scared)

Joshua: "Maybe it is robbers."

Eli: "If they are, they aren't being too quiet."

(Abel walking towards the group, carrying a type of light, at a short distance, he yells)

Abel: "Hey, don't be afraid. It's me, Abel."

Joel: "O Boy, here comes Mr. Know-It-All."

Joshua: *(As Abel walks up)* "Yeah, give us a heart attack."

Abel: *(approaching group)* "Hi."

Joshua: "Hi Abel"

Joel: *(grumpily)* "Hi"

Eli: *(excitedly and happy)* "Hi Abel!"

Abel: *(to Eli)* "Hi Squirt."

Abel: *(to everyone)* "So how's it going?"

Joel: "It's kinda cold, dark, boring and scary out here."

Abel: "Seen any animals yet." *(He laughs)*

Eli: "Lots of stars out tonight. There is a real bright one over there". *(Pointing)*

Abel: "Boy, it is a bright one squirt, count on you to see it."

Eli: "Oh, I love looking at the stars, and that is the brightest star I have ever seen!"

Abel: "The reason I didn't come out with you is because Father took me to the synagogue to worship with him."

Joel: "Well, aren't we special!"

Abel: "Yes, I am really. But, let me tell you, it was really interesting. The Rabbis were talking about how a Savior will come and rescue us from the Romans. He will come and set us free! They read about him from the Torah, and everyone got really excited. It was very interesting."

Joshua: "He will have to be very powerful, the Romans have so many soldiers."

Joel: "And they are mean to us and take our money and we can't have anything. I hate the way they are."

Joshua: "So, when is this Savior coming? Soon I hope."

Abel: "The Rabbis didn't say. Father says things are so bad he must be coming soon. They kept calling this Savior the Messiah."

Joel: "I don't know...it's hard to believe anyone cares about us and wants to save us."

Joshua: "I agree. I don't believe it will happen; there's no hope."

Eli: "Well, I believe".

Abel: "Oh squirt, you're too young to know what you believe."

Eli: "I do so believe. Something inside me tells me it is true."

Joel: "I'd be happy if someone would save me from these dumb sheep."

Joshua: "Joel, you're always complaining."

Abel: "Well, it is getting late, let's get some sleep. Everything seems quiet and Amos is keeping watch."

(They all lay down. After everyone gets settled...a pause)

Eli: *(Whispering to Abel)* "I think I hear something."

Joshua: "I hear something too."

Joel: "Me too, do you think it is a robber, or maybe an animal?"

Abel: *(Stands up and looks around)* "Wait a minute, it sounds like music. Music!"

Joshua: *(Pointing towards the angel)* "Look!"

(All look scared and amazed)

(Eli gets behind Abel and looks around. The others stand with their mouths open.)

(An Angel appears. Bright light and background music if possible.)

Angel: "Don't be afraid. I have something wonderful to tell you."

(The shepherds relax a little)

Joshua: "Who are you?"

Angel: "I am an angel. I come with a message from God. I have come to tell you that what Abel told you is coming true. God is sending a Savior, the Messiah"

Joel: "Oh great Moses!"

Joshua: "Right now?"

Angel: "Tonight, but He is coming as a baby."

Joshua: "A baby? Are you sure? A baby cannot save anyone, especially from the Romans!"

Angel: "God is sending a baby, his only Son. He will grow up to be the Savior of the world. He will bring hope, love, and joy to all who believe in Him. He will save mankind from their sins and give them eternal life. He is being born this night in the little town of Bethlehem, in a stable. Go see for yourselves."

(The Angel and music or soft singing fade away)

Abel: "Did you hear that? Boy, this is great news!"

Joshua: "An angel, music, maybe I am dreaming?"

Joel: "We can't all be dreaming."

Joshua: "I can't believe it!"

Eli: "I believe it. I told you I believed."

Abel: "So you did squirt, so you did."

Joshua: "Wow! Let's go to Bethlehem and see this baby like the angel said."

All the others: "Yes, let's go!"

Joel: "God has heard the prayers of his people. But we are just shepherds. What can we do for the baby?"

Abel: "We can tell others the good news. We can tell others the good news!"

Narrator: The story of the coming of the Messiah so long ago is still good news today. And what can we do? We can tell others the good news, just as the shepherds and the followers of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior have done throughout the ages. Let us continue telling the good news, the Messiah has come!

(The cast softly sings: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear")

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From Heav'n's all-gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay,
To hear the angels sing.

THE END

O HOLY NIGHT

Adolphe Adam – 1847

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining.
Till He appeared and the Spirit felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.
Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born;
O night, O holy night, O night divine!

Truly He taught us to love one another,
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother.
And in his name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
With all our hearts we praise His holy name.
Christ is the Lord! Then ever, ever praise we,
His power and glory ever more proclaim!
His power and glory ever more proclaim!

SILENT NIGHT

Franz Xavier Gruber – 1818

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Saviour is born
Christ, the Saviour is born

Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth "

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

John Francis Wade – 1744

O Come All Ye Faithful
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him,
Born the King of Angels;
O Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing all that hear in heaven God's holy word.
Give to our Father glory in the Highest;
All Hail! Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning,
O Jesus! for evermore be Thy name adored.
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

Chorus

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

— *James Chadwick, 1862* —
Tune of French traditional Music

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

Refrain

Gloria, in excelsis Deo
Gloria, in excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing,
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

See Him a manger laid
Whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While our heart in love we raise.

Angels we have heard
Angels we have heard on high
Angels we have heard, oh
Angels we have heard on high
Angels we have heard on high
Angels we have heard on high
In excelsis Deo

O HOLY NIGHT

— *Placide Cappeau, poet in 1843* —
Music by Adolphe Adam, 1855

O Holy Night O holy night,
the stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth;
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the soul felt it's worth.
A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn;

Refrain

Fall on your knees, Oh hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!
O night divine, O holy night, O night divine.

Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming
Here come the wise men from Orient land
The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger
In all our trials born to be our friend.

Truly He taught us to love one another
His law is love and His gospel is peace
Chains shall He break
for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name.

FIRST PROMISE FULFILLED

– *Camp* –

IN

the beginning of time

Before the people would claim

All things are mine, without real gain

God had created according to His plan

Finishing His work, He created man

Satan descended with high self-esteem

Deceiving mankind who must be redeemed

With no rush to alter and descend the new birth

God would take time to replenish His earth!

Sin reigned, then the flooding-rain to clean the land

God would never have problems beginning anew

Two souls, then a family of eight ... trusting them ... a few

But the water couldn't clean the sin embedded in man

Fallen Satan was still on the loose to deceive again

From Genesis to the prophets, God fell silent for 400 years

Can you imagine the cries of man with flooding tears?

You know how it feels when a hurt father won't speak

After you wouldn't hear, and he has closed his eyes and ears in fears

No voice, no help ... both in pain ... until the hard pain heals?

The sin of disobedience finally will come to an end

For God's forgotten written **WORD** that wasn't heard was seen

Becoming flesh for the proof that it would bring

Hope of the newness of fleshly life, without sin, wasn't hushed

Came **His only Son of virgin birth**

So that man could TRULY live free from sin on earth.

WELCOME

Parents, family, friends, and colleagues, hear
We welcome you, and are grateful you came
Our hope and prayers are sincerely given
Your time unselfishly shared is precious living

We thank God this day for blessings anew
Showered down from above, demonstrating
The love of Jesus, God's only Begotten Son
Removing sin's power had finally begun.

IT'S CHRISTMAS AGAIN!

It's Christmas again across all the earth
When the world recognizes Christ's birth
We celebrate the real goodness of God
Who chose to rule by LOVE, not chastening a rod

Man calculated between 6 and 4 B.C.
Making the birth of Jesus old history
The written **WORD** brought to life is real glory
People, this is a true **FACT** not a story!

CHRISTMAS AT SEA

Robert Louis Stevenson - 1850-1894

- I.** The sheets were frozen hard, and they cut the naked hand;
The decks were like a slide, where a seaman scarce could stand;
The wind was a nor'wester, blowing squally off the sea;
And cliffs and spouting breakers were the only things a-lee.
They heard the surf a-roaring before the break of day;
But 'twas only with the peep of light we saw how ill we lay.
We tumbled every hand on deck instanter, with a shout,
And we gave her the maintops', and stood by to go about.
- II.** All day we tacked and tacked between the South Head and the North;
All day we hauled the frozen sheets, and got no further forth;
All day as cold as charity, in bitter pain and dread,
For very life and nature we tacked from head to head.
We gave the South a wider berth, for there the tide-race roared;
But every tack we made we brought the North Head close aboard:
So's we saw the cliffs and houses, and the breakers running high,
And the coastguard in his garden, with his glass against his eye.
- III.** The frost was on the village roofs as white as ocean foam;
The good red fires were burning bright in every 'long-shore home;
The windows sparkled clear, and the chimneys volleyed out;
And I vow we sniffed the victuals as the vessel went about.
The bells upon the church were rung with a mighty jovial cheer;
For it's just that I should tell you how (of all days in the year)
This day of our adversity was blessed Christmas morn,
- IV.** And the house above the coastguard's was the house where I was born.
O well I saw the pleasant room, the pleasant faces there,
My mother's silver spectacles, my father's silver hair;
And well I saw the firelight, like a flight of homely elves,
Go dancing round the china-plates that stand upon the shelves.
- V.** And well I knew the talk they had, the talk that was of me,
Of the shadow on the household and the son that went to sea;
And O the wicked fool I seemed, in every kind of way,
To be here and hauling frozen ropes on blessed Christmas Day.
They lit the high sea-light, and the dark began to fall.
"All hands to loose topgallant sails," I heard the captain call.
"By the Lord, she'll never stand it," our first mate Jackson, cried.
..."It's the one way or the other, Mr. Jackson," he replied.
- VI.** She staggered to her bearings, but the sails were new and good,
And the ship smelt up to windward just as though she understood.
As the winter's day was ending, in the entry of the night,
We cleared the weary headland, and passed below the light.
And they heaved a mighty breath, every soul on board but me,
As they saw her nose again pointing handsome out to sea;
But all that I could think of, in the darkness and the cold,
Was just that I was leaving home and my folks were growing old.

WHAT DO WE LOVE ABOUT CHRISTMAS?

– *Joanna Fuchs* –

What do we love about Christmas;
Does our delight reside in things?
Or are the feelings in our hearts
The real gift Christmas brings.

It's seeing those we love,
And sending Christmas cards, too,
Appreciating people who bring us joy
Special people just like you.

ON THE MORNING OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY

John Milton, 1608-1674

- I. This is the month, and this the happy morn,
Wherein the Son of Heaven's eternal King,
Of wedded maid and Virgin Mother born,
Our great redemption from above did bring;
For so the holy sages once did sing,
That he our deadly forfeit should release,
And with his Father work us a perpetual peace.
- II. That glorious Form, that Light unsufferable,
And that far-beaming blaze of majesty,
Wherewith he wont at Heaven's high council-table
To sit the midst of Trinal Unity,
He laid aside, and, here with us to be,
Forsook the Courts of everlasting Day,
And chose with us a darksome house of mortal clay.
- III. Say, Heavenly Muse, shall not thy sacred vein
Afford a present to the Infant God?
Hast thou no verse, no hymn, or solemn strain,
To welcome him to this his new abode,
Now while the heaven, by the Sun's team untrod,
Hath took no print of the approaching light,
And all the spangled host keep watch in squadrons bright?
- IV. See how from far upon the Eastern road
The star-led Wisards haste with odours sweet!
Oh! run; prevent them with thy humble ode,
And lay it lowly at his blessèd feet;
Have thou the honour first thy Lord to greet,
And join thy voice unto the Angel Quire,
From out his secret altar touched with hallowed fire.

CHRISTMAS MORN

Anna de Bremont (Published, 1892)

There's a holy light like a beacon bright,
Afar over land and sea.
Soft its lambent ray o'er the broad earth plays
With a rosy dancing glee,
And the topmost peak of the mountains bleak
Blush fair in the glowing morn.
Over wood and tarn sweeps the glorious dawn
To herald the Child-Christ born.

White the sea-waves fling like an angel's wing
The foam as their blue crests rise,
While each gallant ship, with a skim and a dip,
In the wind's lap speeding flies;
And the sailor's song is borne along
The breeze of the golden morn,
For joyous he sings as the mast he swings
To herald the Child-Christ born.

In the land of snow where the keen winds blow
And the ice-king holds his sway,
A glittering sheen on the plains is seen,
As tribute to him they pay.
While merrily sing with a peal and a ring
The bells on the crystal morn,
As gayly they chime with silvery rhyme
To herald the Child-Christ born.

To his sea-girt home, where'er he may roam,
Speed the thoughts of Briton's son.
In city or plain, on the crested main,
The heart of the absent one
Again in his dreams with ecstasy seems
To swell in the happy morn,
As he hears the voice of his loved rejoice,
To herald the Child-Christ born.

In dreams borne along, he joins the glad throng,
The riot and wassail gay;
And the boar's head bold as in Nowel old
Brave crowns the feast of the day;
The holly's red blush 'mid the ivy's crush;
The mistletoe greets the morn
With kisses to claim in love's holy name,
To herald the Child-Christ born.

Then Charity sweet with most gracious feet
Walks forth o'er the smiling land,
To widow's relief, to fatherless grief,
She bringeth a helping hand.
For peace and good-will the whole world doth fill
With the dawn of the Nowel morn.
Let every heart sing a glad welcoming,
To herald the Child-Christ born.

JESUS, THE CHRIST

Jesus the Christ has come today
Angels and prophets truly say
God made it possible for me all to see
When stays and live in me

With hope of the goodness of God
He made the way to overcome
Pass by wrongs, making what's right good
Duplicate His life as all of us should.

ADIEU

Now is the time to say adieu
Blessed for time spent with you
Keep us in your hearts with prayer
Knowing we're safely in your care

Gratefulness in love we daily walk
Sharing your love in daily talk
With your guidance in our lives always
The world will see God's Son, and praise!

THE WAITS

Margaret Deland - 1857-1945 (First printed copy – 1886)

At the break of Christmas Day,
Through the frosty starlight ringing,
Faint and sweet and far away,
Comes the sound of children, singing,
Chanting, singing,
*“Cease to mourn,
For Christ is born,
Peace and joy to all men bringing!”*

Careless that the chill winds blow,
Growing stronger, sweeter, clearer,
Noiseless footfalls in the snow,
Bring the happy voices nearer;
Hear them singing,
*“Winter’s drear,
But Christ is here,
Mirth and gladness with Him bringing.”*

“Merry Christmas!” hear them say,
As the East is growing lighter;
“May the joy of Christmas Day
Make your whole year gladder, brighter!”
Join their singing,
*“To each home
Our Christ has come,
All Love’s treasures with Him bringing!”*

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS!

(Word search activity)

A	T	N	A	S	I	T	R	A	I	N	B	G	E
S	O	U	P	T	M	R	R	E	G	R	E	I	G
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KEY: Find the Christmas Decorations below in the word search above!

Garland	Stockings	Gingerbread
Lights	Ribbons	Snowflakes
Candles	Twinkling	Angel
Tinsel	Train	Wreath
Candy Canes	Stars	Santa
Trees	Bells	Reindeer

Are you **YAA** READY ?

Welcome to HOGCYAA.ONLINE our NEW digital home for all things House of God Young Adults!

What is YAA?

YAA is an international ministry of the **House of God Church- Keith Dominion** that is geared toward empowering, connecting, and growing young adults (18 - 40yrs) around the world for the sake of the Kingdom of God.

Here you will be able to:

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- Engage with Connect Groups and YAA Regions 📱
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GENERAL ASSEMBLY LODGING

Lodging for the General Assembly is now available through the House of God website: www.HOGCONLINE.org Please do **not send lodging deposits before the specified date**. Sending in lodging deposits early does not guarantee receiving a room. **People who received lodging reservations for on-campus accommodations for 2022 will receive first priority for 2023.**

Arrive in Nashville, TN prior to midnight, Friday, June 16, 2023. Individuals and families that plan to arrive in Nashville before Friday must make arrangements in advance with the Director of Lodging, Reverend Fran Jackson. Sister Deloris Shaw is Assistant Director of Lodging. **ALL ROOMS ASSIGNED TO PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT CHECKED-IN BY MONDAY (OPENING DAY) WILL BE REASSIGNED. NO ROOMS WILL BE HELD BY THE LODGING COMMITTEE WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR OF LODGING.** Upon arrival at check-in, **your full lodging fee is due.** Room deposits will be held for up to 30 days after the General Assembly; refunds cannot be made until your assigned room is checked for damages!

All requests for on-campus lodging must be made via the Lodging Request Form or on the website (*see forms section*) to the **Lodging Committee, c/o Reverend Fran Jackson, Director of Lodging at P. O. Box 22675, Nashville, TN 37202-2675.** These request forms must be postmarked annually on or after January 2nd each year. **All request forms postmarked before January 2nd will be returned to the sender.**

NOTE: There is a modest lodging increase across-the-board to help offset upkeep. The **W. L. Nelson Dormitory** is reserved for Supreme Executive Council and General Trustees members. **The fee is \$275 per room** (2 double beds; private bath). The Lodging Committee is extending a courtesy to Bishops staying in the Nelson Dormitory by not requiring a room deposit to reserve the room prior to the General Assembly.

OTHER DORMITORY FEES	
Jenkins Dormitory	2 double beds and private bath — \$275.00
Keith Dormitory	2 double beds and private bath — \$275.00
	1 double bed, 1 single bed/private bath — \$250.00
Lewis Dormitory	2 double beds and private bath — \$275.00
	1 double bed, 1 single bed and private bath — \$250.00
	1 double bed and private bath — \$225.00
Tate Manor Dormitory	2 double beds and private bath — \$275.00
	1 double bed and private bath — \$225.00
	1 double bed with adjoining bath — \$200.00
September Event	\$40.00 per night

Lodging Check-in & Check-out Hours: Specific hours of operation have been set and will be strictly adhered to according to the schedule.

Thursday and Friday June 15 - 16, 2023	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon 2:00 - 10:00 p.m.	
Saturday and Sunday: June 17 -18, 2023	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon 2:00 - 10:00 p.m.	Preplanning
Monday: June 19, 2023	11:30 a.m. - 2:00 pm 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. 9:30 - 10:30 p.m.	Opening Day
Tuesday thru Monday: June 20 - 26, 2023	8:00 - 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. One Hour after last service for the Day	

The Lodging Office will open daily thereafter, one hour before church in the morning, immediately after morning sessions for one hour, and one hour after service at night. The telephone numbers of the staff will be posted in case of an emergency.

NOTE: Submission of a lodging application form does not guarantee on campus lodging accommodation. As a reminder, do not leave personal property in the room upon your departure!

NOTE: Persons who pay their National Complex contributions in January will be given priority in room placements. If you are requesting a handicap assessable room, please provide documentation with your application. Any other personal conditions and/or circumstances requiring special consideration must be explained on the Lodging Request Form.

Please be reminded that a **\$100.00 room deposit** is now required due to the more costly damages occurring in our dormitories. This deposit must accompany your lodging request form but will be refunded within thirty days of the General Assembly closing, if no damages occur. Only one (1) room will be considered for each application form received. Make check or money order payable to: **The House of God Church**, c/o Lodging for the **2023 General Assembly**. In addition, there will be a \$10.00 charge for room keys that are not returned.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION: We recommend the use of a 15-passenger bus, *not a 15-passenger van because of the safety features*. Make sure the 15-passenger bus is maintained and is safe. The driver must be 25-62 years of age with a **commercial driving license (CDL)**.

Home2 Suites by Hilton Nashville MetroCenter
410 Dominican Drive, Nashville, TN 37228
615-985-7444

We have a room block reserved at Home2 Suites by Hilton Nashville MetroCenter for June 19, 2023, through June 26, 2023. Booking your room is simple, just select "Book a Room" to receive your group's preferred rate.

Book Your Room

With this unique link, all your attendees can reserve their rooms within the room block using your exclusive group rate.

Your attendee website is: www.my-event.hilton.com/bnamcht-hog-2707e4df-e202-406e-a619-0a61c89d16e2/

Contact your host hotel representative directly for any issues concerning your attendee website.

Event dates: June 19, 2023 - June 26, 2023

Book by: May 19, 2023

Rooms & Rates

- **1 Queen Bed Studio Nonsmoking - \$169.00**
- **1 King Bed Studio Suite Nonsmoking - \$179.00**



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SUNDAY BIBLE SCHOOL LITERATURE ADDITIONAL ORDER REQUEST

Date: _____

Request for additional SBS books for the following reason:

Increase in membership since original order.

Did not order enough for present membership.

Other: _____

Name of Local Church: _____

Signature: _____

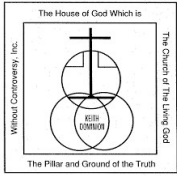
How many books are requested?

Senior	Junior	Inter	Cat.

Signature/Presiding State Bishop: _____

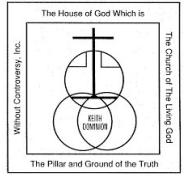
Signature/Chief Overseer: _____

**This completed request form must be submitted directly to the Office of the Chief Overseer.
Include an updated church membership roster with your request.*



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THE HOUSE OF GOD CHURCH – KEITH DOMINION
 PO BOX 22675 Nashville, TN 37202 | Bishop Clary K. Butler, Chief Overseer



Name: _____

TITLE FIRST NAME LAST NAME

Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Qty	ITEM	PRICE	TOTAL
	BLACK CASSOCK	\$200.00	
	WHITE CASSOCK	\$200.00	
	UPGRADED CUSTOM WHITE CASSOCK WITH PLEATS	\$325.00	
	CHIMERE	\$175.00	
	CUSTOM TIPPET WITH HOGC SEAL	\$75.00	
	CLERGY SHIRTS- CLERGY COLLAR SIZE _____	\$40.00	
	COMPLETE BISHOP VESTMENT PACKAGE (\$50.00 savings) *Upgraded robe - an additional Cost	\$400.00	
	COMPLETE STATE ELDER VESTMENT PACKAGE (\$50.00 savings)	\$400.00	

SUBTOTAL	
SHIPPING	
HANDLING	\$1.95
TOTAL	

SHIPPING CHARGES:

\$100.00 OR LESS	\$100.00 - \$200.00	OVER \$200.00
\$10.00	10 %	5%

Shipping takes 3 – 6 weeks

PLEASE MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER MADE TO:

The House of God Church – Keith Dominion

Memo: HOGC Vestments

Email completed form to: HOGCAdjutants@outlook.com

INTERNATIONAL ADJUTANCY MINISTRY 2022

ADJUTANT APPLICATION

If you wish to *apply* to be a *Internationally Adjutant* or to *RENEW* your *International Adjutancy Certification*, please complete the following and email it to hogcadjutants@outlook.com

Personal Information (Please Print):

Diocese: _____

Name: _____

TITLE

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Please provide a short answer (Please Print):

How do you currently serve the church?

Why do you desire to be an adjutant?

National Approval / Certification

Local Pastor's Signature (if you are not a Pastor:) _____

Presiding Prelate's Signature: _____

International Adjutant Annual Pledge:

(These funds are due to the International Adjutancy Ministry before May 1, 2022)

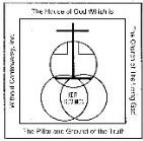
- International Adjutant Officer \$150.00
- International-Adjutant (Designated by the Chief Overseer and Adjutant-General)\$75
- Lead Diocese Adjutant (Designated by the Presiding State Bishop/Presiding Prelate) \$100.00
- Diocese Adjutant Officer (Adjutant-Episcopal, Scribe, or other designated officer) \$50
- Diocese Adjutant - \$50.00

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Training Completed: _____ Date: _____

Dean of Academy

Adjutant Approved: _____ Date: _____



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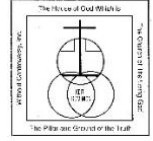
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November 2022

Assisting Churches with issue/problems when using the Local Finance Application (LFA)

Holy Greetings in the name of our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! This updated support is an effort to help those churches who are in need of one-on-one assistance with the LFA program.

We are offering a service to **maintain the LFA** for churches that are:

1. Not utilizing the church financial application,
2. Having difficulties using the application, or
3. Don't have anyone or staff to run the application.

We believe this will be a positive contribution to the financial areas of local churches and alleviate stress for a few churches concerned and having issues submitting reports.

House of God Local Finance Application

The application was developed and is utilized in most of our churches. It holds and maintains offerings and contributions mostly paid by:

1. Members
2. Donations from other individuals
3. Businesses and other legitimate entities outside the organization.

With the LFA, the church is able to not only capture offerings, but print out over 50 various reports that are a great help to the local church:

- Census and General Assembly Pre-registration Reports (January 1, 2022 update)
- New membership dates with names, addresses and important contact information in case of emergencies,
- The membership section also includes birth dates (*which we use for monthly birthday recognitions*),
- You can also change information, such as: if someone leaves or transfers in or out of the church or diocese, it is noted and you can preclude them from your roll,
- Contributions Reports of what everyone contributed:
 - ✓ General Assembly,
 - ✓ State Assembly,
 - ✓ Sunday Bible School,
 - ✓ Presiding Elder's semi-annual,
 - ✓ Yearly tax return contribution statement,
 - ✓ And many other local, state and general reports.

We are just naming a few advantages of the system and how much of a time saver it is!

LOCAL CHURCH SUPPORT:

We are offering the services of obtaining and/or creating the LFA for any local band that:

- Can't get started,
- Can't use the LFA - too few members,
- Lack of a technical person, *or*
- Just don't have the time neither a computer.

The required form to be submitted after completion of same, is attached. We will start all updates the first of the Year (2022) after most State Assembly or before the April 2022 State Assemblies.

Humbly Submitted,
Elder Harvey Shaw
Elder Harvey Shaw

THE HOUSE OF GOD CHURCH
Keith Dominion
LOCAL FINANCE APPLICATION (LFA)

Band (City) Name: _____

Pastor's Name: _____

Chairman Deacon's Name: _____

Date: _____

Reasons (s) for Technical Support _____

Two (2) Local Contact Persons

Contact Person #1: _____

Phone (cell or home): _____
Circle One

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Person #2: _____

Phone (cell or home): _____
Circle One

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Forward by US Mail or Email:

Elder Harvey Shaw (email address: shaw15222@outlook.com)

401 Vista Drive

Columbus, OH 43230-5903

Phone: 614.270.3557

Thank You,

Pastor's Signature: _____

Chairman Deacon's Signature: _____

Secretary's Signature: _____

BISHOP JAMES C. ELLIOTT NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

I. PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the scholarship program is to recognize and encourage on a National Level the scholastic pursuit and academic achievement of students with a monetary award. Additionally, the intent of the scholarship award is to demonstrate an investment in the church in the educational pursuits of our members who will return and benefit the church with their learned skills and expertise.

II. CRITERIA

- 1.** Those seeking consideration must show proof of attendance (matriculation) at an accredited vocational, business, two-year or four-year college or post-graduate school.
- 2.** Must demonstrate a letter grade of "C plus" or better or a numerical grade of 2.5 or better.
- 3.** Standard of conduct and character must be consistent with National YFFU guidelines.
- 4.** Those seeking consideration must be actively involved in their local church, services and activities, local Sunday Bible School, the YFFU department and the diocese Sunday Bible School Convention
- 5.** Must be recommended and endorsed by the State Bishop or State Elder.

III. THE PROCESS

- 1.** The applicant must submit a Scholarship Application which is endorsed by the Diocese YFFU Coordinator, Pastor, Presiding Elder, State Bishop or State Elder. Previous applicants who have received monetary awards cannot reapply.
- 2.** The State YFFU Committee will review, evaluate those submissions and select their qualified candidate(s) and forward these names along with all required paperwork to the National Scholarship Chairperson. These submissions must be endorsed with the State Bishop's signature.
- 3.** The National Scholarship Committee must receive the scholarship application(s) **ON OR BEFORE MAY 30th** annually. This is the **DEFINITE CUT-OFF DATE**.

Please send completed applications to:

The House of God Church
Attention: NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
COMMITTEE
P. O. Box 22675
Nashville, TN 37202-2675

The application must be documented with the following:

- ◆ Letter of acceptance into an accredited institution for entering college students or
 - ◆ A current copy of an official transcript or official grade report documenting matriculation and Grade Point Average (G.P.A.)
 - ◆ All required signatures affixed
4. The responsibility and accountability for scholarship recommendations will be at the State level, reviewed and verified by the National Scholarship Committee.

IV. SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PRESENTATION

- ◆ To take place on Thursday of the General Assembly during the Graduation Exercise of The House of God Academy and Bible College.
- ◆ Recipients "should" be present.

V. MONETARY AWARDS

Awards are disbursed according to GPA:

• 4.0 and above	-	\$900.00
• 3.6 to 4.0	-	\$750.00
• 3.1 to 3.5	-	\$500.00
• 2.5 to 3.0	-	\$250.00

(The Scholarship Application Form is included in this Communiqué)

YFFU

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NATIONAL YOUTH DAY AWARDS

THE NATIONAL YFFU AWARDS COMMITTEE is preparing for the Youth Day Celebration in the General Assembly. Your help is needed to recommend members in your diocese as recipients of the awards presented by the youth.

Please address all communications regarding: awards criteria, guidelines, recommendation forms or other concerns to:

Elder Yolanda Davis
Awards Committee Chairperson
Elder Yolanda Davis
P. O. Box 12391
Florence, SC 29161-2391
843.229.6889

THE DEADLINE FOR CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUTH DAY
AWARDS IS

APRIL 30 each year.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in this matter.

National YFFU Forms

General Assembly Attendance

Information Change

Eligibility Criteria

Committee/Sub-Committee Report

Procedures for Reporting Youth Contest Monies

National YFFU Contestant Form

Recruitment Form

Participant's Form

New Member Application

Expenditure Request

YFFU Contest Report

Waiver Form

Please direct any YFFU inquiries regarding the above to your National YFFU Coordinator or your YFFU Diocese Coordinator.

YFFU AWARDS CRITERIA

KEITH DOMINION AWARD

The **Keith Dominion Award** is the most prestigious award presented in our church. The recipient of this award served the church faithfully during the Administration of Bishop M. F. L. Keith, our Second Chief Overseer, continued working faithfully and diligently during the Administration of Bishop J. W. Jenkins, Third Chief Overseer, Bishop J. C. Elliott, Fourth Administrator, Bishop Rebecca W. Fletcher, Fifth Chief Overseer Administrator, and continuing to serve during the Sixth Administration under the leadership of Bishop Clary K. Butler, Chief Overseer.

CONTINUED SERVICE AWARD

The **Continued Service Award** recognizes individuals who have given continued service to the church for fifty years or more. During this time, the recipient made outstanding contributions on the local, state and national levels.

MERIT SPECIAL SERVICE AWARD

The **Merit Special Service Award** recognizes individuals who have worked on the National YFFU Committee for at least 15 years or more. The National Youth Committee selects recipients.

DR. J. W. JENKINS YOUTH AWARD

The **Dr. J. W. Jenkins Youth Award** recognizes youth up to age 35, who are full of the Holy Ghost, faithful members of the youth department and active on local, state and national levels. (i.e., singing in General Assembly or Universal Choir, volunteer with YFFU or other auxiliary during the General Assembly, YFFU Program participation).

BISHOP REBECCA W. FLETCHER ACADEMIC INCENTIVE AWARD

The **Bishop Rebecca W. Fletcher Academic Incentive Award** is a financial reward given to one student at each grade from Kindergarten to Twelfth grade who displays faithfulness in church as well as in school. To qualify, students must maintain a "C" average or higher with no documented reprimands in the current school year. A copy of the report cards for the school year and (for high school students) a recommendation from the guidance counselor regarding conduct should be included in the nomination. They also must have outstanding achievement/performance in school, church, (SBS, YFFU, church services) and/or the community. They should be approved by the Local Pastor, State Coordinator and State Bishop.

YFFU AWARDS CRITERIA

Elder Clara Williams Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship will be awarded in her honor having served as the first National YFFU Coordinator and an Advisor/Consultant prior to her death in August 2020.

\$5000 will be awarded annually to a high school graduate: \$2500 for the Fall Semester and \$2500 for the Spring Semester.

A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, regular attendance/participation in the local church, three references and a letter of acceptance from an accredited college or university are among the criteria.



Deaconess Lilly W. Haygood, President
999 Harvard Street, Rochester, NY 14610 -1713
Email: lillyhaygood@yahoo.com
Tel: (585) 461-0359 Cell: (585) 749-5643

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Deacon John 'Jay' Fonville, Vice President
4301 Haywood Farms Road, New Bern, NC 28562-8361
Email: jfonville1@suddenlink.net
Tel: (252) 638-8373

INTERNATIONAL DEACONS UNION

NOTICE

2022 INTERNATIONAL DEACONS UNION AWARDS

The International Deacons Union is now accepting nominations for Deacons who may qualify for the following awards to be presented during the General Assembly Deacons Program in June:

- Bishop Rebecca W. Fletcher Distinguished Leadership Award
- Deacon Johnnie L. King Longevity Award
- Deacon Frank Blue Distinguished Service Award

Please complete and submit all nominations for these awards no later than the 1st of March for the **2021-22** fiscal year as outlined on each Award Nomination Form. All required signatures **must be on each form**, in order for the nominee to be eligible for review of and consideration for an award.

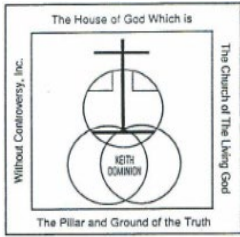
Deacons can be nominated each year for the same Award(s) and are not excluded for consideration for an award. All nominations must be resubmitted for several reasons:

- a) The standing or qualifications of the Nominee may have changed from the previous year;
- b) The Nominator may desire to include more information about the Nominee that was excluded the previous year which may enhance the Nominee's qualifications, etc.;
- c) **The Biographical Sketch for each Nominee is the only document provided to the Awards Screening/Selection Committee prior to and after review and selection of the Awardees. All identifiable personal information is never disclosed to ensure confidentiality. The only names revealed are those of the three Awardees. No Nomination Forms are resubmitted by the Committee.**

For additional information, please contact Deacon Artis Shaw, IDU Awards Committee Chairperson, at: artis.shaw@gmail.com or phone – (954) 496-6191.

Please timely submit the completed form for your nominee prior to the 1st of March 2022. The International Deacons Union Auxiliary Program is scheduled for Thursday, during the General Assembly in June.

Deaconess Lilly W. Haygood



Bishop Rebecca W. Fletcher Distinguished Leadership Award Nomination Form

Description

The Bishop Rebecca W. Fletcher Distinguished Leadership award was created to honor and recognize our fifth administrator's promotion, advocacy, and development of leaders at all levels, rank, and file of our church. This award highlights the personal contributions and service of deacons and deaconesses of the House of God Church-Keith Dominion who have served in a leadership position. This award is given to individuals who serve or have served on the National level as an Advisor, President, Coordinator, Director, Committee or Subcommittee Chairperson, or as an assistant to these roles, or on the National Staff in an appointed or volunteer position responsible for directing others. This award honors deacons and deaconesses who we believe epitomize the office of deacon as servants of our Lord Jesus Christ and our church. It is the highest and most prestigious award given to honor such individuals.

Criteria

- Ordained Deacon
- Served as a Deacon for at least **20** or more years
- Demonstrates Responsibility, Accountability, Respectability, and Availability
- Has shown commitment throughout their service in the House of God-Keith Dominion
- Submit the **COMPLETED** form to the Committee on or before **March 1**.

Nominee: _____

Local Band: _____ **Diocese:** _____

Current Rating: _____ **Year Ordained:** _____

Nominator's Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Required Signatures

Nominator: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

Chairman Deacon: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

Pastor: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

State Bishop: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

Deacon Johnnie L. King Legacy Award Nomination Form

Description

The Deacon Johnnie L. King Legacy Award recognizes the dedication and contributions of deacons and deaconesses who have served the House of God, Keith Dominion for 50 or more years. The recipients of this award have demonstrated long and distinct records of service and support for all ministries of our Church. The calling and election of these deacons and deaconesses is manifested through their enduring and indelible pattern of good works, character and leadership, which others who hold this office should emulate.

Criteria

- Ordained Deacon
- Served as a Deacon for at least **50** or more years
- Demonstrates Responsibility, Accountability, Respectability, and Availability
- Has shown commitment throughout their service in the House of God-Keith Dominion
- May be awarded to a Deacon/Deaconess **Posthumously**
- Submit the **COMPLETED** form to the Committee on or before **March 1**.
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Nominee _____

Local Band: _____ Diocese: _____

Current Rating: _____ Year Ordained: _____

Nominator's Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

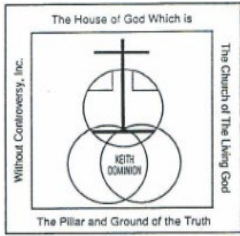
Required Signatures

Nominator: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

Chairman Deacon: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

Pastor: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

State Bishop: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)



Deacon Frank Blue Distinguished Service Award Nomination Form

Description

The Deacon Frank Blue Distinguished Service Award recognizes the dedication and contributions of deacons and deaconesses who have a distinguished record of service in our church and have freely given of their time and substance to advance and support the ministries of the House of God Church-Keith Dominion. We believe the recipient of this award has exemplified the inherent, selfless, servanthood of the deacon office in our church.

Criteria

- Ordained Deacon
- Served as a Deacon for at least **15** or more years
- Demonstrates Responsibility, Accountability, Respectability, and Availability
- Has shown commitment throughout their service in the House of God-Keith Dominion
- May be awarded to a Deacon/Deaconess **Posthumously**
- Submit the **COMPLETED** form to the Committee on or before **March 1**.

Nominee _____

Local Band: _____ **Diocese:** _____

Current Rating: _____ **Year Ordained:** _____

Nominator's Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Required Signatures

Nominator: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

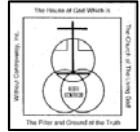
Chairman Deacon: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

Pastor: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

State Bishop: _____ (Print) _____ (Signature)

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ASSEMBLY FINANCIAL REPORTING FORM

Assembly Report for INDIVIDUALS of every rank and file in THE HOUSE OF GOD WHICH IS THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD THE PILLAR AND GROUND OF THE TRUTH WITHOUT CONTROVERSY, INC., KEITH DOMINION

GENERAL **STATE** from _____, **20**____ to _____, **20**____.

I, Bishop State/General Elder Elder Reverend Exhorter Deacon Deaconess Brother Sister
 Ordained Local Trial Male Female

Name

in the City of _____, County of _____ State of _____ do hereby
 submit the following report into this Assembly held in the City of _____ County _____ of _____
 State of _____ on the _____ day of _____

	Contributions	Rating	Items	
	Rating I have contributed the following for the purpose of Gospel			
	Minimums	Off		
work:				
1 General Assembly	_____	_____	_____	_____
2 State Assembly	_____	_____	_____	_____
3 Chief Overseer [General Pastoral Days]	_____	_____	_____	_____
4 Chief Overseer's General Assembly Anniversary	_____	_____	_____	_____
5 Chief Overseer's State Assembly Rally	_____	_____	_____	_____
6 State Bishop	_____	_____	_____	_____
7 Sunday School Convention Supervisor's Rally	_____	_____	_____	_____
8 Educational Days	_____	_____	_____	_____
9 Tithes Full Tithe? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	_____
10 Sunday Bible School	_____	_____	_____	_____
11 Sunday School Convention	_____	_____	_____	_____
12 National Missionary Outreach Society	_____	_____	_____	_____
13 Courtesy Welfare Fund	_____	_____	_____	_____
14 National Youth [Scholarship]	_____	_____	_____	_____
15 New Headquarters Complex	_____	_____	_____	_____
16 Christmas Offering [Evangelism]	_____	_____	_____	_____
17 Thanksgiving Offering [Evangelism]	_____	_____	_____	_____
18 State Rally	_____	_____	_____	_____
19 Ministers Council/Deacons Union	_____	_____	_____	_____
20 Elders [Semi-Annual Call]	_____	_____	_____	_____
21 Pastor	_____	_____	_____	_____
22 Church Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
23 Church Expense [Friday Nights]	_____	_____	_____	_____
24 Pastor's Support [Wednesday Nights]	_____	_____	_____	_____
25 Pastor's Rally	_____	_____	_____	_____
26 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
27 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
28 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
29 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
30 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Totals	_____	_____	_____	_____

I have contributed a total of \$ _____ for Gospel Work from the last Assembly to this Assembly.

I am contributing into this Assembly [Report] \$ _____

I am contributing for Chief Overseer's Anniversary/Rally \$ _____

I desire the prayers of the Chief Overseer and this Assembly that I may always be a true and faithful worker for the Lord.

Signed by Workers for Jesus:

Person Reporting: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

Pastor: _____

Deacon(ess) _____

Secretary: _____

Deacon(ess) _____

RESERVED FOR ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE

This Financial Written Report was examined by _____

Date _____

Committee Chairperson _____ Percentage Rating _____

Reason for percentage deduction _____



Peace | leave with you,
my peace | give unto you:
not as the world giveth,
give | unto you.

Let not your heart be troubled,
neither let it be afraid.

John 14:27

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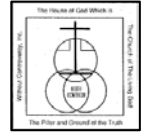
KEITH DOMINION

P. O. Box 22675

Nashville, TN 37202-2675

Phone Numbers: (615) 329-1625 and 329-0846

Fax Number: (615) 329-0354



FINANCIAL REPORTING FORM

THE HOUSE OF GOD _____ DATE _____

Band # Band Name Diocese #

REPORTER _____ TELEPHONE NO. (____) _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
Street or P.O. Box Apt. No. City State & Zip Code

() CHECK IF CHANGE OF ADDRESS () CHECK IF CHANGE OF REPORTER (*Attach Form*)

TYPE OF REPORT: () PERSONAL () BAND () DIOCESE (*Check One*)

PASTOR _____ TELEPHONE NO. (____) _____

PRESIDING ELDER _____ TELEPHONE NO. (____) _____

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>NO.</u>		

4004	Tithe – <i>Personal</i> () or <i>Band</i> ()	\$ _____
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4005	Complex – <i>Personal</i> () or <i>Band</i> ()	_____
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4006	Educational Day	_____
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4007	Deacons Union	_____
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4008	Courtesy Welfare	_____
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4009	Missionary/Evangelism	_____
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4010	Sunday Bible School	_____
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4011	Sunday School Convention	_____
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4012	State Assembly Ten Percent	_____
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4013	Thanksgiving/Christmas	_____
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4014	Lodging	_____
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4015	Literature (<i>Books, Newsletter, etc.</i>)	_____
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4016	Academic Program	_____
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4019	Loan Repayments	_____
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4023	Scholarship (<i>National Youth Project</i>)	_____
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4028	Church Paper	_____
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4029	Academic Course	_____
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4101	Youth/Contest	_____
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4201	Faith Wall of Fame	_____
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Others _____

TOTAL	\$ _____
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TITHE/COMPLEX BAND REPORT

CIRCLE ONE: Tithe or Complex

CIRCLE ONE: Tithe or Complex

TITLE FULL NAME

AMOUNT

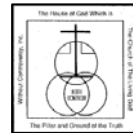
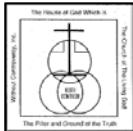
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AMOUNT**

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21.		21.

Totals \$ _____

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COURTESY WELFARE REQUEST APPLICATION FORM

Date: _____

Name: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Address: _____
(Street) (Apt) (City) (State/Zip Code)

State Bishop: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Local Pastor: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Band Name: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Specify need (e.g. Major Surgery, Fire, Flood, or Disaster). _____

If hospitalized, how long in hospital? _____

1. **If illness, was it: Long Term or Short Term? (Circle One)** _____

2. **Are you presently under doctor's care? Yes or No (Circle One)** _____

3. **Did your insurance cover all of your expenses? Yes or No (Circle One)** _____

4. **If no, please explain need:** _____

5. **Have you ever received assistance from the State/Diocese Courtesy Welfare?** _____

When? _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Pastor's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

State Bishop's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Date Received _____ **Date Processed:** _____ **Amount:** _____

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Scholarship Application Form

BISHOP JAMES C. ELLIOTT, NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Instructions: Read the application. Type or print all information requested. Please print the following information and attach your transcript to this application.

Write a one (1) page essay on the following topic:

"How I Plan to Achieve my Vision for The House of God Church, Keith Dominion."

(Please have your essay typewritten and double-spaced. Begin your essay one (1) inch from the top of the page. Use a cover sheet for your name and other information. Also, type your name on the back of the typewritten paper in the lower right corner.)

PERSONAL CHURCH SERVICE INFORMATION

Date: _____

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Local Church _____

Pastor _____ Presiding Elder _____

Sunday School Superintendent _____

State YFFU Coordinator _____

Number of years in the Church. _____ Have you received the Holy Ghost? _____

List the auxiliaries you are a member of in your local church: _____

List the positions held in the above auxiliaries: _____

List any of your special talents or abilities: _____

Have you offered any special services to the church? If yes, list them. _____

What do you plan as your professional vocation? _____

ACADEMIC STANDING

Name of Institution _____

Major _____ Classification _____

G.P.A. (*Must be documented by an official transcript or grade report attached to application*) _____

What are your academic goals? _____

SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned, verify the above-named student is currently enrolled in the specified institution and is a church member actively involved in the local and state Sunday Bible School and YFFU Departments.

Applicant's _____ Signature _____

State YFFU _____ Coordinator _____

Pastor _____

Presiding Elder _____

State Bishop or State Elder _____

SPACE RESERVED FOR THE NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Approved Amount of Scholarship \$ _____

Disapproved Reason for Disapproval _____

National Scholarship Committee Chairperson

COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNATURES

YFFU AWARDS RECOMMENDATION FORM

DATE: _____

Name of Proposed Recipient _____

Address _____

Telephone# _____ **Personal Fax#** _____

Age _____ **Number of Years in the Church** _____

Diocese _____

Indicate the Award for which the individual is being recommended:

- Keith Dominion Award
- Continued Service Award
- Dr. J.W. Jenkins Youth Award
- Bishop Rebecca W. Fletcher Academic Incentive Award
- Elder Clara Williams Memorial Award

Please use the space provided below to give a brief biographical church historical sketch of individual(s) being recommended. Indicate reasons why individual should be considered for the award(s). Use additional paper, if necessary.

Signature of Presiding State Bishop _____

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Bishop Rebecca W. Fletcher, Academic Incentive Award
Recommendation Form



DATE: _____

Suggested Recipient _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ **Telephone#** _____

Age ____ **Grade** ____ **Local Church** _____

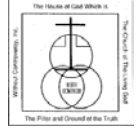
Comments from Local Pastor:

Comments from Local YFFU Coordinator:

Signature of State Bishop

Signature of State Coordinator

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Committee Qualification Form

Date: June 1, _____ thru May 31, _____

For Use by Officials Only

Name of Individual _____ Title _____

Address _____

Telephone Number (____) _____ Diocese _____

List Names of National Committees/Auxiliaries: (1) _____

(2) _____ (3) _____

Number of years a member of this church organization _____

Number of years in attendance at the General Assembly _____

Percentage rating as of your last State Assembly _____ Date held _____

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

*(The Pastor **must** initial where indicated)*

_____ The applicant is in good standing with the church spiritually and financially.
 Pastor

_____ The applicant is active in the above-named committee on the local/state level, if applicable.
 Pastor

_____ The applicant is loyal, obedient, and upholds the rules of the church.
 Pastor

_____ The applicant has completed the "Child Safety Training", documented in State/General file.
 Pastor

Signatures: _____
State Bishop *Pastor*

Accepted	Not Accepted	National Committee Official	Date
Accepted	Not Accepted	National Committee Official	Date
Accepted	Not Accepted	National Committee Official	Date

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KEITH DOMINION**

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER FORM

Address: _____

Date: _____, _____

REQUEST:

I, _____ am a member of the House of God church, Inc. Keith Dominion
in _____. My membership card number is _____; My State Bishop
is _____; My Presiding Elder is _____;
and my Pastor is _____.

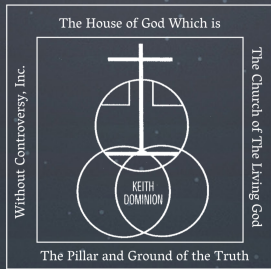
I have been living in _____ for _____ years, and now I desire
to transfer my membership to _____
_____.

My pledges are (paid up/not paid up); if the secretary will send me an itemized statement of what I pledged
I will pay same at once.

This certifies that _____ is a bona fide member of our
church in _____. To the best of our knowledge he/she is a
loyal and obedient member. He/She is up in his/her financial obligations and has at least a 96% report.

Witnessed by our signatures this _____ day of _____, 20____:

_____ Chief Overseer
_____ State Bishop
_____ Presiding Elder
_____ Pastor
_____ Secretary



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