

A monthly publication for Members of Macedonia Baptist Church

Volume 20 Issue 07

July 2022



## Macedonia Baptist Church Hosts Pastoral INSTALLATION SERVICE for Rev. Terry Minor

**The Installation Service for Macedonia's 4th Pastor in 102 years,** Rev. Terry Minor, was held on June 26 here at Macedonia. The Sanctuary was full with members and guests, including Rev. Minor's cousin, Pastor James Toles of New Life Fellowship Baptist Church, New Orleans, LA, who delivered an inspiring message at the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service, and Rev Dr. Carl Livingston who brought a powerful message during the 3:00 p.m. Installation Service. A catered meal in the beautifully decorated Fellowship

Hall followed the 11:00 a.m. service.

Various auxiliaries and friends presented the Pastor and First Lady with congratulatory gifts during the installation service.

In his testimony, Rev. Minor has shared that he was called to preach the Word in 2000. He preached his trial sermon in December of 2001 at Macedonia Baptist Church under the direction of Pastor Charles D. Twymon. Rev. Minor credits Pastor Twymon for being instrumental in his development as a man, Christian and preacher of the Gospel. He has served faithfully at Macedonia in many capacities, most recently being named Assistant Pastor, following Pastor Twymon's retirement. We are happy to CONGRATULATE Pastor Minor and his wife of 34 years, Theresa, and look forward to following him as he follows Christ.

#### Inside This Issue

Announcements	
Sermons/Serving Together	
Installation Pictures	
Honoring Our Graduates	
How Does Raising Interest Rates Help the Economy?7	
The Soul As Soil/Bible & Book Corner	
Invitation to Sunday School	





PRAYER SERVICE is held every Wednesday at 12:00 noon in the Chapel.



"Be strong and courageous ... for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9 (NIV)

VENT

## **Greeter's Meeting**

If you are a greeter or if you are interested in becoming a greeter, we invite you to attend a meeting for Macedonia's greeter's on Sunday, July 10, 2022, in the parlor at 10:30 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Sheila Allen at (313) 802-2846

Millennial Sunday School for Teens & Young Adults 9:30-10:30 In Person—Meet in the MBC Parlor

### **SERMONS**

CDs and DVDs are available through the Audio Ministry. Visit **www.mbcdet.com/media** or via the **MBCDET app** to listen to archived sermons.

- June 5, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
  "Is Christ Divided?"
  1 Corinthians 1:10-13 Rev. Terry Minor
- June 12, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
   "There's A Reason Why I Trust Him" Psalm 56:3 Rev. Ronald Davis
- June 19, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
   "A Perfect Example of Fatherhood" Luke 15:11-13 Rev. Terry Minor
- June 26, 11:00 a.m.
   "Knock Until the Door Falls Down" Acts 12:12-16
   Pastor James Toles, New Life Fellowship Baptist Church, New Orleans, LA

#### SERVING TOGETHER by Wilma Parham

It takes a coordinated effort on the part of many people to make an event run so smoothly. The efforts of those who helped out with the Pastoral Installation did not go un-noticed. I would like to reiterate:

#### Thanks to:

Larone Mills, Installation Committee Chairman, And his Committee for a job well done!!

> Stacie Mills Danielle Thomas Joi Danforth

Also, Special Thanks to

Macedonia Executive Board Ross Catering From the Heart Events Kevin Smitherman The Minor Family Pastors & Ministers



# Rev. & Mrs. Terry Minor & Family





**Our New Pastor and First Lady** 



July 2022

## A Historical Event



A Warm Greeting



The Laying on of Hands & Prayer, by Pastor Charles Twymon & Other Pastors



A Sacred Robe

July 2022



## **HONORING OUR 2022 GRADUATES**

On Sunday, June 12, 2022, during the 11 a.m. worship service, Pastor-elect Rev. Terry Minor and Macedonia Baptist Church acknowledged and honored the 2022 high school graduates. Each graduate was presented with a Bible for Christian encouragement.



**Timarra Beard** graduated from Central High School on June 15. She plans to attend Wayne County Community College or Oakland County Community College at a later date.

**Emmanuel Danforth** graduated from University High School Academy in Lathrup Village on June 4 with a 3.5 GPA. He earned a certificate for computer programming using JAVA. In the fall he plans to attend Saginaw Valley State University and major in Computer Science. Emmanuel wants to gain the needed experience so that he can become a Software Engineer.

**Kamyl S. Freeman-Holmes** graduated from Clarenceville High School in Livonia on June 3. Kamyl plans to attend Schoolcraft College in Livonia and earn a degree in Business, majoring in Marketing/Management.

**Jayla Williams** graduated from Cass Technical High School with a 3.3 GPA. She graduated cum laude and was awarded the Kathryn Ellis student choreographers' award. Jayla was also awarded the Wayne State University Green scholarship. Her future plans are to attend Wayne State University majoring in prephysical therapy with plans to become a Physical Therapist specializing in dance injuries.

**Jaden Wilson** graduated May 19 from Loyola High School in Detroit. Jaden plans to attend Oakland Community College, play college basketball and study automotive engineering.

Congratulations!

#### How Does raising Interest Rates Help The Economy? Submitted by Wendell Smitherman

As inflation eases, in theory, managing expenses could get easier for consumers. But it's not without trade-offs. As interest rates rise, the cost of borrowing money, everything from home loans to credit cards will go up.

#### How will the sting affect your household finances?

It will touch a number of areas, some harder than others, but it may not be immediate. Now is a good time to begin to re-evaluate your household budget and look for areas you may be able to reduce spending so you can try to pay down on credit cards if you've been using them to make ends meet. Here are a few areas where some, but not all Americans may feel the pinch:

#### Mortgage Loans And Re-FI's

Unless you have an adjustable rate mortgage or plan to buy a home soon, the interest rate hike should not affect your current fixed rate mortgage. However, eventually mortgage interest rates for new mortgages and Adjustable Rate Mortgages (ARMS) will rise. If you're planning to refinance, now may be a good time while interest rates are still low and home prices are high.

If you're planning to buy a home, the news isn't as bleak as it may seem. As interest rates rise, home prices may begin to fall. So your monthly mortgage payment for any given house you choose to purchase could be the same. But your interest payment will make up more of it.

#### Credit Cards

Credit card companies must give consumers 45 days notice before raising rates or increasing fees, so you have time to prepare for higher monthly payments. In that time, consider shopping around for a balance transfer and a card with a 0% intro APR to start making a dent in that revolving debt.

#### Student Loans

Federal student loans have a fixed interest rate, so current borrowers don't have to worry about a rate hike. In the future, according to the New York Times, new borrowers could pay 1.5% to 1.9% more to borrow money for college.

#### Auto Loans

As with fixed-rate mortgages and student loans, if you're paying off a current car loan you don't have to worry about your monthly payment increasing. If you're buying a new car and applying for a loan, however, you can expect to pay more to borrow money.

#### Savings Accounts

Yields on savings accounts, certificates of deposit, and money market mutual funds are expected to rise in coming months, but the increases may be small. The national average for savings account interest in June 2022, according to GOBankingRates.com, is 0.07%.

Source: Go Banking Rates - Dawn Allcot, June 17, 2022

#### **The Soul As Soil**



Gardeners who've dealt with inhospitable conditions can relate especially well to Jesus' parable of the sower. Drought, invasive critters and thorny weeds often seem to conspire against growers' efforts. Yet when seeds fall on "good soil," the crop yield is abundant — up to a hundred times what was sown (Matthew 13:8).

That parable emphasizes the need for hearts to be receptive to God's Word. But it's also a reminder to plant Scripture persistently. Just as soil and weather conditions change, so may someone's attitude toward following Jesus. Pastor J. Ellsworth Kalas writes, "Whenever we serve as witnesses to the faith, we must do so with all earnestness, because one doesn't know the season in which the soul currently abides. That uninterested, distracted or unresponsive person may be nearer the Kingdom than we — or they — realize." Kalas adds, "We dare not give up on anyone at any time — including ourselves."

Source: Newsletternewsletter.com



#### Macedonia Baptist Church Bible & Book Corner—Book Review Submitted by Sonja Gray



Nina Simone's popular anthem from the civil rights movement speaks to both the celebrations and trials of the Black experience.

**Young, Gifted, and Black** gives voice to the real-life stories of Black millennials and younger adults. If life was a race, it's assumed that every runner has a fair shot at winning.

However, it's not always the case for young, gifted, and Black folks. Sheila Wise Rowe goes beyond the common narrative that focuses solely on their success or struggle. Her stories of celebration and lament point toward hope, joy, and healing.

Drawing from her years of experience in counseling trauma and abuse survivors, she provides stories, reflections, and tools for Black readers of all ages and their allies. These stories offer an opportunity to explore, reflect, and journey toward healing from the barriers that affect their lives, the lives of their children, and their communities.

This would be a good summer read, and it is available at Christian Books Distributors at www/christianbooks.com, or Amazon



Invitation to: Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday School

Superintendent of Sunday School: *Rev. Brady Bennett* 

**Director of Christian Education:** *Rev. Eric Shumate* 

The Sunday School classes will be conducting lessons via Zoom for the time being. Additionally, we have identified Sunday School teachers that will provide technical support to access the Zoom classes.

Macedonia Baptist Church Zoom Technical Support Contacts:					
Rev. James O' Rear	Adults & Men's Class	Phone: 734-308-0056 Email: jjalo@hotmail.com			
Sister Terry Mann	Adult Women's	Phone: 313-801-4765 Email: <b>temaka79@hotmail.com</b>			
Brother Michael Moore	Teens & Young Adults	Phone: 313-312-4044 Email: mmore@3lconsulting.info			
Sister Mary Ann Windham	Juniors, Beginners & Primaries	Phone: 313-418-8830 Email: maryann.windham@yahoo.com			

We invite you, your family, friends and neighbors to join our Sunday School Classes; you will be blessed! All classes are being held onsite and virtually with the exception of the Beginners and Primaries. They are online only.

CLASSES	ZOOM ID'S	PASSWORDS	CLASS TIMES			
Adult Men and Women	927 219 5591	4Y06SC	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)			
Adult Women	801 855 9447	646902	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)			
Millennial Sunday School for Teens and Young Adults	314 202 2102	503816	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)			
Juniors (10-12 yrs.)	775 4028 7203	7DJiT2	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)			
Primaries (7-9 yrs.)	830 6987 0617	primary	10:00-10:55 AM (ET)			
Beginners (4-6 yrs.)	246 295 5225	5TykPq	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)			
The list of lessons for June 2022 includes the following:						
DATE	LESSON		SCRIPTURE			
July 3	Haggai Calls for	Faithful Service	Haggai 1:1-11			
July 10	Micah Stands Fir	m for God	Micah 2:4-11			
July 17	Habakkuk Praise Faithfuln		Habakkuk 2:1-5; 3:17-19			
July 24	Ezekiel Brings H	ope to Israel	Ezekiel 37:1-14			



## Macedonia Baptist Church

14221 Southfield Road, Detroit, Michigan 48223

#### "Come over into Macedonia and help us." ACTS 16:9



www.mbcdet.com



**Congratulations Pastor Terry Minor**