

Saint John Missionary Baptist

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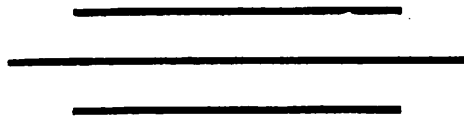
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Saint John

Missionary Baptist Church

Dedication

Sunday, October 27, 1974



3:00 o'clock p. m.

Reverend L. J. Martin, Pastor

HISTORY

The Saint John Missionary Baptist Church was organized under a brush arbor in the vicinity of Enchanted Hills under the leadership of the Elder John Knight. A church site was purchased in 1910 on Highway 49 near Four Points and the first frame building was built under the leadership of Rev. James Powell. This building was destroyed by a tornado in the fall of 1941. Mount Olive Methodist Church opened its doors to Saint John for services. The second frame building was erected in 1942 under the leadership of Rev. W. H. Carter. In July of 1972 this building and site was sold to the Mississippi Highway Department and the present site was purchased under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. L. J. Martin.

For sixty-four years Saint John Church has been dedicated to the Great Commission as announced by Jesus in Matthew 28: 16-20. Hundreds of people have been led to Christ during the sixty-four years of its history.

History

Former Pastors

Rev. John Knight
Rev. James Powell
Rev. Perry Thomas
Rev. Grant Session
Rev. David Walker
Rev. Andrew Jones
Rev. W. H. Carter
Rev. Will Watkins
Rev. Mose Grant

Former Deacons

George Small
Will Powel
Mark Ball
Henry Crutchfield
Jack Wilson
Richard Jones
Ely Thompson
Frank Street

Present Deacons

M. T. Ball, Sr.
Elex Jones
Richard Fleming
Walter Hudson
Edward Stuckey

Rev. L. J. Martin, Pastor
M. T. Ball, Senior, Clerk

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Rev. E. C. Williams, Pastor

James D. Stephens, Trustee

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5:00 p.m. B. T. U.

11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Worship Service 1st. Sunday

7:30 p.m. Fellowship Club each Tuesday

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When we compare her with all human institutions, we rejoice, for there is none like her.

Fill her with the prophet's scorn of tyranny, and with a Christlike tenderness for the heavy-laden and downtrodden. Bid her cease from seeking her own life, lest she lose it.

Make her valiant to give up her life to humanity, that like her crucified Lord she may mount by the path of the cross to a higher glory.

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and he shall direct thy paths.

Proverbs 3: 6

Direct us, O, Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favor, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy name, and finally, by thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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3:00 p.m.

Processional Choirs

Invocation Rev. G. D. Daniels

Music: Saint Peter
Beulah Land
Chapel Hill
Calvary
Wolf Lake
Church of God In Christ
Holiness

Recognitions and Announcements Bro. Ross Sims

Welcome Mrs. Mark T. Ball

Response Mrs. Johnnie W. Clark

Scripture Reading and Presentation of Bible -
Rev. R. L. Williams

Vows of Dedication Rev. L. J. Martin

VOWS OF DEDICATION

Pastor: Having been led by the good hand of God,
and enabled by His Grace and power to
complete His house of Worship, we now
stand in His Holy Presence and dedicate
this Building to Him.

Official Board: We, the officers of this Church do
now covenant with God and one
another and pledge our loyalty to
this congregation to discharge our
every duty with faithfulness, that
this house, at all times, may prove
a blessing by magnifying the preach-
ing of the gospel and fulfilling its
mission in this community and the
world for which it is now being
dedicated.

Pastor: To the glory of God the Father, who
has called us by his Grace, to honor
His Son, who loved us and gave him-
self for us; to the praise of the
Holy spirit, who illumines and
strengthens us;

Congregation: We gratefully dedicate this building.

Pastor: For the worship of God in prayer and
praise; for the preaching of the
everlasting Gospel of Jesus Christ;
for the observance of the New
Testament ordinances of Baptist
and the Lord's Supper;

Congregation: We humbly dedicate this building.

Pastor: For the comfort of all these who
mourn; for the help of those who
are weary; for the salvation of
those who are lost; for strength
to those who are tempted;

Congregation: We prayfully dedicate this
building.

Pastor: For the sanctity of the family,
which is the foundation of our
society; for the teaching and
training of the young; and for the
perfecting of the saints;

Congregation: We hopefully dedicate this building.

Pastor: For the conversion of sinners; for
the promotion of righteousness;
for the extention of the Kingdom
of God;

Congregation: We gladly dedicate this building.

Pastor: In the unity of faith; in the bond
of Christian Brotherhood; in
clarity and good will to all;

Congregation: We dedicate this building.

Pastor: Accept, O God, our Father, this
service at our hands, and bless it
to the end that this congregation
of faithful people may make manifest
the church of the Living God, the
pillar and ground of truth, and so
may this house be the place where
Thine honor dwelleth, and the whole
earth be filled with Thy glory.

Music: Yazoo City School Choir
Mrs. W. R. McCoy, Directress

Dedication Prayer Rev. James F. Yates, Pastor
First Baptist Church, Yazoo City

Music: Yazoo City School Choir
Galilee Choir
Saint Paul Choir
Tulane Choir

Sermon: Rev. N. B. Jackson, President
State Congress of
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Offering and Special Remarks: X
Rev. E. L. Williams, President Yazoo County
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Report

Benediction

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2 Corinthians 4: 18

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OUR INVITATION:

Saint John Missionary Baptist Church is
dedicated to the glory of God. We thank God for
all He has done through us.

This Church seeks to proclaim the redeeming
Love of God in Christ Jesus in all of its activity.
To this end, it uses the materials and develops the
program of the Baptist Church. But in all its
work and absorption with particular tastes, it
constantly seeks to teach and live the Love of
God in Jesus Christ.

If you are seeking a Church home where you
will be given a sense of fellowship with God and
His children, and where you can work to your
heart's content and to the glory of God, we invite
you to come join us.

Rev. L. J. Martin