

Welcome

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REMOTE & LIVE SERVICES

CHECK WEBSITE FOR DETAILS.

Saturday Services

- 10:00 am **Evangelism Team Outing**
- 3:00 pm **New Member Orientation**
- 3:00 pm **Discipleship Training**
- 4:00 pm **Saturday Bible Study**
- 5:00 pm **R.I.S.E. Saturday Service**

Sunday Services

- 8:00 am **Worship Service**
- 9:30 am **New Member Orientation**
- 9:30 am **Discipleship Training**
- 9:30 am **Sunday Bible Study**
- 10:45 am **Worship Service**

STEWARDSHIP

1. Operating Budget

Our Operating Budget is funded through Tithes & Offerings. Mt. Zion Financial Statements are available upon request.

*Total Revenue less Designated Funds is reflected because Designated Funds cannot be used for daily operations.

**Reporting of Expenses will resume when the accounting department is fully transitioned.

<u>(Week 26)</u>	<u>YTD Goals</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<u>Revenue</u>	\$ 1,003,862	\$ 1,114,858*	\$ 110,996
<u>Expense</u>	**	**	**

2. Phase I Capital Campaign

Goal Amount Needed for Phase I*	1 st Milestone Goal	Progress towards 1 st Milestone as of 6/24/2024
\$5,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$ 1,162,775

*Phase I includes building the Education Building, the Mt. Zion Center and infrastructure. GOD CAN DO IT!

The original loan amount was \$2,400,000.00 Paid in Full 3/12/2021.

The Capital Campaign team is contacting everyone who pledged to past campaigns to update their pledge to the Phase I Capital Campaign.

I ask that you help us accelerate this process by stopping by the Capital Campaign table or call Church Office at 909-983-2411.

Sincerely, Pastor Brian E. Kennedy.

Capital Campaign Fund Monies cannot be used for Operating Cost.



Cash App
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ONLINE giving

venmo
@mtzionontario

Shelby Online Giving
<https://www.shelbygiving.com/mzo>



Shelby Text Giving
909-219-9637
(Ex: \$100 tithes)

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Church Administrator at 909-983-2411 ext. 108.

Mark Your Calendars
UPCOMING EVENTS

For detailed information on upcoming events, please view the calendar on the Mt. Zion website.

JOIN OUR TEAM

<https://www.mtzionontario.com/services-5>

- July 27 Back to School Celebration RISE Service @ 5:00pm
- Aug 4 HSG Mid-Year immediately following 10:45am worship service
FOCAS Fellowship @ 1:30pm
- Aug 17 Mental Health: LEAP (Listen-Empathize-Agree-Partner) @ 9:30am - 1:30pm
- Aug 24 Church Picnic with ORCM at Creekside Park @ 10:00am
- Aug 31 Couple's One Day conference @ 8:00am-2:00pm. *Register today!*



Capital Campaign prayer request # 33: Lord, guide our team as we visit another church to learn best practices to incorporate into our building plans.
 God Bless

READ YOUR THREE



DATE	OT	NT
July 13	2 Ch. 35-36	Phlm. 1
July 14	Ezra 1-2	Heb. 1
July 15	Ezra 3-4	Heb. 2
July 16	Ezra 5-6	Heb. 3
July 17	Ezra 7-8	Heb. 4
July 18	Ezra 9-10	Heb. 5
July 19	Neh. 1-2	Heb. 6

*In Christ Do More in 2024
 II Corinthians 5:17-21*

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS
 KEYS TO MODELING A GOD HONORING MARRIAGE
 1 Corinthians 16:14 (NASB)

Cost is \$85/person Continental breakfast and lunch included
 Sign-up Deadline July 28th

August 31, 2024
 Time: 8am-2pm
 Breakfast: 730am-8am

VISION
 The Couple's Ministry here at Mt Zion Church of Ontario, It is dedicated to supporting couples in their walk together with Christ.

Visit our church website @ mtzionontario.com

Deacon Edd & Sylvia Malone, Pastor Jermaine Smith, Pastor Ebenezer & Joyce Hickey

Helping Hands Ministry: Community: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays (9:30am–12:00pm); Food Giveaway for Members: Wednesdays (9:30am –12:00pm); Fridays (9:30am–12:00pm). If you need assistance, please call 909-460-0984.

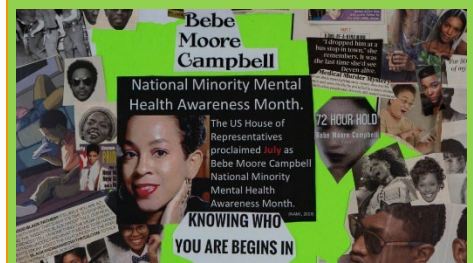
Fitness Ministry: Gospel Line Dancing on every Tues. @ 6:00pm in the cafe, with the exception of holidays or any other church closures.

Karate: Every Tuesday and Thursday in Room 11 of the Education Building at 7:00pm– 8:30pm.

ESL Classes: (English as a second language) every Wednesday (7:00pm-8:30pm) in Room 11. Closed for Summer and resumes in September 2024.

Mental Health Ministry: <https://www.mtzionontario.com/general-3>.

National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month



The following families have recently lost a loved one. Please keep them in prayer during their time of bereavement:



Min. Larry Patrick & Family (brother)
 Family of Min. Ralph Beatty (Erin Beatty-Johnson, Jayah Beatty)

Vernon Stroud & Family (mother)
 Family of Larry Hamilton

Patricia Triplett-Williams & family (husband)



Please continue to pray for Mt. Zion, its leaders, members, and our community.

If you have a family member who is hospitalized or have lost a loved one, please call the church office or email info@mtzionontario.com. Your requests will be given to the Monday Night Prayer Team.



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Mundanity or Miracles, Part 2

Acts 3:1-10 (NASB95)

Pastor Brian Kennedy

TEXT QUESTIONS TO PASTOR AS HE IS PREACHING TO: (909) 906-0272

Take it Home Point: Experience ongoing miracles from God instead of the mundanities of humanity.

- A. The Mundanity of Humanity will Block Your Experiences with God (Acts 3:1-3).
Reference sermon on 7/7/24.
- B. Experience God's Ongoing Miracles in the Face of Mundanity (Acts 3:1, 4-10).
Reference sermon on 7/7/24.
- C. In the Middle of Miracles Stand Down to Push Jesus Up (Acts 3:11-16, cf. John 3:30).
 - 1. Religious people can respond to miracles with amazing confusion (vs. 11-12).
 - 2. With the Holy Spirit's power address the mundane in people's religion (vs. 13-15).

Question: How bad was the mundanity among this group of religious Jews? It blocked their thinking so badly that they disowned Jesus, embraced a convicted murderer, and killed the Prince of Life, whom God raised from the dead. They ignored both the O.T. prophecies and the visible ministry of Jesus, which clearly identified Him as Messiah and attempted to eliminate Him. Why? So, they could maintain the mundanity of humanity they introduced into the Mosaic Law.

- 3. With Holy Spirit power, stand down to push Jesus up (v. 16).
- D. Give a Message that Invites God's Ongoing Miracles (Acts 3:17-26).
 - 1. Your message must be compassionate (vs. 17-18).
 - 2. Your message must call people to a refreshing change (vs. 19-26).
 - a. Changed thinking about Jesus is necessary (v. 19).
 - b. Changed thinking about Jesus brings forgiveness (v. 20).
 - c. Changed thinking about Jesus brings the refreshing presence of God (v. 20).
 - d. Changed thinking about Jesus brings a secure future (vs. 21-26).

Note: This promise of a secured future was especially meaningful for the Jews then because they were under Roman oppression. This promise was not new (the Jews heard it before, as evidenced by Dr. Luke, the writer of Acts quoting O.T. scriptures). This promise of a secure future is for everyone who puts their faith in Jesus. Through Jesus, we are all Abraham's seed and heirs to this promise of a secured future (Gal. 3:26-29).

Personal Challenge: As you find yourself in the middle of God's miracles, ask the Holy Spirit to help you stand down to push Jesus up.

Personal Prayer: Dear Lord, I realize I need Your miraculous power in the face of mundane human limitations, and I ask You to forgive me for trying to "do life" in my own strength and understanding. Lord, work ongoing miracles in my life and as You put me in the middle of Your miracles, help me immediately stand down so You get maximum glory, others experience the "wow factor," push Jesus up, and give a consistent message that invites God's ongoing miracles. I live to love and serve You. In the name of Jesus, I pray, amen.