

O God, as was customary of our parents and ancestors, we come to this Watch Night vigil to be with you, in your house, as we usher out the old year and welcome the dawning of a new year.

We come, thanking you for guidance and direction. Go before us, O God, and draw us into the future where you are.

Our slave ancestors watched that night long ago for the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation. Lord, keep us awake and alert as we follow in the light of your Word, searching for the good news of the gospel, and the comforting signs of your love in this world.

We thank you for watching over us and caring for us through the old year, as we walked in the light of your love. We thank you for your promises of peace, healing and justice.

We come, O God, with great expectations and great hopes. Keep these fires kindled within us that we may watch and wait, and once more feel your presence. Let us know your power as we embark upon this journey.

You have led us in the past. Guide us now, and always, that we might choose to do your will and follow your way. We are pilgrims in a barren land.

We give you praise, O God, for your goodness and mercy; for life, health and friends, and for the many blessings you always send. Above all, we thank you for Jesus Christ, who lifts our hopes, guides us in the Way, in this new year, and in years to come.

All praise, honor, glory, and thanks to you, our God, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior and Lord.

ENTER TO WORSHIP

Worship LeaderMinister John Mobley, Jr.

Praise and Worship/Testimonies'

WelcomeSister Tesher Falkner

Responsive Reading.....#104.....Watch Night Service

PrayerDeacon Marlin Lambirth

Musical Selection.....ZBC Music Ministry

Offering.....Deacon/Trustee Ministries

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The Preached WordPastor Marshall F. Prentice

Invitation to Discipleship

Holy Communion

Altar Prayer

Benediction

Blessed New Year

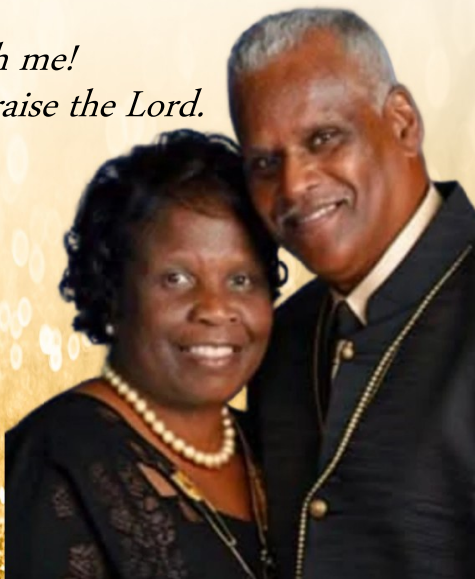
As we move toward the next year "2026" or better said, the New Year, we should approach this new year with Jesus the Christ on our minds.

The prophet Isaiah teaches us that, he that keeps his mind on Jesus, will have perfect peace. With all that is happening in the world today, to have a peace of mind, our thoughts need to be on the Lord Jesus.

In order to put our minds on Jesus;

- 1. The first thing we need to do, is to "read the Bible", "study to show thyself approved a workman that needs not to be ashamed."*
- 2. Secondly, we need to 'Pray', Have a little talk with Jesus and tell Him about your problems.*
- 3. Third thing we need to do is "Praise His Holy Name", for we are taught that He Enjoys the praises of His people.*

*Come on and praise the Lord with me!
Let everything that have breath praise the Lord.*



NEW YEAR'S EVE

Watch Night Service

Wednesday, December 31, 2025
10:00 PM

Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing, now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? Isaiah 43:16-18



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