

## 3 Things to Do

1. Read 2 Kings 2:1-15.
2. Pray to God about the role of mentorship in your ministry. Do you have a mentor? Or are you mentoring someone?
3. If you're being mentored or have been mentored, aspire for a double portion of your mentor's spirit.

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## THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. Why did God have Elijah anoint Elisha?
2. What is the “spirit of Elijah”? How do you feel about Elisha's request for a double portion? Was this appropriate?
3. What was the condition for receiving a double portion? How did Elisha activate the double portion of Elijah's spirit?

## Church Calendar

### CHURCH SCHOOL

SUNDAY 9:30 AM

### MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY 11:00 AM

### HOUR OR POWER BIBLE STUDY/ PRAYER MEETING

WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM

### EVENTS FOR MARCH 2018

*Sunday, 25th — Palm Sunday*

*Monday, 26th — Ministry Team Meeting, 7:30pm — 4th Quarter Conference Reports are due to Sis. Kim Elliott. Reports will cover the months of January through March 2018.*

*Friday, 30th — The Seven Last Words According to Jazz, Featuring AJQ Plus 1; Spoken Word and Poetry. Fish Sandwiches 5:30-6:30 PM; Donation \$7.00; Service at 7:00 PM “The cross, The blood, The crown”*

### EVENTS FOR APRIL 2018

*Sunday, 1st — Easter Sunrise Service, 6:00AM at Full Gospel A.M.E. Zion Church, 5311 St. Barnabas Road, Temple Hill, MD 20748 — We will have Breakfast at the IHOP in Clinton, MD following Worship Service.*

## Church Announcements

### Peace Benediction in E<sup>b</sup> By Darrell J. Gaskin

Please don't worry about anything  
But pray and ask God for  
everything you need  
Always giving thanks  
And He'll give you peace for your  
heart and mind.

And the peace of God,  
which surpasses all understanding  
will keep your heart and mind  
In Christ Jesus, the Lord.

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Life is not an individual race, it's a relay

1. In a relay race, the batons are actually racing. The runners are an extension of the baton as it moves around the track.
2. Learning how to efficiently pass the baton is paramount for success.
3. Dropping the baton disqualifies the whole team of runners.

Your Notes

## WHAT DID PASTOR GASKIN PREACH ABOUT TODAY?

God inspired Elijah to mentor and train Elisha. God then gave Elisha a double portion of Elijah's spirit. God wants us to mentor and train the next generation of leaders. We must encourage them to aspire to double portion of our spirit because God intends for them to do greater works. This will not be easy. We must commit to the mentorship and training until the appointed time when God will separate the mentor from the mentee. Mentees should not forsake their training. They should activate their double portion by picking up their mentor's mantle at the proper time and call on their mentor's God. This reminds God and the mentee of God's plan for the mentee to do greater works. Let the spirit of your mentors rest upon you and exercise the power of their/your office.

*Who has God told you to mentor or sent to mentor you?*

*Aspire to a double portion of the mentor's spirit rest.*

God instructed Elijah to anoint Elisha. Elijah mentored Elisha. (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21)

1. Accept the responsibility of mentorship. There will come a time when you must pass or accept the baton. (2 Kings 2:1-7)

2. What is the mentor's spirit? Encouraged your mentee to aspire to greater works. Each generation must go farther than the prior. (2 Kings 2:8)

4. Obtaining the double portion will not be easy. Stick with your

mentor until the Lord separates you. Don't leave your training before it's over. (2 Kings 2:9-10)

5. To activate your mentor's spirit. Pick up the Mentor's Mantle and call upon the God of your mentor. (2 Kings 2:14)

6. May the spirit of your mentor rest on you. (2 Kings 2:15)

Embrace the New Beginning of a Compassionate Ministry. Beth Shalom. Whose spirit in the ministry rests upon you?

## Words to Remember

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied. "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not." (2 Kings 2:8-10, NIV)

Elisha then picked up Elijah's cloak that had fallen from him and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the cloak that had fallen from Elijah and struck the water with it. "Where now is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" he asked. When he struck the water, it divided to the right and to the left, and he crossed over. The company of the prophets from Jericho, who were watching, said, "The spirit of Elijah is resting on Elisha." And they went to meet him and bowed to the ground before him. (2 Kings 2:13-15, NIV)