CHURCH CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church School - Sunday 8:30am Worship Service - Sunday 10:00 am Prayer & Bible Study - Wednesday 7:00pm

> <u>Saturday, 27th</u> – Class Leaders Meeting @ 1:00pm

<u>Monday, 29th</u> — Ministry Team Meeting @ 7:30pm

Saturday, 3rd — Baltimore District Planning Meeting at Oak Grove AME Zion church, 20399 Zion Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20882 @ 10:00am

Saturday, 17th — 1st Mass Meeting, New Life AME Zion Church, 5311 St. Barnabas Road, Marlow Heights, MD 20748 @ 10:00am

<u>Monday, 26th</u> — Ministry Team Meeting, 7:30pm

Peace Benediction in E^b

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 your understanding
will keep your heart and mind
in Christ Jesus the Lord.
(Adapted from Philippians 4:6,7
Music by Darrell J. Gaskin)

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<u>SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE:</u> <u>JULY—AUGUST 2019</u>

Service will begin at 10:00am Sunday School will begin at 8:30am



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Pressing toward the Mark, Reaching Our Potential. Phil 3:14 (KJV)

The Cruel, the Indifferent and the Compassionate

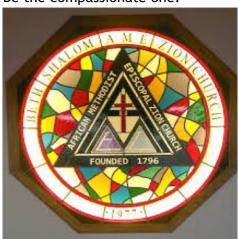
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A Compassionate Ministry

The Cruel, The Indifferent, and The Compassionate

- 1. Who are you America? America, you are an enigma. A nation of immigrants who resent immigrants.
- 2. Intersectionality: consider the unique place of Women of Color, especially Black Women. Consider the impact of race, gender and class on our women.
- 3. Send her back! Why? Are we afraid of a Black planet or a Latin nation?
- 4. Can you hear Sojourner Truth, say, "Ain't I a woman?"
- 5. In the midst of this American enigma, what is our church doing?
- 6. What should I do with my neighbor? Who is my neighbor? Luke 10:25-37
- 7. The robbers were the cruel, the priest and Levite were the indifferent, the Samaritan was the compassionate one.
- 8. Hear the cries of migrant families say, "Ain't I your neighbor?"
- 9. Be the compassionate one.



OUR BIBLICAL TEXT FOR TODAY

25 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

26 "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?"

27 He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself."

28 "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."

29 But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

³⁰ In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.33 But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was: and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.' ³⁶ "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" 37 The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise." Luke 10:25-37, NIV

Our Prayer is that You Receive God's Peace through

- **P Powerful Preaching**
- **E Excellent Teaching**
- A Awesome Praise & Worship
- **C** Creative Ministry
- E Engage, Exciting & Effervescent Fellowship.

PEACE³

What did Pastor Gaskin Preach About?

Since her founding, America has been an enigma, a contradiction, a paradox. We are the nation that proclaims all men are created equal vet enslaves Africans for their labor; a nation that fights Nazism and fascism abroad yet maintains Jim Crow and segregation at home, and a nation of immigrants that resents immigrants. The growing Hispanic population scares us. This fear has motivated cruelty and indifference by some. Today, this fear targets women of color who dare to speak out. America has always had a problem with women of color because their unique social experience due race, gender and class. Intersectionality produces the "Black Girl Magic!" These women continue to declare, "Ain't I a woman?" and "Aren't these people human." Aren't they our neighbors? Therefore, don't be cruel or indifferent, show compassion to everyone.

WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH THIS MESSAGE?

- 1. Pray for our souls that we will choose compassion, not cruelty or indifference.
- 2. Don't be silent. Speak out.
- 3. Show compassion to everyone.