

Our Mission
*Beth Shalom is a House of Peace.
 We worship the Lord,
 Reach out to Sinners,
 Teach Believers,
 Care for the Needy, and
 Encourage Each Other in the Lord.*

**CHURCH CALENDAR &
 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Church School - Sunday 9:30am
 Worship Service - Sunday 11:00 am
 Prayer & Bible Study - Wednesday
 7:00pm

S Sunday, 29th
E — Mortgage Day, Offering \$100
P — Combined 5th Sunday Service;
T Baltimore & Washington Districts @
E Judah Temple AME Zion @ 3:30pm
M

B Monday, 30th — Ministry Team
E Meeting @ 7:30pm
R

O Saturday, 5th — We will be
C distributing **FREE FOOD** with our
T partners of the Hashem Ministry
O Mobile Food Pantry. Please join us
B from 10:00am — 1:00pm.
E Volunteers, please arrive at 8:30am
R for setup.

Sunday, 6th — District-Wide
 Deaconess Consecration and
 Rededication, Presiding Elder Rita J.
 Colbert, Preacher @ Clinton AME
 Zion @ 3:00pm

Tuesday, 8th — 2nd Quarterly
 Conference, 7:00pm

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

**Christians
 Respond to
 Climate Change**

**Beth Shalom
 AME Zion
 Church**

Rev. Dr. Darrell J. Gaskin, *Pastor*
 Rev. Dr. Evalina Huggins,
Presiding Elder
 Rt. Rev. W. Darin Moore,
Presiding Bishop
 Mrs. Devieta C. Moore,
Missionary Supervisor

A Compassionate Ministry

Disaster is Coming! Do Something!

1. What would you do if you knew that you were on a train that's going to crash?
2. Scientists warn that the earth is warming, and disaster is ahead.
3. We can learn what not to do from the Fall of Judah. (2 Kings 25:8-12)
4. Hezekiah was warned that Judah would be looted by the Babylon. He did nothing because it would happen after he died. (2 Kings 20:16-19)
5. Manasseh was warned but he didn't listen or believe it. He continued his wicked ways. (2 Kings 21:10-18)
6. Josiah was warned but his reforms were too little too late. (2 Kings 22:2,11-13; 23:24-27)
7. Why didn't reforms by Hezekiah and Josiah work? *Pruning weeds*. Their reforms only lasted a generation. As soon as a new king was crowned, Judah resumed her wicked behavior.
8. Our nation's response to climate change warnings is similar. We deny it. We don't care. We do too little.



OUR BIBLICAL TEXT FOR TODAY

⁶ Then Isaiah said to Hezekiah, “Hear the word of the Lord: ¹⁷ The time will surely come when everything in your palace, and all that your predecessors have stored up until this day, will be carried off to Babylon. Nothing will be left, says the Lord. ¹⁸ And some of your descendants, your own flesh and blood who will be born to you, will be taken away, and they will become eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.” ¹⁹ “The word of the Lord you have spoken is good,” Hezekiah replied. For he thought, “Will there not be peace and security in my lifetime?” 2 Kings 20:16-19

¹⁰ The Lord said through his servants the prophets: ¹¹ “Manasseh king of Judah has committed these detestable sins. He has done more evil than the Amorites who preceded him and has led Judah into sin with his idols. ¹² Therefore this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: I am going to bring such disaster on Jerusalem and Judah that the ears of everyone who hears of it will tingle. 2 Kings 21:10-12

¹⁶ ‘This is what the Lord says: I am going to bring disaster on this place and its people, according to everything written in the book the king of Judah has read. ¹⁷ Because they have forsaken me and burned incense to other gods and aroused my anger by all the idols their hands have made, my anger will burn against this place and will not be quenched.’ ¹⁸ Tell the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the Lord, ‘This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says concerning the words you heard:

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.

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¹⁹ Because your heart was responsive and you humbled yourself before the Lord when you heard what I have spoken against this place and its people—that they would become a curse and be laid waste—and because you tore your robes and wept in my presence, I also have heard you, declares the Lord. ²⁰ Therefore I will gather you to your ancestors, and you will be buried in peace. Your eyes will not see all the disaster I am going to bring on this place.” 2 Kings 22:16-20

What did Pastor Gaskin Preach About?

If you see a disaster on the horizon don't be like the kings of Judah. They didn't care it was coming because it wouldn't affect them. They denied it was coming because they didn't believe. They didn't do enough to prevent it from coming. They had no real commitment to reform. Their efforts to reform only lasted as long as the king who wanted to reform was in office. Eventually as foretold disaster came. I'm afraid our children are going to curse us regarding climate change. We are not doing enough, and they will suffer the consequences. And God will be our judge. Pay attention and do your part. Learn what you can do.