ZION HILL 2025

MAY 2025 EDITION

THE LORD WILL GUIDE YOU ALWAYS; HE WILL SATISFY YOUR NEEDS IN A SUN-SCORCHED LAND AND WILL STRENGTHEN YOUR FRAME.
YOU WILL BE LIKE A WELL-WATERED GARDEN. LIKE A SPRING WHOSE WATERS NEVER FAIL.- ISAIAH 58:12





CHANGE FOR LIFE BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER
HELP CHANGE A LIFE- DONATIONS GO TO
OPTIONS PREGNANCY CENTER (AVAILABLE IN WELCOME CENTER)

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Are you ready to be part of something bigger than yourself?

The Zion Defenders
Men's Ministry is
launching with a
powerful vision to
transform men's lives
through authentic
brotherhood and
intentional discipleship.
Based on 10 Sacred
Commitments.

We will meet on Wednesday Nights at 6pm in the Basement Starts May 21

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THE POWER OF AUTHENTICITY IN THE CHURCH

A LETTER FROM PASTOR MICHAEL LUCE

In today's world where social media often encourages a carefully curated persona, the church should stand as a beacon of authenticity. True Christian community thrives when we can be real with one another, acknowledging our struggles and supporting each other in love.

Biblical Foundation for Authenticity

Scripture repeatedly emphasizes the importance of being genuine and honest about our struggles. James 5:16 directly commands us: "Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working." This authenticity is further reinforced in 1 John 1:8-9: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

The Apostle Paul himself modeled this authenticity when he openly shared his struggles in Romans 7:15: "For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate."

Why Authenticity Matters

When we're authentic in church:

- We create safe spaces for others to be real
- We break down barriers of pride and pretense
- We allow God's grace to work through our weaknesses
- We build genuine relationships based on truth

Practical Steps Toward Authenticity

To foster authenticity in our church community, we can:

- 1. Share our struggles in bible study groups
- 2. Be honest about our needs for prayer and support
- 3. Acknowledge our mistakes and seek reconciliation
- 4. Create environments where vulnerability is welcomed

This commitment to authenticity makes Zion Hill Baptist Church a place where real transformation happens. Our dedication to being genuine in our faith journey aligns perfectly with our mission to connect, grow, serve, and go. When we remove the masks and embrace authentic Christian community, we create an environment where both longtime believers and newcomers can experience true spiritual growth and meaningful relationships. This authenticity enables us to better fulfill our vision of being a thriving multigenerational church that effectively disciples future generations.

Love,

Pastor Michael



We would like to get to know you! Please join us for lunch if you are new or just want to connect and get to know others better at Zion Hill.

Mark your Connect Card as attending!

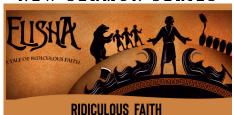
Zion Hill Discovery Lunch will be on May 4th at Noon after the 2nd Service.

GO SATURDAY SERVE

GO SATURDAY May 10th, 8am-Noon For even the Son of Man did not come to be served. but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

SERVING NO. PULASKI COMMUNITY PARK 8-NOON MAY 10TH

DO YOU HAVE RIDICULOUS FAITH? NEW SERMON SERIES



MAY-SERMON SERIES

Can you imagine what could happen if we gave control of our lives to God? It's scary, but the benefits are world-altering. The story of Elisha challenges us to answer God's calling and take the risks that are necessary to do His will. It's time to make decisions the world doesn't understand. Come see what life can look like when we let go...when we decide to have

Ridiculous Faith.



TO ALL MOTHERS YOUNG & OLD, GRANDMOTHERS & GREATS. STEP-MOTHERS, BIOLOGICAL AND NON-BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS. TO THOSE WHO HAVE BABIES IN HEAVEN. TO THOSE WITH MOTHERS IN HEAVEN. TO THOSE WHO HAVE STEPPED INTO THE ROLE... WISHING YOU A BLESSED & HAPPY MOTHER'S DAYI 2



SUMMER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER! THINGS MAY BE WINDING DOWN AT SCHOOL, BUT WE ARE RAMPING THINGS UP IN ZION HILL KIDZ. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF PLANNING OUT VBS, FAMILY NIGHTS, AS WELL AS JUMPING INTO OUR NEW CURRICULUM (THE BIGGEST STORY).

OUR GOAL, WITHIN THE CHURCH IS TO CONTINUALLY GROW IN OUR ABILITY TO PARTNER WITH PARENTS IN DISCIPLING OUR KIDS. A GREAT RESOURCE THAT PROVIDES STORY BOOKS, FAMILY DEVOTIONALS, AS WELL AS ACTIVITIES CAN BE FOUND AT THE BIGGESTSTORY.COM.

THIS WILL HELP WITH THE TASK OF DISCIPLING YOUR CHILD AS WELL AS WORK HAND-IN-HAND WITH OUR NEW CURRICULUM! MOVING FORWARD, KNOW THAT WE ARE DEVOTED TO CONTINUALLY IMPROVING ON BETTER PARTNERING WITH YOU TO MINISTER TO THE NEXT GENERATION!

58 MINISTRY SERIES 5-8TH GRADES

A SERMON SERIES ON THE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR FAITH 5TH-8TH GRADE FELLOWSHIP HALL UPSTAIRS ROOM

FOUNDATIONS

A SERMON SERIES ON THE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR FAITH





K-4TH GRADE

itarting in May, we will be diving into The Biggest Story! We vill be led on an exciting journey through the Bible, from the garden of Eden to the return of Christ. This fun curriculum lased on the book draws kids into Scripture and helps them grasp its overarching message of redemption.

Kicking off, May 4th, we will begin our journey in Genesis!

Lesson Schedule:

May 4th – And So It Begins (Genesis I–2) May 11th – A Very Bad Day (Genesis 3) May 18th – From Bad to Worse (Genesis 3–4) May 25th – Rain, Rain, Go Away (Genesis 6–9)







END OF YEAR WEDNESDAY NIGHT



KIDS & PARENTS FRIDAY NIGHT OUT



REGISTER FOR VBS!



MAY 1 STITCHING WITH LOVE

MAY 4
ZION HILL
DISCOVERY LUNCH

MAY 10 GO SATURDAY 8-NOON

MAY 14 AT 6 END OF YEAR CELEBRATION





SUMNER CEMETARY DECORATION MAY 16-18



MAY 18TH POTLUCK AT NOON



THE OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED
MAY 26
IN OBSERVANCE OF
MEMORIAL DAY





ITEMS NEEDED FOR MAY
(DROP ITEMS OFF IN FOYER)

*BOYS AND GIRLS T-SHIRTS
HOT WHEELS, MARBLES, TENNIS
BALLS





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