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Greetings from Senior Pastor/Teacher: Rev. Dr. L. Bernard Jakes



Karibu (*Welcome in Swahili*)! O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good! I am excited God has blessed us to enter into 2020. This entrance is God's sign that God still has work for us to do, as well as God's continuing to exhibit grace and mercy in our lives. In response to God's loving kindness and tender mercies, we offer God our sincere worship and

uninhibited praise. I invite you to share in our life-changing engagement as practicing Christians, as we purposefully share the face of Jesus with everyone, while demonstrating God's grace to others, without expecting anything in return. Being a disciple of Jesus Christ is our first priority. In this, we strive to make Jesus' words applicable to our lives. In application, we not only love all of humanity, but we fight for the least cared for, as well as unapologetically declare war on educational disparities, hunger, mass incarceration, homelessness, food deserts, etc. It is our belief that the local church must lead the charge in helping change the lives of all people, and you are welcomed to join us in this fight.

If you are a first time or repeat visitor, I want to take this written moment to greet you. As family we have not met before, or have met in times past, we invite you to join us on this spiritual journey of connectivity. In an effort to meet a variety of worship needs, we offer two worship services. Our 7:45 a.m. *Worship and Word (1st Sundays only)* is a non-traditional worship service. Our 10 a.m. *Sunday Morning Glory Worship* is a blending of traditional and contemporary worship. Lastly, if you are without a place to call home, we would love to be your church family of faith, and I would LOVE to serve as your Pastor! Shalom.

Dr. L. Bernard Jakes



Our Mission

The mission and purpose of The faith family of **West Point Baptist Church** is to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ, “Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (St. Matthew 28:19).” We meet this challenge through our worship, ministry and outreach.

We strive to be a **Worshiping Church**, seeking God in spirit and in truth.

We strive to be a **Learning Church**, committed to Biblical principles and spiritual dynamics.

We strive to be a **Soul-winning Church**, sharing our testimony of faith with all people.

We work to be a **Model Church**, in the spirit of the church at Philadelphia, always committed to the highest standards of excellence through prayer, tithing and Christian concern.

We work to be a **Socially Conscious, Justice Seeking, and Liberation Church**, aligning ourselves with the spirit of Amos, the commitment of Micah, and the proclamation of Jesus the Christ in St. Luke 4.18.

We work to be a **Transformative, Life-Changing Church**, meeting the needs of our brothers and sisters outside and inside the local church through life-changing ministries.

We work to be a **Church Without Walls**, extending God’s grace to the world, outside of the local church, through various ministries of help.

What We Believe

- There is one God, revealed to us as Father, Son (Jesus) and Holy Spirit.
- The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the complete and sufficient Word of God.
- The ordinance of Baptism signifies our fellowship with the death and resurrection of Jesus the Christ.
- The Lord’s Supper commemorates Jesus’ death, confirms our faith, and renews our communion with Jesus and others believers.



Order of Worship

July 17, 2022

10 a.m.

Call to Worship

The Choral Hallel

Affirmation of Faith

The Model Prayer

Official Greeting of Visitors

Church and Community Announcements

Ministry in Music

Worship in Giving

Altar Prayer

Ministry in Music

***Scripture Lesson**

Matthew 14:22-33, NRSV

Proclamation of the Good News

Rev. Dr. L. Bernard Jakes

Senior Pastor/Teacher

***Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Moment of Meditation

GO IN PEACE



James 5:14-16

As we continue praying for our known sick and shut-in, as well as those desiring prayer, we'd also like to respect their privacy. No personal information will be made public.

Alice Arrington
Steele Elliott Collins
Ethel Doyle
Emma Harris
William Hayes
Shepherd Heard
Deaconess Murphy Martin
Deacon Felton Mitchell
Trustee E. Charisse Redo
Ruth Threat

Robert Ryan Bibbs
Isaiah and Katie Doll
Katie Griffith
Lonnie Hampton
Mother Ruby Hawkins
Evangelist Bernice Lynch
Bettye Mapp
Eleanor Powell
Ethel Virgil
M. Tena Williams

Church Crest

The TOP LEFT is two-fold: First, the extended hands represents our **Worshiping God**. Secondly, the extended hand over the world represents our **Serving Humanity**.

The TOP RIGHT is our Star of Expectation: We are always expecting God to do greater things through us.

The BOTTOM LEFT: This is our commitment in **Following the Examples of Jesus the Christ**.

The BOTTOM RIGHT : This represents our being **Led by the Holy Spirit**.



Scripture Lesson

Matthew 14:22-33

New Revised Standard Version

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ²⁸ Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹ He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'



Announcements

A Message from the Rev. Dr. L. Bernard Jakes

Beloved,

I take great pleasure in saying these two words: **WELCOME BACK!** Thank you for your patience as we continue working through the nuances of living with and creating a new normal. As we move forward, please govern yourselves accordingly to the new changes in operation. Mask are optional for those who've been fully vaccinated and boosted. Social distancing is highly recommended, and gathering after worship is reserved to outdoors. My heart is happy knowing I can see many of you in person. If you're unable to attend, or still apprehensive about gathering in the worship center, the virtual option will be available. I love you. Pastor J

Staying Connected

Monday's: Corporate Prayer at 6:15 p.m. via Zoom teleconference.

Friday's: Crowns of Wisdom teleconference fellowship.

Sunday's: Sunday School from 9 a.m.—9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Glory Worship: 9:45 a.m. via FB Live and Zoom teleconference. In-context on 1st and 3rd Sundays.

*To request dial-in information for teleconferencing, please send an email to: info@wpmbc.org.



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