# Welcome to Johns Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church

605 Geneva Highway/Post Office Box 311015 Enterprise, Alabama 36331 February 9, 2025 - 10:45 a.m.

# The AME Church Founder's Day Worship Celebration



Bishop Richard Allen, Jounder of the AME Church—Jeb 1760-1831

The Reverend Willie White, Jr., Pastor Dr. Willie Eugene Marshall, Presiding Elder Ozark-Troy District

Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, WMS Supervisor Bishop Julius H. McAllister, Jr., Presiding Prelate

God Our Father
The Holy Spírít Our Comforter

Christ Our Redeemer Humankind Our Family

### JOHNS CHAPEL A.M.E. CHURCH FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATION

### **PRELUDE**

### DOXOLOGY\*\*

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Sister Evelyn Bonner

Leader: Today, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we honor our founding father Richard Allen and his gifts.

### People: I am AME

Leader: Today, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we gather in amazement of the moving God had in his life when he stepped out on faith and established the first national Black church in the United States, the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

### People: I am AME

Leader: Today, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we listen to the call he issued for salvation and the pursuit of holiness through a life of discipleship.

### People: I am AME

Leader: Today, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we excel in the virtuous values Richard Allen passed on to us. Values such as liberation, justice, self-determination, education, and economic empowerment.

### People: I am AME

Leader: Today, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and in the essence of Bishop Richard Allen, we welcome the Holy Spirit into this place as we celebrate our Founder's Day.

ALL: I am Admired, Motivated, Established. I am Amicable, Meritorious, Exemplary. I am African Methodist Episcopal. I am AME!

### FEBRUARY HYMN OF PRAISE

### #571 – Lift Every Voice and Sing

1. Lift every voice and sing, Till earth and heaven ring, Ring with the harmonies of liberty; Let our rejoicing rise High as the listening skies, Let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us, Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; Facing the rising sun Of our new day begun, Let us march on till victory is won.

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- 2. Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chastening rod, Felt in the days when hope unborn had died; Yet with a steady beat, Have not our weary feet Come to the place for which our fathers sighed? We have come over a way that with tears has been watered, We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered; Out from the gloomy past, Till now we stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
- 3. God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; Thou who hast by Thy might, Led us into the light, Keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee, Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee; Shadowed beneath Thy hand, May we forever stand, True to our God, True to our native land.

al for I can feel Him deep within.

**PRAYER** 

**Brother Alonzo Hammonds** 

**Choral Response** 

**SELECTION** 

The Sanctuary United Voices of Praise Accompanied by Brother Brent Golden DeVonte Mills, and Kam Elston

SCRIPTURE Kam Elston

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS Brother Ricky Britt

#### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Opportunities to give tithes & offerings: During morning worship service. Or mail to Johns Chapel AME Church, Post Office Box 311015, Enterprise, AL 36331-1015. Or give via Givelify: Johns Chapel AME Church, Pay Pal: Johns Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, or Cash app: \$jcamec605@gmail.com

SERMONIC SELECTION The Sanctuary United Voices of Praise
Accompanied by Brother Brent Golden and DeVonte Mills

The Founder's Day Message
The Reverend Willie White, Jr., Pastor

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### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

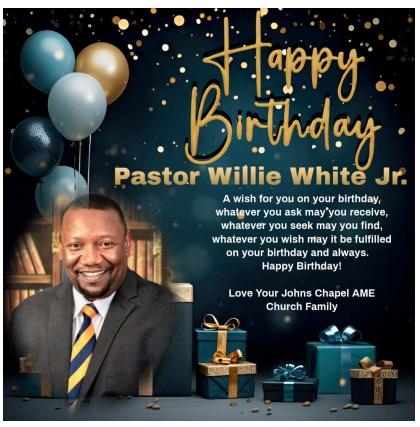
I'll say yes, Lord, yes to Your will and to your way.
I'll say yes, Lord, yes, I will trust You and obey!
When Your Spirit speaks to me, with my whole heart I'll agree;
And my answer will be yes, Lord, yes
(Lyrics by Shirley Caesar)

### DOXOLOGY\*\*

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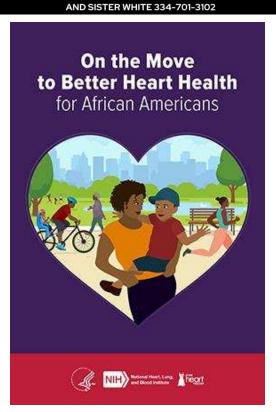


# BENEDICTION Amen!!



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## Prayer Concerns Week of Feb 9-15, 2025

**BEREAVEMENT NOTICE: Passing of** Sister Ruth Davis, a long-time member of Johns Chapel. We offer our sincere condolences and prayers for the entire family.

- --Sister Eleanor Bailey
- --Sister Geraldine Booth
- —Sister Lois Boykins
- —Kam Elston
- ---Sister Annie Pearl Frazier
- —Sister Marion Griffin
- --Sister Ophelia Hazzard
- —Sister Hattie Huggins
- —Sister Vivian Johnson
- -Sister Corrina Knight-Surgery on December 19.
- --Sister Ann McGaughey
- —Sister Nichole Nichols
- —Sister Ruthie Warren Improving in Noland Hospital in Dothan. Prayers are much appreciated.
- —Dr. Rachel Wooten Nichols, wife of Ron Nichols, daughter-in-law of Dr. & Mrs. Russell Nichols
- —Nigel Robinson, son of Brother Carlos & Sister Lynette Robinson
- --Sister Betty Simmons
- —Sister Bridgette Simmons, wife of Roderick Simmons, Daughter-in-law of Sister Betty | Feb 10 Simmons

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Feb 14, 2024 Mr. Lorenzo and Mrs. Sandra F. Hammonds

Opportunities To Worship and Serve This Week

### TODAY—FOUNDER'S DAY

8:00 a.m. Breakfast From Heaven

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

### Monday

12 Noon- 1:00 pm—JC Recovery Minlistry

6:00 pm— WMS Monthly Meeting IN PERSON at JC

### Tuesday

9:00 am-12 noon-GED Classes

### ASH WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m.— Bible Study IN PERSON—

Adults in Sanctuary Freestyle Youth Bible Study in fellowship hall....

### Thursday

9:00 am—12 noon—GED Classes

5:00 pm—GO RED Heart Health Month, Stringer Street AME Church

### Friday

Saturday — 10 A.M. YPD BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM — ST LUKE, **EUFAULA** 

Happy Birthday

Pastor Willie White, Jr.

Feb 12, Prince Franklin Crayton III

Feb 14 Antonio Perkins Feb 14, 2017 Bella Hornsby

### The Pastor's Contact Info

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please check texts, e-mails, Facebook, and church website for updates

- —Graveside service for Sister Ruth Davis, a long-time member of Johns Chapel, will be held on Thursday, February 13, at noon. Pastor White is asking that we remember her daughters, Ursula and Ola, and the entire family in our prayers. He is also asking members to be present and support the family. Thanks in advance to Ushers, Combined Choir, Kitchen Staff and members.
- —Today is our Founder's Day Celebration Brother Franklin Simmons, Chair, assisted by Brother Ricky and Sister Felecia Britt. Reminder to JC Members: \$100 offering (or as you are able) is requested for Founder's Day celebration. Thank you in advance. Everyone is invited to remain for a meal and Founder's Day activities after service in the Fellowship Hall.
- —Please support the JC YPD in their SOUPER BOWL OF CARING TO-DAY by making a donation of behalf of your team: Kansas City Chiefs vs Philadelphia Eagles. Proceeds will go to the Harbor to help those in need Thanks in advance
- —February is Heart Health Awareness/GO RED Month and Black History Month. Members are welcome to wear red attire and/or African attire accent. More details and info will be forthcoming.
- —9th District Founder's Day on yesterday was a blessing! Thanks to members who attended.
- —JC GOSPEL CONCERT MAR 15, 2025 See page 5. Seafood fundraiser March 7 & 8. Info on page 7. Order your salad or seafood plate today!
- —GED CLASSES HERE AT JC ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS 9:00 A.M. -12:00 PM IN THE COMPUTER LAB... FOR MORE INFO, PLEASE CONTACT GED INSTRUCTOR—SISTER ODESSA HERLONG-JONES 334-618-4069 OR PASTOR WHITE 334-701-5853

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### **Sermon Notes**

SERMON TITLE:		
SCRIPTURE:		
<b>POINT #1.</b> _		
POINT #2		
POINT #3		







Bishop Richard Allen and wife, Sarah Allen

Mother Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, PA

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