

New Membership Manual

Welcome to the fellowship!

We are happy that you have made the important decision to become a member of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of Newburgh. We extend to you a most hearty welcome to the fellowship of this congregation. As a member we invite you to get involved in one or more of our ministries and thereby reap the benefits and share in the communion of the faithful afforded all members of this church family.

In accordance with the doctrines of this denomination, you have been received into this church by confession of faith in the saving grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ. If you are transferring your membership from another denomination or another AME Zion Church, a letter of transfer from your former church signed by the pastor is requested. It is our custom to receive new members on a probationary basis until they have been acquainted with the structure, principles and doctrines on which the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church was established. In order to do this, you will have an opportunity to attend a series of classes (study Sessions) held all through the conference year. You will be notified as to the date of the next series of classes.

In this series of meetings we will endeavor to tell you something about our local church, our denomination, Methodism and Christianity in general. There is much involved, and we hope to stress what we believe are some of the most important points and to encourage those who attend classes to read materials, some of which can be purchased, and to discuss with others in the session important issues facing the church today.

Upon completion of these classes, you will formally receive "The Right Hand of Fellowship" and full connection into this church. At that time, you will be assigned a Class Leader, a person whose duties include assisting the Pastor in fostering the spiritual growth of the membership.

Your Class Leader is:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Again we welcome you and look forward to seeing you often in our services. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to consult any member of our church staff.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS
Facilitated by Sister Merylyn Tyson

I. SALVATION

A. New Life in Christ

1. Genesis 1 & 2
2. Ephesians 2:1-5

B. New Position in Christ

1. Ephesians 2: 6-7
2. Colossians 2: 6-14

C. A Gift of God

1. Ephesians 2: 8-10
2. Titus 3:4-8

II. SANCTIFICATION

A. Types of Sanctification

1. Position – 1 Corinthians 1:2
2. Experiential – II Timothy 2:21
3. Ultimate – Revelation 7:13-17

B. Methods Toward Sanctification

1. Prayer – I Thessalonians 5:17/ I Timothy 2:8
2. Fasting – Daniel 9:3/ Luke 4:1-2
3. Study – Acts 2:42/ II Timothy 2:15
4. Fellowship of Believers – Acts 2:42-46/ Hebrews 10:24-25

C. Benefits of Sanctification

1. Enhanced relationship with God
2. Enhanced relationship with other believers
3. More effective witness to non-believers

III. STEWARDSHIP

A. Ownership vs. Tenantship

1. Stewardship is the authority to manage that which belongs to another.
2. We are God's Stewards. Genesis 1:26-29
3. God maintains ownership. Psalm 24:1

B. Areas of Stewardship

1. Body – Mind – Spirit
2. Relationships
3. The Earth
4. The Gospel
5. Time – Tithe – Talent
6. And so on, and so on

C. A Proper Understanding of Tithes and Offerings

IV. MEMBERSHIP IN ZION METHODISM

- A. You're a Member Now
- B. Membership Status
- C. Meeting Christian Responsibility
- D. The Sacraments in Zion Methodism
 - 1. Baptism
 - 2. Holy Communion

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- A. History of the Zion Denomination
- B. History of The AME Zion Church of Newburgh
- C. What Methodists Believe
- D. The Book of Discipline of the AME Zion Church

VI. STRUCTURE OF THE CHURCH

- A. Ministers
 - 1. Exhorters
 - 2. Local Preachers
 - 3. Pastors
 - 4. Presiding Elders
 - 5. Bishops
- B. Lay Officers in Zion Methodism
 - 1. Class Leaders
 - 2. Stewards
 - 3. Trustees
 - 4. Deaconess
 - 5. Stewardess
 - 6. Superintendent of Sunday School
 - 7. Women's Home & Overseas Missionary Society (WH&OMS), Young Adult Missionary Society (YAMS), Young People's Missionary Society (Y's), Life Members Council, Buds of Promise, Supply Department.
 - 8. Director of Christian Education
 - 9. Lay Council
- C. Conferences Held in the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
 - 1. General Conference
 - 2. Board of Bishops
 - 3. Connectional Council
 - 4. Annual Conference
 - 5. District Conference
 - 6. Quarterly Conference
 - 7. Leaders Meeting
 - 8. Members Meeting
 - 9. Youth Conference

VII. SEASONS OF THE CHRISTIAN YEAR SYMBOLS USED IN THE CHURCH

- A. The Christian Calendar
- B. Significance of the Liturgical Colors

VIII. FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS – STEWARDSHIP

- A. Local Church Envelopes
- B. General Claims
- C. Tithing

IX. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- A. Colleges
- B. Literature
 - 1. Sunday School
 - 2. Star of Zion
 - 3. Missionary Seer
 - 4. Quarterly Review

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THE HISTORY OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH



Founder and first Bishop of the A.M.E. Zion Church

Pure and undefiled religion before God and the father is this; to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world. James 1:27

In America, it is generally conceded that Methodism first shed its light in the city of New York. About the year 1765 when a plot of ground on John Street was leased and two years later purchased and the first chapel built. During the entire early struggle of the new organization, Black people figure prominently in Methodism even to devoting of the building for the first organization. Between the years 1765 and 1796 the number of Black members increased greatly. So much so that caste prejudice forbade their taking the Sacrament until the white families were all served. This and the desire for other church privileges denied them induced them to organize among themselves.

The first church organized in 1796 and built in 1800 was called Zion. The founders chose this name because, "it was the name most frequently used in the Bible to designate the church of God," even Zion Hill before there was worship house. Among the leaders of the movement was James Varick, who was the first Bishop and to whom is attributed the founding father of the Zion Church. Zion church was incorporated in 1801 by the name "The African Methodist Episcopal church in New York". Methodist Episcopal was always in the title to exhibit the retention of the doctrine and form of church government under which the denomination originated. "African" was prefixed to the rest of the title of this church because it was to be controlled by descendants of Africa, in the interest of humanity, regardless of race, color, sex or condition. Therefore, these people of African descent, with an indubitable in the Fatherland and abiding love of kinship, desired to maintain their identity, their ancient cultures and background for posterity. Because another organization came into existence around the same time,

with the same title, and so much confusion was brought about, the General Conference of 1848 voted to make Zion a part of the denomination name, henceforth, to be known as the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. From the very outset the Zion Church has been in the forefront in the battle for full citizenship and freedom in this country. The AME Zion Church encompasses all the United States, Canada, Caribbean Islands, England, Africa, India and South America, and it is under the supervision of twelve (12) elected Bishops. The New York Conference, of which we are a part, is a part of the North Eastern Episcopal Area. This Episcopal Area includes New York, Western New York, New England and The Bahamas Conferences.

Through the years the AME Zion Church has provided educational opportunities for young people by establishing schools on a secondary as well as college level. Full-time educational programs continue to be offered by Livingstone College in Salisbury, NC, Hood Theological Seminary also in Salisbury, NC, Clinton Junior College in Rock Hill, SC, Lomax-Hannon Junior College in Greenville, AL and the AME Zion Community College, Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

The Symbol of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church



THE TRIANGLE – Representing the God Head, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, called the Holy Trinity, forms the equilateral triangle.

THE ECCLESIASTICAL COLOR – Sign of the mood of a church festival. Within recent years the interpretation of black has changed to encompass a texture the whole life – all colors blended, melted together – joy, sadness, struggle, faith, hope and finally life eternal.

THE RED CROSS – Is used with power, love, glory and honor as associated with our Lord's passion, suffering and Christian zeal.

THE LATIN CROSS – Is one of the most accepted symbols of Christianity the world over. The plain cross empty symbolizes, "He is not here. He has risen victoriously."

"A" – The letter "A" (African) in black represents our African background and suggests the cradle of civilization from whence comes all races, colors and creeds.

"E" – The letter "E" (Episcopal) means we are a church overseen by Church Fathers, called Bishops. Purple, so often worn by our Episcopacy denotes kingly authority in Godly judgment, the union of love and pain in humility.

"M" – The letter "M" (Methodist) refers to the doctrine about God and Christ to which we adhere. It is in Green, the universal color of growth, progress and hope.

"V" – Widely used symbol of victory. The "V" represents a church born victoriously under the leadership of James Varick, our first Bishop.

"Z" – The letter "Z" (Zion) represents God's holy hill. It stands for our branch of Methodism which is a separate entity from our sister Churches like: AME, CME, and ME. True to God, "true blue", it is symbolic of heaven and sincerity.

METHODIST – ITS BEGINNING

- WHERE: The Methodist Church started in Oxford, England, in the Holy Room on the Campus of Oxford University.
- WHO: John Wesley, an Evangelist, and his brother, Charles Wesley, a writer.
- WHY: Out of protest. The religion of England was Roman Catholicism, a faith which gives the Pope all the authority as to how one should worship God. The Wesley brothers felt that each individual should be free to worship God at will. So, out of protest, the Protestant Church which is simply a Christian Church or a group of Christians, split from the Roman Catholic Church in the 16th Century because of a desire to study the Bible and worship God in their own way, was organized.
- HOW: These brothers along with a few other students held services daily in the Holy Room. Other students on the campus, in an attempt to make fun of them, would say, "...there goes those Methodists." This was in reference to their methodical worship. From the repetition of this scenario, the name "Methodist" was accepted.

WHAT METHODIST BELIEVE

We believe;

1. that all men are sinners
2. that God the Father loves all men and hates all sin.
3. that Jesus Christ died for all men to make possible their salvation from sin their belief.
4. that all who repent of their sins and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ receive the forgiveness of sin.
5. that all who are accepted as the children of God may receive the inward assurance of the Holy Spirit to that fact.
6. that all who are made "new creatures" in Christ Jesus are accepted as the children of God.
7. that all who truly desire to seek it, may love God with all their hearts, souls, minds and strength and their neighbors as themselves.
8. that a man born of God is consecrated and set apart for service unto God and that the process of growth begins and is followed un degrees of development ever having as its goal entire sanctification and Christian perfection.
9. that the gift of the Holy Spirit is possible unto all men as a guide, a teacher and a light.
10. in the Kingdom of God which means the reign of God in every area of human life and society.
11. that all who persevere to the end shall be saved but that souls may lapse from grace and become partially corrupt or even fall wholly away from God and be lost forever.
12. that God is eternal and Jesus is the conqueror of the grave and we, being united by faith with Him, share His everlasting life.

WHAT ZION METHODIST BELIEVE

Zion Methodists believe;

1. in the basic rules of Methodism
2. in the spirit of evangelism and a heart warming experience that operates in the areas of thought, feeling, and action.
3. in the practice of democracy and brotherhood in all relationships.
4. that every man is a free man and should not be shackled by chains of discrimination and prejudice.
5. in every man having a full opportunity of exercising his spiritual and natural gifts within the Christian fellowship.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Thou shalt not have Gods before Me.

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

Honor thy father and thy mother that thy day shall be long upon the earth which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Thou shalt not kill.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbors.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, dead and buried. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And life everlasting. A-Men. (# 705)

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is in His Holy Temple, Let all the earth keep silent before Him. A-men. #685

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom, all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.

INVOCATION RESPONSE

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline thine ear to us; and grant us Thy peace. A-men (# 688)

GLORIA PATRI

(after the Responsive Reading)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen, Amen. (#704)

PRAYER RESPONSE

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline thine ear to us; and grant us Thy peace. Amen (# 688)

OFFERTORY SENTENCE(S)

All Things Come Of Thee, O Lord and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen. (#706)

We give Thee but Thine own, What're the gift may be. All that we have is Thine alone, a trust O Lord from Thee. Amen. (# 707)

CONFERENCES

GENERAL CONFERENCE – meets once every four years, composed of ministerial and Lay delegates who shall be elected only from the Conferences of which they are members. The General Conference shall have power to make rules and regulations for our church with certain limitations as listed in the AME Zion Discipline.

BOARD OF BISHOPS – In the interval of the General Conference the general supervision of the AME Zion Church shall be vested in its Bishops, who shall be known as the Board of Bishops. They meet semi-annually and at the mid-winter meeting shall counsel for the general interest of the Connection.

CONNECTIONAL COUNCIL – The Connectional Council shall be composed of all Bishops, General Officers, and Administrative Board Member appointed by the General Conference; the President of the Board of Bishops shall be President of the Council, and the General Secretary shall be Secretary of the Council. It meets once a year at the time and place of the Summer meeting of the Board of Bishops.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE – This conference is composed of a Bishop and all Traveling Ministers and Preachers, both in Full connection and those on Trial within the bounds of the Conference, and all Lay delegates who have been legally elected to that body. This conference is presided over by the Presiding Prelate (Bishop). In addition to the reports by the Pastors and delegates, the appointments of Pastors, Conference and District Officers are also given by the Bishop in Charge.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE – This conference is held once a year and shall be composed of all Traveling, Superannuated and Supernumerary Ministers, all pastors, district officers, Sunday School superintendents, delegates and others (see Discipline, Chapter V). Each is responsible to report on their work over the past year. The Presiding Elder is in charge.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE – This meeting is convened quarterly and presided over by the Presiding Elder. It is composed of the Secretary, President and Treasurer operating in the name of the church. It is to examine the character of all its members and to inquire into the gifts, labors, and usefulness of all ministers, preachers, and deaconesses within the Charge; elect delegates to the District and Annual Conference.

LEADERS MEETING – This monthly meeting in each church consists of the Pastor, who is chairman, Class Leaders, Stewards, and Class members.

MEMBERS MEETING – This meeting is called by the Pastor in Charge ONLY whenever there is any business to be attended to by the local church not otherwise vested in the Board of Trustees, Leaders Meeting or Quarterly Conference. The members in Full Connection shall be called together in a Members' Conference to consider the matter.

YOUTH CONFERENCE – Held in February (President's Day), the youth of the New York Conference meet under the direction of the Christian Education Department, with the Director in charge. The day is planned specifically for youth activities. The Director and other appointed Conference and District Christian Education Directors plan the program. (Note this is not an official conference of the AME Zion Church as outlined in the Book of Discipline)

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR

The **Liturgical Calendar** is the calendar of the church, which sets and follows the religious seasons of the year. Each day or season of the Liturgical Year is associated with a color or colors, which may be used in the decoration of the church, and in the vestments of the celebrants. The following Liturgical Calendar shows the seasons and Holy Days recognized by The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.

<i>SEASON</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>COLOR</i>
Advent	Advent marks the beginning of the church year. The first day of Advent occurs four Sundays before Christmas Day (December 25).	Purple (Traditional) – symbolizes the majesty of Christ in His humility. It stands for waiting, being sorry, looking forward, remembering God's concern for us.
Christmastide	From Christmas day to Epiphany day (January 6)	White – is the color of light, signifying divinity, purity, and victory, rejoicing in God. The color used for the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Baptism, also used for weddings.
Epiphany	Begins on the Sunday following the Epiphany of the Lord (January 6) and extends until Lent (Ash Wednesday). Also known as "Ordinary Time".	Green – is the common color of nature in the freshness of bloom. It also stands for growing, faithfulness to God's Kingdom, success of God's plan.
Lent	Begins on Ash Wednesday - 40 days, plus Sundays, prior to Easter. February or March.	Purple
Holy Week	The week immediately prior to Easter. Begins with Palm Sunday, and includes Maundy (or Holy) Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday.	Purple. Black - or no color - may be used to drape the church from Good Friday to Holy Saturday
Easter/ Eastertide	Calculated to fall on the Sunday following the first full moon following the Vernal (Spring) Equinox (!) No earlier than March 22, and no later than April 25. Easter day and the next 6 Sundays	White
Pentecost	The seventh Sunday after Easter to the last Sunday in August.	Red (Pentecost Sunday) – symbolizes bravery, courage, sacrifice, fiery activity, blood, and spirit Green
Kingdomtide	The last Sunday in August to Advent Season	Green

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

<i>ORDER OF SERVICE</i>	<i>PURPOSE</i>	<i>WHAT MAY I DO</i>
Silent Prayer	Ask God's blessing on the Pastor, the people and one's self	Bow my head, ask God to bless my Pastor, the people and our worship together
Praise	Help people enter into an attitude of praise and worship.	Join the music by singing, clapping. Rejoice about God's goodness
Call to Worship	Bring all the people together in a thought of God	Follow the words, carefully, think what they mean to me
Invocation	Short prayer uniting God's blessing on their worship.	Bow my head; think on the words and thoughts as the Minister speaks
Hymns	Express in word and music the praise, desire and feelings of the people	Think of each word; sing as if the hymns were to express my own thoughts and feelings
Responsive Reading	Selected scriptures read alternating between the worship leader and the people	Read and listen carefully, try to understand what the Lord is saying to you.
Scripture	Hear God speak to us and reveal Himself through the Bible.	Read and listen carefully, try to understand what is read.
Pastoral Prayer	Bring the people before God; their love for Him; their thanks and confessions.	Listen to the Minister's words; try to feel that everyone is praying.
Anthem or Solo	Express feelings and thoughts through music. Usually scriptures set to music.	Try to understand and think of the words of the singer, feel the music and enjoy.
Offering/ Offertory Prayer	Give to others because of our love for God.	Say thank you to God as my gift is given, no matter how small or large it may be.
Offertory Prayer	Help people to feel thankful to God in a spirit of worship	Sing enjoy the music, continue to think of God's goodness.
Sermon	Help people to understand what God says to them in the Bible. What he wants us to be and do.	Listen for the scripture called the text, try to find one thing meant for me.
Invitation	Extended to those who would declare and decide to follow the Way.	Rejoice that another soul comes to Christ. Welcome him/ her into the fold.
Recessional	A formal closing of service. It signifies marching forth to serve humanity	Rise and join in the closing song.
Benediction	Give God's blessing to the people	Sit down, bow my head; Give thanks that God will be with me through the week and always.

NEED – NORTH EASTERN EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

The Right Reverend George D. Crenshaw, Presiding Prelate
Mrs. Laurena H. Crenshaw, Episcopal Supervisor

Districts in the New York Conference

The New York Conference is made up of three districts, which are supervised by a Presiding Elder. The districts and Presiding Elders of the New York Conference are as follows:

New York City – Presiding Elder, Reverend A. Alfred Carson
Westchester – Presiding Elder, Reverend Dr. Stephen W. Pogue
Long Island – Presiding Elder, Reverend Keith I. Harris

New York Conference Officers:

Directors of Christian Education – Ms. Ternesia Lynn Calhoun

Directors of Family Life – Sis. Regina Johnson

Home Mission President – Sis. Denise Waters

Director of Evangelism – Rev. Dr. Charles W. Young

Lay Council President – Bro Charlton Davenport

District Officers:

Directors of Christian Education

New York City – Sis. Katrina Brown
Westchester – Dr. Valentina Stubbs
Long Island – Reverend Natalie Wimberly

Presidents of WH&OM Society

New York City – Sis. Ruth Stevens
Westchester – Sis. Diane Noble
Long Island – Sis. Tawanda Harris

District Presidents of the Lay Council

New York City – Sis. Joan Capel
Westchester – Sis. Linda Tyson
Long Island – Sis. Eleanor Poole

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

There are many opportunities for Christian Service and participation in the Church. Listed here are the various departments, boards and clubs found in The AME Zion Church of Newburgh. Read the list carefully and check the ones you may be interested in joining or giving assistance. Get in touch with the leader and GET INVOLVED.

Ministerial Staff
Associate Minister

Rev. Milton Stubbs, Pastor
Rev Leslie Green

Church Clerk
Quarterly Conference Secretary

Sis. Merylyn Tyson
Sis. Marsha Henderson &
Sis Merylyn Tyson

Director of Christian Education
Sunday School Superintendent
Assistant Sunday School Superintendent

Sis. Merylyn Tyson
Sis. Merylyn Tyson
Bro. Elijah Beamon

Trustee Board

Bro. Elijah Beamon, Chairman
Sis. Paulette Easterlin
Sis. Hope Green
Bro. Levautus Gill

Steward Board

Sis Barbara Davis, Preacher Steward
Sis. Sherrel Coppedge
Sis. Merylyn Tyson
Sis. Hope Warner

Deaconess Board

Sis. Veronica Robinson, President
Sis. Hope Warner
Sis. Claudia Warren
Sis. Esteen Williams
Sis. Valentina Stubbs

Prepare for the sacraments of Holy Communion and Baptism. They also assist the Pastor in the ministry of the sick and shut-ins.

Class Leaders

Nominated by the Pastor and elected by the majority of the Quarterly Conference. Duties in summary are to meet the class weekly, to visit absent members, to inquire how their souls prosper, to advise, give comfort, exhort as occasion may require. Class Leaders assist the Pastor in the duties to the minister to the needs of the membership.

Leader of Leaders

Sis. Esteen Williams

Class #1

Bro. Elijah Beamon

Class #2

Sis. Anita Spencer Smith

Class #3

Sis. Barbara Davis

Class #6

Sis. Paulette Easterlin

Class #7

Sis. Merylyn Tyson

Class #8

Sis. Dovetta Beamon

Women's Home & Overseas Missionary Society
(WH&OMS)

Dr. Valentina Stubbs

Lay Council

Sis. Marsha Henderson

Organization of lay persons in the church whose objective are to deepen the spiritual life of the laity, to disseminate information, to cultivate the denominational loyalty, to expand the denomination through education and evangelism. Open to all persons in the A.M.E. Zion Church.

Usher Board

Sis. Barbara Davis, President

Provide services as needed to worshippers each Sunday and for special services.

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Matthew 6:33 – “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.”

The word “seek” means to go after; to strive, to pursue, to desire, to aim at, to search for, to endeavor to receive. The believer’s life is not to be preoccupied with material things, as necessary as some things are; the believer is first of all to be seeking after the kingdom of God and His righteousness.

He/She is to seek to become a citizen of God’s kingdom, and he/she is to seek others, encouraging them to become citizens of God’s kingdom, this is to be the first pursuit of life.

He/She is to seek after God’s righteousness for himself/herself and for others.

We the members of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of Newburgh believe in the Holy Scripture and the Trinity.

We are committed to the doctrines and disciplines of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.

We are preparing ourselves for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ and we want to be ready so that He will receive us unto Himself.

We believe that it is our “Outreach that determines our Upreach”. How can we say that we love God of whom we have never seen and ignore our brother that we see every day?

We are committed to the ministry of being effective witnesses by feeding those that are hungry, clothing those that naked, but most of all offering hope to the hopeless and winning souls to Christ.

The Official Logo of the A.M.E. Zion Church

