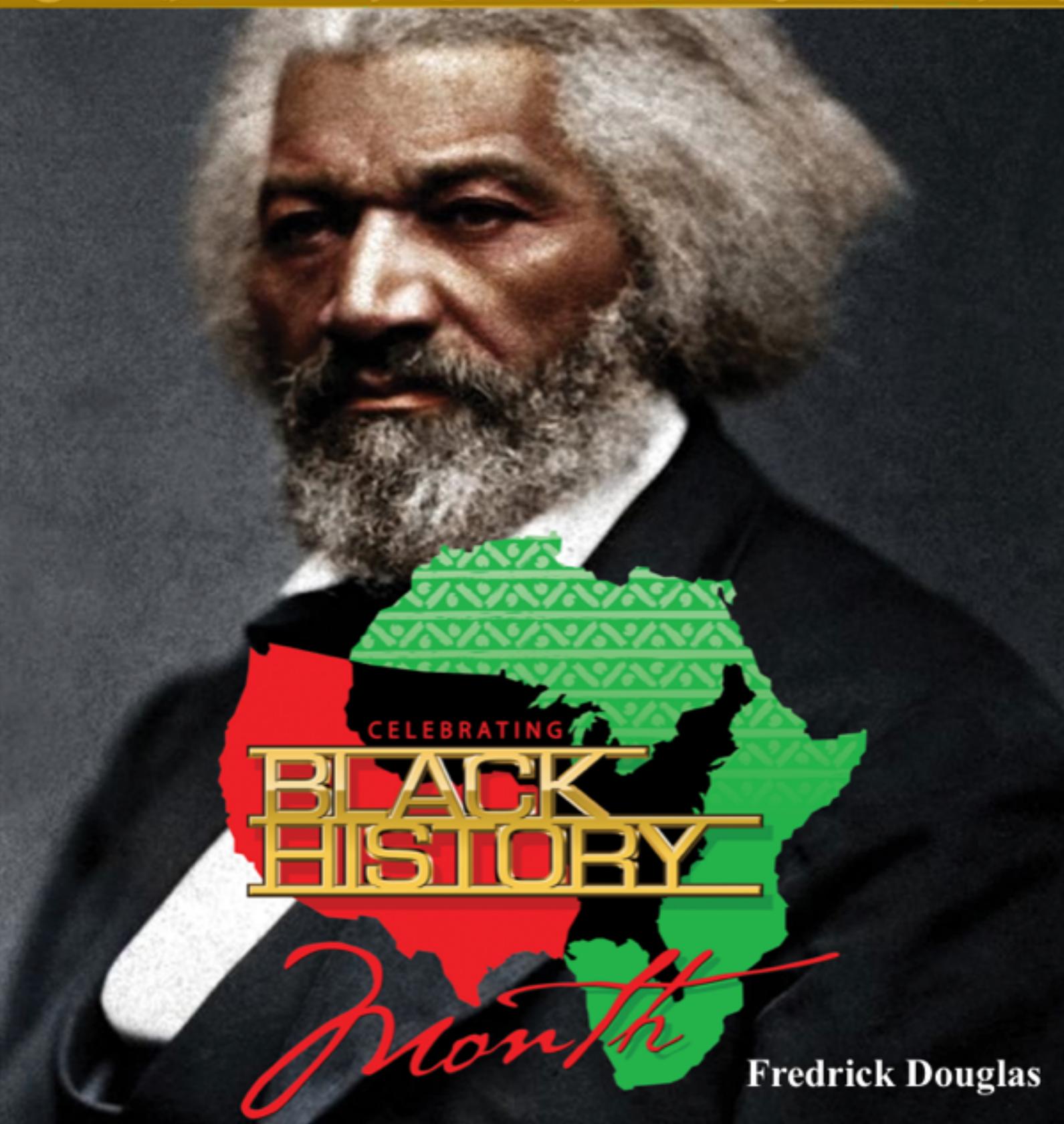


# Mt. Zion BAPTIST CHURCH



CELEBRATING  
**BLACK HISTORY**

*Month*

**Fredrick Douglas**

402 Singleton Place Joliet, IL. 60436 (815) 723-9445 [www.mtzionjoliet.org](http://www.mtzionjoliet.org)



*Welcome* and thank you for visiting Mt. Zion Baptist Church! It is always our pleasure to open our doors to those who wish to worship with us and it is our hope that you will continue to do so — as a member or a friend. The ministers do not have the ability to change your life, but we know someone who does, our Lord and Savior Jesus-Christ, and would love to share Him with you, your family, and your friends. You can always expect to be welcomed, uplifted, and rejuvenated through our Spirit-filled services. It is our hope that you were blessed today with uplifting praise and worship and a profitable message

We invite you to take a moment to peruse today’s bulletin filled with pertinent information regarding our ministries, and upcoming events. If you are looking for a church home that would provide biblical teachings, an atmosphere of worship, an openness to the Holy Spirit, and friendship, we welcome you. Again, thank you for worshipping with us and we look forward to meeting your family and friends.



**Order of Worship**  
**MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**Sunday, February 2, 2020**

<b>Songs of Praise and Worship</b>	<b>Mt. Zion Praise Team</b>
<b>Black National Anthem</b>	<b>Lift Every Voice And Sing</b>
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	<b>Minister</b>
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Minister</b>
<b>Recognition of Visitors</b>	<b>Minister</b>
<b>Video Presentation</b>	<b>Media Ministry</b>
<b>Word In Song</b>	<b>Mt. Zion Mass Choir</b>
<b>Altar Call and Prayer</b>	<b>Minister</b>
<b>Exercise of Christian Stewardship</b>	<b>Ushers Ministry</b>
<b>Announcements</b>	<b>Media Ministry</b>
<b>Word In Song</b>	<b>Mt. Zion Mass Choir</b>
<b>The Word</b>	<b>Minister Riley Ruffin</b>
<b>Invitation to Christian Discipleship</b>	<b>Minister Riley Ruffin</b>
<b>Sacrament of Communion</b>	<b>Ministerial &amp; Diaconate Ministries</b>
<b>Benediction</b>	<b>Minister Riley Ruffin</b>



# Mt. Zion

BAPTIST CHURCH



*Celebrate*

**BLACK HISTORY**

*Month*





Each year beginning on February 1, an entire month of events are planned nationwide honoring the history and contributions of African Americans.

**The theme for Black History Month in 2018 is "African Americans in Times of War"**

honoring those brave men and women who served their countries in the armed forces, especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice while defending the American ideals of freedom and democracy.



During World War II, for example, more than 2.5 million black men registered for the draft and one million served as draftees or volunteers in every branch of the armed forces. A decade before the first glimmers of the American civil rights movement, most black men were assigned

to segregated combat groups.

Even so, more than 12,000 black men who served in the segregated 92nd Division received citations or were decorated for "extraordinary heroism" on the battlefield. Perhaps more famously, the Tuskegee Airmen also became legendary for their heroic feats, and in total received a Distinguished Unit Citation, several silver stars, 150 distinguished flying crosses, fourteen bronze stars, and 744 air medals.

The Tuskegee Airmen were the first African-American military aviators in the United States Armed Forces. During World War II, black Americans in many U.S. states were still subject to the Jim Crow laws and the American military was racially segregated, as was much of the federal government. The Tuskegee Airmen were subjected to discrimination, both within and outside the army.

At war's end, recognition of the African-American contribution to the war effort would eventually lay the groundwork for the civil rights protests of the 1950s and 1960s.





**Saturday  
February 22  
9:00am**

**Please Plan  
to attend**

**2019 4th Quarter Financials will be  
available on the Church website  
Sunday, February 9, 2020**

**Mt. Zion**

**ASH WEDNESDAY  
WORSHIP SERVICE**

**Imposition of Ashes  
Wednesday  
February 26, 2020  
7:00pm**

*AM & PM Bible Study Cancelled*

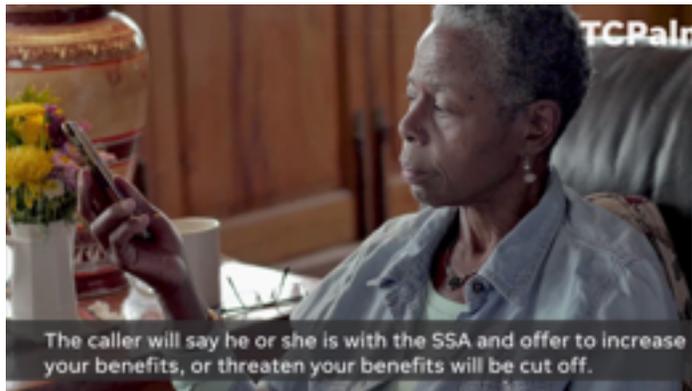


- ★ **February 6, 2020 – First Day to mail Requested Vote by Mail ballots**
- ☆ **February 6, 2020 – First Day of Early Voting at the County Clerk’s Office**
- ★ **February 18, 2020 – Last Day to Register to Vote in person or by mail**
  - ☆ **March 1, 2020 – Last day to Register to Vote online**
- ★ **March 12, 2020 – Last Day to Request a Vote by Mail ballot**
  - ☆ **March 17, 2020 – General Primary Election**

## Inspector General Warns Public About New Twist To Social Security Phone Scams

*Posted on January 9, 2020 by Tracy Lyng, Communications Director for the Office of the Inspector General*

The Inspector General of Social Security, Gail S. Ennis, is warning the public that telephone scammers may send faked documents by email to convince victims to comply with their demands. The Social Security Administration Office of the Inspector General (OIG) has received reports of victims who received emails with attached letters and reports that appeared to be from Social Security or Social Security OIG. The letters may use official letterhead and government “jargon” to convince victims they are legitimate; they may also contain misspellings and grammar mistakes.



This is the latest variation on Social Security phone scams, which continue to be widespread throughout the United States. Using robocalls or live callers, fraudsters pretend to be government employees and claim there is identity theft or another problem with one’s Social Security number, account, or benefits. They may threaten arrest or other legal action, or may offer to increase benefits, protect assets, or resolve identity theft. They often demand payment via retail gift card, cash, wire transfer, internet currency such as Bitcoin, or pre-paid debit card.

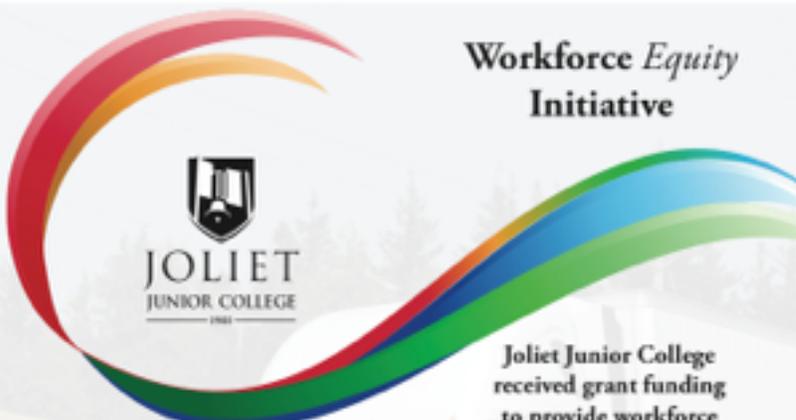
Inspector General Ennis urges continued vigilance against all types of phone scams no matter what “proof” callers may offer. As we continue to increase public awareness of phone scams, criminals will come up with new ways to convince people of their legitimacy. Social Security will never:

• threaten you with arrest or other legal action unless you immediately pay a fine or fee;  
• promise a benefit increase or other assistance in exchange for payment;  
• require payment by retail gift card, cash, wire transfer, internet currency, or prepaid debit card; or  
• send official letters or reports containing personally identifiable information via email.

- If there is ever a problem with your Social Security number or record, in most cases Social Security will mail you a letter. If you do need to submit payments to Social Security, the agency will send a letter with instructions and payment options. You should never pay a government fee or fine using retail gift cards, cash, internet currency, wire transfers, or pre-paid debit cards. The scammers ask for payment this way because it is very difficult to trace and recover.

If you receive a call or email that you believe to be suspicious, about a problem with your Social Security number or account, hang up or do not respond. We encourage the public to report Social Security phone scams using our dedicated online form, at <https://oig.ssa.gov>. Please share this information with your friends and family, to help spread awareness about phone scams. For more information, please visit <https://oig.ssa.gov/scam>.





## Workforce Equity Initiative

**JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE**  
1961

**Joliet Junior College received grant funding to provide workforce training in high-demand, high-growth occupations.**

**TRAINING PROGRAM:**  
**Commercial Driver's License (CDL - Class A)**

This training program is designed for individuals with little or no commercial driving experience. This course includes everything you need to receive a Commercial Driver's License.

*Training is available at no cost if participants meet the grant's eligibility requirements.\**

**Interested individuals must attend an information session to learn more about eligibility requirements.**

**THURSDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 20, 2020**  
**9:30AM - 11:00AM**

**PROGRAM BENEFITS**

- Receive FREE training
- Gas card or bus pass available
- Earn a stipend for completion
- Job placement assistance
- Get started on your career!

*\* Priority registration will be given to participants from underserved populations. As part of this grant initiative, at least 60% of participants in the workforce equity program must be African American.*

For more information or to sign up for an information session,  
visit [www.trainingupdate.org/workforce-equity](http://www.trainingupdate.org/workforce-equity)

Funding for this program is provided by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Workforce Equity Initiative.

**If you are interested in attending  
please contact  
Deacon Larry Heard**

### Lebanon District Laymen Association of Joliet & Vicinity Joliet, Illinois

#### Basketball Outing Fellowship



**Chicago BULLS**

VS

**Phoenix Suns**

**Saturday, February 22, 2020**

**Game time: 7:00pm**

Please find below group seating options with Prices:

300 Level as low as \$37

200 Level as low as \$71

100 Level as low as \$100.

*Permission slips  
and seating charts  
to follow soon*



**Ticket Deadline: ASAP**

**Money Due upon request for tickets**

**Transportation provided**

**Meeting place: TBD**

**3:00pm departure proceed to dinner**

# 2020 *"God's Girl"* Jeremiah 31:3 Annual Pearl B. Singleton Women's April 16th - 18th Registration Form

Sheraton Lisle Naperville, 3000 Warrenville Road, Lisle, IL 60532 (888) 236-2427

(Please PRINT Legibly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

*Required to receive confirmation of payment and detailed retreat itinerary*

Church \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_  
(District **MUST** be noted to be included in awards presentation)

Special Meal Needs:

Vegetarian  Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Amount Paid - Registration is non-refundable but is transferable

Early - \$140 [postmarked/paid by 11:59 pm CST February 17, 2020]

Regular - \$150 [postmarked/paid by 11:59 pm CST March 16, 2020]

Late - \$160 [postmarked/paid by 11:59 pm CST April 6, 2020]

**NOTE:** Registration rate April 7th through April 16th will be \$175 and will be **EXTREMELY LIMITED**. Onsite registration will end Thursday, April 16th at 5 o'clock pm.

Black/Red "Bling" Shirt (same shirt worn in 2018) \$25 / SIZE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Small to 4XL)

"20/20" Vision Board Party - \$20

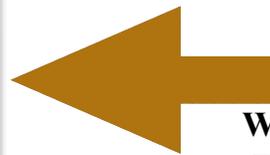
Checks/Money Orders payable to Baptist General State Convention (no initials please)

Mail to: BGSC Woman's Auxiliary, Attention: Ruby Cooper  
9449 South Kedzie - Suite 104, Evergreen Park, IL 60805

**NOTE:** Mailed registration must be **RECEIVED** by Monday, April 13th otherwise \$175 will be required onsite. Onsite registration cannot be guaranteed and will **NOT** be included in award counts.

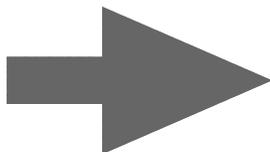
**HOTEL RESERVATIONS:** Cost of hotel rooms is separate from retreat registration. The Sheraton Lisle Hotel is currently sold out. Rooms are AVAILABLE at the overflow - DoubleTree by Hilton Lisle Naperville - 3003 Corporate West Drive - (800) 445-8667 - \$99/night plus applicable taxes. CALL BGSC Women's Hotline at WOMEN20 (443) 966-3620 with any questions.

Office Use Only - Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_



**Annual  
Pearl B. Singleton  
Women's Retreat Registration  
Form Outside Church Office**

**Lebanon District  
Scholarship Application  
Outside Church Office**



LEBANON BAPTIST DISTRICT ASSOCIATION  
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2020



Types of Scholarships Available:

- Annual LBDA Scholarship: \$500 each
- Beatrice McNear Annual Scholarship - Funded: \$500
- Silver Cross Hospital Scholarship - Funded: \$1,000 ea [T20] - Please Note: if you are the recipient of a scholarship from another organization that receives scholarship funds from Silver Cross, you are not eligible to receive this one from us. To avoid duplication, all names of awardees are checked against their master list. You may however, apply and be eligible for any of the others listed above.

Return the completed scholarship application packet to your  
Lebanon Baptist District Association Scholarship Representative **ONLY**

Church Representatives are:

St. Elba - Freddie Green  
St. Moriah - Caroline Easley  
St. Paul - Rev. Yarbrough or Mary Smith  
Second Baptist - Edith Fairley

St. Zion - Terry Wisbey  
Shiloh - Denise Curran  
St. Olive - Yuliusanda Taylor  
St. John - Eloise Billups

Deadline for submitting all information:  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020**  
NO EXCEPTIONS!

# WILL COUNTY'S FRESH START FAIR

"Expunge/Seal

Criminal Records and Other Services"

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Saturday June 13, 2020

Will County Court House

14 W. Jefferson Street Joliet, IL 60432

We invite you to come join us for our 2nd annual community event that proves everyone deserves a "Fresh Start"! Will County Court Staff and legal professionals will be volunteering their time to help eligible individuals expunge or seal certain eligible misdemeanor or felony cases. Pre-registering is necessary to insure that you qualify to participate.

The application is located on the Will County Circuit Clerk's website at [www.circuitclerkofwillcounty.com](http://www.circuitclerkofwillcounty.com)

Completed application must be emailed to [circuit\\_clerk@willcountyllinois.com](mailto:circuit_clerk@willcountyllinois.com) no later than April 1, 2020. You will be notified by the Circuit Clerk's Office with additional information, if you have qualified.

There is no fee to participate in this event! You must bring a photo ID. Making arrangements for childcare is strongly encouraged as there will be no activities for children.

Drug testing, if required, could be completed on site.

Please note, those who do not pre-register will not qualify to participate, but are encouraged to come to the event to get information about the expungement or sealing process.

This is not for individuals who have active warrants.

To pre-register please visit:

[www.circuitclerkofwillcounty.com](http://www.circuitclerkofwillcounty.com)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 815-727-8592



## WILL COUNTY'S FRESH START FAIR

Pre-Registration and Application to Participate Form

Located Outside Church Office

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, June 13, 2020

Will County Court House 14 W  
Jefferson Street Joliet, IL 60432

**\*If you have an active warrant, this event is not for you!\***

# K.I.N.G.

## KIDS IN NEED OF GRADUATION

WORKSHOP

FEB 29, 2020

9:30AM - 12:30PM

NOWELL PARK RECREATION CENTER

199 MILLS ROAD, JOLIET, IL

MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM C



**AT HOME, PLEASE PRAY**

Mavis Agnew  
Ruby Alexander  
Venita April  
Maude Baker  
Dea. Lillie Bennett  
Dea. Annie M. Betts  
Patrick Credit  
Corrine Crudup (Los Angeles, CA.)  
Debra Dillard  
George Edwards  
Doris Fuqua  
Etta Jones  
Helen Randall

**LOYOLA MEDICAL CENTER**

Sheila McEwen

**SALEM VILLAGE**

Thelma Sessions

**PRESENCE VILLA FRANCISCAN**

Louellar McNear  
Minnie Wilson

**SUNNY HILL**

Julius Bell

**PRAIRIE GREEN AT FAY'S POINT**

Nadine Dillard

**SYMPHONY OF JOLIET**

Howard Ulmer

**ESSINGTON PLACE**

Inez Traylor

**THE PARC AT JOLIET**

Lillian Butler

**TIMBERS OF SHOREWOOD**

Iserbella Voss

**CONDOLENCE**

Duncan Family  
Hendreson Family

**ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL**

Angela Willis

**PRAYER LIST**

Dea. Stanley Adams  
Jessie April  
Reggie Brown  
Thomas Barnett  
Nora Cummings  
Salvador Cummings  
Edwin Daniels  
Joe Daniels  
Johnnie Dorsey  
Rosie Evans  
Patricia Gaddy

**PRAYER LIST**

Colleen Howard  
Mike Howland  
Debra Lewis  
Lawrence (Reggie) Johnson  
Tina Johnson  
Cheryl Magee  
Elizabeth Marsh  
Geraldine MacDonald  
Jeanette Moffett  
Howard Nichols  
Jurline Pullen  
Avery Quarles  
Brian Roberts  
Myra Stegall  
Linda Stokes  
Donnie Thompson  
Wessie Mae Thompson  
Virgina Tibbs  
Braden Washington  
Charles Washington  
Yvonne Washington  
Annie Ruth White  
Dorothy White  
Robert Winfrey

**Emergency Contact**

1. Contact your assigned Care Team
2. Contact Church Office
3. Care Team Assignments are listed in the FLC
4. If you are not assigned to a Care Team, please let the church office know.

**Church Address & Ph/Fax Numbers**

402 Singleton Place  
Joliet, Illinois 60436  
(815) 723-9445 (Ofc) - (815) 723-9447 (Fax)

Website: [mtzionjoliet.org](http://mtzionjoliet.org)  
Church Email: [info@mtzionjoliet.org](mailto:info@mtzionjoliet.org)  
Prayer Email: [prayer@mtzionjoliet.org](mailto:prayer@mtzionjoliet.org)

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Sunday**

School - 8:30 - Worship Service - 10:00am

**Monday**

IL Kings Basketball Practice - 6:30pm

**Tuesday**

Cardio Line Dance - 5:00pm  
IL Kings Basketball Practice - 7:00pm  
Mass Choir Rehearsal - 7:00pm

**Wednesday**

Mid Morning Bible Study - 10:00am  
Evening Prayer - 6:30pm  
Bible Study - 7:00pm  
Youth Bible Study - 7:00pm

**Thursday**

Cardio Line Dance - 5:00pm  
IL Kings Basketball Practice - 6:30pm  
Mission Outreach Ministry - 6:30pm

**Friday**

IL Kings Basketball Practice - 6:30pm