Honoring Pastor Joshua Joy Dara, Sr.
22nd Pastoral Anniversary
June 1-3, 2018

Friday, June 1st | Prayer for Our Pastor
Sanctuary @ 6:00 PM

Saturday, June 2nd
Celebration of Love
A Brunch Honoring Sis. Elizabeth Joy Dara
Family Life Center Executive Foyer
10:00 AM

Saturday, June 2nd
Fellowship Dinner
Honoring Pastor Joshua Joy Dara, Sr.
Family Life Center Gym
6:00 PM

Sunday, June 3rd
Join us for Worship
8:00am | 9:30am | 11:00am

“And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.”
Jeremiah 3:15
MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

I greet you in the marvelous name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is a joy for me to write you and bring you up-to-date about what God is doing in our Church. I am pleased to report upfront that God is still faithful to Zion Hill. Our location is second to none, our campus facility is quite impressive, our staff are noble and our services and content are relevant and up-to-date. To God be the glory.

Today, I will like to remind you of our ministry strategy so that we all can be on the same page. Below, please find the details:

**Open Hours:**

I am pleased to remind everyone that our church is open for ministry three days in a week. We worship on Sundays, we have small group meetings on Wednesdays and we have Prayer service on Fridays. As we all know, attendance is one of the main requirement for membership in any organization. So, I will encourage all of us to make plans to attend church on Sundays, attend small group bible study on Wednesdays and come to pray with other members of the church on Fridays.

**Whosoever will:**

Our church is open to everyone regardless of race, gender, age or nationality. We strongly believe that whosoever will may come to our church. We welcome both young and old, rich and poor, male and female, Christians and non-Christians. So, let me encourage all of us to feel free to invite anyone to any of our Church worship services. Anyone should feel free to come and worship with us regardless of denomination.

**Spirit led:**

Our church is a Spirit filled and Spirit led church. While we respect and honor all of the Church denominations that are located in Central Louisiana, our heart desire is to be a Spirit filled and Spirit led Church. We strongly believe the word of God which says those who are led by the Spirit are the Sons and Daughters of Almighty God. We equally believe that except the Lord build the house, everyone that labors do so in vain. (Psalms 127:1) So our prayer is for every one of our members to be baptized of water and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

**Data:**

In the natural, our church is driven by data. We keep record of just about everything in Zion Hill. Through our data system, we are able to keep track of the progress of our church ministry and make critical analysis of how we can do better in various area. Among other things, we keep track of attendance, guests, newcomers, revenue, expense, baptism, graduation, weddings, baby dedication, death, etc. Again, I will encourage all ministry leaders to always submit to the church office the data on your ministry activities.

**Worship:**

The name of our church is synonymous to great worship experience. We want everyone to attend Zion Hill and have a true encounter with the almighty God through worship. We recognize that God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. As a church, we are well known for our great worship. So, we encourage everyone to come to our church with a heart of worship and expectancy. Our goal each week is to lead God’s people into the presence of God and get out of the way. We invite everyone to become a true worshipper.

**Evangelism:**

Evangelism is a big deal in our church ministry. It is our way of reaching the community with the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is our answer to the great command by our God to go take the gospel of Jesus Christ to every corner of the earth. Our church is spreading the gospel through the radio, television, internet, social media, digital board, etc. We are fully persuaded that the gospel of Jesus Christ is precious and must be shared with the whole world. We encourage you to join us in spreading the gospel throughout our cities, parishes, states, nations and the whole world.

All of the above is just some of what we do on regular basis. We appreciate the opportunity to partner with you to make things happen in Zion Hill. May God richly bless you as we continue to let our light so shine that others may see it and give glory to God.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

Dr. Joshua Joy Dara, Sr., Pastor
After the death of his father, T'Challa returns home to the African nation of Wakanda to take his rightful place as king. When a powerful enemy suddenly reappears, T'Challa's mettle as king -- and as Black Panther -- gets tested when he's drawn into a conflict that puts the fate of Wakanda and the entire world at risk. Faced with treachery and danger, the young king must rally his allies and release the full power of Black Panther to defeat his foes and secure the safety of his people.
Congratulations to our own Ashley Miles on your well deserved win as 2018 Golden Apple Teacher of the Year award!! Check out her fresh new wheels!! May every mile be blessed!!

Joy Dara Singers will begin holding auditions. Please contact Sis. Dianna Mitchell @ 318.792.9582 or the church office @ 318.704.6900

Youth Usher Ministry & Princess of Zion Praise Ministry
In 1860, in the small town of Allendale, Mississippi, Corine Wales’ world had turned upside down. This kindly, quiet 10-year-old African American little girl was a victim of racist, harassment, and rape, all of which took place within her family.

Although her family was dysfunctional, they had a strong Christian background. Corine, better known as Corine, didn’t understand why God would allow these terrible acts to happen to her. The endless arts were done to her until the age eight.

She carried the emotional scars of rejection, helplessness, learned abandonment, self-esteem, bitterness, and pain. She didn’t love anyone else, because she didn’t love herself. She would sabotage relationships and friendships, fearing they had a motive in getting close to her.

Later in life, she accepted Jesus Christ into her life and began to talk in her calling, but yet she was suffering from a place of pain and she was damaged but not dissolved. She won her story.

Patricia Williams is Working Women, Minister of the Gospel and an Entrepreneur. She resides in Plaisance, La. She writes to inspire, motivate, and encourage. She is the mother of one daughter and grandmother of five. In her spare time, she loves to travel, write, and spend time with her family and friends.

The Royal Writer’s Guild of Cenla will have a city-wide book signing at the Alexandria City Park Saturday 2800 Masonic Dr. Alexandria, La. May 26, 2018 beginning at 10 am until 4 pm. Come meet and support some amazing authors as they share their experience. Also, Patricia Williams will introduce her newest release Change Begins with a Whisper.

Congratulations Pastor Williams on your new book release. Look for the sequel in 3 months. To pre-order a copy go to:

www.authorpatriciajwilliams.simplesite.com

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971.
The Zion Hill Seniors Ministry is planning a fun overnight trip to Jackson, MS. The trip includes:

- Tours of 3 museums, including the new Black History Museum and The Medgar Evers House
- Time to shop at The Outlet Mall of Mississippi in Pearl, MS
- Overnight stay at LaQuinta Inn

Costs for the trip will cover transportation expenses, hotel stay, tickets to museums and one t-shirt. Costs are broken down below:

- $190.00 if you want a private room
- $150.00 per person if two share a room (2 queen-sized beds)
- $110.00 per person if three share a room (2 queen-sized beds)
- $95.00 per person if four share a room (2 queen-sized beds)

A $50.00 nonrefundable deposit is required by June 8, 2018. The balance of the cost of the trip will be due August 7, 2018.

Mail the form below with your deposit (money order made out to Celia Harris) to: JACKSON, MS SENIOR TRIP: ATTENTION-CELIA HARRIS, 725 Sanders St., Pineville, LA 71360

If you have any questions, contact Carla Hicks at 769-1118 or mama-hicks_25@yahoo.com

Fill out and turn in the form below with your payment:

Name____________________________________________
Phone Number (s)_______________________________________
Email Address_________________________________________
Name(s) of roommate(s)_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

T-Shirt Size_________ TOTAL AMOUNT PAID________ Date_______

Seniors Ministry Travel Committee Members:
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Zion Hill Book Club was blessed to have Susane Lavallais Boykins, author of Waters of the River Red, as our guest today.

We had an outstanding time discussing her excellent book, and asking her questions about characters and events in the story.

If you haven't read this novel, you've missed a real treat! Thank you Susane for joining us today. We're really looking forward to the sequel!

Zion Hill Health Ministry is giving their time At the Alexandria Food Bank.
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The Senior Class Of Alexandria Senior High School Announces its Commencement Exercise Friday evening, may eighteenth Two Thousand Eighteen Seven o’clock Pentecostals of Alexandria, Louisiana

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