NEW COVENANT
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

106TH ANNIVERSARY

A Century and Beyond:

ROOTED IN FAITH, GROWING IN GRACE

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SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 14TH

GUEST SPEAKER

PASTOR DARION PAGE

SERENITY CHURCH | AURORA, IL

Pastor Richard D. McCreary II, Ph.D.

November 14, 2025

Liturgy of Praise

Praise and Worship
Invitation to Celebration
Psalm Reading | Psalm 123

Prayer
Cultural Heritage
Songs of Praise
Youth Choir
Male Chorus
Old Testament Reading | Judges 4:1-7
New Testament Reading | 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Welcoming of Visitors/Peace Fellowship
RDM Praise Dancers
Memorial
Church History
Altar Call

Liturgy of the Word

Gospel Reading | Matthew 25:14-30
Song of Praise
Sermon
Pastor Darion Page
Serenity Church
Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Liturgy of the Table

Prayer of Dedication
Tither's Covenant
Offertory
Benediction
Recessional

~Please join us for a reception in the Red Room downstairs.~

Announcements

Sabbath School meets every Saturday morning in-person at 9:00 a.m. There are classes for all ages. Everyone is welcome! Thanks, Deacon Wendell Clayborn.

Today we celebrate our **Church's 106th Anniversary** with Pastor Darion Page from Serenity Church Please join us for a reception in the Red Room downstairs immediately following Sabbath Worship. Members are asked to give a sacrificial anniversary offering of $100 in honor of our anniversary celebration.

Everyone is invited to **Chat and Chew** in the library immediately following worship on November 21. Join Pastor McCreary for a lively discussion of the sermon and bring your questions, comments, observations, and opinions. Light refreshments will be served.

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study with Pastor McCreary will be held on Sunday, November 22 at the church. Breakfast will be served at 9:30 am, followed by Bible study at 11:00 am.

Get moving at our **Beginner XTREME Hip Hop Step Class** with Coach Tiana! Join us on Sunday, November 15th, from 11:00 am –12:00 pm. The class is free, and donations are welcome. For more info, contact Tiana Buchanan

Attention pecan lovers! Pecans are currently on sale for only $15.00 per bag. To place your order, kindly reach out to Sis. Bobbie Cooper.

Moving and Smoothing Class meets every Thursday from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm here at the church. The cost is free for New Covenant members and $5 per session for the community.

Bible Study with Pastor McCreary meets every Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. via Zoom. The meeting ID is 839 903 2027 and the password is 415. All are welcome!

The **"Truth Seekers: Living With the End in Mind"** Bible study class, led by Assistant Pastor Brandon Turner, meets on Wednesday nights from 6:45 PM to 8:00 PM via Zoom. Meeting ID: 948 389 91111; Passcode: 294936.

106th Anniversary Message

Pastor Richard D. McCreary II, Ph.D.

For 106 years, Father YAH has shown faithfulness in this place. From those who established our foundation to the believers gathered here today, our story reflects Father YAH's grace. We honor the past with gratitude, celebrate the present with joy, and look to the future with hope.

As Paul says, "Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness." Let us continue the legacy entrusted to us by remaining rooted in our faith in Christ and our understanding of YAHUAH's Word. Let us commit to growing in faith and knowledge, affirming and validating our beliefs through Scripture.

We honor those who paved the way, celebrate the ministry taking taking today, and look forward with anticipation to what God YAHUAH will accomplish through our youth and future generations. The light of Christ that has guided us for 106 years will continue to lead us into the future.

Thank you for being part of this living legacy. Let us rejoice, worship, and celebrate 106 years of Father YAH's extraordinary faithfulness. Happy 106th Anniversary!

A Historical Overview

1920s | FOUNDING ERA

- **1920:** Small band of Disciples of Christ began mission in Phoenix, Illinois
- **1923:** New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church chartered with Rev. Walter Childs as pastor
- **1925:** Original church building constructed on 8th Avenue in Phoenix; first Baptist church in the village
- **1925:** Church building destroyed by fire; congregation moved to 15211 Fifth Avenue in June 1925

1930s – 1940s | EARLY TRANSITIONS

- **1932:** Pastor S. Sells served
- **1933:** Pastor John West served
- **1933–1942:** Pastor J.B. Whitaker served
- **1942:** May of 1942, Pastor A.H. Hester preached first sermon to 28 members
- **1943:** Pastor Hester officially became pastor
- **1947:** Groundbreaking ceremony for new building on September 28, 1947
- **1949:** Excavation began for new building

1950s – 1970s | NEW FOUNDATION ERA

- **1951:** Pastor Hester led congregation into new building on March 25, 1951
- **1951:** NCMBC Credit Union organized
- **1954:** New Covenant Gazette community newspaper formed (later Voice of New Covenant)
- **1957:** Church building renovated and dedicated
- **1972:** Daycare center established
- **1979:** Assistant Pastor William A. Carraway preached his first sermon and licensed

1980s | LEADERSHIP TRANSITION

- **1980:** Pastor Hester passed away after 38 years of service on January 27, 1980
- **1980:** Richard D. McCreary, II, PhD, installed as pastor on June 20, 1980
- **1985:** Min. Jerry Williams preached first sermon and licensed on August 18, 1985
- **1986:** New Covenant Christian Academy (NCCA) founded by Dr. McCreary

1990s – 2000s | MINISTRY EXPANSION

- **1989:** Min. Leonard Williams preached first sermon and licensed on June 18, 1989
- **1994:** Min. Freida Carraway Peed preached first sermon and licensed on June 12, 1994
- **1997:** Min. Nellie Patrice Sims preached first sermon and licensed on November 16, 1997
- **2000:** Pastor Winston Perkins preached first sermon and licensed on April 2, 2000
- **2004:** Min. Brandon Turner preached first sermon and licensed in July of 2004
- **2005:** Min. Nellie Patrice Sims ordained as minister on November 27, 2055
- **2007:** Pastor Darian Page preached first sermon and licensed on May 27, 2007

2010s – PRESENT | ERA OF TRANSFORMATION

- **2018:** Assistant Pastor William Carraway passed away on October 7, 2018
- **2019:** Min. Eron Evans preached first sermon and licensed on March 3, 2019
- **2019:** Min. Kevin Perkins preached first sermon and licensed on April 7, 2019
- **2019:** Min. Jalen Vernon preached first sermon and licensed on June 23, 2019
- **2019:** "Reclaiming Our Biblical Heritage" conference held on August 17, 2019
- **2019:** Dr. McCreary, Dr. Barbara McCreary, and Min. Eron Evans traveled to Kenya on missionary journey in September of 2019
- **2019:** Church began worshipping on Saturday (true Sabbath) on November 2, 2019
- **2020:** COVID-19 pandemic caused shift to virtual worship for two years in March of 2020
- **2020:** Min. Brandon Turner ordained as minister on June 26, 2020
- **2021:** New Covenant Christian Academy closed