

# Welcome

MAY 5 & 6, 2018



## **Mt. Zion Church of Ontario**

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## SERVICES

### Saturday Services

3:00 pm **New Member Orientation**  
*(Ed Bldg., Rm 11)*

3:00 pm **Discipleship Training**  
*(Ed Bldg., Rm 11)*

4:00 pm **Saturday School**  
*(Ed Bldg., Rms 3, 10 & 11)*

5:00 pm **Worship Service**

### Sunday Services

8:00 am **Worship Service**

9:30 am **New Member Orientation**  
*(Sanctuary)*

9:30 am **Discipleship Training** *(Sanctuary)*

9:30 am **Sunday School** *(various locations)*

10:30 am **Worship Service**

## STEWARDSHIP

### 1. Operating Budget

Our Operating Budget is funded through Tithes & Offerings.  
Mt. Zion Financial Statements are available upon request.

(Week 6) YTD Goals	YTD Actuals	Variance
Revenue \$ 583,231	\$ 596,209	\$ <12,978>
Expense \$ 583,231	\$ <u>594,635</u>	\$ <u>11,404</u>
	\$ <1,574>	\$ <1,574>

### 2. Building Fund

Collected	Spent	Balance
\$ 1,386,813	\$ 1,370,011	\$ 16,802

Land Loan: Balance Due as of 05/01/18: \$411,954

**Building Fund Monies cannot be used for Operating Cost.**

### 3. Building Fund Pledge (6-yr pledge)

Pledge Amount	Pledged-To-Date	Given-To-Date
\$600,000	\$654,764	\$175,609

### ONLINE GIVING

**Shelby Online Giving**  
<https://www.shelbygiving.com/mzo>

**Shelby Text Giving**  
909-219-9637  
(Ex: \$100 tithes)

 **PayPal** Use: [giving@mtzionontario.com](mailto:giving@mtzionontario.com)

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Church Administrator at 909-983-2411 ext. 235.

## PRAYER

*The following families have recently lost a loved one. Please keep them in prayer during their time of bereavement:*



Laura Mae Leach (sister)  
Wilma Lewis & Family (brother/cousin)  
Dan Seymore & Family (father)  
Emma Glenn & Family (daughter)  
Rev. Otis Adams Family (sister)



**Please continue to pray for Mt. Zion, its leaders, members and our community.**

If you have a family member who is hospitalized or have lost a loved one, please call the church office or email [info@mtzionontario.com](mailto:info@mtzionontario.com). Your requests will be given to the Monday Night Prayer Team.

**2018 Responsive Reading**  
**Living for God Size Results!**  
**John 15:1-17 (NASB)**

**Minister**     1 **“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser.**

Congregation 2 “Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit.

**Minister**     3 **“You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.**

Congregation 4 “Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither *can* you unless you abide in Me.

**Minister**     5 **“I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.**

Congregation 6 “If anyone does not abide in Me, he is thrown away as a branch and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned.

**Minister**     7 **“If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.**

Congregation 8 “My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples.

**Minister**     9 **“Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love.**

Congregation 10 “If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love.

**Minister**     11 **“These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and *that* your joy may be made full.**

Congregation 12 “This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you.

**Minister**     13 **“Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends.**

Congregation 14 “You are My friends if you do what I command you.

**Minister**     15 **“No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you.**

**Everyone**     16 “You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you.

**Everyone**     17 **“This I command you, that you love one another.**

# Jesus Prayed for Our Long-Term Ministry Success, Part 2

## John 17:9-19

*Pastor Brian Kennedy, Sr.*

**Key Statement:** What did Jesus pray for our long-term Ministry success?

A. Jesus Prayed for God to Protect us with His Name (John 17:11-12).

*Ref. sermon on 4/15/18.*

B. Jesus Prayed for God to Fill us Full with Joy (v. 13, cf. 15:11, 16:22, 24).

*Ref. sermon on 4/15/18.*

C. Jesus Prayed for God to Protect us from the World's Evil Leader (vs. 14-16).

*Ref. sermon on 4/29/18.*

D. Jesus Prayed for God to Set Us Apart for Dedicated Service (vs. 17-19).

a. Jesus prayed to protect us from straddling the fence in life (v. 17).

**Note:** The word sanctification refers to our being in the inner circle of what is holy.<sup>1</sup> We are dedicated for God's service (Note what Peter said in I Peter 1:13-16).

b. Our sanctification is rooted in the truth of God's Word (v. 17).

c. Jesus expects the same sanctification from us that He modeled for us (vs.18-19).

**Personal Prayer:** Dear Lord, my heart is full of joy as I reflect on how You prayed for me to have long-term ministry success. As I think about You praying for my protection, for my fullness of joy, for my protection from the world's evil leader, and for my sanctification, I realize my public ministry is directly correlated to my private life. Lord, I clearly recognize Your special interest in my spiritual life. Lord, forgive me for all of my sins and unrighteousness. Control me with Your Holy Spirit, so that I think, say, and do, what is pleasing to You. I live to love and serve You. In the name of Jesus, I pray, amen.

<sup>1</sup> William Arndt, Frederick W. Danker, et al., [\*A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature\*](#) (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2000), 10.