



October 2024 Newsletter

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2024 Theme: "Draw near to God." James 4

Words of Encouragement from Dr. C. Yvette Brock, Pastor

Dearly Beloved in Christ Jesus, When we come in spirit and truth to Jesus Christ, wherein we accept Him as our Lord and Savior, we become fellow citizens with the Saints! Many Christians do not understand what this means. It is just this simple: we are then members of the church, which is a spiritual body and is the household of God. While we can see the physical buildings in which we gather to worship on Sundays, the household of God is not limited to this physical edifice, which we call the church. The real dwelling place of God is a spiritual church, made up of Christian believers, who are called saints. We do not need to die and rise again to be saints. We do not need certificates or indoctrinations, nor to pass an admissions test ministered by human hands. Neither do we need to compete or prove ourselves for God's membership into His Kingdom. We only need God's grace of faith in Jesus Christ in order to be saints. We only need to believe in Jesus and the work He did for our salvation. Our faith is our guarantee of our salvation and sainthood. Jesus Christ is the spiritual chief corner stone of the spiritual body, the church. He fits it together perfectly. We only need to trust Him and His work. We, the spiritual church, are standing on the foundation of faith, which is through God's grace, which He gave us to believe in Jesus, His Only Begotten Son.



The foundation of the spiritual church, was laid by the apostles and prophets, the messengers who brought the Word of God to His people, you, me, and all who accept the Bible as God's written message to us. Jesus frames the spiritual church, which consists of you, me, and all believers: past, present, and future. We are fellow citizens of the body of Christ, even here in this present world, and we share the hope of eternal life through Jesus Christ! Fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God-now that is a close walk! We are not strangers or foreigners-we are fellow citizens with a membership of believers.(Ephesians 2:19-22)

From the Editor

My prayers are with victims and survivors of Hurricane Helene. I encourage our readers to pray, and, not only pray, but if possible, make donations towards this disaster. I also thank God for His mercy. Things could have been a lot worse! (The editor's opinions and expressions may not reflect those of Holistic Ministries, Inc.)