

MEMORIAL REPORT

One Hundredth Forty-Fourth Session of the West Tennessee Annual Conference

To Bishop Jeffrey N. Leath, General Officers, Connectional Officers, Presiding Elders Reverend Linda Thomas Martin and Reverend C. Robert Finch, Pastors, Ordained Clergy, Episcopal Supervisor, Dr. Susan J. Leath, M.D., Missionaries, Delegates and Youth of this 144th Session of the West Tennessee Annual Conference in the Thirteenth Episcopal District; we the members of the Memorial Committee graciously submit this report commemorating those who have served within the various congregations of this Zion in the Body of Christ. Whenever, we gather as the church militant we do so under the larger panoply of the church triumphant.

Listed below is the name of clergy from one of our congregations who died this past year. We remember with gratitude his witness and his service in the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ. The name listed is remembered in special prayers at this 144TH Annual Meeting. We commend him to your memory and offer our prayer:

Oh God, our strength and our redeemer, giver of life and conqueror of death, we approach you in this moment with humbled hearts. With faith in your perfect mercy and wisdom, we commit your servant to your keeping. God our Father, your power brings us to birth, your providence guides our lives, and by your command we return to dust. We praise you for your loving kindness to him throughout the days of his earthly life and for all he was, by nature and grace, to those who loved him and to the Church of Jesus Christ. In company with Christ, who died and now lives, may he rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away, all sickness and sorrow are ended and death itself is past for him who have entered the rest that remains for your people. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever in fellowship with your church triumphant, that we may rejoice together in your presence both now and ever more. Amen.

Departed Clergy

Reverend Percy D. Thornton, Retired Local Elder. Transitioned July 3, 2018.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:3-5

Thus, ends the report of the Memorial Committee of this 144th Session of the West Tennessee Annual Conference in the Thirteenth Episcopal District.

Humbly Submitted by,

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Reverend Marlon O. Barrentine

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