



MOUNT PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH



2025 VISION & CALENDAR PASTOR EJ KEMPER III



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2025 THEME

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STRONGER TOGETHER – Ecclesiastes 4:9 (NIV) – “Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor...”

2025 LOGO FOR THE YEAR



WHY "STRONGER TOGETHER" FOR 2025

This year, we're embracing the theme of Stronger Together. This focus encourages us to deepen our relationships, share our gifts, and work together in unity to make a greater impact for God's Kingdom.

2025 MISSION STATEMENT:

In 2025, we commit to being intentional in fostering deeper relationships with one another, sharing our God-given gifts, and recognizing that our labor for the Kingdom is more fruitful when we work together as one body.

KEY INITIATIVES:

- 1. Based on our mission statement, here are key initiatives for this year:**
 - a. Giving:** Support our ministries through consistent giving, knowing every gift makes a difference.
 - b. Attendance:** Commit to faithful attendance to help build unity and momentum.
 - c. Serving:** Use your unique gifts to serve the church. Visit our website to view serving opportunities.
- 2. Pop-Up Cookouts:** Join us in outreach through our Pop-Up Cookouts, engaging the community with food, games, and fellowship.
- 3. Family Resource Center:** This year, we'll expand the Family Resource Center's reach to help more families in need with essential supplies and support.
- 4. Hymn of the Month:** Each month, we'll sing a selected hymn together, honoring the legacy of hymns in our church tradition.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

- 1. MLK Gospel Extravaganza** – January 19 @ 6PM
- 2. Deacon Ordination** – February 23
- 3. Family and Friends Day** – April 6 - Invite family and friends to worship, celebrating the importance of community and connection.
- 4. Men's Day** – May 25 - This year, we honor the men of our church, with future years rotating to highlight other ministries.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1. Business Meetings:** January 29, April 30, July 30, October 29
- 2. Pop-Up Cookouts:** March 29, June 21, October 25
- 3. Graduation Sunday:** June 1, 2024
- 4. Vacation Bible School (VBS):** June 23-27
- 5. 102nd Church Anniversary:** October 5
- 6. Pastor's 9th Anniversary:** December 7
- 7. Christmas Banquet:** December 10
- 8. New Year's Eve Service:** December 31

MOUNT PILGRIM 2025 CALENDAR

| ◀ December | JANUARY 2025 | | | | | | February ▶ |
|---------------|--------------|-----|--|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | |
| 19 Baptism | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 Quarterly Business Meeting | 30 | 31 | | |

| ◀ January | FEBRUARY 2025 | | | | | | March ▶ |
|-----------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|
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| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | | |

| ◀ February | MARCH 2025 | | | | | | April ▶ |
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| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 Pop-Up Cookout (High School Park) | |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | | |

| ◀ March | APRIL 2025 | | | | | | May ▶ |
|------------------------------|------------|-----|--|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| 6 Family & Friends Day | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | |
| 20 Easter Sunday | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Quarterly Business Meeting | | | | |

| ◀ April | MAY 2025 | | | | | | June ▶ |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | |
| 18 Baptism | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | |
| 25 Men's Day | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

| ◀ May | JUNE 2025 | | | | | | July ▶ |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
| 1 Graduation Sunday | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | |
| 8 Pastor E preaching in Galveston | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 Pop-Up Cookout (McMillan Park) | |
| 22 | 23 VBS | 24 VBS | 25 VBS | 26 VBS | 27 VBS | 28 | |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | | |

| ◀ June | JULY 2025 | | | | | | August ▶ |
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| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Quarterly Business Meeting | 31 | | | |

| ◀ July | AUGUST 2025 | | | | | | September ▶ |
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| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | |
| 31 | | | | | | | |

| ◀ August | SEPTEMBER 2025 | | | | | | October ▶ |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
| 7 Grandparents Day | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | |
| 21 Baptism | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | | | | |

| ◀ September | OCTOBER 2025 | | | | | | November ▶ |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| 5 102 Church Anniversary | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Pop-Up Cookout (MLK Park) | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 Quarterly Business Meeting | 30 | 31 | | |

| ◀ October | NOVEMBER 2025 | | | | | | December ▶ |
|-----------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
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| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | |
| 30 | | | | | | | |

| ◀ November | DECEMBER 2025 | | | | | | January ▶ |
|--|---------------|-----|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-----------|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
| 7 Pastor's 9 th Anniversary | 8 | 9 | 10 Christmas Banquet | 11 | 12 | 13 | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 Christmas Eve | 25 Christmas | 26 | 27 | |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 New Year's Eve Service | | | | |



Leadership Directory

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Church Services/Activities



**119 North Bank Street
Lake Charles, LA 70601
337-436-0882**

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ejkemper@mountpilgrimlc.org**

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SERVICES/ACTIVITIES

† **PRAYER LINE 6 A.M. EVERY MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY**

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Sun. 9:45 a.m.) Bro. Daniel Washington, Superintendent
Bro. Eligha Guillory, Jr., Asst. Supt.

WORSHIP SERVICE (Sun. 11 a.m.)

BIBLE STUDY (Wed. 6:00 p.m.)

DEPARTMENT MEETINGS

Men/Women— 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 7:00—7:30 p.m. Youth/Children—
Each Wednesday 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Sunday school teachers’ meeting—2nd and 4th Wednesdays 7-7:30 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSAL Days/Times

Youth and Children’s Choir: Wed. before 1st and 2nd Sundays
6-7 p.m.

Male Chorus: Wednesdays before 2nd & 4th Sundays @7:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir: Wed. before 3rd Sun. @ 7:30 p.m. & Sat. before 3rd
Sun. @ 10 a.m.

Young Adult Choir: Wed. before 5th Sun. @ 7:30 and Sat. before 5th
Sun. @ 10 a.m.

SEASONED SAINTS FELLOWSHIP (members age 55 and up) 1st Mondays
of the month (unless announced otherwise) @ 6 p.m. **September-May**

YOUNG ADULTS RAP SESSIONS—first Sundays (times to be announced by
director)

STAFF

Secretary—Sis. Cierra LeDay
337-436-0882 (M-F/8 a.m.-2 p.m.)

Custodian—Bro. Dennis Bennett
337-436-0882 (M-F/8 a.m.-2 p.m.)

TRUSTEES: Brothers Johnnie Botley, Ralph Joubert, Jerry Adams,
Albert Ceasar and Ernest Vital

MUSICIANS: Brothers Joe Arvie, Jarvis Jacob, Devin January, Dayton
January—Worship | Sisters Tracey Moore and Connie Scott—Sun. school

VAN DRIVERS: Brothers Ralph Joubert, Dennis Bennett, Harold Anderson,
and James Francis; and Sis. Selena Bias (Call secretary if you need a ride)

*Announcements and potential social media posts are submitted to Pastor Kemper

DEACONS

Member assignments (by members last names)

Deacon Simpson - Chairman / Deacon Braxton - Co-Chair

A—BotBro. **Robert Simpson**—337-794-3531

Bou—Ci.....Bro. **Charlie Mitchell**—337-477-5673

Cl—Fr.....Bro. **Gurvis Jacob**—337-526-7147

Fu—Ha.....Bro. **Lester Coleman**—337-249-2160

He—K.....Bro. **Eligha Guillory, Jr.**-337-405-9533

L—M.....Bro. **Freddie Hector** -337-515-8373

N—Si.....Bro. **James Francis**—337-499-7282

Sk—U.....Bro. **Lee Anderson**—337-693-8784

V—Z.....Bro. **Alfred Braxton**—337-249-7189

DEACONESSES

Sis. Janet Griffin
(Chairperson)
337-526-8820

Sis. Jane McKinnie
(Co-chairperson)
337-540-7685

Sis. Mary Bilbo

Sis. Marlene Jones

Sis. Elnora Lewis

Sis. Ja'nnette Hector

Sis. Geraldine Mitchell

Sis. Connie Scott

Sis. Mary Shaw

Sis. Velma Thomas

Auxiliaries/Committees

Departments | Ministries

Benevolent—Bro. Lester Coleman—337-249-2160

Calendar—Sis. LaKoshia Roberts—318-261-0287

Comfort and Care—Sis. Jane McKinnie—337-540-7685

Culinary/Social—

Evangelistic Outreach—Bro. James Francis—337-499-7282

First Impression—Bro. Alfred Braxton—337-249-7189

Media—Bro. Derrick Reed—337-499-1477

Orientation—Bro. Freddie Hector—337-515-8373

Publicity—Sis. Jane McKinnie—337-540-7685

Security Guards—Bro. Ralph Joubert—337-526-4282

Scholarship—Sis. Jerry Citizen-337-930-7819

Transportation—Bro. Ralph Joubert—337-526-4282

Ushers—

Announcements – Sis. Jerlonda Harrison

Children's Department (PKs)

Sis. Selena Bias—337-292-3774

Men's Department (The Brotherhood)

Bro. Terrence Williams—337-249-0337

Women's Ministry (Sisters in Service)

Sis. Sybyl Coleman-337-802-3181

Young Adult Department (Chosen Generation: Reloaded)

Sis. Tywana Braxton-337-263-5281

Youth Department (IMPACT)

Sis. Quiyana Chambers-337-936-9511

* EVERY MEMBER OF MT. PILGRIM IS AUTOMATICALLY INCLUDED IN AT LEAST ONE OF THESE DEPARTMENTS (regardless of participation status)



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