## **Worship Service**

**December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017** 

9:30 am	Welcome & Opening Prayers
10:00 am	Sunday school
10:40 am	Praises & Worship
10:55 am	Congregational Hymns
11:00 am	Today's Message <b>Preparing For The Abundance</b>
11:45 am	Offering - Ushers <i>Offering Hymn</i>
12:00 pm	Closing Prayers & Benediction

## **December Birthdays**

Sister MariaDec  $1^{st}$ Sister LaurelDec  $2^{nd}$ Brother IshmaelDec  $6^{th}$ Sister PriscillaDec  $6^{th}$ Sister AmyDec  $12^{th}$ Sister HenriettaDec  $25^{th}$ First Lady DorisDec  $27^{th}$ 

## Message: Preparing For The Abundance II Kings 19:41-46

Thanks be to our God for the year 2017. If the Lord had not been on our side, it could have been worse. Despite the good and bad news, the successes and failures, ups and downs, we are all still able to say our God is good, all the time. Today marks the end of the year and we are all preparing for 2018. We might be thinking of growing our businesses, growing our spiritual lives, upgrading ourselves for a new job or a new position, getting married or starting a family, going back to school, graduation, paying off our debts, traveling or embarking on a special project next year. We all need to make some sort of preparations for the abundance before the time comes. God delights in our progresses and successes but there must be some preparation that we must first make. All through the Bible, God makes His Children to be prepared for their blessing.

- 1. No Partaking in the abundance until we believe, II Kings 7:1-2
- 2. No Water for the Army until ditches were dug, II King 3:16-17
- 3. No Oil until vessels were gathered, II Kings 4:3-4
- 4. No healing until the leper had dipped seven times, II King 5:10
- 5. No Messiah until the way had been prepared, Isaiah 40:3
- 6. No harvest until the ground had been broken up, Hosea 10:12
- 7. No Vision without obedience, John 9:7
- 8. No Resurrection until the stone is removed, John 11:39
- 9. No Reconciliation without repentance, Joel 2:12
- 10. No Entrance into Heaven without cleansing, Rev. 7:13,14