

Spiritual Emphasis Week

JANUARY 7-13, 2001



“A Week of Prayer, Praise, and Proclamation”

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The Board of Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church has endorsed the annual observance of **Spiritual Emphasis Week**. Each Pastor and Presiding Elder is asked to put forth every effort to make this event one that is meaningfully observed. Spiritual Emphasis Week, observed the first full week of each New Year, is a time for consecration and dedication to the Lord, Jesus Christ. This special event is to begin on the first Sunday in January with the theme being introduced during the Morning Worship Service. Another service, focusing on the first of seven sub-themes, is to be held in the afternoon or evening. The week is to continue with each local church gathering every evening for prayer, praise, and proclamations centered on the sub-themes. The observance is to climax with each Presiding Elder District gathering on Saturday for a special service, which is also to include a season of prayer, a time of praise, and the proclamation of the Word. The theme and sub-themes for the week are as follows:

THEME: “*Becoming God’s Blessed People*”

KEY VERSES: Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday (AM)	Jan. 7, 2001	Poverty of Spirit: Recognizing Our Need for God	Matthew 5:3
Sunday (PM)	Jan. 7, 2001	Mourning: Letting God Break Our Hearts	Matthew 5:4
Monday	Jan. 8, 2001	Meekness: Living Under God’s Control	Matthew 5:5
Tuesday	Jan. 9, 2001	Spiritual Appetite: Seeking God’s Righteousness	Matthew 5:6
Wednesday	Jan. 10, 2001	Mercifulness: Demonstrating God’s Compassion	Matthew 5:7
Thursday	Jan. 11, 2001	Heart Purity: Pursuing God’s Holiness	Matthew 5:8
Friday	Jan. 12, 2001	Peacemaking: Being God’s Ambassador	Matthew 5:9
Saturday	Jan. 13, 2001	Persecution: Suffering for God’s sake	Matthew 5:10-12