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Service Times:

Sunday School 9:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 am

Sunday Evening King's Kids, Youth &  
Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meal 6:00 pm

AWANAs/Youth 6:30 pm

Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm

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Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

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## Proclaimer

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH  
"Let Us Tell You About Our Jesus"

Address Service Requested



College/Young Adult Retreat  
January 6 thru January 8  
Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters



## "A Fresh Start 2023"

Do you ever think about why we celebrate New Year's Day? It's just another day, so why is it so important for people to mark a date change on a calendar? I suspect it's because a new year offers a new beginning, the chance to start fresh. There's a reason January is the most important month of the year for gyms and diet programs because it seems like a chance to start again, to improve yourself. It seems like a natural time for beginning something, which is why lots of people make New Year's resolutions, whether they stick to them or not is another story! The Christian life offers lots of opportunities for fresh starts, for changing what we've been doing or beginning to live differently. We hear the good news that because of God's forgiveness, because God loves us, we all get a fresh start.

**Psalm 103:12** says that God has taken our sins away from us, "as far as the east is from the west." The slate can be wiped clean. We don't need to carry the weight of our sins or guilt with us anymore. We are forgiven and we have been given a Fresh Start! And then we run into the next week or maybe just the next day and it doesn't take long before we fall short of the glory of God once again. It doesn't take long for us to forget about what God has done for us. We take the burden Jesus has taken from us and we pick it back up and start trying to carry the weight of our own sins again. But we always have another opportunity to remember God's love. God never gets tired of picking us up if we will come to Jesus and confess all before Him! So, I am asking you to take opportunity now. You don't have to wait for a new year to have a fresh start. Each day offers the opportunity to wake up and remember that you are a child of God. Remember that you have been claimed, redeemed, and set free by the blood of Jesus Christ.

My prayer for you and your family is that during the year 2023, you find it important to come to the Father searching Him for a **FRESH START** in life. Come to Mt. Zion Baptist Church expecting God to do great things through your life. Then allow God to move you spiritually into a **Fresh Start** in the ministry He has set for you! May 2023 be the best year of ministry this church family and community has ever seen. In **HIS** Service,  
Pastor Keith



## CHILI COOK-OFF

January 15th



following Worship Service. Register to enter the Chili Competition. If you plan to bring Chili or Soup please see Connie Wilson. Donations accepted. All monies raised will go to help support our Youth.



## Baptist Men's Day

January 22, 2023

Guest Speaker: Brett Willis

## Memorials & Honorariums

*In honor of Deanne Starling and Dean Starling by Shirley Starling*  
*In memory of Bob Dellinger by Charlie Howell*  
*In memory of Curt & Frankie Bess by Cindy Burgin and Dianne Dixon*  
*In memory of Denny Beam by Beulah Reynolds, Dottie Brown*

**What better way to start off the New Year than with a Comeback?! Join us beginning Jan. 8 at 6 pm for our new Sunday Evening Bible Study: The Comeback by Louie Giglio. This six-session study draws on examples of men and women in Scripture to show how God is in the business of giving fresh starts to people who need a comeback. Don't need a comeback? Come anyway, so you can offer godly encouragement to those you encounter that do! Nursery will be provided.**



THE COMEBACK  
LOUIE GIGLIO  
IT'S NOT TOO LATE AND YOU'RE NEVER TOO FAR //