

THE CENTENNIAL COUNTDOWN 100TH HOLY CONVOCATION 2007

DEAR PASTOR,

Enclosed please find information that will assist you and your congregation in participating in the special events of the Centennial Holy Convocation.

PLEASE FIND THE FOLLOWING ENCLOSED:

- 1. When Saints Pray – The Centennial Intercessory Ministry**
 - ✓ Information For Local Church Involvement (3 Steps)
 - ✓ The Centennial Prayer Request Forms for Local Churches
 - ✓ How To Organize A Telephone Blitz – For Prayer Request
- 2. Opportunities to Serve as Prayer Counselors**
- 3. Information on the World Wide Communion Service**

It is the desire of the Presiding Bishop, Bishop Charles E. Blake, Sr., members of the General Board and the Centennial Committee, that each pastor, church and jurisdiction actively participate in the,

COUNTDOWN TO OUR CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

Through our combined efforts we believe the celebration of this Centennial will allow the Church Of God In Christ to impact the world for the cause of Christ.

Bishop Roy. L. H. Winbush, Centennial Committee Chair
Bishop J. W. Macklin, Centennial Committee Co-Chair

WHEN SAINTS PRAY
THE INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY OF THE 100TH HOLY CONVOCATION
SUGGESTIONS FOR LOCAL CHURCH INVOLVEMENT

1. SET A GOAL (THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28 – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4)

- a. Prepare 200, 500 or 1000 PRAYER REQUEST FORMS for distribution to the members of your church. In addition to their own prayer request, each member is encouraged to be responsible for **20 PRAYER REQUEST FORMS** for distribution to others. (To complete this task simply make as many copies as necessary from the original **PRAYER REQUEST FORM** included in this mailing)
- b. Set a date for all PRAYER REQUEST FORMS to be returned. The Deadline for prayer requests to be returned to the local church is - **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4**
- c. After receiving the PRAYER REQUEST FORMS take some time for prayer, before the forms are packaged for transporting to the 100th Holy Convocation by the pastor or designated representatives.
- d. **Tuesday Evening, November 6th at 7:00 PM, the Centennial Prayer Ark will be transported into the Cook Convention Center. During this service pastors and or congregational designates will be called forth to place their PRAYER REQUEST FORMS into the Centennial Prayer Ark. This will be a memorable moment in our 100th Holy Convocation, as prayer request are presented from around the world.**

Following the service on Tuesday Evening, the **CENTENNIAL PRAYER ARK** will rest in Mason Temple, where the 24 Hour International Prayer Chapel will be open and intercessors will be in prayer around the clock. *Expect Miracles to Happen!* Additional prayer request can be added at any time during this historic season of celebration.

2. MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SOLICIT PRAYER REQUEST FROM - Family, co-workers, neighbors and friends. This is a great way to impact your neighborhood and involve the larger community in celebration of the Church Of God In Christ 100th Birthday.

3. FOLLOW-UP AND OUTREACH - This Centennial Prayer endeavor is an effective tool for promoting fellowship and evangelism.

Three (3) Important Steps

- a. Before coming to Memphis - Make a copy of all PRAYER REQUEST FORMS
- b. During the Holy Convocation obtain complimentary **CENTENNIAL FOLLOW-UP POST CARDS** equal to the total number of Prayer Request Forms that was submitted from your church. (*postage not included*)
- c. Upon your return home mail a **CENTENNIAL FOLLOW-UP POST CARD** to each person who submitted a prayer request. The post cards provide a place for the exact time that the prayer request was placed in the Centennial Prayer Ark in Memphis.

(This simple act will have a profound impact on your local church witness)

ORGANIZE A TELEPHONE BLITZ

A time to call visitors and past guests to your church and ask for their prayer request.

A SAMPLE TELEPHONE OR PERSONAL CONVERSATION:

Hello (*Mr/Mrs*) _____, My name is Kathryn Smith from the New Light COGIC in Phoenix, Arizona. How are you today? I'm calling to inform you of the Church of God in Christ Centennial Celebration and our 100th Holy Convocation in Memphis, Tennessee.

In this our 100th Year Celebration, churches throughout America are encouraged to bring prayer requests from individuals, families and communities to the Annual Holy Convocation to be placed in the **Centennial Prayer Ark**. We believe in the Power of God and we believe in miracles. Through this powerful prayer vigil we believe that many prayers will be answered.

(*Mr/Mrs*) _____ Do you have a prayer request? Is there something you need God to do for you or your family? We would be honored to carry your prayer request to the 100th Holy Convocation in Memphis, Tennessee.

(COMPLETE THE PRAYER REQUEST FORM)

(*Mr/Mrs*) _____ thank you for your prayer request. We are joining with you in believing God for your miracle. Upon our return from Memphis, we will mail to you a **CENTENNIAL FOLLOW-UP POST CARD**, confirming that prayer was offered and informing you of the exact time your prayer request was placed in the Centennial Prayer Ark in Memphis, Tennessee. We have your address as (*repeat address you have*). Thank you again for your time, we look forward to hearing a praise report from you in the near future.

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AND THE 100TH HOLY CONVOCATION
WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SERVICE

In cities and communities throughout the United States and designated countries around the world, the saints will gather at the Lord's Table on Monday, November 12th. In an effort to embrace the deeper purpose of Communion, the Centennial Committee encourages all Church Of God In Christ congregations across jurisdictional lines to provide an opportunity for members who are not traveling to Memphis to unite in (1) church per city or region, for this historic World Wide Communion setting.

The communion setting will take place at 10:00AM Central Standard time (8AM – Pacific Standard Time or 11:00 AM Eastern Standard Time). The service will be viewed on large screens as those attending churches throughout the United States and around the world participate with the Saints at the 100th Holy Convocation in Memphis, Tennessee.

Following the preached word, communion will be served to the thousands in Memphis, Tennessee. Simultaneously, worship coordinators in each designated city (Elders, Deacons & Deaconess) will likewise serve communion to those attending at their respective locations.

THIS WILL BE A HISTORIC AND UNFORGETTABLE MOMENT IN PENTECOSTAL HISTORY

For details on host churches and services in an area near you, or to be a sponsoring site for your area please register online with the COGIC web site www.cogic.org.

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THE CENTENNIAL INTERCESSORY PRAYER
MINISTRY OF THE 100TH HOLY CONVOCATION

While intercessors and prayer warriors are praying unto God in the International Prayer Chapel at Mason Temple, men and women throughout the world will have the opportunity to speak directly, one on one , to a telephone Prayer Counselor.

Located in Mason Temple balcony chambers “*All Saints Bible College Library*”, 20 telephone hotlines will be staffed. Here, Spirit-filled prayer counselors will receive requests and join with callers in prayer believing God for divine intervention in their lives. Additionally, each caller's name will be added to the International Prayer Ark.

PLEASE NOTE: Telephone Prayer Counselors are needed for this vital outreach ministry to the world. Two or 4 hour ministry shifts are available around the clock. Participants who share in more than 4 hours of ministry during the Holy Convocation will receive a Centennial Certificate of Appreciation.)

To participate as a Prayer Counselor in this Centennial Intercessory Prayer Ministry the following is required: Upon arrival in Memphis, volunteers are encouraged to come to Mason Temple to confirm their participation and scheduled their time of ministry. *Volunteers will be encouraged and strengthen as they complete the 1 hour orientation.* It would be a great testimony if each local church had at least (1) one representative to share in this historic event. (Please note prayer counselors only join with callers in presenting their prayer request before the Lord.)



When Saints Pray

CENTENNIAL INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

100th Holy Convocation

November 6 -12, 2007

Memphis, Tennessee

As the Saints of God gather from around the world to celebrate the 100th Holy Convocation of the Church Of God In Christ, intercessory prayer will be a central focus for this historic moment in time.

At Mason Temple, the **24 HOUR INTERNATIONAL PRAYER CHAPEL** will be open continually as intercessors and prayer warriors from around the globe intercede on behalf of families, communities and nations of the world. **Complete your prayer request and it will be taken to Memphis, Tennessee and placed in the Centennial Prayer Ark on Tuesday Evening, November 6th at 7:00 PM. *Miracles Still Happen!***

From Wednesday, November 7th through Sunday, November 10th the **CENTENNIAL PRAYER ARK** will rest in Mason Temple, 938 Mason Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

Visit the 100th Holy Convocation and

International Prayer Chapel ON-LINE @ www.COGIC.org

HEAR, PRESIDING BISHOP, CHARLES E. BLAKE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

(Check Your Schedule for Word Network TV – Sunday Coverage)

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Prayer Request:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ **St.** _____ **Zip** _____

PLEASE DUPLICATE THIS FORM