



## ***History of the Flower Ministry November 2022***

*Blessed be the Lord God of our Father, which hath put such a thing as this in the King's heart, to beauty the house of the Lord which is in Jerusalem.*

*(Ezra 7:27)*

*The Flower Ministry was organized in 1940 under the leadership of the late Rev. Charles H. Hamilton. The idea was brought to the Pastor by Sister Mattie Miller-Young.*

*The purpose of the Ministry is to provide floral arrangements for the beautification of the sanctuary altar on Sunday mornings. In remembrance of deceased members, the Ministry provides flowers on behalf of the church family for the funeral services. The members of the flower Ministry serves as Flower Bearers during funeral services.*

*Since its organization, several persons have served as President, each one making contributions as able and faithful leaders. The first President was Willie M. Hall (deceased) followed Elizabeth Williams, Hattie McCain (deceased), Jessie Stephens (deceased), Luella Edwards, Emmie Miller (deceased), Elnora Meredith (deceased), Delores Rogers and Estelle Redmond (deceased), Annie Anderson (deceased), JaWanda Rowls and our current President is Sister Linda Camphor.*

*Some of the accomplishments of the ministry are donations to the Transportation Committee for the air conditioners. The ministry contributes to the decorations of the church during the Holiday Season and other special occasions. We have tried to live up to our purpose and we are thankful to God for keeping us in his care. Our aim is to work until the Master calls us home as we want to hear him say, "Well done thy good and Faithful servant". (Matthew 25:21)*

*"The earth is Jesus' footstool...and we're the flowers at His feet,  
A lovely field of gorgeous color, growing wild, but oh so sweet!  
With every flower rich in beauty bringing pleasure to His heart,  
Each nurtured with His tenderness...a precious work of art!"*