

Sunday, January 1, 2012

Sunday • 10:00 am

Welcome and Announcements

A Moment to Feel God’s Presence

Opening Prayer

Opening Song *

“Breaking of Day”

Prayers of Gratitude

Collection of Tithes & Offerings

Collection of Building Fund Offering

Offertory: *

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to You, We are an offering.
Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands
Lord use our lives, they are Yours. We are an offering.**

**All that we have, all the we are, All that we hope to be
We give to You, we give to You.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You.
We are an offering, we are an offering.**

Invitation to Prayer

“I Give Myself Away”

Community/Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

Preparatory Praise

“People Need the Lord”

Message

Rev. Phil Mathews

“2012: The Year of the Lord’s Return”

An Invitation

Holy Communion

At Imani MCC, and at MCCs throughout the world, we serve an open communion. Everyone is welcome at the Table of God.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy ...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices ...

(* Please rise as you are able.)

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord, God of power and might!

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

The Mystery of Faith:

Christ has died. Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

The Consecration (Blessing of the Elements)

Invitation to the Table

Distribution of the Elements

We use a small wafer & grape juice.

Please respect those around you and engage in silent meditation.

-- Thank You --

If you would like someone to pray with you following the service, please let your server know at the time of communion.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Blessing *

“We now go forth in faith with this intention:

- To **Worship** wherever we are
- By being **God’s Word** made flesh,
- Living the **Oneness** that we are,
- Celebrating **Wonder** everywhere,
- And bearing **Witness** through love.

And so it is. And so it shall be. Amen.”

Parting Song *

“Let the Church Say Amen”

“**Breaking of Day**”..... (Opening Song)

Chorus: I can feel the breaking of day,
I won’t look back, I’ll just keep pressing my way.
Oh, I can feel the breaking of day,
My blessing’s got to be on the way (2x).

Oh I may not be able to see it, But in my heart I do believe
That Jesus, he knows all my troubles,
And soon he’s coming to see about me

I can feel it way down in my soul, Ever since I let God take control,
For I know it’s ... on the Way, I can feel it.
For I know it’s ... on the Way, I Believe It.
For I know it’s ... on the Way, I can feel it.
For I know it’s ... on the Way, I Believe It.

“**I Give Myself Away**” (Invitation to Prayer)

Chorus:

I give myself away, I give myself away, So You can use me
I give myself away, I give myself away, So You can use me

Here I am. Here I stand. Lord, my life is in your hands
Lord, I’m longing to see Your desires revealed in me
I give myself away.

Take my heart. Take my life As a living sacrifice
All my dreams all my plans Lord I place them in your hands.

My life is not my own To you I belong.
I give myself, I give myself to you.

“**People Need the Lord**” (Preparatory Praise)

Every day they pass me by, I can see it in their eye.
Empty people filled with care, Headed who knows where?
On they go through private pain, Living fear to fear.
Laughter hides their silent cries, Only Jesus hears.

People need the Lord, people need the Lord.
At the end of broken dreams, He’s the open door.
People need the Lord, people need the Lord.
When will we realize – people need the Lord?

We are called to take His light To a world where wrong seems right.
What would be too great a cost For sharing life with one who’s lost?
Through His love our hearts can feel All the grief they bear.
They must hear the words of life Only we can share.

People need the Lord, people need the Lord
At the end of broken dreams, He’s the open door.
People need the Lord, people need the Lord.
When will we realize that we must give our lives,
For people need the Lord. People need the Lord.

January Birthdays
January 1 – Phil Mathews

“Let the Church Say Amen” (Closing Song)

Let the Church Say Amen.
 Let the Church Say Amen.
 God Has Spoken Say Amen.
 So let the church Let the Church Say say Amen.

Can I get a witness ... Let the Church Say Amen.
 To what his plans are ... Let the Church Say Amen.
 To what his words say ... Let the Church Say Amen.
 God has spoken ... God Has Spoken God has spoken.
 Let the church Let the Church Say Amen.

Make this your response ... Amen.
 To whatever he says ... Amen.
 From the healing of your body ... Amen.
 To the raising of the dead ... Amen.
 No matter how you feeling ... Amen.
 Or how your world is reeling ... Amen.
 Battle on through the night ... Amen.
 Cause you're going to win the fight ... Amen.
 Even in the valley ... Amen.
 Or standing at your red sea ... Amen.
 Continue to say ... Amen.
 Cause your help is on the way ... Amen.
 My God has spoken
 I heard him ... Let the Church ... So let the church say ... Say Amen.

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Let's remember to “keep first things first” this week!
*“Do not worry then, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or
 ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear for clothing?’
 But seek first [God’s] kingdom and [God’s] righteousness, and all
 these things will be added to you.”*
 Matthew 6:31, 33 (NASB)

	Needed	Actual	Var. +/-
Dec 25, 2011 Offering:	\$1,636.58	\$1,562.00	(\$ -74.58)
Year to date:	\$85,101.96	\$82,970.21	(\$ -2,131.75)
	Offering	Yr to Date	Total Given
Building Fund Giving	\$35.00	\$4,979.00	\$161,620.93
Expenditures	\$100,707.08	Balance	\$57,665.16
Attendance: 30	Updated Weekly		

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for,
 the evidence of things not seen.” - Hebrews 11:1 (KJV)

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WEEKLY EVENTS

- Sunday: 11:45am-12:45pm - Choir rehearsal
 - 304 E. Trinity Ave.
- Wednesday: 7:00pm-8:30pm - Bible Study
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- Thursday: 7:30pm-9:00pm - Bible Study – Hillsborough
 - 610 Red Fox Trail (Call Annette or Melissa - 643-2284)
- Thursday: 7:00pm-8:30pm – Healing Circle
 - 304 E. Trinity Ave. – (taking December off)
- Saturday: 10am-11:00am – Prayer Service - 3602 C-View

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 or ask for a copy from one of the Ushers.

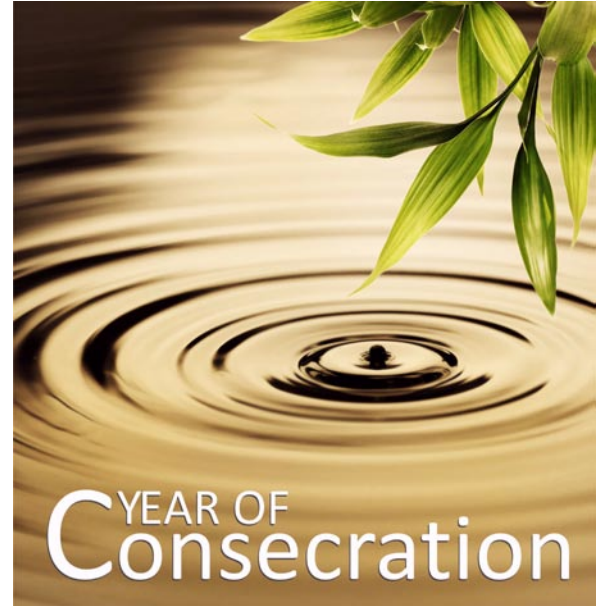


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worship, word, oneness, wonder and witness.

Imani, a church where, through faith, all can experience and express God's irresistible love through

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WE WELCOME YOU TO IMANI MCC.
 YOU MAY BE NEW TO US, BUT
 YOU ARE KNOWN AND LOVED BY GOD.