

Welcome Message:

Dear Church Family, I hope this newsletter finds you well. We are grateful for your continued support and participation in our community. Let's continue to grow in faith and love together!

Upcoming Events:

- Monday, Thursday and Friday: Bible Study Services on Series: **Open Hands: Stewarding God's Gifts with Kingdom Vision** at 12 PM and 7 PM
- Sunday: Worship Services in Detroit and Flint at 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM.
- December 2025: Bible Class in Bloomfield Hills new office
- January 2026: Homelessness Outreach Summit in San Francisco, CA
- December 31: New Years Eve Service at location in Oakland County, Michigan
- January 2026: Church will host orientation with members and wider community to put people back to work with the Volunteer-to-Work program, information sessions for the community in Oakland County.

Recent Activities:

The church's current membership is **13,877** in Michigan and some members in Chicago. The church in-person attendance during services is **12,182+** every week to hear preaching from guest speakers and Bishop. Spiritual seminars being taught by Bishop Hobson on the series called "The Legacy Blueprint: Building a Better You." Bishop Hobson preached and taught the seminars to **294-513** among members and visitors that is confirmed by staff in the Office of Honesty and Transparency for their records in Oakland County, Michigan. Bishop Hobson has taught spiritual seminars on the following topics: The Cost of Easy Money, Stop Making

Excuses, Trading Sloth for Strength: Why Hard Work is God for God Path, Work as Worship, Trading the Lie of Entitlement for Gift of Comfort and The Freedom of Focus. The 2026 Legacy Blueprint Seminar continuation in January. Space is limited to ensure every architect is paired with a covenant mentor. Click the link to start the application process for the Legacy Blueprint Seminar:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe4sFP3bTbsMpCo2id1-Vck4KSQuQ6VbNSJqWn9IJZo8c_VVA/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=104830167728431876187.

According to the membership outcome of the congregation, **50.4% members are women and 49.6% men. 34% members are white/Caucasian, 28% members are Latino/Hispanic, 31% members are black/African American, and 7% members are foreigners.** Members reside in Ann Arbor, Lansing, Ypsilanti, Battle Creek, Flint, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Houston, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Hattiesburg, Las Vegas, Dubuque, Philadelphia and overseas in Uganda, Kenya, Cameroon, Liberia, Nigeria, South Africa and Tanzania. The Vine Ministry informed Bishop Hobson that Chicago residents are starting to walk away from churches in Chicago because they say they see no spiritual foundation to seek this congregation as a new church home. Bishop Hobson says he does not compete with other churches because he lets people in the community come to the church. The Vine Ministry says most members are starting to commit to walk away from Salem Baptist Church of Chicago in 2026 to seek this congregation as their church home. Some people are comparing Rev. Charlie Dates and Bishop Hobson preaching as a split screen at the pulpit.

The church has to relocate many of the Contentment of Christ Leadership Conference to

cities where the church and Bishop Hobson have spiritual gates open. The Contentment in Christ Leadership Conference could be planned in Mississippi, Illinois, Texas, Iowa and Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Prayer Requests:

Prayers from families and individuals to provide grief and support for Bishop Hobson for his unexpected loss of his mother from stroke symptoms and heart failure. Prayers from families and individuals to provide grief and support for Bishop Hobson for unexpected loss of his grandmother on November 1, 2025. His grandmother on his mom's side of the family died from regular medical reasons. Bishop Hobson had an aunt on his mom side of the family that died from breast cancer and medical reasons on November 1, 2021.

Announcements:

The church started and structured a new leadership transition team to shake up church leadership while we prepare to move into new church buildings in Pontiac, Bloomfield Hills and Flint. The church has done well in spiritual growth and community outreach in 2025, but the church and congregation like to do more because families and individuals are still living in poverty and starting to fall into homelessness in Michigan. In 2026, the church goal is to make more families and individuals prosperous again. Families and individuals are struggling living on government subsidies. The church goal is to help people in Michigan get off government subsidies and end crime in communities. There are too many families and individuals with mental health, bipolar disorders, depression, anger and oppression. Bishop Hobson will continue to teach spiritual seminars to members and people in the communities to help them live spiritually and from a biblical perspective. The church goal will continue to help lead more people and families in the community to biblical and spiritual growth. Bishop Hobson is open and continues to be

available to people in the community that need healing, biblical counseling and ways to live an obedient life to God by turning away from wickedness and sins. Bishop Hobson says over and over again the Democratic Party left him in 2010, but voted for Barack Obama in 2012. The transition team and new church staff will finally promote the Volunteer to Work Program that was postponed last month to January 2026. The Volunteer to Work Program will be promoted at local businesses and organizations in Oakland County and Flint. The program will generate 79.3% labor participation in Oakland County and Flint to help put unemployed and employed people back in the labor market with job training and skills with banking, professional services, retail, sales, healthcare, finance services, law firms, law enforcement, public administration, warehousing, accounting, education and small businesses. The Generational Ministry volunteers will pass out specialized booklets to students for free in the Oakland County and Flint neighborhoods to teach children and students how to live under God's grace. The Volunteer-to-Work Program is still being planned for January 2026 as well to help put more people to work to increase the labor participation in Oakland County and Flint. Bishop Hobson and the congregation is getting huge attention across the nation on his spiritual leadership online on social media including his own social media accounts in a positive way along with good attention in communities.

Prayer of the Month

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for protecting us from evil in 2025. Thank you for our continuous life on earth and waking us up every morning.

Thank you for those people in the world they live their obedience to God and fruit of the Spirit.

Guide more people to end their life as a tax collector and by mammon.

Bless those families in this country that lost a loved one this year.

Help and guide us to live a prosperous life without sin, temptation, Idolatry, wickedness, bondage and evil.

Help and guide us to live a healthy and prosperous life under God's kingdom and his grace.

In Jesus name, Amen.

Bible Verses/Reflection:

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what it is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."-Romans 12:2

Reflection: We pray for everyone in this nation to have a safe and peaceful Christmas centered on hope in Christ. Our prayers go out to families that lost loved ones in 2025 during crime and political violence. We strengthen many families and individuals to have more Hope in Christ in 2026. Bless families that are dealing with mourning of lost loved ones and we need to pray for those people healing and help them get through tough times. It is families that lost fathers, grandparents, sisters, mothers, family members and spouses. We need to start praying, finding a church home, living obedient to God, reading the Bible and making decisions by heavenly wisdom while we take our Christian walk to God and his kingdom in 2026. We need to support homeless people that are dealing with stress and encourage them to seek God in their life and stop them being conformed to the world. Let us have a peaceful nation and communities in 2026.