

Pastor Christopher A. Johnson Sr.



Pastor Christopher A. Johnson, Sr., known as Pastor J to many, is the visionary presiding over Zion Christian Ministries of Murfreesboro, Tennessee. He is Founder and Pastor of the ministry which was established in August of 2007. He received Bachelor of Science in Universal Studies and minored in Education at Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro TN. Pastor Johnson is involved many things, but first and foremost he is an anointed man of God who seeks guidance from the Lord in all that he does. He served in Ministry five years at Bethel Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Freddie B. Carpenter before receiving his first pastorate. He is a husband, a father, a son, a brother and a friend to many, but most importantly he is a friend of God's. God does indeed call him friend.

When God permitted Pastor Johnson to birth Zion Christian Ministries, the first meeting was held in one of the private dining rooms of a local restaurant. At that time approximately thirty men, women and children attended, and all who attended agreed to be a part of Zion. That meeting took place in July of 2007, and since then Zion has grown tremendously. So far within the first nine months of this year (2008) alone, thirty-six new members have joined Zion Christian Ministries bringing total current membership to approximately 135 and counting. Pastor Johnson has worked faithfully to create a well structured and organized ministry. The active ministries of Zion consists of a dynamic women's ministry, a powerful men's ministry, a growing youth ministry, an awesome praise dance & step team ministry, a great usher and parking ministry, and an anointed praise & worship team to usher the presence of God into every worship service. Instructed by God, Pastor Johnson has selected individuals to be a part of the staff and core group of Zion. It is to this group of people and the entire body of Zion that Pastor Johnson gives credit for where Zion is today. Services at Zion are Bible Enrichment traditionally known to many as Sunday school, Mid-week Bible Study, W.O.W. (Women of Worship) Service, H.U.M.P. (Helping Uniting Motivating Praising) Night, Vision Empowerment Week, and "A Look at Zion" which is Zion's member orientation class. Pastor Johnson is the developer of the Ministers in Training (M.I.T.) program, and he is also the Founder and President of C.J. Ministries. Zion is an interdenominational ministry where all people from all types of backgrounds, regardless of race, creed, culture, denomination, or level of spiritual maturation, are welcome. Pastor Johnson did not want to start Zion out in the traditional sense. He wanted to create a new millennium ministry by utilizing one of the most powerful technological sources of today, the world-wide web/internet, so he created Zion's website, www.thisiszion.org, which is equipped with powerful software that empowers the ministry. He has established an additional funding source for Zion by developing the Zion Store. Some of his goals for Zion are to establish a multi-media ministry, to conduct outreach through music ministry, to birth ministries internationally, and many more.