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Faithfulness in  
Tithing & Giving*

Tithing and offering is scriptural and is used to support the organizations of the Church. Place your tithes and offerings in an envelope and designate it as such so it will be handled in the proper manner. Our first Sunday (of the month) offering goes to the Pastor, second Sunday to Missions, third and fourth Sunday for church expenses. We collect an orphanage offering the last Sunday of the month and every fifth Sunday offering goes to our church treasurer.

**Online and Credit Card Giving is now available, see our website for more details.**



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**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

*Birthdays for January*  
John Singh 1/6, Tiffany Ramcharan  
1/6, Pauline Singh 1/7, Nicole Thomas  
1/13, Sherma Darlington 1/22, Nicole  
& Triston Thomas 1/27, Natalie Earle  
1/30

*Staff & Leaders*

*Pastors: Bishop Robin Balram & Pastor*

*David Daniel*

*Sunday Morning Prayer Leader:*

*Pauline Singh*

*Business Administrator: Ressie*

*McCurry*

*Women's Ministry: Indra Balram*

*Men's Ministry: Barrington Sharpe*

*Hospitality Ministry: Jane Morris*

*Deacon & Deaconesses: Besrick Turgott,*

*Vilma Turgott, Juliet Morris, Dolores*

*St. Paul, Ressie McCurry*



**Welcome To Rockville Church of God of Prophecy**

**A Place of Faith, Family and Friends**

January 3, 2016

Thanks for joining us today @ Rockville Church of God of Prophecy. We trust you are blessed and encouraged through the worship, prayer and the word along with the love and warmth of our fellowship.

Rockville COGOP is a mission center and Christian community dedicated to helping hurting and hungry people find faith, hope, and dignity alongside each other. We love to throw parties, tell stories, find hope, and practice the ways of Jesus as best we can. We're all hurt or get hungry in our own ways. We're at different places on our journey but we share a guiding story, a sweeping epic drama called The Bible. We find faith as we follow Jesus and share a willingness to honestly wrestle with God and our questions and doubts. We find dignity as God's image-bearers and strive to call out that dignity in one another. We all receive, and we all give. We are old, young, poor, rich, conservative, liberals, single, married, evangelicals, progressives, over-educated, undereducated, certain, doubting, hurting, and thriving. Yet Christ's love binds our differences together in unity. At Rockville COGOP, everyone is safe, but no one is comfortable.

## Greetings

We are a vibrant and diverse fellowship of people who have been drawn together by a supremely wonderful reality. God has changed us! Through the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ, he has forgiven us of our sin and refashioned us according to his glorious image. By a miracle of his grace, our hearts pulsate with the love of Christ. We worship God with all of our hearts and with all of our resources.

It is our greatest joy and privilege to serve the people of God. We love God and we love His people. We invite you to feel at home in our father's house, and to expect to receive from the Lord every time you come. Prayer is the cornerstone of this church and through prayer and expectation, you will see transformation. May the Lord richly bless you is our prayer. Pastor and Lady Balram.

1. **Communion affirms God's commitment to our deliverance.**

It is called a "covenant" of deliverance. It brings the "awe" to the communion service. And just as people never forget a physical deliverance, this act helps us grasp the divine deliverance provided in Jesus. What we are eating and drinking was death to Jesus but is life to us.

2. **Communion offers an opportunity for a heart check.**

We all need times of reflection to recalibrate our hearts to heavenly coordinates. Communion is such an opportunity, not for us to be judgmental of others, but to acknowledge that we are imperfect beings walking together through an imperfect world, helping each other to higher ground.

3. **Communion is a celebration of joy.**

The early church was marked by joy and generosity. Those outside loved them and what they did was a magnet to those who didn't know Jesus. Wouldn't we all like to recover the essence of the Acts 2 church?

4. **Communion is a statement of our unity.**

It is the great leveler. We are all together at the foot of the cross, all needing grace, all drinking deeply of the love of God, all equally flawed but gladly resting in His warm embrace.

5. **Communion is the anticipation of victory to come.**

It is "until Jesus returns." The groaning of today is only temporary. Victory is assured because in His death He destroyed him who had the power of death. (Hebrews 2:14-15)

6. **Communion is a reminder of new life in Christ.**

The week to come can be an adventure because His resurrection life is lived out in our lives.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

"I WILL BLESS THE LORD AT ALL TIMES, HIS PRAISE SHALL CONTINUALLY BE IN MY MOUTH".

Sunday, January 3rd, 2016

Song

Scripture/Opening Prayer

Worship Session

Time of Prayer/Communion

Special Song

Sermon

Tithes and offering

Closing Song/

Announcements/Benediction

*United in Prayer: 21 days of prayer and fasting: January 5-25*

*In Matthew chapter 18, Jesus reminds us of the power of united prayer when he says, "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." This January, the global family of the Church of God of Prophecy will once again start the New Year with a season of prayer and fasting. We recognize that prayer is our first core value and the foundation for all our ministry efforts. Once again this year, we are calling on our churches and members to mobilize their efforts and join us in a concentrated time, seeking God's direction for our ministries locally, nationally, and globally. I believe even greater things are ahead for the Church of God of Prophecy, but they will only be obtained through prayer and fasting. Thank you for your plans and efforts to unite with me in this year's 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting.*

*Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January @ 7.00 p.m. Prayer & Bible Study*