

Dear Graduates of 2025

Your Pilgrim Rest family is very proud of your educational achievement. We know that your High School Graduation is the first of many successes that you will have as you keep God first in your life.

Additionally, may these quotes assist you in knowing, being and doing who you are.

### **KNOW WHO YOU ARE**

You must know who you are. God created you, intentionally, as you. You do not decide who you are; you discover who you are. As you spend time with God, He will reveal to you who you are.

*"If you know who you are, you do not need permission to do what you do."*

**Dr. Anthony Mensa**

### **BE WHO YOU ARE**

You must be genuinely you. There are people who will challenge you to be them or to be who they want you to be. However, you must be who God created you to be.

*"There is something in every one of you that's waits and listens for the sound of the genuine in yourself. It is the only true guide that you will ever have. And if you cannot hear it, you will all of your life, spend your days, on the ends of strings, that somebody else pulls."*

**Dr. Howard Thurman**

### **DO WHAT YOU DO**

You must fulfill your purpose and calling for why God created you. You have a destiny that only you can fulfill. If you do not do it, it will leave a void that no one else can fill.

*"You can pray until you faint, but unless you get up and try to do something, God is not going to put it in your lap"*

**Fannie Lou Hamer**

*"I prayed for freedom for twenty years, but received no answer until I prayed with my legs."*

**Frederick Douglass**

### **WITH WHAT YOU HAVE**

When God created you, God also equipped you with everything that you need to be you and do you. Trust the Holy Spirit within you to empower you to be you and do you.

*"The task ahead of us can never, ever be greater than the power within us."*

**Joseph Shabalala**

### **TRUSTING IN GOD**

You must trust that God will not give you something to do that is impossible for you to do. Trust God... you've got this

*"When God gives you something to do, God is already in the future watching you do it."*

**Dr. Martin Childs, Jr.**

# PASTORAL TRANSITION

## PASTORAL TRANSITION SCRIPTURES:

<sup>9</sup> The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps.

**Proverbs 16:9**

<sup>4</sup> Show me Your ways, O Lord; Teach me Your paths. <sup>5</sup> Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all day long.

**Psalms 25:4, 5**

## PASTORAL TRANSITION PRAYER:

Dear God, In my mind, I make my plans, But I desire You, Lord, to direct my steps.

So, show me Your ways, O Lord; Teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You, I wait all day long.

As you show me, teach me and lead me, I will seek your will, I will trust your leading and I will follow your directing as I pray regarding our next pastor. In the name of Jesus, the Christ, Amen



## PASTORAL TRANSITION TIMELINE



## BIBLICAL SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

EXODUS 24:12-18, <sup>12</sup>THEN THE LORD SAID TO MOSES, "COME UP TO ME ON THE MOUNTAIN. STAY THERE, AND I WILL GIVE YOU THE TABLETS OF STONE ON WHICH I HAVE INSCRIBED THE INSTRUCTIONS AND COMMANDS SO YOU CAN TEACH THE PEOPLE." <sup>13</sup>SO MOSES AND HIS ASSISTANT JOSHUA SET OUT, AND MOSES CLIMBED UP THE MOUNTAIN OF GOD. <sup>14</sup>MOSES TOLD THE ELDERS, "STAY HERE AND WAIT FOR US UNTIL WE COME BACK. AARON AND HUR ARE HERE WITH YOU. IF ANYONE HAS A DISPUTE WHILE I AM GONE, CONSULT WITH THEM." <sup>15</sup>THEN MOSES CLIMBED UP THE MOUNTAIN, AND THE CLOUD COVERED IT. <sup>16</sup>AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD SETTLED DOWN ON MOUNT SINAI, AND THE CLOUD COVERED IT FOR SIX DAYS. ON THE SEVENTH DAY THE LORD CALLED TO MOSES FROM INSIDE THE CLOUD. <sup>17</sup>TO THE ISRAELITES AT THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN, THE GLORY OF THE LORD APPEARED AT THE SUMMIT LIKE A CONSUMING FIRE. <sup>18</sup>THEN MOSES DISAPPEARED INTO THE CLOUD AS HE CLIMBED HIGHER UP THE MOUNTAIN. HE REMAINED ON THE MOUNTAIN FORTY DAYS AND FORTY NIGHTS. (NLT)

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## *The Pilgrim Rest Oasis* *Sharing the Faith · Securing the Future*

Through faith God has given us the space to be an **oasis** in the middle of the city.

An **oasis** is a fertile spot in the desert where refuge, relief, and refreshment is found.

Be part of God's plan for Pilgrim Rest and this community.

Start contributing to the **Oasis** today!  
Let's continue to make progress!

Thank you for your continued support of God's plan for us.



Beginning



Current

*Your contribution can be dedicated to a specific activity or the Oasis, in general.*

	<b>Educational Enrichment</b>	<b>Technology Literacy</b>	<b>Athletics &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>Performing Arts</b>	<b>Facility Innovation</b>
\$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 Subject books for elementary (math, literature, history, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 iPad</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 basketballs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 art sets for aspiring artists</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>External security lighting to keep the street well-lit and safe</li> </ul>
\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 Summer Bridge books to help students retain learning during breaks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 "learn how to code" kits for elementary students</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 tennis rackets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 beginner saxophones or 8 beginner violins</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Camera security system to keep everyone safe</li> </ul>
\$2,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9 students can be challenged to excel using interactive problem-solving programs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 computer for graphic design and website creation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 sets of golf clubs for children</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 Play Scripts with performance/ licensing fee and cast instructions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wireless PA system to easily communicate at the school</li> </ul>
\$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 smartboard to help teachers engage students in learning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 STEM lab cart of materials for a classroom with multiple activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3-day Speed and Agility workshop for 15 young aspiring track stars</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 pairs of tap shoes for aspiring dancers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Battery operated floor scrubber to keep the building looking its best</li> </ul>
\$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 trip for 15 students to visit 1 HBCU</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 Robotic kits to reinforce studies in STEAM subjects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open gym for 20 young people 1 X a week throughout the winter in a safe place</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>200 tickets to see Alvin Ailey Dance Company</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LED light fixtures throughout the school to promote learning and natural light</li> </ul>