

Pastor's Niche January 2026

"Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

— John 13:35 (NLT)

A New Year, A Renewed Walk

Happy New Year, Mount Zion Family! As we step into January 2026, let us remember that God is calling His people not simply to believe His Word, but to obey it. Our faith must rest in Him—not in the shifting winds of politics, finances, or worldly promises. Too often we chase outcomes, comfort, or public approval, and forget that obedience is the true measure of discipleship. God is not impressed by our religious language. God is moved by surrendered lives that walk in His truth. This year, let us be a church whose confidence is rooted in God's character, not in circumstances, trusting that His way is always the best way. Faith that is lived, not merely spoken, is the faith that pleases God.

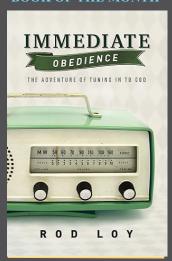
Obedience (to God's commands) is the true measure of discipleship.

And while we pray for God's blessings, we must also embrace His expectations—especially the command to *love one another*. Christ showed us that love is sacrificial, patient, forgiving, and sometimes inconvenient. *We cannot claim spiritual maturity while harboring grudges, envy, coldness, or selective kindness*. Let us allow the Holy Spirit to confront our attitudes, correct our conduct, and soften our hearts toward one another.

The world will not believe our message if love is absent in our fellowship. This year, may we determine to *walk in obedience, live by faith*, and *truly love one another*—because *that is the gospel at work*.

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BOOK OF THE MONTH



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SCRIPTURES:

Renewed Obedience to God's Commands

January 1-3

January 4-10

I Samuel 15:22

January 11-17
John 15:10

January 18-24

2 John 1:6

January 25-31 *James 1:22*