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The name, "Maranatha Faith Temple of the Apostolic Faith," was birthed from a dream and a vision of a Young Joe Haywood Kelly, who, after his father's death, saw a vision of himself being lifted from the earth. It wasn't until after God commissioned and sent, he and his wife to their ministry that he understood the vision he had as a young child. When looking at the cover of a Christian Outlook Magazine, there was an illustration of the rapture, and at the bottom of the picture were the words: "**Maranatha, Our Lord Cometh.**" It was then that Elder and Evangelist Kelly agreed to name the church Maranatha Faith Temple of the Apostolic Faith. Services were held in the den of the Kelly's home located at 431 Marlowe Avenue.

- **1986-1988:** Elder Kelly and the Maranatha Family moved from the location at 431 Marlow and held worship services in the Airport Hilton.
- **1988-1990:** Maranatha moved from the Airport Hilton and held worship services at the Days Inn, Brooks Rd location.
- **1990-Present:** The Lord directed Pastor Joe Kelly to purchase a house at 538 E. Holmes Rd.





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37 years later Maranatha is still thriving, although one of our founder, District Elder Joe H. Kelly has transitioned to be with Jesus. We have grown spiritually, physically, and dimensionally. God has been so very good to us. After the death of Pastor Joe Kelly, God gave her a different direction to lead the Maranatha family.

Pastor Kathon Kelly has for the last 15 years allowed God to propel the church in a God-given direction. This direction is, "This is The New Horizon" we have successfully entered this, "New Horizon" with God approving her leadership by blessings, delivering and healings. This direction has opened our **understanding of the WORD** and work –New businesses have bloomed from their examples and there is much more anticipated and is to come.



Maranatha worshipped in what was affectionately known as the "House Church." The question was often asked, "How do you worship in a house?" Despite the opinion and ridicule of men, God blessed "the house" with His presence. Yes, there was power in the house! While at East Holmes Rd, the Lord blessed Maranatha to grow in number, strength and spiritual maturity.

Maranatha Faith Temple is a church dedicated to spreading the message of love and faith. Our church has a rich history rooted in Apostolic traditions. We welcome all to join our community and experience the power of worship and fellowship. At Maranatha Faith Temple, we strive to live out our beliefs through service and devotion to God.





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### Psalm 133:1-3

<sup>1</sup> Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

<sup>2</sup> It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;

<sup>3</sup> As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there, the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

### Zechariah 4:10

<sup>10</sup> For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven; they are the eyes of the Lord, which run to and fro through the whole earth.







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### Lesson 2: Psalm 127:1-5

<sup>1</sup> Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

<sup>2</sup> It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

<sup>3</sup> Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord: and the fruit of the womb is his reward.

<sup>4</sup> As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth.

<sup>5</sup> Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.



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## Lesson 2: Psalm 121:1-8

- <sup>1</sup> I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
- <sup>2</sup> My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.
- <sup>3</sup> He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.
- <sup>4</sup> Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- <sup>5</sup> The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.
- <sup>6</sup> The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
- <sup>7</sup> The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
- <sup>8</sup> The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.



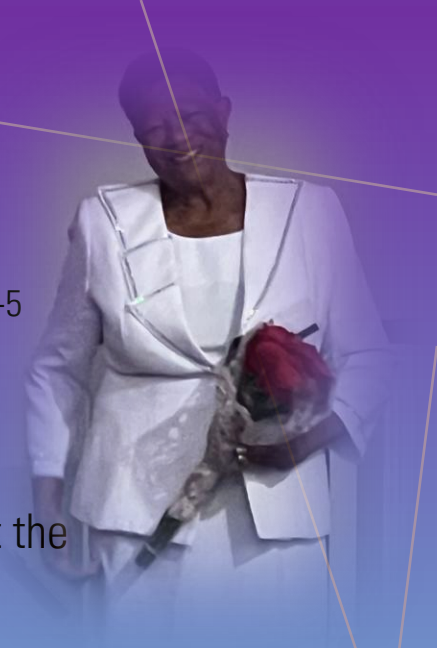


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## Lesson 2: Psalm 37:16-25

<sup>16</sup> A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked.

<sup>17</sup> For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the Lord upholdeth the righteous.

<sup>18</sup> The Lord knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.

<sup>19</sup> They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

<sup>20</sup> But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the Lord shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.

<sup>21</sup> The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.

<sup>22</sup> For such as be blessed of him shall inherit the earth; and they that be cursed of him shall be cut off.

<sup>23</sup> The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way.

<sup>24</sup> Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.

<sup>25</sup> **I have been young and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.**



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**Isaiah 26:3**

<sup>3</sup> Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

**Proverbs 3:6-5**

<sup>5</sup> Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

<sup>6</sup> In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.



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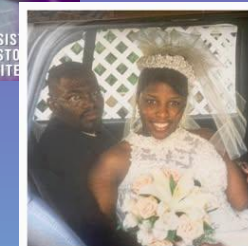




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MFT Newly appointed Co- Pastor and Assistant Pastor are both "*faithpreneurs*" in the successful business world. They are **EXAMPLES OF WHAT** God will do in the life of a champion! Both Pastors Joe and Ann Kelly are Co of their own Corporation and they both have instructed the flock to not depend on the traditional ways for income. Both pastors, Pastors Joe and lead the line of CEOs and entrepreneurs. Pastors Joel Kelly, Marvin Chandler and Kevin White lead the followers, also, Evangelists' Michelle Kelly, Anna Chandler, Stephanie Ward follow close behind.





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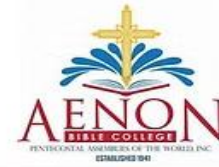
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*Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with  
so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every  
weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and  
let us run with patience the race that is set before us,*

*Hebrews 12:1*



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