



**THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION
COMMITTEE**

OF THE

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Presents

82ND ANNUAL CELEBRATION

January 1st, 1945 — 11:00 A. M.

MT. ZION A M E CHURCH

Newnan and Beaver Streets

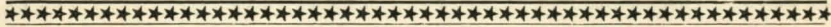
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“FAITH OF OUR FATHERS”

Faith of our fathers! living still in spite of dungeon, fire and sword
O how our hearts beat high with joy, whenev'r we hear that
glorious word;

Faith of our fathers; holy faith; we'll be true to thee till death.
Our fathers, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and con-
science free.

How sweet would be their children's fate, if they, like them, could
die for thee;

Faith of our fathers; holy faith, we will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers; we'll love both friend and foe in all our
strife:

And preach thee, too, as love knows how, by kindly words and
virtuous life.

Faith of our fathers; holy faith, we will be true to thee till death.
Amen.



USHERS

Mt. Zion Usher Boards to Serve



PROGRAM

Songfest.....Mrs. Mabel Oliphant, Directress

Call to Program.....Joe H. James, President

Scripture.....Rev. J. B. Cooke, Pastor
Simpson Methodist Church

Prayer.....Elder F. H. Spence, Pastor
Church of God

Faith of Our Fathers.....Audience

Occasion.....Prof. John H. Morris
Stanton High School

Selection.....Lyrical Locellae

Reading of Emancipation

Proclamation.....Miss Vanchetta Mathews

Solo.....Mr. W. K. Harper

Prayer for the Nation.....Dr. C. A. Gibbs, Pastor
Mt. Zion A M E Church

Lift Every Voice and Sing.....Audience

Introduction of Speaker.....Dr. R. A. King, Pastor
St. Paul A M E Church

Address.....Dr. Charles Satchell Morris II, Pastor
Bethel Baptist Institutional Church

Selection.....Mt. Zion A M E Choir

Offering.....Mr. George W. Powell, President
Jax Negro Business League

Mr. E. D. Koelman, President,
Jax Negro Chamber of Commerce

Announcements

Election of Officers

Remarks

Star Spangled Banner

Benediction

Master of Ceremonies.....Mr. A. A. Day
Field Scout Executive



Lift every voice and sing,
Till earth and Heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound high as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us.
Sing a song full of hope that present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter than the chast'ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat
Have not our weary feet come to the place which our fathers sighted?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered.
We have come treading our path thro' the blood of the slaughtered.
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last where white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way.
Thou who has by Thy might
Lead us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray,
Lest our feet stray from the places
Our God, where we met Thee,
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world we forget Thee:
Shadowed beneath Thy hand
May we forever stand,
True to our God, True to Our Native Land.

