

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church was established in 1865 in the Shady Grove region of Richland County, South Carolina, in a setting called Bush Arbor; and

WHEREAS, responsive to ever-changing spiritual, education, outreach, and fellowship needs, the Mt. Pilgrim congregation has expanded and relocated over the years, moving to McCords Ferry Road in 1940 and dedicating its present place of worship, the Family Life Center, in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church, rebranded under the name MPBC Empowering Ministries, is celebrating 150 years of spiritual growth and guidance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 22 - 25, 2015, as

MT. PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH 150TH ANNIVERSARY DAYS

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate the many contributions and rich history of the church and its congregation.



NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA