



## Kids express thankfulness

To celebrate Thanksgiving, Sykes Elementary third-graders were asked, "What are you most thankful for?" Here are their responses:

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**Hope Benjamin, 8**, – "My pet (guinea pig) because it's fun to play with."



**Mariah Hackett, 9**, – "My mom because if it wasn't for her I wouldn't be here."



**Marjery Arzate, 9**, – "My friends and family because I have a lot of family and my friends are my best friends forever."



**Jerrell Sinclair Thomas, 9**, – "My teacher Ms. MacField because she's funny, and she helps me learn."



**Angel Hernandez, 9**, – "My mom because without my mom I wouldn't be living right now."



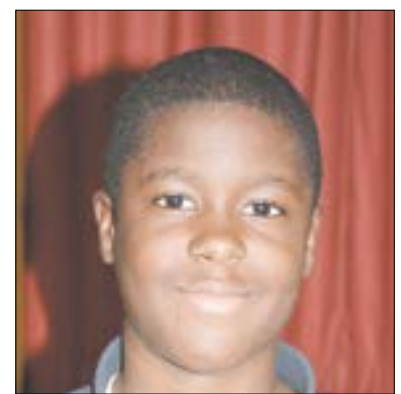
**Jayla McLaurin, 9**, – "My family and my mom because they help me do things."



**Jaylin Green, 9**, – "My school because if we wouldn't have school, we wouldn't learn."



**Carla Garcia, 9**, – "For school because I get to learn more stuff that I don't even know."



**Kaleb Lowe, 9**, – "For my family because they do things for me like buy me toys."



**Fidel Gonzalez, 8**, – "My mom and my dad because they give me stuff that I wanted and I love them."



**C'adorelea K-Moore, 8**, – "For my family and my friends."



**Conner Watson, 8**, – "For my family because of who they are."



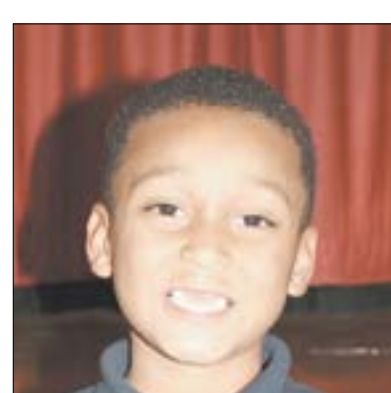
**Jada Edwards, 8**, – "For my family because we do a lot of stuff together and have fun together and we love each other."



**Ka'nya Young, 8**, – "I'm thankful for the world because I live on it and my family."



**Zumon Outland, 8**, – "My family and my school because if we didn't have school, we couldn't learn."



**Jason Peoples, 8**, – "I am thankful for God, my mama, my daddy and my teachers."



**Amya McDonald, 8**, – "My teacher because she teaches us everything we need to know and the world."



**Travis Henderson, 10**, – "For my teacher, my brother and my mom because I can teach my brother how to talk and I love my mom very much."



**Kandace Bailey, 10**, – "My teacher and my friends."



**Nehemiah Tucker, 9**, – "All the things that my mom does for me. She cooks for me and helps me with my homework."

## College Hill ordains new deacons

By Jackie Hampton  
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The College Hill Baptist Church family recently celebrated its first ordination of deacons since Pastor Michael T. Williams became the spiritual leader of the century-old church located at 1600 Florence Ave. in Jackson.

On Nov. 20, at 4 p.m., the College Hill sanctuary was filled to capacity with family members, friends and church members of six active men who would soon become deacons of College Hill.

Also present was the Ordination Council which was comprised of deacons from various churches to include Deacons Freddie Davis and Larry Grant of Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, Deacons McKenzie Crump and Donnie Moncure of Cade Chapel Baptist Church and Deacons Robert Green and Jacob McEwen of College Hill.

Deacon Freddie Davis gave the report of the Ordination Council in which he stated that through the examination of all six candidates, each one had successfully met all requirements and were now ready to be ordained. A thunder of applause filled the building. The six candidates had gone through nearly two years of training that included a test of their faith, work and word.

The ordination message was given by Rev. John A. Wicks, pastor of Mt. Nebo. Wicks titled

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## Consumers encouraged to shop safely, smartly

The Mississippi Link Newswire

In a Thanksgiving week-end tradition that's become as common as turkey and the Egg Bowl, millions of Americans will try to cash in on holiday shopping bargains this week as they descend on retail stores for "Black Friday" sales.

According to the National Retail Federation, more than 137 million people will hit retail stores or go online to shop this weekend. "Black Friday" is the most popular shopping day of the year. The Monday after Thanksgiving, known as "Cyber Monday," has become the big day for consumers to go online for deals.

As the holiday shopping season begins, Attorney General Jim Hood encourages consum-

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