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NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE BRANCH WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

African Methodist Episcopal Church

Annual Missionary Convention

Ninetieth Session



To Be Held

Wednesday, October 25, 1989
St. John African Methodist
Episcopal Church

229 Church Street Huntsville, Alabama 35801

Reverend Homer L. McCall, Host Pastor Reverend E. L. Blankenship, Presiding Elder Reverend S. T. Davis, Associate Presiding Elder Right Reverend C. E. Thomas, Presiding Bishop

Mrs. Tommie M. Mitchell, Conference Branch President Mrs. Doris Hardy, Young People's Division Director Mrs. Mary B. Blankenship, Episcopal District President Mrs. Susie J. Thomas, Episcopal District Supervisor

THEMES:

Geographical: West Africa
General: Globularity of the Islamic Faith
Denominational: Global View of Women -- Common Bond

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Morning	Jession

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8:30 A. M		
9:00 A. M Official Opening Mrs. Tommie M. Mitchell, Presiding		
Devotion Mrs. Sarah J. Rembert, Worship Director		
Welcome Mrs. Bessie Smith, Host Local President		
9:30 A. M. Annual Institute Mrs. Delois James, Presiding		
WorkshopGlobularity View of Common Bond		
Presenter Mrs. Mydell Smith, Asst. Professor of English and Writing Lab Coordinator of Alabama A & M University		
10:30 A.M. Overview of Volunteer Service Mrs. Mattie Owens		
North Conference Presentation of Outreach Mission		
11:00 A. M. Greetings		
Minutes Mrs. Dorothy R. Moten, Secretary		
Report of the Treasure Ms. Geneva O. Ware, Treasurer		
11:30 A. M Official Roll Call and Seating of Delegates		
Recognition of Local Presidents(2 Minutes Limit)		
Echoes from Outstanding Meetings		
1:00 P. M Service Awards Luncheon		
Afternoon Session 2:30 P. M.		
Devotional Thoughts Mrs. Sarah J. Rembert		
2:45 P. M Mrs. Susie J. Thomas & Mrs. Mary B. Blankenship, Presiding		
Report of the Registration Committee		

Report of the Credentials Committee
Report of the Nominating Committee
Election of Officers and Installation
Standing Committees Reports
Report from Area Chairmen
Annual Report of the Conference Y.P.D. Director Mrs. Doris Hardy
Annual Report of the Conference Branch, President Mrs. Tommie M. Mitchell
Tanner-Turner Memorial Service Mrs. Ethel Pickens
Remarks
Benediction
Annual Night In White
7:30 £. M.
7:30 D. M. Mrs. Clara L. Bullard, Presiding
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Selection St. John A.M.E. Church Choir
Words from the Bible: Old Testament
Decalogue Summary
The Offertory Sentences
Choral Response All Things Come of Thee
Selection St. John A.M.E. Church Choir
Presentation of Speaker
Hymn of Preparation Mrs. Earline G. Hall Hymn #286 — "Take Time to Be Holy"
I Take time be ho-ly Speak oft with Thy Lord; Abide in Him al-ways, And feed on His Word; Make friends of God's children, Help those who are weak, For-get-ting in nothing His blessing to seek.
Take time to be ho-ly, The world rush-es on; Spend much time in se-cret With Je-sus a-lone; By look-ing to Je-sus,
Like Him thou shalt be; Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.
IV
Take time to be ho-ly, Be calm in thy soul, Each thought and each mo-tive Be-neath his control; Thus led by His spir-it To foun-tains of love, Thou soon shall be-fit-ted For ser-vice above.
The Speaker
Altar & RecommitmentRev. Sarah J. Moore
Gathering in the OfferingFinance Committee
Acknowledgement of Visitors Mrs. Jessie Stephens
Announcements
Expressions
Remarks Mrs. Mary B. Blankenship Mrs. Susie J. Thomas Bishop C. E. Thomas
Closing HymnSpirit of the Living God
Missionary Benediction

CONFERENCE	OFFICERS
Mrs. Tommie M. Mitchell Co	onference Branch President
Mrs. Clara L. Bullard	1st Vice President
	and Program Chairman
Mrs. Irma J. Martin	2nd Vice President
and Coordina	tor of Standing Committee
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Mrs. Gertrude Glover	Parliamentarian
Mrs. Sarah J. Rembert	Worship Director
Mrs. Delois James	Promotion and Missionary
	Education Director
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Mrs. Mattie Owens	
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Mrs. Earline G. Hall	
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Mrs. Nettie P. Bonner Hug	
Mrs. Evelyn Davis	
Mrs. Lula Brannon	
Mrs. Mattie Poole	. Health-Polk Rural Mission
Mrs. Gladys Jackson	
Research	and Status of Black Women
Mrs. Betty Bulls	embership and Recruitment
Mrs. Hattie Huggins	
Mrs. Ruth McClaney	
Mrs. Lucille H. Turrentine	
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SPECIAL COMMIT	PEE CHAIDMEN
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Mrs. Bessie Toney	
Mrs. E. Jane Brown	
Mrs. Estella McDonald	
Mrs. Mattie Waites	Bridging
LIFE MEN	MBERS
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Mrs. Olevenia Legg	Mrs. Mary B. Blankenship
Mrs. Nettie P. Bonner	Mrs. Jessie M. Groce
Mrs. Lucy W	
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Mrs. Betty Robinson	Mrs. Otie B. Wilson
Mrs. Mae Gussie Smith	Mrs. Savannah Louis
AREA CHA	IRMEN
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Mrs. Dora L. Cooper Mrs. Eva Webster

Mrs. Gladys McDole

Mrs. Lucy B. Weatherly

Carrie Russell Area

Edith Minor Area

Agnes Cooper Area

Lila Barnett

Myself

I have to live with myself, and so
I want to be fit for myself to know.
I want to be able, as days go by,
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand, with the setting sun,
And hate myself for the things I've done.
I want to go out with my head erect,
I want to deserve all person's respect.

For here in the struggle for fame and self I want to be able to like myself.

I don't want to look at myself and know I bluster, a bluff and an empty show.

I never can hide myself from ME;
I see what others may never see.
I know what others may never know,
I never can fool myself, and so,
Whatever happens, I want to be
Self-respecting and conscience-free.

-- Author Unknown

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August 11, 2013

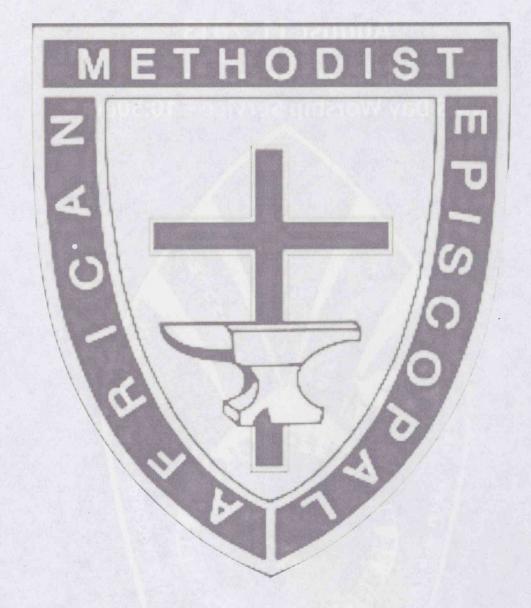
Sunday Worship – 8am WMS Day Worship Service – 10:50am



"Touching People...Changing Lives"



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Women's Missionary Society Day Preacher

The Reverend Sheri Smith Clayborn



Rev. Sheri Smith Clayborn's commitment to caring and excellence, in addition to her passion for life, are built upon the foundation of a strong family. She is the daughter of lifelong educators Gerald and Cassandra Smith of Lynwood, California, and is the youngest of their four children (her siblings are Gerald Jr., Courtney, and Sharon). Her zest for caring and excellence in life and in love were further strengthened on December 30, 2000, when she married her friend, her love, and her partner in ministry, the Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn. God greatly multiplied their blessings with the birth of a son Patrick D. Clayborn, II.

Firmly committed to excellence and to a true belief that she must study to show herself approved, Rev. Smith Clayborn is a graduate of Clark Atlanta University where she earned the Bachelor of Arts degree in Religion, and she is a graduate of Candler School of Theology at Emory University where she was awarded a Master of Divinity degree with an emphasis in Black Church Studies. Rev. Smith Clayborn has also gained further training and experience through a Clinical Pastoral Education internship at Covenant Counseling Institute.

Rev. Sheri's heart for sharing God's love and the empowerment of women has always

extended outside of the church. Before coming to St John AME Huntsville, Rev. Smith Clayborn worked with *Restoring Individuals and Society through Empowerment* (RISE), a faith-based nonprofit organization. She also worked with the Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence, while serving as a volunteer with Hospice Atlanta.

An ordained itinerant elder in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church, Rev. Sheri D.Smith Clayborn is a woman called by God and answering that call continuously. One of her guiding scriptures is Psalm 118:17: "I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord (NRSV)." Through that scripture she is always acutely aware that an integral part of God's assignment for her is to help others to live better lives. Called to care for God's people through preaching, teaching, prayer, and presence, Rev. Sheri is proud to be the First Lady and Executive Minister of St. John AME Church in Huntsville, AL, under the pastoral leadership of her husband, the Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D.

Rev. Sheri is truly grateful for God's abundant blessings on her life and ministry and is fully committed to sharing these abundant blessings with others.

Silver Member Award Mrs. Sarah Alls

Sis. Sarah Alls was born June 22, 1925 and named Sarah Caroline Black. She married Zeb Alls and form that union they had five beautiful children: Martha Jean, John Thomas, Linda Sue, Audrey Jane and Gregory Steven. Her life of love and faith are reflected in one her favorite poems by Robert Browning entitled,

"If I Forget, Yet God Remembers."

If I forget, yet God remembers.

If these hands of mine cease from their clinging, yet the hands divine hold me so firmly
I cannot fall.

And if sometimes I am too tired
to call for Him to help me,

then He reads the prayer unspoken in my heart and lifts my care.

I dare not fear since certainly I know that I am in God's keeping, shielded so, from all that else would harm. and in the hour of stern temptation, strengthened by His power.

I tread no path in life to Him unknown.

I lift no burden, bear no pain alone. My soul a calm, sure hiding place has found:

The everlasting arms my life surround.

God, Thou art love! I build my faith on that. I know Thee who has kept my path and made light for me in the darkness tempering sorrow so that it reached me like a solemn joy.

It were too strange that I should doubt Thy love.





Anna		Order of Worship
		+ Sis. Kennedy Harris
*Doxology		+Deaconess Ernestine Barnes-Ivery
Can to v	Minister:	
	People:	For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.
	Minister:	For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek Your good.
	People:	They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God.
	Minister:	O Lord, I love the habitation of Your house, and the place where Your glory dwells.
	People:	But the Lord is in His holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before Him.
	Minister:	Let the words of my mouth and the mediation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight. O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.
	All:	O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing praises.
Openi	ing Hymn	
**Prayer		*From All that Dwells Below the Skies (Hymn #69) +Sis. Charlsie Brooks
		+Sis. Yvette Cooper Clark
*Summary of the Decalogue (xvii). Gloria Patri		
+Welcome	/ Occasio	n / Visitors+Sis. Claudinette Purifoy-Fears
+Silver Member Award		
**Worship through Giving		
+St. John AMEC Dance Ministry		
		Guest Preacher
Sermo	onic Selec	tion
Sermon		Rev. Sheri Smith Clayborn
Invitation +Recessional		
**Benediction (+Missionary)		
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BIBLE STUDIES

Weekly on Wednesdays 12 NOON & 6:30PM

WORSHIP SERVICES

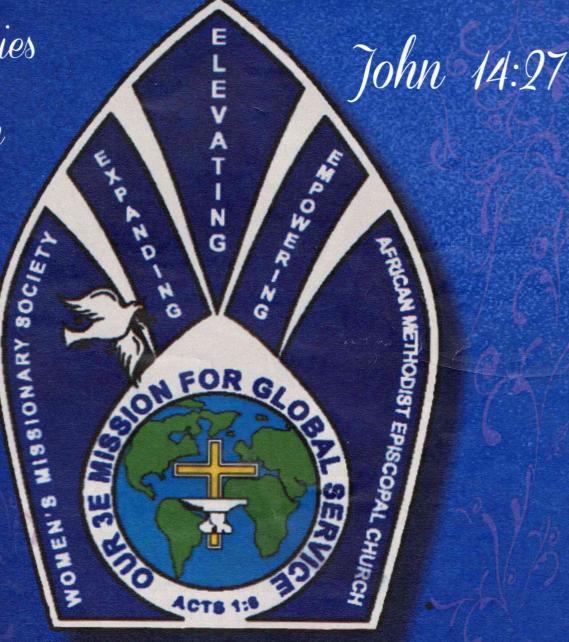
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Women's Missionary Society Day Preacher The Reverend Merriam Garrett



The Reverend Meriam R. Garrett was born and raised in Nashville, Tennessee. She received her early education in the public school system of Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee and attended Volunteer State Community College in Gallatin, Tennessee.

Reverend Garrett attended the Nichols, Thomas, Grady, School of Religion, Huntsville Campus. She received the necessary classes required by the Board of Examiners for ordination in the AME Church as a Local Elder and is assigned to St John African Methodist Episcopal Church, Huntsville, Alabama, where she is a member of the ministerial staff. She has served under the leadership of Reverend Homer L. McCall, D. Min. and is now serving under the leadership of Reverend Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D. She is also a member of the Fifty-Plus Auxiliary where she is presently serving as President.

Reverend Garrett is the loving mother of two children, Cheryl Garrett Anderson, who is also a member of St. John AMEC and Jimmy Garrett, Jr. of Kansas City, MO. She is a doting grandmother of two grandsons, Kevin J. Anderson, graduate student at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY and Kalon J. Anderson, Unites States Army, Ft. Polk, LA. She is the great-grandmother of the adorable little Joshua Taylor Anderson. Her children, grandchildren and great-grand are very special to her.

Reverend Garrett's favorite Bible verse and one she tries to live by is Matthew 7:12. It reads, "Do unto others as you would have them do to you."



Silver Member Award Mable Mc Call

Mable McCall, a product of Hale County, Alabama, is the youngest of four children born to the late Calvin and Williebell Jones. Mable was tenacious as a child, always trying out new things and discovering new possibilities. She enjoyed school, cooking and working on the farm. After graduating from high school, Mable went to Cleveland, Ohio to work for two years before returning home to be with her mother after her father died. While at home, she contacted a friend who was attending Daniel Payne College to find out more about the school. She applied and was accepted into Daniel Payne and that is where she met Homer Littlefield McCall who was teaching English and French and also pastoring two circuit churches, St. Phillips AME, Margaret and Ward Chapel AME, Warrior. While she was studying, she also had her eyes on her English teacher, Homer. Following their courtship, they married on November 27, 1970, in Birmingham and have been married for 41 consecutive years as Rev. McCall likes to put it.



Growing up, Mable always liked to play school with her brothers, sister and cousins and being the youngest, she would make sure that she was the teacher and in charge. As a result, she was nicknamed "Teacher" by her uncle. This was the prelude to a career of teaching and helping to cultivate students academically as she began teaching in the Huntsville City Schools where she taught at Terry Heights and Chapman for one year, West Huntsville for two years and Lakewood for 24 years before retiring after 28 years.

Mrs. McCall's church involvements at St. John and the connectional level include the Stewardess Boards (President 2002-2004); President/Coordinator of the Junior - Intermediate Usher Board (1988-1995), Prison Ministry, Vacation Bible School Coordinator, and Christian Education Instructor, *Feeding the Homeless* Ministry, Observer/Participant AME General Conference and Bishop's Council. She has made several presentations: one being "How to Succeed as an Effective Minister's Spouse" at the North Alabama Annual Conference. Along with Homer, Mabel also presented a Pastor and First lady Marriage seminar for the 8th, 10th, and 12th Districts of the AME Church in 2003. She is a member of the North Alabama Minister's Spouse Association (1971- present, has served as Treasurer). In the community, Mrs. McCall is a charter and current member of the Interdenominational Minister's Spouse Association, Greater Huntsville Chapter (1978-present, President 1984-1991), a member of the Huntsville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated and a Life Member of the NAACP. She became a Missionary after coming to Huntsville in 1971.

Now that Homer and Mable are both retired but not tired yet, they are taking care of each other these days and enjoying sleeping in and doing things when they get ready. They are active at church, enjoy exercising at the gym,traveling and supporting community events.

She is a Woman of God who is inspired by the work of the church. Through prayer and faith, she has continued to press forward. Her motto is Trust In the Lord with all your heart and lean not to thy own understanding in all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your paths.

Mable is the mother of three loving children, Homer II, Sonya and Gale and four grandchildren

Lifetime Member Recognition Mary Powers



Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Powers was born and raised in Guntersville, Alabama. She received her early education in the public school system of Guntersville, Alabama and attended classes sponsored by Drake Technical College at Big Spring Manor to become a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA).

Mrs. Powers' professional career spans over thirty years of experience helping others. She worked as a CNA at Big Spring Manor for eleven years and over twenty years as an assembly worker in Huntsville, Alabama. She is a dedicated member of St. John AME Church, where she faithfully serves under the leadership of Reverend Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D. She is also a member of the Fifty-Plus Auxiliary and the Naomi Council within the Stewardess Board where she is presently serving as

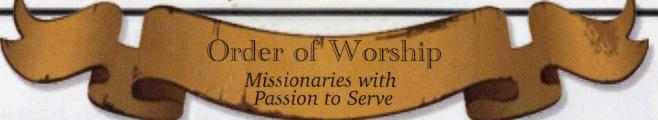
Parliamentarian.

Mrs. Powers is a committed force for missionary work, passionately devoting her time and talents to the Betty E. Derrick Women's Missionary Society as former secretary since 1974. She joined the Conference roll in 1980. She has also served as the Agnes Cooper Area Chairperson for seven years. Mrs. Powers served as Area Chairperson of the Agnes Cooper Area from 2007 until 2013; she stepped down due to failing health. She was instrumental in implementing the Impact on Communities out-reach project during the quarterly Agnes Cooper Area meetings administering to the needs of the elderly and children in the each community. She became a life member on September 30, 2013.

Mrs. Powers is a loving mother of three children, Trevor, Tracie, and Brandy and nine grandchildren. She continues to work within the church and community to serve others and provide assistance where needed, keeping the mission of the society alive in her heart and winning souls for Christ.

Mrs. Powers' favorite Bible verses and one that has sustained her over the years is from Psalm 121:1-2. It reads, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help, My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."





Tea.	Missionaries with Passion to Serve	
Announcements	S	is. Claudinette Purifoy-Fears
*Doxology		
*Call toWorship <u>Minister</u> : This is the day v <u>People</u> : The Lord's Name	which the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice and	
Opening Hymn #461	I Was Sinking Deep in Sin	Choir / Congregation
**Prayer / Choral Response		
**Scripture	John 13:4-14	Sis. Ashley Lewis
Welcome and +Occasion		Sis. Charlsie Brooks
+Litany		Sis. Alicia Brownlow
+Poem		Sis. Kaitlyn McClung
Recognition of Guests / Visitors	Ministry Through Giving Tithes & Offerings	Sis Mariah Gullatte
Offer	tory Prayer - Sis. Angeline Brownlow	
Introduction of Guest Preacher		Sis. Felecia Carter
Worship Through Song	St. John AME (Church Gospel Choir
Guest Preacher		Rev. Merriam Garrett
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
Remarks		Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn
In the Name of the Triune God, may	Missionary Benediction the spirit of Christian missions enter eve	ry heart. May the Spirit of

Christian missions enter every heart. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

+10:50am Service

*Please stand if you are able. **Please refrain from walking during this time.

LITANY WE'VE GOT TO HAVE HEART

Doris O. Pettigrew

LEADER: Missionaries, you have got to have heart.

PEOPLE: A heart to pray.

LEADER: Missionaries, you have got to have heart.

PEOPLE: A heart to work.

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PEOPLE: A heart to feed.

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PEOPLE: A heart to seek out.

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PEOPLE: A heart to mentor.

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PEOPLE: A heart to speak out.

LEADER: Missionaries, you have got to have heart.

PEOPLE: A heart to go out and do.

LEADER: Missionaries, you have got to have heart.

PEOPLE: We are missionaries in the Women's Missionary Society and

we have got to have a heart for everyone in the villages of

the world.

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Church Announcements

Please join us for Church School at 9:45 a.m. on Sundays.

The flowers on the altar are donated by Sis. Lula Rochelle in honor of her birthday today.

SAVE THESE DATES!

AUG 16, 2014

CHURCH PICNIC
CAROL D. HUDSON RECREATION CTR. REDSTONE ARSENAL.

AUG 17. 2014

PASTOR'S APPRECIATION

10:00 AM

Mark your calendars, grab your folding/lawn chairs, and come out for a day of fellowship, food and fun. The St. John A. M. E. Church Picnic and Family Fun Day, "A Summer Garden Party," will be held Saturday, August 16, 2014, at the Carol D. Hudson Recreation Center and The Cliffs Lodge, Redstone Arsenal, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be games, sports, music, line dancing and entertainment for all ages. Sign up on the sheets in the vestibule.

To access Redstone, if driving, you must have a valid driver license, and all persons over the age of 16 in the vehicle must have a picture identification. Members are encouraged to carpool. Transportation will be provided on the hour from the Visitor's Center located at Gate 9 for members with special needs. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Sister Cassandra Ingram at (256) 653-0491 or Sister Claudinette Fears at (256) 828-2000.

SHOW PASTOR CLAYBORN and REV. SHERI how blessed we are by their leadership here at St. John AMEC by honoring them with a 'love gift' that will be presented at the Pastor's Appreciation service next Sunday. Special envelopes can be found in the vestibule or main office, or by asking an usher. Please take a moment and sow a seed toward the first family for all they do! Thank you in Advance. Donations may also be made anonymously.

Join us in celebrating our own Rev. Dennis DeLoach's first Pastor's Appreciation at Matthews Chapel AME Church August 31, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. Pastor Patrick Clayborn will be preaching and the St. John AMEC Mass Choir will minister in song. The sign up sheet for the bus is posted outside the main office.

Please place your tithes and offerings in an envelope; include your name and the amount of the offering on the envelope. To give online visit www.stjohname-hsv.org and click on Online Giving.

Daily Bible Reading

Home Daily Bible Reading for August 11 - August 17

_Monday: Psalm 71:17-24

Wednesday: 1 Peter 4:12-29

Friday: 2 John 1-9

Tuesday: Jeremiah 31:1-6

Thursday:1 Peter 5:8-14

Saturday: Jude 17-25

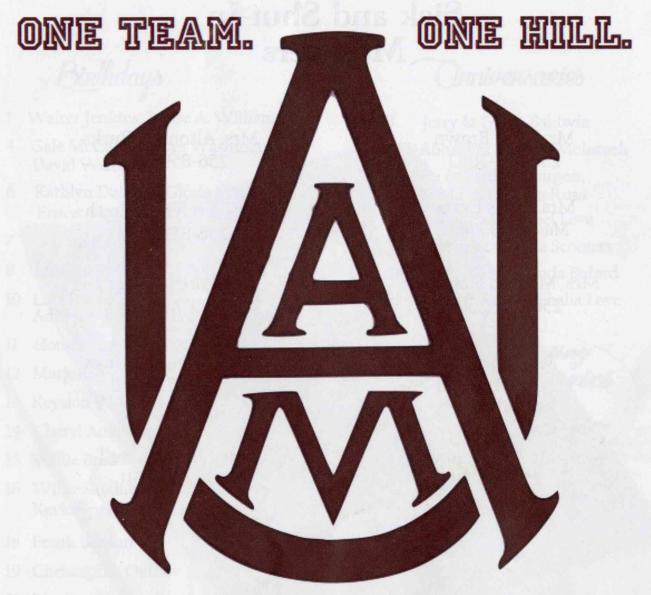
Sunday: 2 Corinthians 4:1-15



St. John's Week at a Glance

Sun.,	August 10	Sunday Morning Worship Service WMS Day	8:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m.
Mon.,	August 11	No Scheduled Events	at (256) 828-2000.
Tues.,	August 12	Sons of Allen V.I.P Choir Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Wed.,	August 13	Bible Study	12:00 p.m.
Thurs.,	August 14	No Scheduled Events	6:00 p.m.
Fri.,	August 15	Mass Choir Rehearsal	6:00 a.m.
Sat,	August 16	CHURCH PICNIC & FAMILY FUN DAY	10:00 a.m < 2:00 p.m.

Sermon	Notes
Preacher: Rev. Meriam Garrett	Date: Sunday, August 10, 2014
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Join us for a power-packed Worship Service recognizing AAMU Athletic Students,
Coaches & Staff.

August 24, 2014 | 10:50 a.m.

Earnest L. Knight Center - Alabama A&M University 4900 Meridian Street | Huntsville, AL 35810-1015.



