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CELEBRATING TWO HUNDRED YEARS OF METHODISM

Annual
Women's Day
Celebration

THEME: "Spiritual Enrichment is Our Goal —
Faith Our Secret Weapon."



Sunday Morning, the Twenty-Fourth Day of June
Nineteen hundred and Eighty-four
at eleven o'clock

Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church

229 Church Street
Huntsville, Alabama

THE RIGHT REVEREND PHILIP R. COUSIN, *Presiding Bishop*
Ninth Episcopal District AME Church
REV. DR. E. L. BLANKENSHIP, *Presiding Elder*
REV. DR. H. L. McCALL, *Pastor*

Special Tribute and Dedication

With warm and respectful appreciation extended to all women of Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church whose early sacrifices helped to make our church grow and prosper, we pause in the midst of this year's celebration to pay special tribute to those women who have exhibited loyalty and faithfulness over and beyond the call of duty.

"We salute MRS. BLANCHE STONE and MRS. SUSIE P. GANDY for their many sacrifices of time and energy for our musical enrichment and enjoyment."

"We salute MRS. MAMIE BONNER for her dedicated and faithful service to the sick, shut-in and the bereaved."

"We salute MRS. MARIE COBB for dedicated and faithful service as director of Christian Education."

Ladies, congratulations on a job well done!

Women's Day Committee
JEANETTE JONES, *Chairperson*

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The Ideal Woman

From several observations we may construct a concept of the ideal woman. She is gracious, restrained in speech, discreet, peaceful (Prov. 9:13; 11:16, 22; 21:9). She is also trustworthy, efficient in the conduct of business, industrious, unafraid of the future, provident, wise, kind, and reverent (31:10-31). In the book of Judith the ideal woman is reverent, beautiful, intelligent, loyal (8:28-31, etc.). She forgets her modesty only to use her charm for the purpose of overcoming her people's enemy, Holofernes. Another writer names woman's grace, knowledge, silence, self-control, modesty, beauty, domestic efficiency, good figure, "beautiful feet with a steadfast heart" (Ecclus. 26:13-18). Susanna was a pious, chaste, and beautiful woman; and the piety of the mother of seven martyred sons is told in another story (II Macc. 7:20 ff). Young women should be trained to love their husbands and children, to be sensible, chaste, domestic, kind, and submissive to their husbands (Tit. 2:4). The ideal of patriotism, loyalty to the Jewish community, is strongly revealed in the book of Esther. The power of woman, idealized and rationalized, is brought out in the words of a young Persian attached to the court of Darius. He answered the question, What one thing is strongest? with the words: "Women are strongest." He explained that women bear men, nurture them, clothe them. Men give up a fortune looking for a woman, losing their heads for her (I Esd. 3:12).

JOE W. DAVIS
Mayor

RALPH E. GIBSON
Administrative Assistant

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE

GOVERNED BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

P.O. Box 308
Huntsville, Alabama 35804-0308



Greetings!

As Mayor, I extend best wishes to the Women of St. John African Methodist Church on the occasion of your Annual Women's Day Celebration!

I enjoyed participating in your church bazaar and I understand that all of your activities were highly successful.

If at any time my office can be of service to any of you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Again congratulations.

Sincerely yours,

Joe W. Davis, Mayor
City of Huntsville, Alabama

Order of Women's Day Worship Service

11:00 A.M.

DR. JEANETTE JONES, Presiding
MRS. MATTIE EZELL, Pulpit Hostess

MEDITATE: "A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised." Proverbs 31:30

PRELUDE Mr. William Goggans, Guest Musician

PROCESSIONAL—"We've Come This Far By Faith"..... Altar Girls
Women's Day Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (All Standing) Mrs. Eunice Ashford

LEADER: I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.
Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

PEOPLE: For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door
keeper in the house of My God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

LEADER: Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good.

PEOPLE: Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of
our God.

LEADER: Blessed are they that dwell in thy house Lord, I have loved thy habitation,
the place where thy honor dwelleth.

PEOPLE: For the Lord is in His Holy Temple, Let all the earth keep silence before
Him.

LEADER: Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable
in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.

UNISON: 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.

OPENING HYMN—"Come, Women, Wide Proclaim"..... Choir/Congregation

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION Mrs. Louise Watts

CHORAL RESPONSE Choir/Congregation

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Mrs. Zelda Goggans

CONGREGATION ARISING, SING: Hymn No. 10

"From all that dwell below the skies
Let the creator's praise arise,
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
Through every land, by ev'ry tongue."

Watts

SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE (p. 30, Hymnal)..... Mrs. Patricia Daily, Leader

WELCOME/OCCASION..... Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly

MUSICAL SELECTION..... Women's Day Choir

OFFERING AND TITHES

Offertory Sentences Mrs. Mildred Hereford
Prayer of Thanksgiving..... Mrs. Bessie Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF

GUESTS AND VISITORS Ms. Barbara Johnson

SPECIAL WOMEN'S DAY TRIBUTES

Women's Day Commentary Ms. Brenda Clemmons, Athens, Alabama
Women's Day Awards..... Mrs. Lorene Jones
Women's Day Memorial Tribute..... Ms. Joyce Woods-Hardy

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER Mrs. Joyce Cooper

MUSICAL SELECTION..... Women's Day Choir

WOMEN'S DAY MESSAGE REV. STELLA MOORE
Greater Huntsville Interdenominational Ministerial Fellowship

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Chanted)..... Choir/Congregation

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF INVITATION—"Just As I Am" (No. 26) Choir/Congregation

CLOSING HYMN—"God Be With You" Choir/Congregation

REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH—The Apostle's Creed Congregation
(Please Stand)

DOXOLOGY—"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" Congregation

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

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"DINNER WILL BE SERVED IN THE S. S. HEREFORD FELLOWSHIP HALL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP — PLEASE FELLOWSHIP WITH US."

Afternoon Worship Service

DR. JEANETTE JONES, Presiding

4:00 P.M.

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN *Women's Day Choir*

PRAYER *Mrs. Louise Watts*

SCRIPTURE *Mrs. Rosetta Williams*

MUSICAL SELECTION *Women's Day Choir*

WELCOME/OCCASION *Mrs. Mary Rankin*

WOMEN'S DAY COMMENTARY—"Methodism" *Mrs. Margaret Lacey*
Lakeside United Methodist Church

MUSICAL SELECTION *Dr. M. Janet Kelly*
Union Hill Primitive Baptist Church

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Mrs. Ada Houston*

CHORAL RESPONSE *Women's Day Choir*

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER *Mrs. N. Christine McMillan*

SPEAKER *DR. GLORIA SCOTT*
Vice President, Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP *Rev. H. L. McCall*

HYMN OF INVITATION—"I Surrender All" (No. 349) *Congregation*

SPECIAL PRESENTATION *Mrs. Laura Hall*
President, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

FINANCIAL REPORT *Mrs. Ann McCelvy*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/REMARKS *Dr. Jeanette Jones*
Chairperson, Women's Day Committee
Rev. H. L. McCall
Pastor

BENEDICTION

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A RECEPTION IN THE
S. S. HERFORD FELLOWSHIP HALL
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE AFTERNOON SERVICE.

Announcements

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The Stewardship and Finance Commission will meet Monday.

Prayer meeting and Bible Class will be held Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. The discussion will focus on the book of Acts.

The flowers on the altar today are given by Mr. & Mrs. Dalias Pearson.

A GIFT OF LOVE OFFERING: Please give a gift of love offering by July 1, 1984 to help our pastor, Rev. Homer McCall represent our church well at the General Conference of the AME Church. Give your gift of love to your class leader, in the tray offering earmarked for him or to Mrs. Ethel Richards. Thank you! The class leaders are . . .

Class One—Mr. Homer McCraw	Class Seven—Mrs. Zella Goggans
Class Two—Mrs. Ethel Richards	Class Eight—Mrs. Hattie Sales
Class Three—Mrs. Charles Brooks	Class Nine—Mrs. Estella McDonald
Class Four—Mr. Jerry Baldwin	Class Ten—Mrs. Teresa Smith
Class Five—Mrs. Louise Watts	Class Eleven—Dr. Donald Cobb
Class Six—Mr. Glenn Pippen	Class Twelve—Mrs. Leona Townsend
Class Thirteen—Mrs. Clementine Pearson	

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. O. J. Sampson who are the happy parents of a new baby boy.

LET US REMEMBER THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

Mrs. Amanda Derrick	Mrs. Saray Baxley
Mrs. Fannie Ford	Mrs. Grieffie Russell
Mrs. Emma Humber	Mrs. Torema Rhoden

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 28-30—Sunday School Convention, South Birmingham-Huntsville District

June 29—The Second Annual Youth Fellowship Banquet sponsored by the RAYC of the So, Birmingham-Huntsville District Dept. of Christian Education will be held at the Birmingham Hilton at 7:30 p.m. The ticket donation is \$15.00. Please see the pastor, Mrs. Cobb or Mr. Campbell if you would like to attend or purchase a ticket for a youth to attend.

July 8-15—General Conference, AME Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Our Father, we thank you for this annual celebration of womanhood. Help us to celebrate each day by striving more "to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God." In Jesus' name. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Freedom comes from courage to take risks, compassion for others, confidence in and communion with God. —H.L.M.

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR WEEK OF JUNE 25-JULY 1, 1984

Mon.—I Corinthians 3:18-23	Thurs.—Job 22:21-30
Tues.—Mark 9:2-13	Fri.—Psalm 107:17-22
Wed.—Psalm 121	Sat.—Matthew 11:1-19
	Sun.—II Corinthians 4:1-6

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AFFIRMATION FOR THE WEEK

"PRAISE THE LORD."
Psalms 150:6

Patrons

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Acknowledgements

Special thanks are extended to the following individuals for their support of our Women's Day activities . . .

Mayor Joe Davis
 Councilwoman Jane Mabry
 Councilman Bill Tallent
 Mr. Wiley Day
 Mrs. Martha Miller

We also salute our program participants, planners, well-wishers, and women of the church for your many acts of service and cooperation on this our Women's Day.

DR. JEANETTE JONES, *Chairperson*

SAINT JOHN AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Women's Day Steering Committee

DR. JEANETTE JONES, *Chairperson*

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 Mrs. N. Christine McMillan
 Mrs. Ruth Morris
 Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly
 Mrs. Mary Rankins
 Mrs. Bessie Smith
 Mrs. Rosetta Williams

Special Women's Day Choir

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Mrs. Sharon Butler
Mrs. Maritza Bonnett
Mrs. Marie Cobb
Ms. Karen Franklin
Mrs. Marilyn Franklin
Mrs. Zelda Goggans
Ms. Barbara Johnson
Dr. Jeanette Jones
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Mrs. Regina Pippen
Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly
Mrs. Mary Rankin
Mrs. Hattie Sales

Mrs. Rosetta Williams

ALTAR GIRLS

Miss Alice Hereford

Miss Felicia Thomas

Miss Nicole McMillan

Miss Nicole Rankin

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ, his only son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. The third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. AMEN.

Come, Women, Wide Proclaim

Fannie E. S. Heck.

(ITALIAN HYMN. 68, 46.)

Felice de Giardini.

1. Come, wom - en, wide pro - claim Life thro' your Sav - ior slain;
 2. Come, clasp - ing chil - dren's hands, Sis - ters from man - y lands,
 3. Work with your cour - age high, Sing of the day - break nigh,
 4. Then when the gar - nered field Shall to our Mas - ter yield

Sing ev - er - more. Christ, God's ef - ful - gence bright, Christ, who a -
 Teach to a - dore, For the sin - sick and worn, The weak and
 Your love out - pour; Stars shall your brow a - dorn, Your heart leap
 A boun - teous store. Christ, hope of all the meek, Christ, whom all

rose in might, Christ, who crowns you with light, Praise and a - dore.
 o - ver - borne, All who in dark - ness mourn, Pray, work, yet more,
 with the morn. And, by His love up - borne, Hope and a - dore.
 earth shall seek Christ, your re - ward shall speak, Joy ev - er - more. A - MEN.

St. John A. M. E. Church

Women's Day Program



GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs. Alice Hill

THEME: "THE IDEAL WOMAN — A WOMAN OF GOD"

Sunday, June 29, 1986

11:00 A.M.

RT. REV. FRANK M. REID, JR., *Presiding Bishop*, Ninth Episcopal District A. M. E. Church
DR. E. L. BLANKENSHIP, *Presiding Elder*, South Birmingham-Huntsville District
REV. DR. H. L. MCCALL, *Pastor*

The Art of Greatness

*It's not fortune or fame or worldwide acclaim
That makes for true greatness, you'll find,
It's the wonderful art of teaching the heart
To always be thoughtful and kind.*

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Our Speaker

MRS. ALICE HILL is a native of Tallahassee, Florida. She presently lives in Columbia, South Carolina. Mrs. Hill has been an active member in the A. M. E. Church since childhood. She is currently a member of the St. James A. M. E. Church where she serves as a steward, Adult Sunday School teacher, Assistant Sunday School Superintendent, and choir leader. She is the wife of Reverend Edward Hill who pastors at the Mt. Sinai A. M. E. Church in Elgin, South Carolina. The Hills work and live as a team in guiding their two (2) children, and working in their community, uplifting God's Holy Name.

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Thank You So Much

The Women's Day Committee would like to express to the members of St. John A. M. E. Church their sincere gratitude for your support and cooperation with our Women's Day program. Special thanks to the program participants and to all the women of St. John. God bless you all!

AGNES BAILEY, Chairperson

GOD OUR FATHER

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER

MAN OUR BROTHER

Order of Service

MEDITATE: "A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised."

—PROVERBS 31:30

PRELUDE.....	Mr. Rufus Gilmore III, Minister of Music
HYMN OF ADORATION	
CALL TO WORSHIP.....	Mrs. Carolyn Tarver
OPENING HYMN—"Come Thou Almighty King" (No. 7).....	Congregation
MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION.....	Mrs. Louise Watts
CHORAL RESPONSE	
SCRIPTURE (Luke 1:26-31; 1 Samuel 1:9-18).....	Mrs. Odell Brayboy
DECALOGUE.....	Mrs. Joyce Cooper
MUSIC.....	Women's Choir
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GUEST RECOGNITION.....	Mrs. Lynn Sherrod
BIRTHDAY/ALTAR CALL FOR JUNE	
MUSIC.....	Women's Choir
THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD	
THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.....	Mrs. Phyllis Conner
WELCOME.....	Mrs. Mydell Smith
OCCASION.....	Mrs. Rosetta Williams
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....	Mrs. Agnes Bailey
HYMN OF PREPARATION—"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" (No. 513).....	Congregation
GUEST SPEAKER.....	Mrs. Alice Hill St. James A. M. E. Church Columbia, South Carolina
HYMN OF INVITATION—"Lord I Want to Be a Christian" (No. 282)	
FINANCIAL REPORT	
REMARKS.....	Mrs. Agnes Bailey Chairperson, Women's Day Program
CLOSING HYMN—"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" (No. 196)	Rev. H. L. McCall, Pastor
DOXOLOGY.....	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
BENEDICTION	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Stewardship and Finance Commission will meet Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Attend Sunday School at 9:30 each Sunday morning with your family.

Prayer meeting and Bible Class will be held Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. II Corinthians will be discussed.

The flowers on the altar today are given by Dr. and Mrs. Nimrod Cobb.

Parents, please sign your children up for Vacation Bible School (to be held 7-11 July) after service today in the vestibule.

All members, guests and visitors are invited to the Fellowship Hall immediately after services today for refreshments.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 7-11 — Vacation Bible School

July 12 — Trip to Six Flags—Atlanta, Georgia

July 21-25 — Christian Education Congress—Alabama State University, Montgomery

OUR KNOWN SICK AND SHUT-IN

Mrs. Sarah Baxley

Mrs. Fannie Ford

Mrs. Amanda Derrick

Mrs. Lizzie Petty

Mrs. Hazel Gilmore

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Our Father, we thank you today for this celebration of womanhood. We are grateful for all the faithful women of the past, present and future who are exemplary role models for Christian youth. In Jesus name. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"The Lord is good to all and His compassion is over all that He has made." Psalms 145:9

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR WEEK OF JUNE 30-JULY 6, 1986

Mon.—I Timothy 3:8-16

Friday—Daniel 4:34-37

Tuesday—Psalms 117

Saturday—Deuteronomy 33:24-25

Wednesday—I Thessalonians 5:23-28

Sunday—John 16:16-33

Thursday—Luke 3:21-22

Committees for Women's Day Program

WOMEN'S DAY PROGRAM CHAIRPERSON Mrs. Agnes Bailey

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Annual Women's Day Celebration

*THEME: "A Christian Woman's Growth Essentials:
Faith, Hope, Love and Prayer"*



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Favorite Bible Scriptures for Our Christian Growth

FAITH:

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. (Isaiah 26:3). . . Jesus said unto him, "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." (Mark 9:23). . . Then Jesus said unto them, "Because of your unbelief; for verily I say unto you, if ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove and nothing shall be impossible unto you." (Matthew 17:20). . . And Jesus said unto the centurion, "Go thy way and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee." And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour. (Matthew 8:13). . . Many sorrows shall be to the wicked; but he that trusteth in the Lord, mercy shall compass him about. (Psalm 32:10)

HOPE:

For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the work of the truth of the gospel. (Colossians 1:5). . . Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (I Peter 1:3). . . Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ. (Titus 2:13). . . And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust. (Acts 24:15).

LOVE:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. (John 3:16). . . But God commended his love toward us in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8). . . Hatred stirreth up strife: but love covereth all sins. (Proverbs 10:12). . . For brethren ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh but by love serve one another. (Galatians 5:13). . . He that loveth his brother abideth in the light and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. (I John 2:10). . . And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also. (I John 4:21). . . Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. (Psalm 91:14).

PRAYER:

And I shall say unto you, ask, and it shall be given; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you. (Luke 11:9). . . And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking I will hear. (Isaiah 65:24). . . He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble. I will deliver him, and honour him. (Psalm 91:15). . . Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer, thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity. (Isaiah 58:9). . . Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men! (Psalm 31:19).

Order of Women's Day Worship Service

11:00 A.M.

MRS. LINDA WALTON, *Presiding*

PRELUDE *Mr. Rufus Gilmore, III*
Minister of Music

CALL TO WORSHIP (All Standing) *Mrs. Martha Smith*

LEADER: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

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 dwell in the tents of wickedness.

LEADER: 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.

LEADER: 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.

LEADER: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

PEOPLE: O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! I will sing of loyalty and of justice; to you, O Lord, I will sing.

OPENING HYMN *Choir/Congregation*
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (No. 364)

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Ms. Kathlyn Dulaney*

CHORAL RESPONSE *Choir/Congregation*

SCRIPTURE LESSON—I Corinthians 13:1-13 *Mrs. Willie Kelley*

CONGREGATION ARISING, SING: *Hymn No. 69*

"From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
Through every land, by every tongue."

Watts

SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE.....Mrs. Christine McMillan

RESPONSIVE READING—No. 703—I Love the LordMrs. Mary Rankin

MUSICAL SELECTIONWomen's Day Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF
GUESTS AND VISITORS.....Dr. Katie Blanding

MUSICAL SELECTIONWomen's Day Choir

WELCOME/OCCASIONMs. Doris Outlaw

OFFERING AND TITHES
Offering SentencesMrs. Gloria Dawson
Prayer of Thanksgiving.....Mrs. Debra Rice

WOMEN'S DAY MEMORIAL TRIBUTE.....Mrs. Willie Heyward

DEDICATION OF HYMNAL.....Rev. H. M. McCall

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERMs. Jackie Grier

SOLO.....Ms. Audrey Walker

SPEAKERATTY. ALICE BROWN
St. John A.M.E. Church
Donalsonville, Ga.

'A Christian Woman-Living in a Crazy World'

HYMN OF INVITATION.....Choir/Congregation
"Love Lifted Me" (No. 461)

FINANCIAL REPORTMrs. Ada Houston

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/REMARKS.....Mrs. Linda Walton
Chairperson, Women's Day
Rev. H. L. McCall, Pastor

CLOSING HYMNChoir/Congregation
"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" (No. 196)

DOXOLOGY—"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"Congregation

BENEDICTION

Announcements

Sunday School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Plan now to attend.

The Stewardship and Finance Commission will meet Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Mid-week Prayer Service and Bible Class will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The Book of Judges will be discussed.

OUR KNOWN SICK AND SHUT-IN

Mrs. Amanda Derrick
Mrs. Emma Humber
Mr. J. H. Richards
Mrs. Lucille McDowell
Mrs. Mary Davis

Mrs. Fannie Ford
Mrs. Lizzie Petty
Mrs. Gertrude Davis
Mrs. Griefie Russell

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 20-24 Christian Education Congress, Alabama State University,
Montgomery, Alabama

July 26 Sunday School Anniversary, 4:00 p.m.

July 31 South Birmingham/Huntsville District RAYC Lock-In, St. John

August 1-2 Fourth Quarterly Conference

August 3-7 Revival, St. Paul A. M. E. Church, Scottsboro, Alabama, Rev.
McCall, Preacher

Aug 10-14 Revival, St. John, Rev. K. Smith, Preacher

August 22 Church Picnic, NASA Picnic Grounds

August 23 Women's Missionary Society Calendar Tea, St. John

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Ms. Donna Jones

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Requanda Love
Celeste Gilmore

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We wish to extend special thanks to our speaker, program participants, members of the various committees, and the women of St. John for your participation and cooperation on today, our 1987 Women's Day.

Mrs. Linda Walton, *Chairperson*
Rev. H. L. McCall, *Pastor*
Officers of St. John A.M.E. Church

ANNUAL OBSERVANCE

OF

Women's Day

THEME: *HOLDING TO GOD'S UNCHANGING HAND*



Dr. Cleo Higgins

Guest Speaker

Sunday, June 26, 1988

11:00 a.m.

St. John A.M.E. Church

229 Church Street

Huntsville, Alabama

REV. DR. HOMER LITTLEFIELD McCALL, *Pastor*

Dr. Cleo Higgins

Dr. Higgins' life is deeply rooted in Christian principles. She is an educator, a humanitarian, and a source of inspiration to those who know her. She has won the respect of her colleagues, as well as others outside her profession. Her accomplishments and experiences are broad and varied.

Now a widow, and the mother of two sons, Kyle Everett, and Sean Craig, Cleo S. Higgins was born in Memphis, Tennessee. She has five grandchildren.

Dr. Higgins is proud of her affiliation with Bethune Cookman College, and credits her preparation for teaching, leadership, and service, to several educational institutions and experiences. She graduated *Salutatorian* of a class of 565 students from DuSable High School, Chicago, Illinois; and later received a B.S. degree in English with *Highest Honors* from LeMoyne College, Memphis, Tennessee. The Ph. M. degree in English was received from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. She later received the Ph. D. degree in English and a minor in Educational Administration from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. During her study for the doctoral degree she won the distinction of *Scholar in English*.

Her career experiences extend from 1943 to the present. During this time she has taught many subjects in the field of Humanities, and has held several leadership positions in her profession, and received recognition for elevating the status of women in administration. She has held the office of Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty at Bethune-Cookman College. Currently, she serves as Distinguished Professor of the institution. She plans to retire this year.

Dr. Higgins has won several scholarships, fellowships, grants, honors, and awards from many sources.

As early as 1940 she was named by the Chicago Tribune as one of the Leading Graduates in Chicago High Schools. She has been listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities; Who's Who in the South and Southwest; Outstanding Educators in America; Personalities of the South, and Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans.

Dr. Higgins knew and worked with Mrs. Mary McCleod Bethune for eleven years!

Our speaker is an organizer of many educational, civic, social, and religious activities. She has served as Church School Superintendent; chaired a program on Bilingualism in the West Indies; consulted for In-Service Education; chaired a committee on Fair Employment Practices; held membership on a county Executive Board for the March of Dimes; served as Democratic Committeewoman in her community, and held the office of National President of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

Her list of memberships, services, and affiliations are more extensive than those listed here. However, we can conclude that Dr. Higgins is a Christian Woman, who has accomplished much in life. She serves diligently and efficiently the needs of humankind. It is doubtful that her concern and work for others will cease with her retirement on June 30 of this year.

4 Mahatma Gandhi Said So

Greetings from Rev. & Mrs. Homer L. McCall

1 Wealth without Work

2 Knowledge without Character

3 Power without Conscience

4 Science without Humanity

5 Worship without Sacrifice

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The wisdom of the ages reminds us that: "The doing is in the saying," "As a person thinks in his heart so is he," and "One's prayers best reflect what a person thinks about the most of the time."

It is a privilege to greet you at our Annual Women's Day Observance. We hope that in some way this message will convey the thought as well as emphasize the supreme importance of selfless intercessory prayer not only in greeting people but also in helping to make life more meaningful for everyone.

Many thanks to Dr. Cleo Higgins, our guest speaker, our many visitors and our guests who have come to share this occasion with us.

Order of Worship

Sunday, June 26, 1988

11:00 a.m.

MEDITATE: GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH, AN EVER-PRESENT HELP IN TROUBLE.

Psalm 46:1

PRELUDE.....Mr. Rufus Gilmore, Minister of Music

HYMN OF ADORATION....."Holy! Holy! Holy!"

CALL TO WORSHIP.....Mrs. Vera Bell

OPENING HYMN—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"...No. 5.....Choir and Congregation

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION.....Mrs. Hazel Gilmore

CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE: Old Testament—Psalm 29.....Mrs. Ethel Richards

New Testament—St. Luke 7:44-50.....Mrs. Barbara Bradford

DECALOGUE.....Ms. Monica Pearson

RESPONSIVE READING.....Mrs. Connie Teague

MUSIC.....Women's Day Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS.....Mrs. Thalia Love

WELCOME AND OCCASION.....Mrs. Mydell Smith

MUSIC.....Women's Day Choir

TRIBUTE.....Dr. W.M. Clark

PIANO SOLO.....Mrs. Edna Matthews

NECROLOGY.....Mrs. Gloria Dawson & Mrs. Lula Moses

OFFERTORY SENTENCES.....Mrs. Maple Smiley

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.....Ms. Ellen Lewis

CHORAL RESPONSE

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....Dr. Katie Blanding

HYMN OF PREPARATION..."Hold to God's Unchanging Hand".....Congregation

SPEAKER.....Dr. Cleo Higgins, Distinguished Professor and Former Vice

President for Academic Affairs

Bethune Cookman College

HYMN OF INVITATION....."Precious Lord, Take My Hand"...No. 393

FINANCIAL REPORT.....Mrs. Ada Houston

REMARKS.....Dr. K. Blanding, Chairwoman

Rev. H.L. McCall, Pastor

CLOSING HYMN....."Sweet, Sweet, Spirit"...No. 196

DOXOLOGY..."Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow".....Congregation

BENEDICTION.....Rev. H.L. McCall, Pastor

RESPONSIVE READING

GOD IS OUR REFUGE

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth
be moved.

and though the mountains be toppled into
the depths of the sea;

Though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble at its
tumult.

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

There is a river whose streams make glad the
city of God,

the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown;

God shall help her at the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the
Kingdoms are shaken;

God has spoken, and the earth shall melt
away.

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Come now and look upon the works of the
Lord.

what awesome things He has done on earth.

It is He who makes war to cease in all the
world;

He breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, then, and know that I am God;

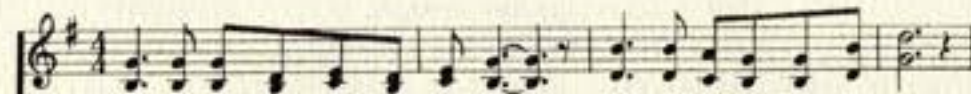
I will be exalted among the nations;

I will be exalted in the earth."

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Psalm 46

Hold to God's Unchanging Hand



1. Time is filled with swift tran-si-tion, Naught of earth un-moved canstand,
 2. Trust in Him who will not leave you, What-so-ev-er years may bring;
 3. Cov-et not this world's vain rich-es, That so rap-id-ly de-cay;
 4. When your jour-ney is com-plet-ed, If to God you have been true,




Build your hopes on things e-ter-nal, Hold to God's un-chang-ing hand.
 If by earth-ly friends for-sak-en, Still more close-ly to Him cling.
 Seek to gain the heav-en-ly trea-sures: They will nev-er pass a-way.
 Fair and bright the home in glo-ry Your en-rap-tured soul will view.



Refrain



Hold to God's un-chang-ing hand; Hold to God's un-chang-ing
 Hold to His hand, Hold to His hand,




hand; Build your hopes on things e-ter-nal; Hold to God's un-chang-ing hand.



*My voice shalt thou hear in the morning,
 O Lord;
 in the morning will I direct my prayer
 unto thee,
 and will look up.*

PSALM 5:3

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Prayer for Today

Our heavenly Father, we thank you for allowing us to observe another celebration of womanhood. May the faith, hope, love and respect for women that was perfectly reflected in the life of Jesus Christ fill our hearts and minds not only today but also at all times. In His Name. Amen.

Home Daily Bible Readings for Week of

June 27 — July 3, 1988

Monday — Acts 27:13-26

Friday — Psalm 117

Tuesday — Psalm 98

Saturday — I Thessalonians 5:12-28

Wednesday — Romans 4:1-8

Sunday — Luke 3:21-37

Thursday — I Timothy 3:1-10

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Thanks to the Women's Day Committee and participants for their support of all activities for this celebration. - Katie Blanding, Chairwoman

*Program: Mrs. Gwendolyn Baldwin * Mrs. Vera Bell * Mrs. Barbara Bradford * Dr. W.M. Clark * Mrs. Gloria Dawson * Ms. Shayla Franklin * Mrs. Hazel Gilmore * Mr. Rufus Gilmore * Mrs. Ada Houston * Mrs. Irene Hyder * Ms. Ellen Lewis * Mrs. Georga Liner * Mrs. Thalia Love * Ms. Requanda Love * Mrs. Edna Matthews * Mrs. Mable McCall * Mrs. Lula Moses * Ms. Monica Pearson * Mrs. Maple Smiley * Mrs. Mydell Smith * Mrs. Teresa Smith * Mrs. Connie Teague * Mrs. Ethel Richards*

*Fundraising and Finance: Mrs. Charlsie Brooks * Mrs. Lou V. Clark * Mrs. Ada Houston * Mrs. Annie McCelvy * Ms. Doris Outlaw * Mrs. Bessie Smith*

*Luncheon: Mrs. Sarah Alls * Mrs. Ada Houston * Mrs. Irene Hyder * Mrs. Lorene Jones * Mrs. Lula Moses * Mrs. Hattie Sales * Mrs. Bessie Smith*

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Thanks to Albert's Flowers and Greenhouses for the beautiful cut flowers for the Women's Day Program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 27..... Aerobics Class 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall.
June 28..... The Official Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.
June 29..... Love Feast.
July 6-14..... A.M.E. Church General Conference, Fort Worth, Texas.
July 18-22..... Vacation Bible School, Ms. Doris Outlaw, Christian Education Director.

OUR KNOWN SICK AND SHUT IN

Mrs. Amanda Derrick
Mrs. Fannie Ford
Mrs. Emma Humber
Mrs. Ruth Morris
Mrs. Lizzie Petty

Mr. J.H. Richards
Mrs. Griefie Russell
Mrs. Lucille Shapard
Mrs. Bessie Smith

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"I appeal to you, therefore, brethren by the mercies of God that you present your bodies as a living sacrifice-holy, acceptable unto God which is your reasonable service."

Romans 12:1

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Plan now to attend.

Prayer Meeting and Bible Class are held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Let us pray and study together. The topic presently is the Book of Acts. Plan now to attend and fully utilize the greatest source of power and wisdom on earth - prayer and the Bible.

The flowers on the altar today are given by Dr. Jeanette Jones.

Please note the following scheduled Commissions, Board and Organization meetings.

Stewardship and Finance.....	Monday, 1:30 p.m.
Gospel Choir Rehearsal.....	Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal.....	Wednesday, 6:15 p.m.
Senior Choir Rehearsal.....	Thursday, 6:00 p.m.
Male Chorus Rehearsal.....	Friday, 6:00 p.m.
Official Board Meeting.....	Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

The Aerobics Class will begin on Monday, June 27, 1988 at 6:00 p.m. All persons who have signed up and interested persons are asked to assemble promptly at the church.

All church members who are interested in enrolling in the Lay Organization are asked to sign up today in the vestibule or church corridor.

The official board will meet promptly Tuesday evening, June 28 at 7:00 p.m. All officers and members are asked to assemble on time.

The Betty E. Derrick Women's Missionary Society will be sponsoring a continuous food and clothing drive for the needy in our community. Please contact Mrs. Marjorie Reed or Ms. Kathryn Dulaney to make donations.

Love Feast will be held Wednesday, June 29 at 7:00 during Bible Class. Thank you for planning to attend.

Annual Women's Day Observance
SAINT JOHN AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Huntsville, Alabama

Sunday, June 25, 1989 — 10:50 A.M.



SPEAKER:

Mrs. Mollie Stewart

Mount Moriah United Methodist Church, Talucah, Alabama

Theme: "THE ROLE OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN IN A DYNAMIC SOCIETY"

RIGHT REVEREND CORNELIUS E. THOMAS, *Presiding Prelate*
REVEREND E. L. BLANKENSHIP, *Presiding Elder*
REVEREND DR. HOMER L. McCALL, *Pastor*

Order of Worship

SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 1989 — 10:50 A.M.

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MEDITATE: But I will fore warn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.—Luke 12:5

PRELUDE *Mr. Rufus Gilmore, Minister of Music*
HYMN OF ADORATION *"Holy! Holy! Holy"*
CALL TO WORSHIP *Ms. Lorene Edwards*
OPENING HYMN
MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Mrs. Agnes Bailey*
CHORAL RESPONSE
SCRIPTURE *Mrs. Eunice Tucker*
DECALOGUE *Mrs. Mydell Smith*
RESPONSIVE READING—No. 685 *Mrs. Gwen Baldwin*
MUSIC
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GUEST RECOGNITION *Atty. Lynn Sherrod*
WELCOME AND OCCASION *Mrs. Voncile Gibson*
SOLO *Ms. Doris Outlaw*
OFFERTORY SENTENCES *Dr. Katie Blanding*
GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Mrs. Debra Rice*
CHORAL RESPONSE
INSTRUMENTAL SOLO *Mrs. Edna Matthews*
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER *Mrs. Linda Walton*
HYMN OF PREPARATION—No. 355 *"Tempted and Tried"*
SPEAKER *Mrs. Mollie Stewart*
Quality Assurance Supervisor
Prestolite Electric Company, Decatur, AL
HYMN OF INVITATION

REMARKS *Mrs. Gloria Dawson, Chairwoman*
Rev. Homer McCall

CLOSING HYMN

DOXOLOGY

BENEDICTION

Our thanks to the committees and participants for their support.

Mrs. Gloria Dawson, Chairwoman

Mrs. Willie Heyward, Co-Chairwoman

PROGRAM: *Mrs. Juanita Sales, Mrs. Voncile Gibson, Mrs. Gwen Baldwin,*
Mrs. Eunice Tucker

PUBLICITY: *Mrs. Hazel Gilmore*

FINANCE: *Mrs. Annie McCelvy, Mrs. Lou Clark, Mrs. Ada Houston*

REFRESHMENTS: *Mrs. Bessie Smith*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 26 *State Christian Education Congress*
Alabama State University, Montgomery, Alabama
July 9 *Sunday School Anniversary*
July 10-14 *Vacation Bible School*
August 5 *Church Picnic*

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Our Father, thank you for the contribution, leadership and sacrifices of Christian women.
In Jesus name. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"Very well," Deborah said, "I will go with you. But because of the way you are going about this, the honor will not be yours, for the Lord will hand Sisera over to a woman."
—Judges 4:9

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 26 - JULY 2, 1989

Monday *Luke 22:31-38*
Tuesday *Acts 27:13-26*
Wednesday *Psalm 98*
Thursday *Romans 4:1-8*
Friday *1 Timothy 3:1-13*
Saturday *Psalm 117*
Sunday *1 Thessalonians 5:12-28*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Plan now to attend.

Prayer Meeting and Bible Class will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. I and II Chronicles will be the focus for study.

Please register for Vacation Bible School after service today. Classes are for infants to adults.

The trip to Six Flags Over Georgia will be August 12. The round trip bus ticket for each person is \$15.00. The adult group ticket to Six Flags is \$15.00 and the fee for children 12 and under is \$12.50. Please sign up in the vestibule today if you have not already done so; give your ticket and bus fare payment to Mrs. McCall no later than Sunday, July 30 in order to secure your reservation.



ST. JOHN A. M. E. CHURCH

Women's Day Program



GUEST SPEAKER
MRS. RUTHIE B. JACKSON

*Theme: "African-American Women Achieving Success
Past, Present, and Future"*

Sunday, June 24, 1990
10:50 A. M.

RT. REV. C. E. THOMAS, *Presiding Bishop,*
Ninth Episcopal District A. M. E. Church

DR. E. L. BLANKENSHIP, *Presiding Elder,*
South Birmingham-Huntsville, District

REV. DR. H. L. McCALL, *Pastor*

God Our Father Christ Our Redeemer Man Our Brother
 "African-American Women Achieving Success — Past, Present and Future"

Order of Service

Meditate: "A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised."—Proverbs 31:30

PRELUDE.....Dr. Henrene Smoot
 Guest Musician

PROCESSIONAL

CALL TO WORSHIPMrs. Mable McCall

OPENING HYMN (#513)Choir/Congregation
 "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSIONMrs. Evelyn Hildreth

CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE (Ruth 3:1-18; Matthew 1:18-25).....Janice and Lady Hereford

DECALOGUE.....Mrs. Vera Bell

MUSIC.....Women's Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS/GUEST RECOGNITIONMs. Claudinette Purifoy

BIRTHDAY/ALTAR CALL FOR JUNE.....Rev. H. L. McCall

MUSIC.....Women's Choir

THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERING TO GOD

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.....Rev. Angela Walker

WELCOME/OCCASIONMrs. Willie Kelly

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERMrs. Agnes Bailey

SOLO.....Ms. Doris Outlaw

GUEST SPEAKERMrs. Ruthie B. Jackson
 First Missionary Baptist Church
 Metropolis, Illinois

HYMN OF INVITATION (#364).....Choir/Congregation
 "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less"

SPECIAL TRIBUTE.....Ms. Barbara Johnson

REMARKSMrs. Hazel Gilmore
 Chairperson, Women's Day Program
 Rev. H. L. McCall, Pastor

CLOSING HYMN (#196)....."There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

DOXOLOGY....."Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

BENEDICTIONRev. H. L. McCall

Announcements

Sunday School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Plan now to attend.

Prayer Meeting and Bible Class will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The focus this week will be on what the Bible says concerning AIDS and ABORTION. Everyone is invited.

The flowers on the altar today are given by Mrs. Ethel Richards in memory of her late husband, Mr. J. H. Richards.

Vacation Bible School will be held July 9-13, 1990. Please register yourself and your family if you have not already done so. There will be classes and fun for everyone. Please see Ms. Lorraine Edwards for a registration form.

The first in a series of Substance Abuse Workshops will be given at St. John on Saturday, June 30, 1990 from 9:00-12:00. See Mr. Ronald Sales, Chairman of this event for further details.

Our Known Sick and Shut-In

Mrs. Virginia Chavis	Mrs. Ruth Morris
Mrs. Amanda Derrick	Mrs. Emma Humber
Mrs. Mary King	Mrs. Florence Marks
Mr. Marcus Thompson	

BOARD AND ORGANIZATION MEETINGS FOR JUNE 25-29, 1990

Thursday: Senior Choir - 6:00 p.m.
 Friday: Male Chorus - 6:00 p.m.
 Saturday: Children's Choir - 11:00 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 30	Chemical Substance Abuse Workshop, St. John, 9:00 - 12:00 noon. Featuring NA and Representative from Bradford Center, Mr. Ronald Sales, Chairman.
July 9-13	Vacation Bible School
July 15	Sunday School Anniversary
July 23-25	Christian Education Congress, Alabama State University, Montgomery, Alabama

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"Be faithful unto death and I will give you the crown of life."

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Our Father, thank you for this celebration of womanhood. Help us never to forget our "Roots" and "Wings" through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 24, 1990

Monday	II Samuel 22:21-25
Tuesday	Luke 22:7-38
Wednesday	Acts 27:13-26
Thursday	Psalm 98
Friday	Romans 4:1-18
Saturday	I Timothy 3:1-16
Sunday	Psalm 117

WOMEN'S DAY STEERING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Hazel Gilmore, *Chairperson*
Mrs. Bessie Smith, *Refreshments*
Ms. Doris Outlaw

Mrs. Agnes Bailey, *Co-Chairperson*
Ms. Barbara Johnson
Mrs. Lynn Sherrod

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EXPRESSIONS OF THANKS

The Women's Day Committee would like to express to the members of St. John A.M.E. Church and to all of the program participants their sincere thanks, and gratitude for your support and cooperation in making this Women's Day Celebration a joyous occasion. A special thanks to our guest Musician, Dr. Henrene Smoot. May God continue to bless each and every one of you.

HAZEL GILMORE, *Chairperson*

St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church

Annual Women's Day Observance

THEME: "Christian Women: Serving Christ Through Serving Others"



Guest Speaker

Mrs. Juanita Phillips Evans

Sunday, June 23, 1991

10:50 A. M.

RT. REVEREND C. E. THOMAS, *Presiding Bishop,*
Ninth Episcopal District A.M.E. Church

DR. E. L. BLANKENSHIP, *Presiding Elder*
South Birmingham-Huntsville District

REVEREND DR. H. L. McCALL, *Pastor*

WHO, THEN IS WILLING

Who then, is willing to answer His Call
To follow their Master and Consecrate all,
To turn from the world, with its pleasure and Sin,
Bring talent or treasure, and give all to Him,
Leave home with its Comfort, count all things but loss,
Lay all on the Altar, and take up the Cross,
Ambitions and Pleasure, Alluring and gay,
To Consecrate wholly, and do it today.

Who then is willing to kneel at His Feet,
And wait, in the Stillness, until He shall speak,
Until He shall shew them a World and its need,
The sheep who have drifted, with no Shepherd to lead,
And Lambs, oh so helpless, with no one to care,
Enticed by the Tempter, and caught in His snare,
The homes that are broken, and Children astray,
Who'll answer the Challenge, and Answer today.

Who'll go for their Master to lands far away,
In the Power of the Spirit, where demons hold sway,
Where Souls are enslaved, and vile passions are rife,
And to tell them of Jesus, the Light and the Life,
Who'll go to the lost ones, who have waited so long,
So hopeless and helpless, no Joy and no Song,
Who'll carry Love's Message, Who'll answer, the Call,
And dare for their Master to Consecrate All.

Who, then is willing, to Watch and to Pray,
And labor for Jesus while yet it is day,
In Highways and byways, to seek the lost Sheep,
Tho others, in Comfort may slumber and sleep,
In Strongholds of Satan, A Standard to raise,
Till others shall join us in Singing His Praise,
So sweet comes His Whisper, but urgent the Call,
Today you are willing to Consecrate All.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 28-30: Gospel Music Workshop featuring Mrs. M. H. Stringer, Clinician
June 30: NO EXCUSE DAY — Mrs. Ellen Washington and Mrs. Rickshel Love,
Coordinators
June 26-July 3: WMS/YPD Quadrennium and Bishop's Council and General Board AME
Church Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland
July 8-10: Christian Education Congress - Mobile, Alabama
July 15-19: Vacation Bible School, Mr. Lamar Higgins, CED Coordinator
July 21: Sunday School Anniversary

WOMEN'S DAY STEERING COMMITTEE

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| Mrs. Agnes Bailey, Chairperson | Mrs. Sylvia Phillips, Program Chairperson |
| Mrs. Bessie Smith, Refreshments | Mrs. Ada Houston, Finance |
| Mrs. Phyllis Conner, Publicity | Mrs. Sharon Butler |
| Mrs. Lynn Sherrod | Ms. Patricia Grier |

Thanks to all of you for your spiritual, prayerful and financial support of this year's Women's Day Celebration.
(Women's Day Committee)

God Our Father

Christ Our Redeemer

Man Our Brother

Order of Service

MEDIATE: For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.
EPHESIANS 2:10

PRELUDE.....Mr. Rufus Gilmore, III, Minister of Music
Mr. Lamar Higgins, Musician

DOXOLOGY—"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

CALL TO WORSHIP.....Mrs. Margaret Ballard

OPENING HYMN (#8—"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart").....Choir/Congregation

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION.....Mrs. Sally Fitchard

CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE: Old Testament — I Chronicles 29:5-9.....Mrs. Regena Pippen
New Testament—Colossians 3:12-17.....Mrs. Mary Bowser

DECALOGUE.....Mrs. Maria Hobson

RESPONSIVE READING (#726).....Mrs. Mary Powers

MUSIC.....Women's Day Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS.....Mrs. Lynn Sherrod

WELCOME AND OCCASION.....Mrs. Georgia Liner

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Ms. Olivia Washington
Union Baptist Church, Clanton City, AL

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY MUSIC.....Women's Day Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.....Ms. Kathlyn Dulaney

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....Mrs. Evelyn Hildreth

HYMN OF PREPARATION (#513).....Choir/Congregation
"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"

SPEAKER.....Mrs. Juanita Phillips Evans
Pleasant Hill AME Church, Magnolia, AL

HYMN OF INVITATION (#242—"A Charge to Keep I Have")

REMARKS.....Mrs. Agnes Bailey, Chairperson
Rev. H. L. McCall, Pastor

CLOSING HYMN—"Till We Meet Again"

DOXOLOGY—"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

BENEDICTION.....Rev. H. L. McCall, Pastor

Announcements

Sunday School convenes at 9:30 a.m. Plan now to attend.

Mid-Week Prayer Service and Bible Class will be held on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. A discussion of the upcoming Sunday School lesson for Sunday, June 30 is the topic for study. The leaders for each class this week are: Dr. L. E. Williams, II, Adult Class; Homer L. McCall, II, Youth Class; and Mrs. Phyllis Conner will coordinate the children.

The flowers on the altar today are given by Mrs. Ethel Richatds in memory of her husband, Mr. J. H. Richards.

The Gospel Chorus of St. John AME Church will sponsor a Gospel Music Workshop June 28-30, 1991 that will feature Mrs. Minnie Holt Stringer, Minister of Music, Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama. Mrs. Stringer will serve as Clinician for the Workshop on Friday, June 28 from 6-9 p.m., on Saturday, June 29 from 9-11 a.m. and 1-5 p.m. On Sunday afternoon, June 30th she will lead the Gospel Concert during "NO EXCUSE DAY."

The Gospel Chorus will sponsor a Bake Sale after service on Sunday, June 30.

The St. John AME family is invited to worship with Campbell Chapel AME Church, Pulaski, Tennessee during Men's Day observance on Sunday, June 23 at 6:00 p.m. Rev. McCall will preach and St. John's Choir will sing. Rev. William Smith is the Pastor.

REMEMBER THE SICK AND SHUT-IN TODAY

Mr. Percy Ashford
Mrs. Amanda Derrick
Mr. Joe D. Moore

Mrs. Virginia Chavis
Mrs. Sarah Hamilton
Mrs. Ruth Morris

Mrs. Mary Davis
Mrs. Mary King
Dr. Dorothea D. Smith

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Our Father, teach us to praise you constantly through unselfish acts of love for all people—
In Jesus name. AMEN.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised."—Proverbs 31:30 (NIV)

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS: JUNE 24-30, 1991

MONDAY: Psalms 5

THURSDAY: Acts 27:21-26

TUESDAY: 2 Samuel 22:21-25

FRIDAY: Psalm 98

WEDNESDAY: Luke 22:24-32

SATURDAY: Romans 4:1-8

SUNDAY: I Timothy 3:1-10

BOARDS AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS: June 24-30, 1991

MONDAY: 1:30 P.M.—Finance Commission

THURSDAY: 6:00 P.M.—Senior Choir

FRIDAY: 6:00 P.M.—Male Chorus

SATURDAY: 11:00 A.M.—Children's Choir

St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church
Huntsville, Alabama

Celebration of Womanhood

THEME: "Christian Women Persevering in Faith During the 90's"



Attorney Annetta H. Verin
Prosecuting Attorney, District Attorney's Office
Bessemer, Alabama
Speaker

Sunday, June 28, 1992 — 10:50 A.M.

C. E. THOMAS, *Presiding Bishop*
Ninth Episcopal District, A.M.E. Church
E. L. BLANKENSHIP, *Presiding Elder*
South Birmingham-Huntsville, District
H. L. McCALL, *Pastor*

RESPONSIVE READING

GOD IS OUR REFUGE

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth
be moved.

and though the mountains be toppled into
the depths of the sea;

Though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble at its
tumult.

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

There is a river whose streams make glad the
city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown;
God shall help her at the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the
Kingdoms are shaken;
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt
away.

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Come now and look upon the works of the
Lord.
what awesome things He has done on earth.

It is He who makes war to cease in all the
world;

He breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Psalm 46

Sunday, June 28, 1992

MEDITATE: "Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who
fears the Lord is to be praised."—Proverbs 31:30

Order of Service

PRELUDE Mr. Rufus Gilmore III, Minister of Music
Mr. Lamar Higgins, Musician

DOXOLOGY

CALL TO WORSHIP Mrs. Eleanor Burnett

OPENING HYMN "We're Marching to Zion" (520)

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION Mrs. Hazel Gilmore

CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE: Old Testament—Proverbs 30:5-14 Ms. Pat Grier
Epistle—Galatians 5:22-26 Mrs. Agnes Bailey
New Testament—Luke 10:38-42 Ms. Jackie Grier

DECALOGUE Mrs. Ursula Gaines

RESPONSIVE READING (683) Ms. Barbara Johnson
Psalm 46 "God Is Our Refuge"

MUSIC St. John's Women Chorus

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GUEST RECOGNITION Mrs. Phyllis Lewis

WELCOME AND OCCASION Mrs. Mattie Ezell

MUSIC St. John's Women Chorus

THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS/OFFERTORY MUSIC

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Michelle Childress

CHORAL RESPONSE

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER Attorney Lynn Sherrod

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Take My Life and Let It Be" (292)

GUEST SPEAKER ATTORNEY ANNETTA H. VERIN
Prosecuting Attorney, District Attorney's Office
Bessemer, Alabama

HYMN OF INVITATION "I've a Message From the Lord" (215)

REMARKS Attorney Lynn Sherrod, Chairperson
Rev. H. L. McCall, Pastor

CLOSING HYMN "Reach Out and Touch"

DOXOLOGY/BENEDICTION

Announcements

Sunday School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. "Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman who needs not be ashamed rightly dividing the Word of truth."—2 Timothy 2:15

The Official Board will meet tomorrow evening, June 29 at 6:30 p.m. All officers and members are asked to assemble promptly. The meeting will feature presentations from the representative from Food Share and the architect, David Jones from Birmingham, Alabama.

The flowers on the altar today are given by Mrs. Ethel Richards in memory of her husband, Mr. J. H. Richards.

The Steering Committee for our Pastor's Anniversary ask for your prayers, cooperation, support and presence in making this celebration for our leader and his family a joyous occasion:

— The Pastor's Anniversary Steering Committee 1992 —

CHAIRPERSONS: Mr. Ronald Robinson, Mr. Randy Love

PROGRAM CHAIRPERSONS: Mrs. Willie Kelley, Mrs. Ernestine Robinson

PUBLICITY CHAIRPERSONS: Mr. Jerry Baldwin, Mr. Everett Brooks Jr.

FINANCE CHAIRPERSONS: Dr. Clifton Pearson, Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly

REFRESHMENT CHAIRPERSON: Mrs. Bessie M. Smith

OUR KNOWN SICK AND SHUT-IN

Mrs. Virginia Chavie

Mrs. Mary Davis

Mrs. Susie Gandy

Mrs. Sarah Hamilton

Mrs. Mary King

Dr. Dorothea D. Smith

Let us remember with prayers and expressions Mrs. Rekena Gaines and her family during the homegoing celebration of her uncle who passed recently in Mobile.

WOMEN'S DAY COMMITTEES

PROGRAM: Attorney Lynn Sherrod, Mrs. Mattie Ezell

PUBLICITY: Mrs. Sylvia Phillips, Mrs. Rosetta Williams, Mrs. Phyllis Conner and Ms. Michelle Childress

FINANCE: Ms. Ada Houston, Mrs. Lou Clark, Mrs. Katherine Campbell and Ms. Sylvia Darwin

HOSPITALITY: Mrs. Lorene Jones

ACOLYTES: Angela Campbell and Laura Sherrod

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 29 - JULY 5, 1992

MONDAY: Romans 4:1-8

TUESDAY: 1 Timothy 3:1-10

WEDNESDAY: Psalm 117

THURSDAY: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-28

FRIDAY: Luke 3:21-23

SATURDAY: Daniel 4:28-37

SUNDAY: Deuteronomy 33:24-27

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 8-15 AME Church General Conference, Orlando, FL

JULY 26 Sunday School Anniversary

AUGUST 1 Church Picnic

AUGUST 1-2 Fourth Quarterly Conference

AUGUST 10-12 Ninth District Christian Education Congress

Admiral Semmes Hotel, Mobile, Alabama

AUGUST 16 Homecoming Celebration, Hopewell AME Church, East Florence

Rev. Raymond Swafford, Pastor

AUGUST 17-21 REVIVAL

AUGUST 23 Pastor's Day

AUGUST 30 First Quarterly Fellowship Service

Greater Huntsville AME Ministers Alliance

Gravitt Chapel AME Church, New Market, Alabama - 3:30 p.m.

Rev. Horace Fitchard, Jr., Pastor



PRAYER FOR TODAY

We pray for children who want to be carried, and those who must. For those we never give up on and for those who don't get a second chance. For those we smother . . . and for those who will grab the hand of anybody kind enough to offer it. May we Dear Lord offer our hands to the children, so that no child is left behind, because we did not act. Amen.

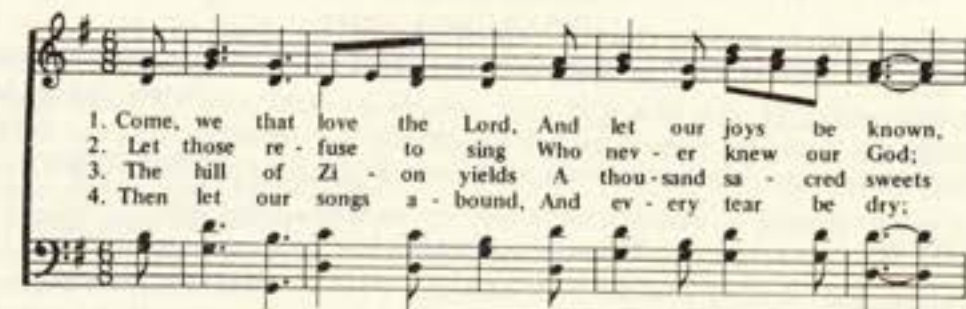
"The Measure of Our Success"
M. W. EDELMAN

Thanks to the Women's Day Committee and participants for their support of all activities of this celebration.

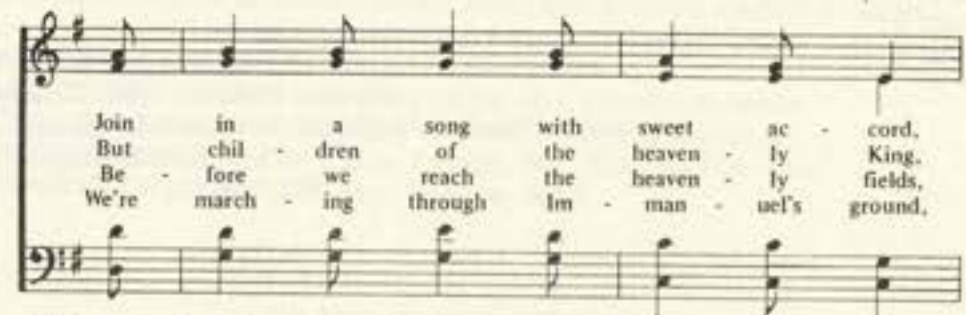
LYNN SHERROD, *Chairwoman*

Come, We That Love the Lord

(We're Marching to Zion)



1. Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known,
2. Let those re - fuse to sing Who nev - er knew our God;
3. The hill of Zi - on yields A thou - sand sa - cred sweets
4. Then let our songs a - bound, And ev - ery tear be dry;



Join in a song with sweet ac - cord,
But chil - dren of the heaven - ly King,
Be - fore we reach the heaven - ly fields,
We're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground,



Join in a song with sweet ac - cord, And thus sur -
But chil - dren of the heaven - ly King, May speak their
Be - fore we reach the heaven - ly fields, Or walk the
We're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, To fair - er



1. And thus sur-round the
round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne,
joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad,
gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets,
worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high,
throne. And thus sur - round the throne.



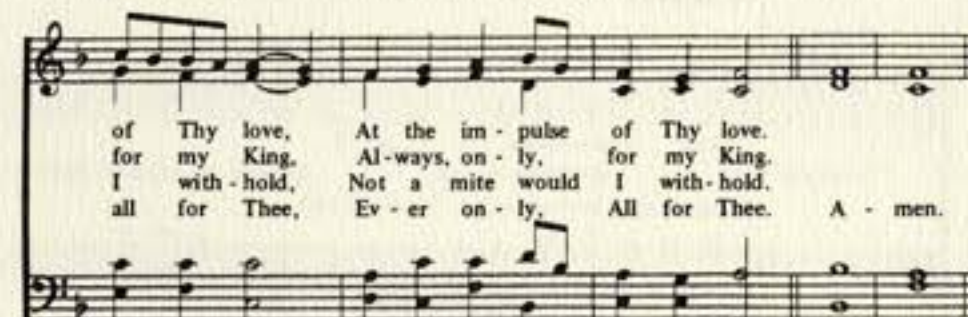
Take My Life, and Let It Be



1. Take my life, and let it be Con - se - crat - ed,
2. Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beau - ti -
3. Take my lips, and let them be Filled with mes - sag -
4. Take my love; my God, I pour At Thy feet its



Lord, to Thee. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse
ful for Thee; Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways, on - ly,
es for Thee. Take my sil - ver and my gold; Not a mite would
treas - ure - store. Take my - self, and I will be Ev - er, on - ly,



of Thy love, At the im - pulse of Thy love.
for my King, Al - ways, on - ly, for my King.
I with - hold, Not a mite would I with - hold.
all for Thee, Ev - er on - ly, All for Thee. A - men.

I've a Message from the Lord

(Look and Live)



1. I've a mes-sage from the Lord, Hal-le - lu-jah! The mes-sage un-to you I'll give;
2. I've a mes-sage full of love, Hal-le - lu-jah! A mes-sage, O my friend, for you;
3. Life is of-fered un - to you, Hal-le - lu-jah! E-ter-nal life thy soul shall have,
4. I will tell you how I came, Hal-le - lu-jah! To Je-sus when He made me whole;



'Tis re-cord-ed in His word, Hal-le-lu-jah! It is on-ly that you "look and live."
'Tis a mes-sage from a-bove, Hal-le-lu-jah! Je-sus said it, and I know 'tis true.
If you'll on-ly look to Him, Hal-le-lu-jah! Look to Je-sus, who a-lone can save.
'Twas be-liev-ing on His name, Hal-le-lu-jah! I trust-ed, and He saved my soul.

Refrain



"Look and live," my broth-er, live, Look to Je-sus now and live;
"Look and live," my broth-er, live, "Look and live,"



'Tis re-cord-ed in His word, Hal-le - lu-jah! It is on-ly that you "look and live."

ANNUAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

*"FROM EVE AND ESTHER
TO
EDELMAN AND THE TWENTY-FIRST
CENTURY"*

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 1993

10:50 A. M.

*Saint John A. M. E. Church
Huntsville, Alabama*

*C. E. Thomas, Presiding Bishop
E. L. Blankenship, Presiding Elder
H. L. McCall, Pastor*

"GOD OUR FATHER - CHRIST OUR REDEEMER - HUMANKIND OUR FAMILY"

DR. ADDIE S. MITCHELL

Dr. Addie S. Mitchell was born in Mobile, Alabama, and now lives in Bradenton, Florida, where she is a member of Mt. Raymond Missionary Baptist Church, and the Order of Eastern Star - Good Tidings Chapter.

She received her undergraduate degree in English from Tuskegee University, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, a Master's degree in English from Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, and a Doctoral Degree in English and Reading from the University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois. Post-Doctoral study was done at the University of Georgia, in Athens, Georgia.

She served as Professor of English and Director of the Reading Program at Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia for thirty-three years, and retired from that position in June 1987. Since 1988 she has served as a Part-Time Professor of English and the Humanities at Bethune Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dr. Mitchell has an impressive list of professional memberships, awards, recognitions and honors. These include: Lifetime member of Phi Beta Kappa, Delta of Georgia, Morehouse College; Lifetime member of Pi Lambda Theta, National Honor Society for Women in Education; Life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; American Association of University Women; International Reading Association; Local and State Reading Association of Florida; Retired Teachers Association; Florida West Coast Symphony Association (Manatee Branch); Phi Delta Kappa; Women's Christian Fellowship of Bradenton; Church Women United (Bradenton), and Habitat for Humanity (Bradenton).

She has received awards for study and foreign travel from the Lilly Foundation and the Merrill Foundation. Other noteworthy awards were received from the United Negro College Fund.

Dr. Mitchell was recognized as Outstanding Teacher for three years by Morehouse College. She received a three year appointment to the Board of Directors of the International Reading Association, and she received the American Scholar Award from Phi Beta Kappa in 1987.

She is a volunteer for the Manatee County Library and a Lecturer and Reading Consultant.

Dr. Mitchell has traveled extensively to Africa, The Holy Land, Egypt, Australia, Hong Kong, Europe, New Zealand and the South Pacific Islands, Manila, Mexico, Canada, the Caribbean Islands, and Alaska.

She is the widow of the Late Rev. E. L. Mitchell, and mother of one daughter, Dr. Edwina M. Stanley.

SAINT JOHN A. M. E. CHURCH
ANNUAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 1993

"FROM EVE AND ESTHER TO EDELMAN AND THE 21ST CENTURY"

Order of Service

<i>Prelude</i>	Mr. Rufus Gilmore, Minister of Music Mr. Lamar Higgins, Muscician
<i>Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"</i>	
<i>Call to Worship</i>	Ms. Monica Pearson
<i>*Morning Hymn ...To God Be the Glory, No 21.....</i>	Choir and Congregation
<i>Morning Prayer of Confession</i>	Mrs. Agnes Bailey
<i>Choral Response</i>	Choir & Congregation
<i>Old Testament ... Esther 4:12-17</i>	Mrs. Mary Rankin
<i>Gospel Luke 10:38-42.....</i>	Mrs. Katherine Campbell
<i>Epistle Romans 5:1-5</i>	Ms. Patricia Dailey
<i>Decalogue</i>	Ms. Sonya McCall
<i>Women's Day Litany .A Call to Make a Difference...</i>	Mrs. Connie Teague
<i>*Special Music</i>	Women's Day Choir
<i>Announcements & Recognition of Guests</i>	Dr. Jeanette Jones
<i>Occasion</i>	Mrs. Voncile Gibson
<i>*Special Music</i>	Women's Day Choir
<i>Pastoral and Birthday Prayer for July</i>	
<i>Tithes & Offerings</i>	
<i>Offertory Sentences</i>	Ms. Claudinette Purifoy
<i>Prayer of Thanksgiving</i>	Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly
<i>Introduction of Speaker</i>	Dr. Katie Blanding
<i>*Hymn of Preparation...Trust and Obey, No 377</i>	Choir and Congregation
<i>Guest Speaker</i>	Dr. Addie S. Mitchell
	Distinguished Educator
<i>Invitation to Christian Discipleship</i>	
<i>I Want Jesus to Walk with Me,375.....</i>	Rev. & Mrs. McCall
<i>Recognition of Woman of the Year</i>	Dr. Katie Blanding
<i>Remarks</i>	Pastor H. L. McCall

Doxology
Benediction

* Worshippers may enter the sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a. m. Prayer Service and Bible Class will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. Christian Education is the center of growth of Christ's ministry in the church and the world. "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Goggans, Sr., in celebration of their anniversary.

Revival services will be held the week of August 8-13, 1993. The guest evangelist for the opening service on Sunday evening, August 8 will be the Rev. Horace Fitchard, Jr., Pastor of Handy Chapel AME Church, Gadsden, Alabama. The remainder of the services (Monday - Friday) will be led by the Rev. Fred A. Lucas, Jr., Pastor of Bridge Street AME Church, Brooklyn, New York. The services will begin at 6:30 p. m. nightly. Each member is asked to contribute \$10 in support of this event of revival and replenishing of the Spirit of God. Please place your donation in the regular morning reception of tithes and offerings. Mr. Clayton Hammonds is Chairman of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism.

Everyone is asked to attend the Combined Choir Anniversary at the Madkins Chapel C. P. Church this afternoon at 6:30 p. m. The Combined Choir of St. John is asked to sing. The Senior ushers will serve, and Rev. McCall will preach the sermon. All Stewards, Trustees, Officers, members and friends are asked to come and share in this celebration. Rev. Endia Scruggs is Pastor and Mrs. Ernestine King is Chairperson.

The Official Board will meet Tuesday, July 27, 1993 at 6:30 p. m.

Our Known Sick and Shut-In

Mrs. Virginia Chavis
 Mrs. Mary King
 Mrs. Norma C. McMillan

Mrs. Mary Davis
 Mrs. Dorothea D. Smith
 Mrs. Sarah Hamilton

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this."
Esther 4:13

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

"Our Father, Lord of all of our years, thank you for every day of our lives through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOME DAILY BIBLE READING FOR JULY 26-AUGUST 1, 1993

Mon. - Psalm 99: 1-9 Thur. - Matthew 6:19-21
Tue. - Psalm 145 Fri. - Romans 12
Wed. - Psalm 138 Sat. - Mark 11: 20-25
Sun. - Psalm 60:1-5

BOARDS AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS

Mon. - Finance Commission 12:15 p. m.
Tues. - Official Board 6:30 p. m.
Wed. - Prayer Service/Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
Thur. - Senior Choir 6:00 p. m.
Sat. - Cub Scouts

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 25 Madkins Chapel C. P. Church in America Combined Choir Anniversary
6:30 p.m. - The entire St. John AME Church Family is invited.

August 1 Fourth Quarterly Conference. Dr. E. L. Blankenship, Presiding.

August 8 Opening Revival Service, 6:30 p. m. Rev. Horace Fitchard, Jr. Evangelist.

August 9-13 Revival Services, 6:30 p.m. nightly. Rev. Dr. Fred A. Lucas Jr.,
Evangelist. Mr. Clayton Hammonds Chairman.

August 29 Pastor's Day. Rev. Dr. Robert S. Wood, Pastor, Chelsea Cumberland
Presbyterian Church. Guest Speaker, 4:00 p. m. Service.

Women's Day Committee Dr. Katie E. Blanding, Chairperson

Workshop
Atty. Lynn Sherrod
Atty. Juanita Sales

Publicity
Mrs. Barbara Bradford

Finance
Mrs. Ada Houston

Refreshments
Mrs. Maeola Snell
Mrs. Bessie Smith

Acolytes Participating in Women's Day Celebration
Gale McCall
Celeste Gilmore

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

One More Round

There ain't no pay beneath the sun
As sweet as rest when a job's well done.
I was born to work up to my grave
But I was not born
To be a slave.

One more round
And let's heave it down
One more round
And let's heave it down.

Papa drove steel and Momma stood guard,
I never heard them holler 'cause the work was hard.
They were born to work up to their graves
But they were not born
To be worked-out slaves.

One more round
And let's heave it down,
One more round
And let's heave it down.

Brothers and sisters know the daily grind,
It was not labor made them lose their minds.
They were born to work up to their graves
But they were not born
To be worked-out slaves.

One more round
And let's heave it down,
One more round
And let's heave it down.

And now I'll tell you my Golden Rule,
I was born to work but I ain't no mule.
I was born to work up to my grave
But I was not born
To be a slave.

One more round
And let's heave it down,
One more round
And let's heave it down.

Maya Angelou

Annual Women's Day Observance

Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church
Huntsville, Alabama

THEME:

Christian Women United From Generation to Generation



The Honorable Laura V. Hall

Representative, House District 19
Alabama State Legislature

Sunday, June 26, 1994
10:50 A.M.

RIGHT REVEREND CORNELIUS E. THOMAS, *Presiding Bishop*
REVEREND DR. E. L. BLANKENSHIP, *Presiding Elder*
REVEREND DR. HOMER L. McCALL, *Pastor*

Annie Laura Vandiver Hall

ANNIE LAURA V. HALL, a native of Pendleton, South Carolina, is a Representative of House District 19, Alabama State Legislature. She has been representing District 19 since August of 1993. She has spent most of her life fighting to bring all people together.

Representative Hall received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Morris College, a Master's degree from Ohio State University, and Administrative Certification from Alabama A&M University. She has also studied at Atlanta University.

Representative Hall began fighting for unity and equal rights when she was a student at Morris College, because she was told by Rev. Fred James, now Presiding Bishop of the AME Church, "that as a student, she could not afford to not be involved in the fight for unity and equality." She brought her fight to Huntsville, Alabama in 1973, when she became employed as a science teacher at Johnson High School. Her equal treatment of students and colleagues alike caused her to immediately be elected chairperson of the science department, an office she held for several years.

She also took her plight to the community where she was elected the first Black female President of the Huntsville Education Association, where she made many accomplishments, including fighting for equal rights for support personnel. She also continued her "Strides Toward Freedom" with her involvement in many Local, State, and National organizations, including the Alabama Education Association, Board of Directors; Association of Classroom Teachers, State President; Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; Madison County Democratic Women's Division; Delegate to National Democratic Convention; Aids Action Coalition, Board of Directors; NAACP, and Alabama's Constitution Hall, Board of Directors.

Representative Hall is an active member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Some of her affiliations include Gospel Choir, the Parish Council, Ladies Auxiliary Knights of Peter, charter member of Diocesan and St. Joseph's office of Black Concern, Liturgy Committee and Eucharist Minister.

Mrs. Hall has been recognized by many organizations for her involvement in bringing about change. Some of these awards include Outstanding Science Teacher of the Year; Outstanding Young Women of the Year; Outstanding Community Service; National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education — Alumni of the Year and many others.

Laura Hall is married to Dr. John Hall, and is the mother of two children, one of which is deceased, and two grandchildren.



WOMEN'S DAY: Christian Women United From Generation to Generation

A Liberating and Reconciling People

Order of Service

Meditate: "Lord you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations."
—PSALM 90:1

PRELUDE.....*Dr. Renee Williams, Musician*
Ms. Jacquelyn Ash, Organist

DOXOLOGY—"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

CALL TO WORSHIP.....*Mrs. Gracie Butler*

MORNING HYMN.....*Choir and Congregation*
"O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing" (1)

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION.....*Mrs. Irene Hyder*

CHORAL RESPONSE

OLD TESTAMENT—Psalm 90.....*Mrs. Katherine Campbell*

GOSPEL—John 11:17-26.....*Ms. Sandra Connaway*

EPISTLE—II Timothy 1:3-7.....*Mrs. Zelda Goggans*

DECALOGUE.....*Ms. Donnie Thompson*

WOMEN'S DAY LITANY.....*Mrs. Barbara Johnson*
Lord You Have Been Our Refuge (691)

*MUSIC.....*Women's Day Choir*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS.....*Mrs. Rekena Gaines*

WELCOME AND OCCASION.....*Mrs. Geneva Fontenot*

*MUSIC SELECTION.....*Ms. Doris Outlaw, Mrs. Lorraine Edwards*
Ms. Joyce Marshall, Mrs. Ellen Washington

PASTORAL AND BIRTHDAY PRAYER — JUNE 1994

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering Music.....*Women's Day Choir*

Prayer of Thanksgiving.....*Mrs. Phyllis Barrett*

SPECIAL SELECTION.....*Mrs. Vicki Sanders*

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....*Ms. Yvette Cooper*

*HYMN OF PREPARATION.....*Choir and Congregation*
"I've Got A Message From The Lord" (215)

GUEST SPEAKER.....*Mrs. Laura V. Hall*
Representative, House District 19

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP.....*Choir and Congregation*
Hymn — "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood" (235)

TRIBUTE TO WOMEN.....*Mrs. Wilberta Lewis, Mrs. Marie Cobb*
Mrs. Thalia Brown, Mrs. Mydell Smith

REMARKS.....*Ms. Yvette Cooper*
Pastor H. L. McCall

CLOSING HYMN — "There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit" (196)

DOXOLOGY

BENEDICTION

*Worshippers may enter the sanctuary



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Plan to attend with your family. Bible class and prayer meeting will also convene at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 1994.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Mrs. Lucille Shepherd in memory of her mother, Mrs. Lily Woods.

Once again the Prison Ministry of St. John A. M. E. Church will conduct a Worship Service at the Limestone Church that is located at the Limestone Correctional Facility. The service will be held there on Friday, August 19, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. We will leave the church at 6:00 p.m. Please sign up in the vestibule (narthex) if you would like to participate in this meaningful and inspirational event. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Powers are coordinators.

The official Board will meet tomorrow evening, June 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

Home Daily Bible Reading For The Week Of June 27 - July 3, 1994

Mon. — Acts 27:13-26	Thurs. — I Timothy 3:1-10
Tues. — Psalm 98	Fri. — Psalm 117
Wed. — Romans 4:1-8	Sat. — I Thessalonians 5:23-28
Sun. — Luke 3:21-24	

Boards and Organizational Meetings

Mon. — Finance Commission	12:00 p.m.
Mon. — Official Board	6:30 p.m.
Wed. — Bible Class/Prayer Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Thurs. — Senior Choir Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Sat. — Cub Scouts	12:00 p.m.



Our Known Sick and Shut-in

Mrs. Anita Burns
Mrs. Sarah Hamilton
Mrs. Myrtle Porter
Mrs. Lucille Shepherd
Mrs. Rosie Russell

Mrs. Virginia Chavis
Mrs. Mary King
Mr. Joe Moore
Dr. Dorothea D. Smith

Thought For The Week

"For whoever wants to save his life will lose it and whoever loses his life for me will find it."
Matthew 16:25

Prayer For The Week

Our Father, we thank you for giving us the wisdom to let selfish ego die and also for giving us the understanding to live victoriously each day through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.
Amen



UPCOMING EVENTS

July 11-13	State Christian Education Congress Mobile, Alabama
July 17 (4:00 p.m.)	Sunday School Anniversary Rev. James Barnett, <i>Pastor</i> New Bethel A. M. E. Church Sheffield, Alabama (<i>Speaker</i>)
July 18-22	Vacation Bible School Ms. Doris Outlaw, <i>Coordinator</i>
July 23	Church Picnic Redstone Arsenal Picnic Grounds Mrs. Bessie M. Smith, <i>Chairperson</i> Picnic Meal

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St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church
Huntsville, Alabama

Annual
Women's Day Celebration



Theme: "Christian Women Delighting in the Lord"

Sunday, July 23, 1995

C. E. Thomas, Presiding Bishop
E. L. Blankenship, Presiding Elder
H. L. McCall, Pastor

Litany

- Leader:** In adoration and thanksgiving to our God, we bow in humble submission to Him for the light of His word and the light which became flesh in Jesus, our Savior and Lord.
- Response:** We delight ourselves in Thee, O Lord.
- Leader:** For the beauty of womanhood and all pertaining thereto,
- Response:** We rejoice in Thee, O Lord.
- Leader:** For the bravery, courageousness and steadfastness of women of biblical times and now,
- Response:** We bless your name, O Lord.
- Leader:** For the opportunity to share with you in the ministry of reconciliation,
- Response:** We bless your name, O Lord.
- Leader:** We give thanks to Thee, O Lord, for this day of celebration; A time to reflect upon Your grace and mercy, a time to rededicate ourselves to You.
- Response:** We thank You for Dr. Renita J. Weems, who has come to challenge us on this day.
- Leader:** We praise You for our Pastor, his wife and children, as they strive to follow the Master. In the words of Dr. Weems, remind us that, "We are frequently just a sister away from our healing.
- Response:** We need a woman, a sister, who will see in our destitution a jagged image of what one day could be her own story. We need a sister who will respond with mercy," O, Lord.
- Together:** We give thanks and delight ourselves in Thee O Lord. AMEN.

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Our Speaker



Rev. Dr. Renita J. Weems

The Rev. Dr. Renita J. Weems is a writer, minister, professor and widely acclaimed public speaker. The Atlanta, Ga., native received the bachelor's degree in economics from Wellesley College in Wellesley, Mass. Upon entering the ministry in 1979, she enrolled in Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, N. J., and subsequently earned the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) and Ph.D. *cum laude*. An ordained elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church in 1984, Rev. Dr. Weems is an assistant professor of Old Testament at Vanderbilt University Divinity School in Nashville, Tennessee.

In addition to her teaching ministry, Rev. Weems is a writer with articles to her credit appearing in *Essence*, *Ms.*, *Sage*, and the *New York Times Book Review*. A former contributing editor to *Essence* magazine, Dr. Weems is the author of two widely acclaimed books on women's spirituality and wholeness, *Just a Sister Away* and *I Asked for Intimacy*, both published by LuraMedia Publisher. As special recognition of her contribution as a scholar and writer, Rev. Weems was featured in the summer 1994 issue of *Ms.* magazine as one of 50 women across the country who represent the unique face of modern feminism because of her creative and critical contribution to her field. Her latest scholarly work includes writing the commentary on the book of "Song of Solomon" for the revised *Interpreter's Bible* series. This volume is scheduled to be published sometime next year with Abingdon Press. In addition, she has just completed a volume on marriage, sex and gender imagery in prophetic literature entitled *Battered Love* for Fortress Press.

Rev. Weems has spoken at several national conferences and on college campuses throughout the United States. Some of her most challenging and satisfying work lately, however, has been speaking and writing in the area of African American women's health issues, focusing on women and addiction, breast cancer and African American women, and human sexuality. She has been involved in studies of the toll disease and addiction takes on the family. This summer Rev. Weems was one of the featured speakers at the Tenth Anniversary Conference and Homecoming Celebration of the National Black Women's Health Project in Atlanta, Ga.

Besides her multi-faceted work, Rev. Dr. Weems is married to Rev. Martin L. Espinosa, pastor of Berean Baptist Church in Nashville, Tenn. They are the proud parents of one daughter, Savannah Nia.

Order of Service

July 23, 1995 - 10:50 a.m.

Meditation: Psalm 37:4 *Delight Yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart.*"

*Prelude..... Ms. Joya Foster, Musician
Mrs. Lillian Redcross, Guest Pianist

Processional

Doxology

Cail to Worship Mrs. Barbara Bradford

*Hymn of Praise "Come Thou Fount" Hymn No. 77 (Robinson) Congregation

1. Come, thou Fount of ev'ry bles-sing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mer-cy, nev-er ceas-ing, Call for songs of loud-est praise;
Teach me some me-lo-dious son-net, Sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed up-on it, Mount of Thy re-deem-ing love.
2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleas-ure, Safe-ly to ar-rive at home;
Je-sus sought me when a stranger, Wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
He, to res-cue me from danger, In-ter-posed His pre-cious blood.
3. O to grace how great a debt-or Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let Thy Grace, Lord, like a fetter, Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee;
Prone to wan-der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

Morning Prayer of Confession Mrs. Debra Woods

Choral Response Women's Day Chorus
Congregation

Scriptures: Old Testament: Psalms 37:1-7..... Evangelist Barbara M. Thomas
Epistle: Philippians 4:2-9 Attorney Cheryl Fontenot
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 Ms. Zelda Goggans

*Decalogue..... Ms. Barbara Johnson

Welcome/Occasion Mrs. Charlsie Brooks

Music Women's Day Chorus

*Litany Ms. Sylvia Darwin

Candlelight Tribute Mrs. Wilberta Lewis
Ms. Aavia Lewis

Announcements and Recognition of Guests Ms. Sandra Connaway

Music Women's Day Chorus

Women's Day Offering Senior Usher Board

Offertory Music Women's Day Chorus

*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offertory Prayer Mrs. Sheila Henderson

*Offertory Response: *All things come to Thee, O Lord,
And of Thine own have we given Thee.*

Introduction of Speaker Dr. Jeanette Jones

Music #361 "Yes, God Is Real" Congregation

1. There are some things, I may not know, There are some places I can't go, But I am sure of this one thing That God is real for I can feel Him deep within.	3. I cannot tell just how you felt When Jesus took your sins a-way, But since that day, yes, since that hour God has been real for I can feel His holy power.
2. Some folks may doubt, some folks may scorn, All can desert and leave me alone But as for me, I'll take God's part For God is real and I can feel Him in my heart.	Chorus: Yes, God is real, real in my soul, Yes, God is real for He has washed and made me whole; His love for me is like pure gold, Yes, God is real for I can feel Him in my soul.

Women's Day Sermon Rev. Dr. Renita J. Weems

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship Pastor

*Invitational Hymn #215 "I've a Message from the Lord" Congregation

Financial Report Mrs. Nedra McDaniels

Remarks Mrs. Mable Jones McCall
Chair, Women's Day Committee

Rev. Dr. Homer L. McCall
Pastor

Closing Hymn #45 "God Be With You" Congregation

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude

* Congregation Standing
** Solemn Moment

Reception Immediately Following Service in the Fellowship Hall

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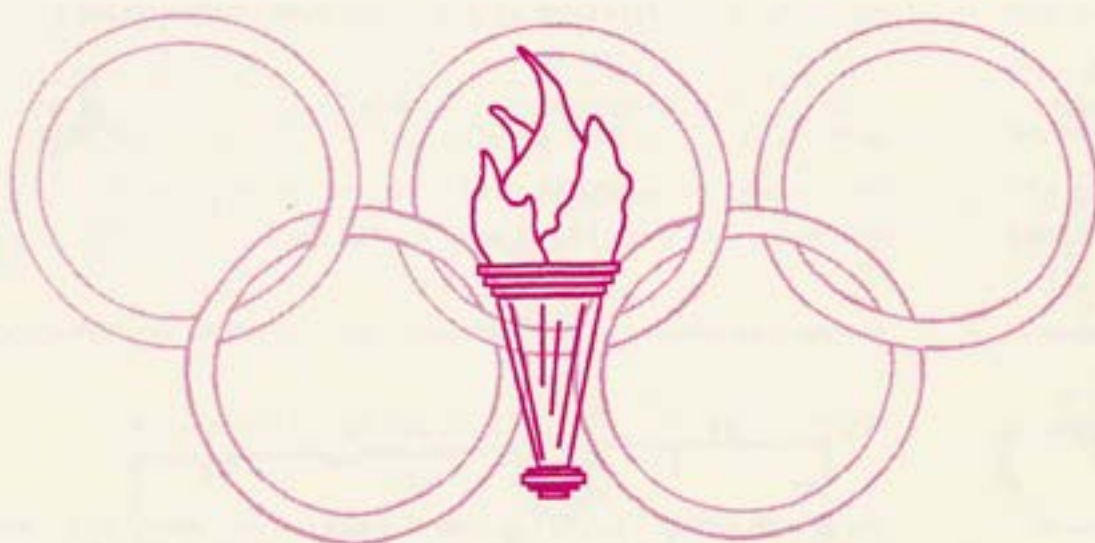
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Mrs. Mary Bowser



*What lies
behind us
and what lies
before us are
tiny matters
compared to
what lies
within us.*

St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church
Huntsville, Alabama

Annual Women's Day Celebration



Theme: "Christian Women Carrying the Torch for Christ"

Sunday, July 28, 1996

Z. L. Grady, *Presiding Bishop*
E. L. Blankenship, *Presiding Elder*
H. L. McCall, *Pastor*

Litany

- Leader:** In adoration and thanksgiving to our God, we bow in humble submission to Him for the light of His word and the light which became flesh in Jesus, our Savior and Lord.
- Response:** We carry the torch for Christ through witnessing.
- Leader:** For the beauty of Christian womanhood and all pertaining thereto,
- Response:** We rejoice in Thee, O Lord, and carry the torch through service.
- Leader:** For the bravery, courageousness and steadfastness of women of biblical times and now,
- Response:** We bless your name, O Lord, and carry the torch through faith.
- Leader:** For the opportunity to share with you in the ministry of reconciliation,
- Response:** We bless your name, O Lord, and carry the torch through love.
- Leader:** We give thanks to Thee, O Lord, for this day of celebration; A time to reflect upon Your grace and mercy, a time to rededicate ourselves to You.
- Response:** We thank You for The Rev. Dr. Mary Watson Stewart, who has come to challenge us on this day. She carries the torch through faithful service.
- Leader:** We praise You for our Pastor, his wife and children as they strive to follow the Master. They carry the torch through Christian service.
- Response:** We need a woman, a sister, who will see in our destitution a jagged image of what one day could be her own story. We need a sister who will respond with mercy," O, Lord.
- Together:** We give thanks to Thee O Lord and carry the torch through prayer, faith, Christian service and love.

Our Speaker

The Reverend Dr. Mary Watson Stewart

Rev. Dr. Mary Watson Stewart is a nationally known African Methodist Episcopal Evangelist from Detroit, Michigan. She is widely acclaimed as a public speaker and evangelist. She is a graduate of Payne Seminary and Wilberforce University of Ohio. Among the many civic and social organizations with which she is affiliated are: Federated Womens' Clubs, Urban League Guild, Meharry Medical Auxiliary and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.



Order of Service

July 28, 1996 - 10:50 a.m.

Meditation: Matthew 6:24 "You cannot serve both God and money."

**Prelude Ms. Joya Foster, Musician

Processional

Doxology

Call to Worship Ms. Teresa Smith

*Hymn of Praise Congregation
"Marching To Zion" Hymn No. 520

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| 1. Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys
be known, Join in a song with sweet ac-cord,
Join in a song with sweet ac-cord, And thus
sur-round the throne, And thus sur-round the throne. | 3. The hill of Zi-on yields A thou-sand sa-cred sweets
Be-fore we reach the heaven-ly fields, Be-fore we
reach the heaven-ly fields, Or walk the gold-en
Streets, Or walk the gold-en streets. |
| 2. Let those re-fuse to sing Who nev-er knew our God;
But chil-dren of the heaven-ly King, But chil-dren
of the heaven-ly King, May speak their joys a-broad,
May speak their joys a-broad. | 4. Then let our songs a-bound, And ev-ery tear be
dry; We're march-ing through Im-man-uel's
ground, We're march-ing through Im-man-uel's
Ground, To fair-er worlds on high, To fair-er worlds
on high. |

Refrain:

We're march-ing to Zi-on, Beau-ti-ful, beau-ti-ful Zi-on; We're march-ing up-ward to Zi-on, The beau-ti-ful cit-y
of God.

Morning Prayer of Confession Mrs. Phyllis Conner

Choral Response Women's Day Chorus
Congregation

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Habakkuk 2:1-4	Mrs. Cora Speight
Epistle : Romans 8:9-17	Mrs. Lydia Owens
Gospel: Matthew 6:18-24	Ms. Sonya McCall

*Decalogue Ms. Vicki Sanders

Welcome/Occasion Dr. Katie Blanding

Music Women's Day Chorus

*Litany of Praise Dr. Jeanette Jones

Candlelight Tribute Mrs. Lorene Jones

Music Women's Day Chorus

Announcements and Recognition of Guests Mrs. Nedra McDaniel

Music Women's Day Chorus

Women's Day Offering Senior Usher Board

*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offertory Prayer Mrs. Hazel Gilmore

*Offertory Response: *All things come to Thee, O Lord,
And of Thine own have we given Thee.*

Introduction of Speaker Mrs. Glenda Sconiers

Music Congregation
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Hymn No. 77

1. Come, thou Fount of ev'ry bles-sing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mer-cy, nev-er ceas-ing, Call for songs of loud-est praise;
Teach me some me-lo-dious son-net, Sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed up-on it, Mount of Thy re-deem-ing love.
2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleas-ure, Safe-ly to ar-rive at home;
Je-sus sought me when a stranger, Wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
He, to res-cue me from danger, In-ter-posed His pre-cious blood.
3. O to grace how great a debt-or Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let Thy Grace, Lord, like a fetter, Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee;
Prone to wan-der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

Women's Day Sermon Rev. Dr. Mary Watson Stewart
Detroit, Michigan

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship Pastor

*Invitational Hymn Congregation
"All To Jesus I Surrender" Hymn No. 251

Financial Report Mrs. Nedra McDaniels

Remarks Mrs. Mable Jones McCall
Chair, Women's Day Committee

Rev. Dr. Homer L. McCall
Pastor

Recessional Congregation

Doxology Congregation

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude

*Congregation Standing ** Solemn Moment

Reception Immediately Following Service in the Fellowship Hall

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Affirmation for Today: "Where there is love, there God is also."

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ST. JOHN AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Huntsville, Alabama

Annual Celebration of Women's Day

Theme - "Christian Women Empowered by the Holy Spirit"

Speaker

**Reverend Angela Walker
New Allen Temple A. M. E. Church
West Palm Beach, Florida**

Sunday, July 27, 1997

10:50 A. M.

Rt. Reverend Z. L. Grady, Presiding Bishop

Rev. Dr. E. L. Blankenship, Presiding Elder

Rev. Dr. H. L. McCall, Pastor

LITANY

- Leader:** *In adoration and thanksgiving to our God, we bow in humble submission to Him for the light of His word and the light which became flesh in Jesus, our Lord and Savior.*
- Response:** *We praise Him in the firmament of His power.*
- Leader:** *For the empowerment of Christian women through the embodiment of the Holy Spirit,*
- Response:** *We praise Thee, O Lord for Your excellent greatness.*
- Leader:** *For the joy and beauty of Christian womanhood and all the avenues of service,*
- Response:** *We praise Thee, O Lord for Your grace and loving kindness,*
- Leader:** *For the opportunity to share in the ministry of reconciliation and love,*
- Response:** *We praise Thee, O Lord.*
- Leader:** *We give thanks to Thee, O Lord, for this day of celebration: A time to reflect on the power of the Holy Spirit, and a time to rededicate our lives to you,*
- Response:** *We praise Thee, O Lord for You are worthy to be praised.*
- Leader:** *We thank You O Lord, for Your servant the Reverend Angela Walker, a Christian woman empowered with the Holy Spirit, who gives You her loudest praise.*
- Response:** *We praise You O Lord, for Reverend Angela Walker.*
- Leader:** *We praise You for our pastor, his wife and children, and our church family as we all strive to be like Christ.*
- Response:** *We praise You O Lord, tune our hearts to sing thy grace.*
- Together:** *We give thanks to Thee O Lord and Praise Your Holy Name.*
- Amen.*

Order of Worship

- Meditate:** *"No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other." Matthew 6:24*
- Prelude** *Mrs. Lillian Redcross*
Guest Musician
- The Prelude is the signal to begin worship. Prayerfully remain silent in the presence of God.*
- Procession** *Women's Day Choir*
- Doxology**
- Call to Worship** *Rev. Vickie Sanders*
- Opening Hymn** - *"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" - Choir & Congregation*
No. 513
- Morning Prayer of Confession** *Mrs. Agnes Bailey*
- Old Testament** *Judges 5:1-12* *Ms. Sherry Patton*
- New Testament** *Acts 16:13-18* *Mrs. Pearlean Myhand*
- Gospel** *Mark 3:31-35* *Ms. Paula Pippen*
- Decalogue** *Ms. Gale McCall*
- Welcome & Occasion** *Megan Speight, Christina Sanders,*
Brittney Bell, Dr. Katie Blanding
- Instrumental Solo** *Ms. Celeste Gilmore*
- Soft Music** *Mrs. Lillian Redcross*
- Litany** *Mrs. Michelle Hunt*
- Candle Light Service** *Mrs. Mydell Smith*
Ms. Shena Bowser
- Music** *Women's Day Chorus*
- Announcements & Guest Recognition** *Ms. Claudinette Purifoy*
- Music** *Women's Day Chorus*
- Pastoral & Birthday Prayer for July 1997*

The Giving of Tithes & Offerings Offertory Music

Prayer of Thanksgiving Ms. Jennifer Slaton

*"We give Thee but Thine own
What e'er the gift may be:
All that we have is Thine alone
A trust O' Lord from Thee.*

Introduction of Speaker Mrs. Voncile Gibson

Hymn of Preparation - I Am On the Battlefield - Chorus & Congregation

*Speaker..... Luke 1:5-7, 13; Acts 1:8a Rev. Angela Walker
'Empowered For Purpose' New Allen Temple A. M. E.. Church
West Palm Beach, Florida*

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Dr. Homer McCall

Hymn of Invitation "Come to Jesus" No. 246

Special Presentation Mrs. Evelyn Hildreth

*Remarks Mrs. Mable McCall
Pastor, Homer McCall*

Closing Hymn "This Little Light of Mine" Chorus & Congregation

Recessional

The Apostles' Creed

Doxology

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Church School convenes each Sunday at 9:30 a. m. Plan to attend with your family. Mr. Claudwell Campbell, Superintendent
- Prayer Service, Bible Class & Catechism Class will meet Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. The Book of Romans is the topic for study.
- Flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Mr. and Mrs. Jason Brown and family in memory of her brother.
- The deadline for Food Source payments for August 1997 is August 10, 1997. Please consider donating a unit of \$15.00 to the less fortunate. Mr. A. A. Burks, Chairman
- The Fifty-Plus Club will meet Monday, August 4, 1997 at 9:30 a. m. at the church. Mrs. Marie Cobb, President
- The Stewardesses and Stewards who have duty to assist during the invitation to Christian Discipleship today are:

Stewardesses

Mrs. Rosetta Williams
Mrs. Gwendolyn Baldwin

Stewards

Mr. Ronald Robinson
Mr. Eddie C. Sherrod

- The Stewards responsible for serving with the Finance Committee today are Mrs. Martha Smith, Dr. Clifton Pearson, Mr. Eddie Sherrod, and Mr. Claudwell Campbell.
- The persons responsible for serving with the St. John Nursery and Children's Church today are Mrs. Thalia Love-Brown and Mrs. Claire Philadelphia.

~ ~ ~ Thought for the Week ~ ~ ~

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you." Acts 1:8

~ ~ ~ Prayer for the Week ~ ~ ~

Our Father, thank you for reviving us again through the empowerment of your Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ Our Lord. AMEN.

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Women's Day Retreat

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Ladies of St. John A. M. E. Church

Refreshments will be served in the S. S. Hereford Fellowship Hall after the benediction.

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St. John A. M. E. Church

Annual Women's Day Observance

Sunday, July 26, 1998

~ Theme ~

*"Women of St. John: Anointed and Appointed-
Working for Christ"*

Reverend J. L. Grady, Presiding Bishop

Reverend E. L. Blankenship, Presiding Elder

Reverend H. L. McCall, Pastor

A Liberating and Reconciling People
~A People in the Word-Serving People in the World~
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, July 26, 1998

~ 8:00 A.M. Service ~

Order of Worship

Theme: Women of St. John: Anointed and Appointed-Working for Christ

Prelude Mrs. Lillian Redcross, Guest Musician

~Enter and Worship. Depart and Serve~

Doxology

Call to Worship Gale McCall

Minister: I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord, our feet shall stand within Thy gates, O Jerusalem.

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 meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

People: 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!

*Hymn of Praise "We're Marching to Zion" (520)

Morning Prayer of Confession Mrs Debra Woods

Scripture: Esther 2:15-18 Mrs. Rosetta Williams

Decalogue Ms. Eleanor Burnett

Occasion Mrs. Barbara Etheridge

*Music Women's Day Choir

Announcements & Guest Recognition Ms. Claudinette Purifoy

*Music Women's Day Choir

Pastoral Prayer ~ July - Birthday, Anniversary

The Giving of Tithes & Offerings ~ Offertory Music

Prayer of Thanksgiving Mrs. Rekena Davis

I We give Thee but thine own * All that we have is thine alone
 What e'er the gift may be: * A trust, O Lord from Thee. Amen

Introduction of Speaker Reverend Vicki Sanders

Hymn of Preparation "I've a Message from the Lord" (215)

Sermon *Matthew 15:21-28* Reverend Doris Lacey, Associate Minister
A woman's cry for help: A faith filled cry Owens Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

Hymn of Invitation "What a Wonderful Change" (403)

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Remarks Mrs. Glenda Sconiers, Chairperson
 Pastor, H. L. McCall

Closing Song

Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

* The Asterisk Indicates When People May Enter To Worship

Church School 9:30 - 10:45 A.M.

"Obey God's Laws" Proverbs 28:1-13

Mr. Claudewell Campbell Superintendent

Sunday, July 26, 1998
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

~Women's Day~

10:50 A.M. Service

Prelude Mrs. Lillian Redcross, Guest Musician

~Enter and Worship. Depart and Serve~

Doxology

Call to Worship Jennifer Slaton

Hymn of Praise "Stand Up, Stand Up, for Jesus" (412)

Morning Prayer of Confession Mrs. Hazel Gilmore

Choral Response

Scripture: Old Testament ~ Proverbs 31:10-30 Mrs. Mary Browser
 Gospel ~ Luke 1:41-42, 46-48 Phoebe Browser
 Epistle ~ Romans 16:1-4 Sheena Browser

Decalogue Mrs. Tonya Anderson

Litany Ms. Doris Outlaw

*Music Women's Day Choir

Occasion Ms. Barbara Johnson

Announcements and Guest Recognition Mrs. Lanita Slaton

*Music Women's Day Choir

Pastoral Prayer ~ July - Birthday, Anniversary

The Giving of Tithes & Offering ~ Offertory Music

Prayer of Thanksgiving Mrs. Bessie Smith

We give Thee but thine own	*	All that we have is thine alone
What e'er the gift may be:	*	A trust, O Lord from Thee. Amen

Introduction of Speaker Mrs. Christine McMillan

Hymn of Preparation "I've a Message from the Lord" (215)

Sermon Reverend Eilene Marshall
 Livingston Chapel A.M.E. Church, Guntersville, Alabama

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn of Invitation "I Am Thine, O Lord" (283)

Remarks Mrs. Glenda Sconiers, Chairperson and Pastor H. L. McCall

Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

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LITANY

INTERPRETATION OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: I cannot say "Our" if my religion has no room for others and their needs.

People: I cannot say "Father" if I do not demonstrate this relationship in my daily life.

Leader: I cannot say "Who Art In Heaven" if all my interests and pursuits are in earthly things.

People: I cannot say "Hallowed Be Thy Name" if I, who am called by his name, am holy not.

Leader: I cannot say "Thy Kingdom Come" if I am unwilling or resentful of having it in my life.

People: I cannot say "On Earth As It Is In Heaven" unless I am truly ready to give myself to His service--here and now.

Leader: I cannot say "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" without expending honest effort for it or by ignoring the genuine needs of my fellow man.

People: I cannot say "Forgive Us Our Trespases As We Forgive Those Who Trespass Against Us" if I continue to harbor a grudge against anyone.

Leader: I cannot say "Lead Us Not Into Temptation" if I deliberately choose to remain in a situation where I am likely to be tempted.

People: I cannot say "Deliver Us From Evil" if I am not prepared to fight in the spiritual realm with the weapon of prayer.

Leader: I cannot say "Thine Is The Kingdom" if I do not give the King the disciplined obedience of a loyal subject.

People: I cannot say "Thine Is The Power" if I fear what my neighbors and friends may say or do.

Leader: I cannot say "Thine Is The Glory" if I am seeking my own glory.

People: I cannot say "Forever" if I am too anxious about each day's affairs.

Together: I cannot say "AMEN" unless I honestly say, cost what it may, this is my prayer.

Author Unknown

~ Jesus Saves ~

Home Daily Bible Reading for July 27-August 2, 1998

Stay In The Word

Monday.....Psalm 145:17-21

Tuesday.....Psalm 138

Wednesday.....Matthew 6:19-21

Sunday.....Matthew 6:5-15

Thursday.....Romans 12

Friday.....Mark 11:20-25

Saturday.....Psalm 60:1-12

"It Takes A Whole Community To Educate One Child."

Boards & Organizational Meeting

Sunday Finance Commission - After Service
Food Source Committee - After Service

Tuesday Male Chorus 6:00 P.M.

Thursday Sanctuary Choir 6:00 P.M.

Friday Gospel Choir 6:00 P.M.

Saturday Finance Committee 8:30 A.M.

Cub Scouts 9:00 A.M.

Youth~Children Choir 4:00 P.M.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead and buried; the third day He arose from the dead, He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Universal Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen

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(Refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall)

†Women's Day 2001
St. John A.M.E. Church
Huntsville, Alabama
July 8, 2001

"Women Called For Such A Time As This"
Esther 4:14



Reverend Donna E. Allen, Pastor
Parks Chapel AME Church
Oakland, California

Rt. Reverend Z. L. Grady, Presiding Bishop
Reverend Dr. E. L. Blankenship, Presiding Elder
Reverend Dr. H. L. McCall, Pastor

Reverend Donna Eleanor Allen

The Reverend Donna Eleanor Allen is a native of Newark, New Jersey. She is the daughter of Reverend Regina Cobbs Allen and Mr. Amos Allen. Some of her educational achievements and academic awards include: Bachelor of Science from Seton Hall University, in South Orange, New Jersey where she was a Barton Scholar; Master of Divinity from Vanderbilt Divinity School in Nashville, Tennessee where she was a Benjamin E. Mays Scholar, and currently she is a Ph.D. candidate, in the Department of Religion at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee.

Prior to becoming an Itinerant Elder in the Thirteenth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Ms Allen pursued a Medical Doctorate at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1988, she answered her call to ministry while a member of Lee Chapel A.M.E. in Nashville, Tennessee and subsequently left medical school. Reverend Allen has had diverse experience in ministry including: serving as Student Chaplain at Meharry Hubbard Hospital, Minister of Visitation at DeBerry Correctional Facility, and the pastor of Allen Bethel A.M.E. in Lewisburg, Tennessee.

Reverend Allen is an Instructor of Preaching and Worship at Saint Paul School of Theology, a United Methodist Seminary, in Kansas City, Missouri. While in Missouri she was associate pastor of Gregg Tabernacle A.M.E. Church.

Some of her research interests include: Contemporary Theories of Preaching, Preaching from Womanist and Liberationist Perspectives, The History of Preaching, The Preaching Context, Black Preaching and American Church History.

Some of her publications include: "What Does It Mean To Be Black and Christian? A Call to a National Dialogue: "The Challenge of a Black Theology to the African American Church" Co-edited document with Dr. Forest E. Harris, Vanderbilt Divinity School, 1991. Document appears in Ministry for Social Crisis: Theology and Praxis in the Black Church Tradition, Forrest E. Harris, Mercer University Press, Macon, GA 1993 and Black Theology. A Documentary History 1980-1990, James H. Cone and Gayraud S. Wilmore eds., New York: Orbis Books, 1993.

In October, 1999 Reverend Donna Eleanor Allen became the distinguished and proud pastor of Parks Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, where she is currently carrying out the vision for Parks Chapel A.M.E. Church through: JAM (Jesus and Me) for our young people. JAM involves programs, such as, Boys to Men/Girls to Women Program, Prison Ministry, Caring for Caregivers Program, Homeless Ministry, Computer Tutorial Program and many other ministries to uplift the name of Jesus. Her plans are to go beyond the walls of the church and develop ministries that will empower the community to maximize its potential.

A Liberating and Reconciling People ~A People in the Word – Serving People in the World~ Order of Worship ~ 8:00 a.m.

Meditate: "And if I perish, I perish". - Esther 4:16

Prelude.....	Mr. Cleveland Wilson, Director & Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician
Acolytes.....	Miss Danielle Howell Miss Adrina Sconiers
Doxology	
Call to Worship.....	Miss Sonya D. McCall
*Hymn of Praise	"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" (5)... Women's Day Choir Congregation
Morning Prayer of Confession.....	Mrs. Hazel Gilmore
Choral Response.....	Women's Day Choir & Congregation
Scriptures	Old Testament: Judges 4:1-10..... Mrs. Donna Gullatte Epistle: 2 Timothy 1:3-7..... Dr. Rena Lott Gospel: Luke 10:38-42..... Mrs. Octavia Richardson
*Decalogue.....	Mrs. Janice Perry
Welcome/Occasion	Mrs. Omega Tyson
Music.....	Women's Chorus
*Litany	Mrs. Barbara Turner
Memorial Service.....	Mrs. Voncile Gibson Miss Shayla Gibson
Announcements and Recognition of Guests	Ms. Brenda Lott
Music.....	Women's Chorus
The Giving of Tithes and Offering	
Offertory Music.....	Women's Chorus
Prayer of Thanksgiving.....	Ms. Roselyne Atkines
Introduction of Speaker.....	Dr. Thalia Brown
Hymn of Preparation	"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" (513)
Music.....	Women's Chorus
Women's Day Sermon	Reverend Donna E. Allen, Pastor Parks Chapel AME Church Oakland, California
Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....	Pastor Homer McCall
Hymn of Invitation.....	"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (358) Chorus/Congregation
Remarks	Lauretta Teague, Program Chairperson Dr. Jeanette Jones, Women's Day Co-Chairperson Reverend Dr. Homer McCall, Senior Pastor
Closing Hymn.....	"This Little Light of Mine" Chorus/Congregation
Benediction	

*Congregation Stand

Breakfast Immediately Following Service in the Fellowship Hall

Morning Worship
Order of Worship-10:50 a.m.

Meditate: "Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will fast as you do".
Esther 4:16

Praise Service	Praise Dancers
Prelude.....	Mr. Cleveland Wilson, Director & Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician
Doxology	
Call to Worship.....	Mrs. Barbara Jones-Davis
*Hymn of Praise	"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" (5)... Chorus/Congregation
Morning Prayer of Confession.....	Mrs. Ada Houston
Choral Response	Women's Chorus
Scriptures	Old Testament: Esther 4:12-17 Mrs. Conilia Yobo
	Epistle: 2 Timothy 1:3-7..... Mrs. Eleanor Brunette
	Gospel: Luke 10:38-42..... Mrs. Glenda Sconiers
*Decalogue.....	Mrs. Samanthea Bloemetjie
Welcome/Occasion	Ms. Joyce Coleman
Music.....	Women's Chorus
*Litany	Captain Valencia Hall
Memorial Service	Mrs. Gwendolyn Baldwin
	Mrs. Rosetta Williams
Announcements and Recognition of Guests	Miss Gale McCall
Music.....	Women's Chorus
The Giving of Tithes and Offerings	
	Offertory Music..... Women's Chorus
	Prayer of Thanksgiving..... Mrs. Irene Hyder
Introduction of Speaker	Ms. Cassandra Ingram
Hymn of Preparation	"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" (513)
Music.....	Women's Chorus
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Remarks	Ms. Donnie Thompson,
	Program Chairperson
	Mrs. Mable McCall,
	Women's Day Chairperson
	Reverend Dr. Homer McCall,
	Senior Pastor
Closing Hymn.....	"This Little Light of Mine" Chorus/Congregation
Benediction	

"Women Called For Such a Time as This"
Esther 4:14

"Litany"
By
Mrs. Rosa Walker

- Leader:** There is a physical and a spiritual realm. God is spirit. We stand on God's promises when spiritual encouragement, comfort and reassurance are needed.
- Response:** We claim his promises and totally surrender ourselves to his will.
- Leader:** Turn your eyes, mind, body and spirit to Jesus. Praise the Lord, O my soul. O my soul don't be discouraged. Stand and expect God to act!
- Response:** We give God the praise, honor and glory.
- Leader:** Father God we surrender to the act of intercession for all in the physical realm. We surrender this merciful act in compassion.
- Response:** Approach a merciful God with a plea and petition for someone else.
- Leader:** We are in this holy place in your holy presence. You are our refuge in the warfare of the natural. We seek you Lord through your promises.
- Response:** We can do all things through Christ by praying without ceasing.
- Leader:** At this moment, we are affirming our faith in your promises. You are aware of our situations and concerns, and we fear not and trust you.
- Response:** We were not given a spirit of fear. We stand on faith.
- Leader:** Lord, we are here to confess, proclaim and build our faith. We lift up your name as we give thanks for this millennium Women's Day. Lord, we totally give ourselves to your will for guidance in life's daily decisions.
- Response:** For we know, Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.
- All:** We waver not. We dedicate. We stand. We glorify your name forever.

Announcements

Church School convenes each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. after the Early Morning Worship. Plan to attend with your family.
~ Mr. Willie Sandifer, Superintendent

Prayer Service and Bible Class will be held Wednesday, July 11, 2001. We will discuss Chapter 2 and 3 of I Peter. The Senior Pastor and Ministerial Staff will lead the devotional period and the Bible Study. Everyone is urged to attend.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated by The Carver Myhand Family in loving memory of Mrs. Ella D. Kelly Myhand.

The Trustee Board will meet tomorrow evening, Monday, July 9, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

The Steward Board will meet Sunday, July 15, 2001 at 4:00 p.m. at the church.

The Official Board will meet Monday, July 16, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

There will be a meeting of all men and young men of St. John on Thursday, July 12, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

Habitat for Humanity Groundbreaking Celebration

The groundbreaking celebration is Saturday, July 14th at 12:30 p.m. Work will begin at 8:00 a.m. and we will break for the celebration and lunch. Everyone is invited to attend. For additional information, contact Sister Tonya McCree, Sister Barbara Johnson, or Sister Pat Grier. Volunteer sign up sheets and directions to the home site are available in the vestibule. Please contact Sister Lydia Owens, Volunteer Coordinator.

The Missionary Society will meet Saturday, July 14, 2001 at 1:30 p.m. at the church. Mrs. Eleanor Burnett, President.

Vacation Bible School will be held on July 16-20, 2001 at 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. daily. The theme this year is "Power Up with Jesus." There will be activities for all ages. Volunteers and teachers are needed. Mrs. Charlsie Brooks is VBS Coordinator.

The Summer Revival at St. John will be held on Monday, August 13 through Wednesday, August 15, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. nightly. The guest evangelist will be the Reverend Dr. James L. Davis, Pastor of Big Bethel AME Church, Atlanta, GA. Let us pray and fast for the empowerment and advancement of God's kingdom on earth through the Spirit-filled preaching of this man of God.

The Prison Ministry will lead in services at Limestone Correctional Facility on Saturday, August 18, 2001 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. If you have had the training and plan to participate, please sign up in the vestibule (NARTHEX) of the church. The van will leave the church at 6:00 p.m.

The Praise Dance Ministry meets the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Please see Sister Alice Hereford or Sister Nedra McDaniel for more information.



"Where There Is No Vision A People Perishes" – Ask God to help you make your **TITHING** Commitment to Him today. You may place your **TITHES** and **OFFERINGS** in the **TITHES** Container and your **PRAYER REQUESTS** in the **Prayer Container** that are located in the front of the sanctuary near the piano and organ.

~ Jesus Saves ~

Home Daily Bible Reading ~ July 9-15, 2001

Stay In The Word

Monday.....Matthew 11:25-30	Thursday.....Nehemiah 8:9-12
Tuesday.....Matthew 9:27-34	Friday.....Romans 8:37-39
Wednesday.....2 Timothy 1:3-7	Saturday.....Psalm 118
Sunday.....Psalm 86	

"It Takes a Whole Community to Educate One Child"

Boards & Organizational Meeting

Sunday ~ July 8, 2001

Finance Committee.....	After Service
Food Source Committee.....	After Service

Monday ~ July 9, 2001

Trustee Board.....	6:30 PM
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Tuesday ~ July 10, 2001

Prayer time.....	12:00 PM
NGSR Class.....	6:00 PM

Thursday ~ July 12, 2001

Sanctuary Choir.....	6:00 PM
All Men and Young Men.....	6:30 PM

Friday ~ July 13, 2001

Male Chorus.....	6:00 PM
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Saturday ~ July 14, 2001

Finance Committee.....	8:30 AM
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Listening to the Sermon

Listen to the message from God's Word. Use this sheet to make some personal notes. Go back over them during the week. Let God crystallize His Truths in your life.

Minister: _____

Date: _____

Sermon Title: _____

Biblical Text _____

Main ideas from the sermon: _____

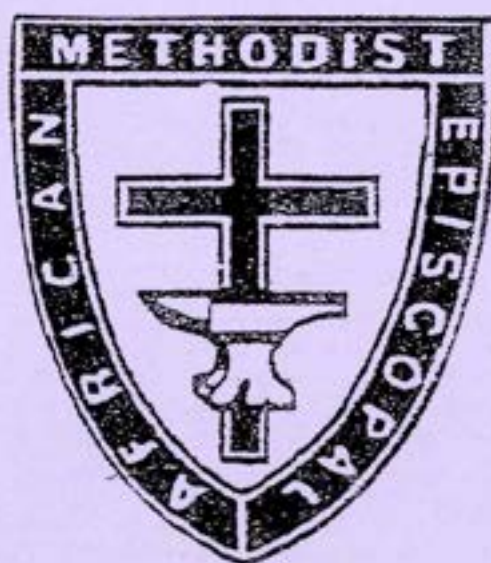
Illustration(s) I want to remember: _____

What I should do as a result of hearing this sermon: _____

Women's Day 2002

St. John A. M .E. Church
Huntsville, Alabama

July 14, 2002 ~ 10:00 A. M.



The Reverend Dr. Jo Ann Browning
Co-Pastor, Ebenezer A.M.E. Church
Fort Washington, Maryland
Guest Speaker

Theme: "God, The Source of Women's Strength, Facing Today's Crisis

T. L. Kirkland, Presiding Bishop
H. L. McCall, Pastor

Our Speaker.



The Reverend Dr. Jo Ann Browning

The Reverend Dr. Jo Ann Browning is the Co-Pastor of Ebenezer African Methodist Church of Fort Washington, Maryland. She is married to the Reverend Dr. Grainger Browning, who is the Senior Pastor of Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church. She is the very proud mother of two children, Grainger III, age 20 and Candace, age 17.

Dr. Browning is a 1976 graduate of Boston University in Boston, Massachusetts with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communications. She received a Master of Divinity Degree in 1986 and Doctorate of Ministry from Howard University School of Divinity in 1991 with emphasis in Church and Community. She received the Benjamin E. Mays Fellowship during her Master of Divinity program, the Pew-Fellowship during her Doctoral Studies and Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities in 1989-90.

The Washingtonian Magazine featured Rev. Dr. Browning in July 1990, and the Howard University's Channel 32 Magazine featured her in 1994—both as a religious community leader. Ebony Magazine's Nov. 1997 issue listed Pastor Jo Ann Browning as honorable mention under the category of Outstanding African American Female Preacher. She participated in a National Broadcast on BET Live Online in 2001. Rev. Dr. Browning was the featured speaker for the co-sponsored, Heaven 1580 and Sister-to-Sister Business Women Conference Worship Service broadcasted live in October 2001. The Washington Post featured Rev. Drs. Browning in numerous articles and interviews—the latest occurring in February 2002.

Pastor Jo Ann Browning accepted the call to preach in 1982 at Hemmingway Memorial A.M.E. Church in Chapel Oaks, Maryland. Forty-two souls accepted Christ on that blessed occasion. In 1983 after serving for nine months on the Ministerial staff of St. Paul A.M.E. Church in Cambridge, MA., Rev. Dr. Jo Ann Browning accompanied her husband, Rev. Dr. Grainger Browning—who has been appointed as Pastor of the Ebenezer A.M.E. Church in Fort Washington, MD. Together, they began serving as a Pastoral Team. Since 1998, Bishop Vinton R. Anderson, Presiding Prelate of the Second Episcopal District, has historically appointed Rev. Dr. Jo Ann Browning as Co-Pastor of the Ebenezer A.M.E. Church. This unprecedented appointment officially recognized the Pastoral Team Ministry at Ebenezer.

In 1983 upon arriving at Ebenezer, the membership consisted of 17 faithful souls and a budget of \$12,000. Currently, the membership exceeds 11,000, with 100 ministries and a budget of over \$10 million. On September 18, 1994, the Ebenezer Church Family proudly held its first Worship Service in the newly constructed 3,000-seat Worship Center.

Rev. Dr. Jo Ann Browning, in addition to her responsibilities at Ebenezer, has had the opportunity to preach, teach and facilitate workshops at numerous churches throughout the United States, Haiti, Bermuda, Barbados and Germany. On November 10-17, 1996, The American Jewish Committee honored Dr. Browning by selecting her as a participant of the Project Interchange Program—an eight-day intensive travel seminar in Israel. She along with 11 other African American clergy from across the United States, took part in the seminar. In 2000, Maryland Governor Parris N. Glendening selected the Rev. Dr. Brownings as part of a historic delegation to South Africa for the purpose of dialoguing on economic development opportunities.

Pastor Jo Ann Browning is grateful for the opportunity to till new ground, tread in new territory and wade in new waters as she and her husband, Rev. Dr. Grainger Browning journey together in Pastoral Team Ministry. In all that has been said and done, Pastor Jo Ann Browning continuously gives God ALL THE PRAISE, HONOR AND GLORY FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE A HUMBLE SERVANT OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST!

A Liberating and Reconciling People A People in the Word-Serving People in the World Women's Day

Order of Service

July 14, 2002 10:00 a.m.

Meditate: "I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish. Esther 4: 16

*Prelude.....Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician, Mr. Cleveland Wilson, Director
Mr. Talbert Cox, Percussionist*

Acolytes.....Elany Washington & Michaela Brown

Processional:

Doxology

Call to Worship.....Ms. Beverly Hill

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord, our feet shall stand within Thy gates, O Jerusalem.

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.

Leader: 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.

Leader: 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.

Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

People: 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!

Hymn of Praise(#513) Time Is Filled with Swift Transition.... Choir/Congregation

Morning Prayer of Confession.....Miss Gale L. McCall

Choral Response.....Women's Day Chorus/Congregation

Scripture: Old Testament ~ Esther 4: 1-17Mrs. Lorna Howell
Epistle ~ 2 Timothy 1: 3-7Mrs. Sarah L. McGraw
Gospel ~ Luke 10: 38-42.....Mrs. Christine Meriwether

Decalogue.....Reverend Debra Woods

Welcome/Occasion.....Mrs. Barbara Johnson

*Music.....Women's Day Chorus

Litany of Praise.....Dr. Jeanette Jones

Memorial Tribute.....Mrs. Pearlean Myhand & Mrs. Martha Smith

Solo.....Mrs. Barbara Etheridge

Announcements & Guest Recognition.....Mrs. Cora Speight

*Music.....Women's Day Chorus

Offering ~ Senior Usher Board ~

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings:

Prayer of Thanksgiving.....Mrs. Ada Houston

Offertory Response:

We Give Thee But Thine Own * All that we have is thine alone
What e'er the gift may be: * A trust, O Lord from Thee. Amen.

Introduction of Speaker.....Mrs. Barbara Leonard

Hymn of Preparation..... (#77)"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing".....Choir/Congregation

*Music.....Women's Day Chorus

SERMON.....Reverend Dr. Jo Ann Browning, Co- Pastor
Ebenezer AME Church Fort Washington, MD

Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....Pastor

Hymn of Invitation....."We Offer Christ to You".....Choir/Congregation

Remarks.....Mrs. Susie P. Akins, Chair Women's Day Committee
Rev. Dr. Homer L. McCall, Pastor

Postlude

*Congregation standing

**Solemn Moment

Reception Immediately Following Service in the Fellowship Hall

Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

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LITANY OF PRAISE

By

Dr. Jeanette Jones

LEADER: In adoration and thanksgiving to our God, we bow in humble submission to Him for the light of His word and the light, which became flesh in Jesus, our Savior and Lord.

RESPONSE: May we abide in love, learn how to "hear the heart", practice good listening, learn to care deeply, be compassionate and give encouragement to one another. We draw our strength from Christ our Savior.

LEADER: For the beauty of Christian womanhood and all pertaining thereto,

RESPONSE: We rejoice in Thee, O Lord, the source of our strength and salvation.

LEADER: For the bravery, courageousness and steadfastness of women of biblical times and now,

RESPONSE: We bless your name, O Lord, and thank you for your faithfulness and the work you are doing in each woman's life.

LEADER: For the opportunity to share with you in the ministry of reconciliation,

RESPONSE: We bless your name, O Lord, for your love endures forever.

LEADER: We give thanks to Thee, Oh Lord, for this day of celebration; a time to reflect upon your grace and mercy, a time to rededicate ourselves to you.

RESPONSE: We thank you for your faithful servant, The Rev. Dr. Jo Ann Browning, who has come to challenge us on this day with an anointed message.

LEADER: We praise you for the Women of Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church and Christian women everywhere, as they strive to follow the Master through prayer and Christian service.

RESPONSE: We need women, Christian women, whose source of strength is God. Women who will see in our destitution a jagged image of what one day could be her own story and will respond with mercy, O Lord.

TOGETHER: We give thanks to Thee O Lord and give you all the praise and glory for the opportunity to fellowship, to pray, to demonstrate our faith and to honor you during this Annual Women's Day Celebration.

Committees

Women's Day Committee

Mrs. Mable McCall, General Chairperson
Mrs. Susie P. Akins, Women's Day Chairperson
Ms. Beverly Hill, Co-Chairperson
Dr. Jeanette Jones

Music Committee

Mrs. Mary Rankin, Chairperson

Publicity Committee

Mrs. Rosetta Williams, Chairperson
Mrs. Mamie Patton
Mrs. Carolyn Russ

Invitation Committee

Mrs. Jacquelin Washington, Chairperson
Mrs. Donnie Thompson
Ms. Lula Rochelle
Mrs. Lillie Rivers

Refreshment Committee

Mrs. Benita Jackson, Chairperson
Mrs. Dawn Lewis
Mrs. Erica McGadney Harbin
Mrs. Katherine Campbell

~ Jesus Saves ~

Home Daily Bible Reading ~ July 15 ~ July 21, 2002

Stay In The Word

Monday.....Psalm 106: 1-12	ThursdayPsalm 130
Tuesday.....Psalm 103: 1-14	Friday.....Psalm 51: 1-9
Wednesday.....Psalm 85	Saturday.....Psalm 51: 10-19
Sunday.....Psalm 32	

"It Takes a Whole Community to Educate One Child"

Boards & Organizational Meeting

Sunday ~ July 14, 2002

Finance Committee After Service
Food Source Committee After Service

Monday ~ July 15, 2002 ~ Friday July 19, 2002

Vacation Bible School.....6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday ~ July 18, 2002

Noon Prayer12 Noon

Saturday ~ July 20, 2002

Finance Committee 8:30 AM

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Invitation to Christian Discipleship/Finance Committee

July 14, 2002

~Stewardesses ~

July 21, 2002

Mrs. Mable McCall
Mrs. Dana Johnson

Mrs. Lanita Slaton
Mrs. Altonette Burks

Dr. John T. Gibson, Sr.
Mr. Eddie C. Sherrod

~ Stewards ~

Ms. Patricia Grier
Dr. Clifton Pearson

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Dr. Clifton Pearson
Mr. Everette E. Brooks, Sr.

~ Finance Committee ~

Mr. Jerry Baldwin
Mr. Eddie C. Sherrod
Mr. Willie Sandifer
Dr. Jeanette Jones

Prayer for the Week

Our Father, thank you for the grace to allow our servanthood to glorify your Holy Name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thought for the Week

*"And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this."
Esther 4: 14*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He arose from the dead, He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen

Women's Day 2003

St. John A. M .E. Church
Huntsville, Alabama

July 13, 2003 ~ 10:00 A. M.



Guest Speaker

The Reverend Florance McElroy
Assistant Minister ~ St. Paul AME Church
Detroit, Michigan

Theme: "Focusing On God In Times Of Transition"

T. L. Kirkland, Presiding Bishop
D. E. Dillard, Presiding Elder
H. L. McCall, Senior Pastor

A Liberating and Reconciling People A People in the Word-Serving People in the World

Women's Day July 13, 2003

Meditate: "But seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6:33

Prelude Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician, Mr. Cleveland Wilson, Director
Mr. Talbert Cox, Percussionist

Acolytes Michaela Brown and Danielle Howell

Processional:

Doxology

Call to Worship Mrs. Voncile Gibson

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord, our feet shall stand within Thy gates, O Jerusalem.

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.

Leader: 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.

Leader: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house, and the place where your glory dwells.

People: But Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

People: 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!

ORDER OF SERVICE



Hymn of Praise. . . . (#513) "Time Is Filled with Swift Transition" Choir/Congregation

Morning Prayer of Confession Sister Meriam Garrett

Choral Response Women's Day Choir/Congregation

Scripture: Old Testament ~ Jeremiah 20: 7-13 Ms. Tracy Spiegner

Epistle ~ Romans 5: 12-15 Mrs. Regina Phippen

Gospel ~ Matthew 10: 26-33 Mrs. Geneva Fontenot

Decalogue Mrs. Vivian Humphrey

Welcome /Occasion Mrs. Lorraine Parham

*Music Women's Day Choir

~~Litany of Praise~~ Mrs. Pamela Whitehead

Memorial Tribute Judge Lynn Sherrod & Laura Sherrod

Announcements & Guest Recognition Mrs. Gwendolyn Baldwin

*Music Women's Day Choir

Offering

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings:

Prayer of Thanksgiving Mrs. Katherine Campbell

Offertory Response:

We Give Thee But Thine Own * All that we have is thine alone

What e'er the gift may be: * A trust, O Lord from Thee. Amen.

Introduction of Speaker Mrs. Vickki Cox

Hymn of Preparation (#355) "Father Along" Choir/Congregation

*Music Women's Day Choir

SERMON Reverend Florance McElroy, Assistant Minister

St. Paul AME Church, Detroit, Michigan

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Pastor

Hymn of Invitation (#400) " 'Tis The Promise of God" Choir/Congregation

Remarks Dr. Jones, Co-Chair Women's Day Committee

Rev. Dr. H. L. McCall, Senior Pastor

Postlude

*Congregation standing

**Solemn Moment

Recessional

The Apostles' Creed

Doxology

Benediction

* The Asterisk Indicates When People May Enter To Worship

LITANY

- LEADER:** *In adoration and thanksgiving to our God, we come into this church, gather in the name Name of Jesus Christ, to worship and adore Him.*
- Response:** *May we abide in love, learn to forgive and to Focus on God in times of Transition. We draw our strength from Christ our Savior.*
- LEADER:** *For the beauty of Christian womanhood and all pertaining thereto,*
- Response:** *We rejoice in Thee, O Lord, In times of darkness, and Lord is my light and my salvation.*
- LEADER:** *For the bravery, courageousness and steadfastness of women of biblical times and now,*
- Response:** *We bless your name, O Lord, and thank your for your faithfulness and the work your are doing in each woman's life.*
- LEADER:** *For the opportunity to share with you in the ministries of reconciliation, love and forgiveness,*
- Response:** *We bless your name, O Lord, for your love endures forever.*
- LEADER:** *We give thanks to Thee, Oh Lord, for this day of celebration; a time to reflect upon your grace and mercy, a time to rededicate ourselves to you. In time of trouble, the Lord protects us, we take our refuge in Him.*
- Response:** *We thank you for your faithful servant, The Reverend Florance McElroy who had traveled a distance to challenge us on this day with an anointed message.*
- LEADER:** *We praise you for the Women of Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church and Christian women everywhere, as they strive to Focus on God through prayer and Christian service, in times of struggle. In times of transition, the Lord is my shepherd.*
- Response:** *We need women, Christian women, whose source of strength is from God. Women like Rahab, Miriam, Hagar, Zipporah, Mary, Deborah, Abigail, and Esther who prayed, preached, healed and helped in times of struggle and transition, and who will respond with mercy, O Lord.*
- TOGETHER:** *We give thanks to Thee O Lord and give you all the praise and glory for the opportunity to fellowship, to pray, to demonstrate our faith and to honor you during this Annual Women's Day Celebration.*

Announcements



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Prayer Service and Bible Class ~ will not be held Wednesday July 16, but make plans to attend Vacation Bible School with your family and friends July 14 - July 18 from 6:00-8:00 PM nightly.



The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated by The Carver Myhand Family, IN LOVING MEMORY OF Ella Kelley Myhand.



EXPLORE THE POWER OF JESUS!! ~ Please be mindful that Vacation Bible School starts tomorrow, Monday July 14 - Friday, July 18, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. There will be classes for all ages. Registration for Vacation Bible School will be held in the hallway and in the Narthex (Vestibule) after service.



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~ Jesus Saves ~

Home Daily Bible Reading ~ July 14, 2003 - July 20, 2003

Stay In The Word

Monday.....Nehemiah 7: 66-8: 1

ThursdayNehemiah 8: 13-18

Tuesday.....Nehemiah 8: 2-6

Friday.....Psalm 119: 33-40

Wednesday.....Nehemiah 8: 7-12

Saturday.....Psalm 119: 97-104

Sunday..... Psalm 119: 129-136

"It Takes a Whole Community to Educate One Child "

Boards & Organizational Meeting

Sunday ~ July 13, 2003

Finance Committee After Service

Monday ~ July 14 - Friday July 18, 2003

Vacation Bible School

Saturday ~ July 19, 2003

Finance Committee 8:30 AM

Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church Vision/Mission Statement

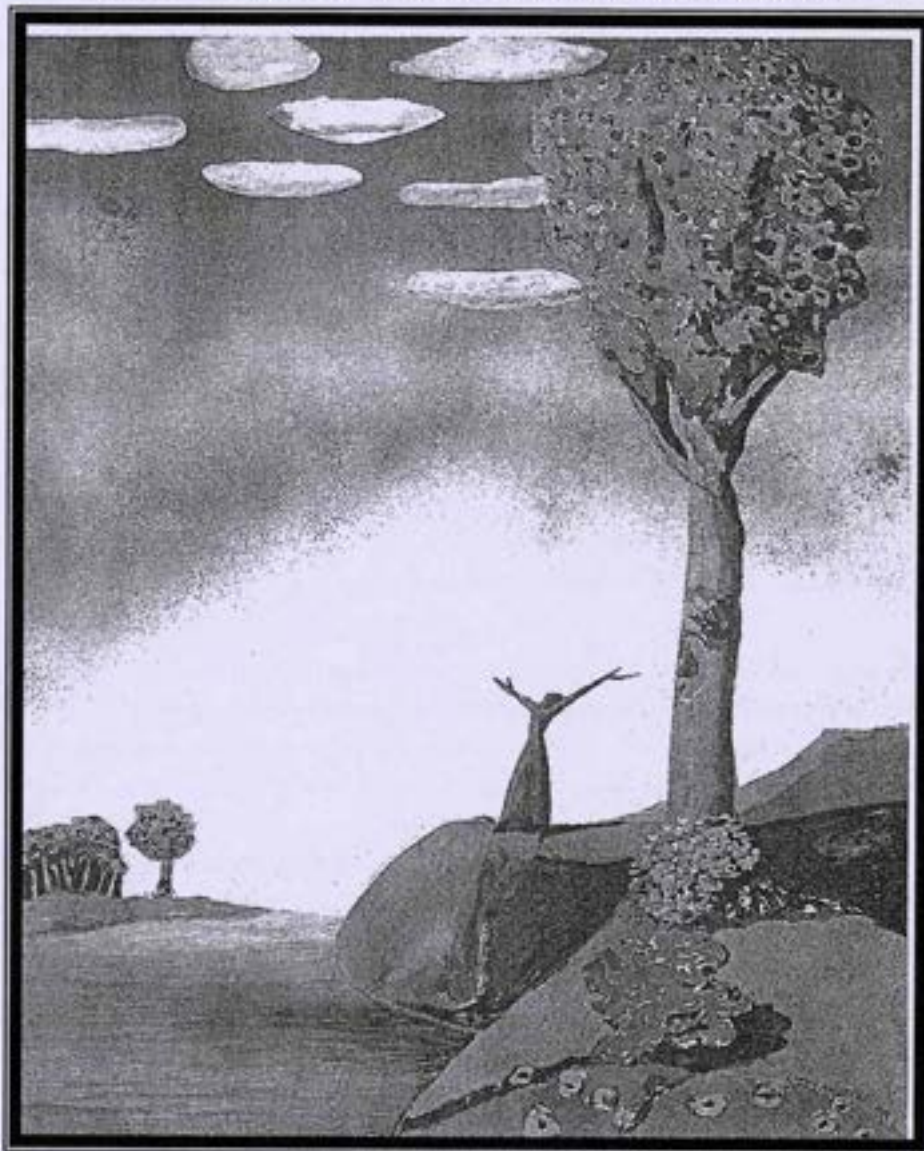
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Visit Our Web Site at: <http://members.aol.com/stjohnameh/stjohn.html>
E-mail Address: stjohnameh@aol.com

*St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church
Huntsville, Alabama*

*Women's Day Celebration
July 18, 2004 ~ 10:00 A.M.*

Theme: Christian Women Yielding to the Holy Spirit



*Guest Speaker ~ Reverend Claudine E. Murphy
Pastor ~ St. Luke A. M. E. Church
St. Louis, Missouri*

*The Right Reverend T. L. Kirkland, Presiding Bishop
Reverend D. E. Dillard, Sr., Presiding Elder
Reverend Dr. H. L. McCall, Pastor*

Reverend Claudine E. Murphy



Reverend Claudine E. Murphy is the Pastor of St. Luke A. M. E. Church in Elmwood Park, Missouri. She is a native of Brooklyn, NY. She entered the ministry after receiving undergraduate degrees and post-graduate certification in business administration computer science and human service. She has served in the ministry for fifteen years and Pastor of St. Luke A. M. E. for over 7 years.

Reverend Murphy has completed the African American Church Studies Program at Eden Theological Seminary. She is a graduate of Interdenominational Theological Center and has completed graduate studies at Webster University and Washington University in behavioral science.

Reverend Murphy has received many awards for academic excellence, outstanding leadership and services. She shares and participates in numerous community, civic and ecumenical services, projects and events within St. Louis City, Missouri counties and throughout the United States. She serves as chairperson of DFS Board for "One Church One Child." She is a member of the Board of Examiners and Instructors for the A. M. E. Church Ministerial Candidates; member of the African American Task Team on Mental Illness; a board member of the Jamison Memorial Human Development; a member of the Interdenominational Theological Center Alumni, and member of the Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society and Phi Theta Lambda National Business Honor Fraternities.

Reverend Murphy is featured in the 1999-2000 edition of Who's Who Among Executives and Professional (National Register), Women on the Way and Outstanding Young Women of America. She is recipient of the 'Female Dynamo Award', 'S' Hero Making a Difference Award' and the St. Luke's Achiever, Believer and Christian Award. She is also a member of Women in Community Service, Inc. (WICS) National Training Team and has completed specialized training for youth development and work force preparation.

For Reverend Murphy, with all she has accomplished, the most important accolade God has bestowed upon her is that of a loving wife (to Alex) mother (to LaJuan), and grandmother (to Simeon Aka "Lil' Sim-Sim").

A Liberating & Reconciling People

A People in the Word ~ Serving People in the World

Women's Day

July 18, 2004 ~ 10:00 A.M.

Meditate: "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, says the Lord of hosts."
Zechariah 4: 6

Prelude Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician, Mr. Cleveland Wilson, Director
Mr. Talbert Cox, Percussionist

Acolytes Kourtney Burwell & Marissa Owens

Enter and Worship ~ Depart & Serve

Processional:

Doxology

Call to Worship Mrs. Mable J. McCall

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ORDER OF SERVICE



Hymn of Praise . . . (#513) "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" Choir/Congregation
 Morning Prayer of Confession Sister Meriam Garrett
 Choral Response Women's Day Choir/Congregation

Scripture ~ Old Testament Zechariah 4: 1-6 Mrs. Scarlet E. Leonard
 Epistle Ephesians 5: 15-21 Mrs. Dawn Lewis
 Gospel Matthew 26: 36-41 Mrs. Marceia C. Ingram

Decalogue Mrs. Sarah McGraw
 Welcome/Occasion Mrs. Mildred Powers
 *Music Women's Day Choir
 Litany of Praise Mrs. Angeline Brownlow
 Memorial Tribute Ms. Barbara Johnson & Brittney Bell
 Solo Ms. Sharon Hicks
 Announcements & Guest Recognition Mrs. Mary Rankin
 Offering

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings:

Prayer of Thanksgiving Gale McCall

Offertory Response:

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Remarks Mrs. Eva Smith, Chairperson and Pastor McCall
 Introduction of Speaker Mrs. Victoria Cox
 Hymn of Preparation . . . (#200) "Joys Are Flowing Like a River" . . . Choir/Congregation
 *Music Women's Day Choir
 SERMON Reverend Claudine E. Murphy

Pastor, St. Luke A. M. E. Church ~ Elmwood Park, Missouri

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Pastor
 Hymn of Invitation (#283) "I Am Thine, O Lord" Choir/Congregation
 Closing Hymn (#400) " 'Tis the Promise of God" Choir/Congregation
 Postlude

Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

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Litany

LEADER: It is with grateful hearts that we give thanks to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for the gifts of the Spirit, and Christian women who yield to the Holy Spirit.

Response: May we abide in love, and praise the Lord.

LEADER: The same Spirit, who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

Response: We praise God that in a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all people to Christ as Lord and Savior, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace.

LEADER: We celebrate your Spirit that enables us to overcome disagreements, and disappointments as we seek to serve our community: for the bravery, courageousness, steadfastness, and beauty of Christian women everywhere.

Response: We bless your name, O Lord, and thank you for your faithfulness and the work you are doing in each woman's life.

LEADER: We thank you Father for sending to this earth, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us how to live in love, and who arose and lives within us, empowering us as Christians.

Response: We bless your name, O Lord, for your love endures forever.

LEADER: We give thanks to Thee, Oh Lord, for this day of celebration, a time to reflect upon your grace and mercy.

Response: We praise you Lord and rededicate ourselves to you.

LEADER: We thank you Lord for your faithful servant, The Reverend Claudine E. Murphy who has come to share with us, on this special day, her anointed message.

Response: We ask your blessings on her life, her family and her ministry.

LEADER: We praise you Lord for the Women of Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church and Christian women everywhere who yield to the Holy Spirit through prayer and Christian service in times of joy and times of sadness.

Response: Lord, we need women Christian women, who yield to the Holy Spirit, whose source of strength is from God. We need women who have prayed, preached, healed and helped in time of struggle and transition, and who will respond with kindness and mercy, O Lord.

TOGETHER: We give thanks to Thee O Lord and with believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord and we give you all the praise and glory for the opportunity to fellowship, to pray, to demonstrate our faith and to honor you during this Annual Women's Day Celebration.

Composed by: Dr. Jeannette Jones

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Summer Revival service will be held Monday, August 2, 2004 - Wednesday August 4, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. nightly. Let us begin the season of renewal, reclamation and re-empowerment in faithful prayer and fasting. The Guest Evangelist is Reverend Marvin C. Zanders, II, the Spirit filled pastor of St. Paul AME Church, Jacksonville, Florida. (Pastor Zanders' outstanding sermon moved the General Conference in Indianapolis on July 1, 2004.) Don't miss hearing this man of God. Bring your family and friends nightly.



Vacation Bible School for all ages will begin tomorrow, Monday, July 19 - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and continue nightly through Friday, July 23. Our theme for this year is "Spotlight on Jesus."



The Vacation Bible School Committee has selected school supplies for needy students as our Community Service Project. We are asking the entire Church Family to contribute to this effort. A collection box can be found at each entrance to the Sanctuary through Sunday, July 25, 2004. Thanks for your support.



Tithing Where there is no vision A People Perishes." Ask God to help you make your tithing commitment to Him today. You may place your tithes and offerings in the tithes Container and your Prayer Requests in the Prayer Container that are located in the front of the Sanctuary near the piano and organ.



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There are still March for Jesus T-shirts available for purchase. The T-shirts will make great attire for the upcoming Church Picnic. The T-shirts can be purchased in the church office immediately following morning service or during VBS this coming week. The children sizes of the T-shirts are being sold for \$10 each and the adults for \$15 each. Please contact Ms. Patricia Grier or Mrs. Nedra McDaniel for further information. Thank you.



The Church Picnic will be held Saturday, July 24, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. At Sharon Johnston Park, Gate 2/Group shelter 1 ~by the lake. Plan now to spend a day of fun (games) food, fellowship (Bonding) together. Directions to the picnic site is on the table in the Vestibule and may be picked up after service.

Those persons who wish to stay in touch with Mr. & Mrs. Fleming (Gracie) Butler may do so by corresponding with them at their new address in Ohio.

The Fountain on the Green
1555 Brainard Road
Apt. # 218
Lyndhurst, OH 44124

Invitation To Christian Discipleship

<u>July 18, 2004</u>	<i>Stewardesses</i>	<u>July 25, 2004</u>
10:00 A.M.		8:00 A.M.
Ms. Lula Rochelle		Mrs. Edna Owens
Mrs. Rosetta Williams		Mrs. Cassandra Thompson
	10:50 A.M.	
		Mrs. Margaret Ballard
		Mrs. Willie Heyward
Dr. Jeanette Jones	<i>Steward</i>	Mr. William C. Bell, Sr.
Mr. Carol Cooper		Mr. Ronald McIntosh
Ms. Patricia Grier	<i>Finance Committee</i>	Ms. Patricia Grier
Mr. Jerry Baldwin		Mr. Jerry Baldwin
Mr. Hanford Jones		Mr. Hanford Jones

Prayer for the Week

Our Father, fill us daily with your Holy Spirit that your power may use us wherever we are through Jesus Christ our risen Lord and Savior. Amen.

Thought for the Week

"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear." I John 4:18

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He arose from the dead, He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen

Women's Day Committee

Mrs. Mable McCall, General Chairperson
Mrs. Gwendolyn Baldwin, Chairperson
Mrs. Eva Smith, Chairperson
Mrs. Lauretta Teague, Co-Chair and Publicity Chairperson
Mrs. Charlsie Brooks, Refreshment Chairperson

Members

Mrs. Angeline Brownlow
Mrs. Sharon Butler
Mrs. Dana Johnson
Dr. Jeanette Jones
Mrs. Dawn Lewis
Ms. Donnie Thompson

Jesus Saves

Home Daily Bible Reading ~ July 19 - July 25, 2004

Stay In The Word

<i>Monday Psalm 94: 8-15</i>	<i>Thursday Hebrews 12: 7-11</i>
<i>Tuesday Deuteronomy 8: 1-5</i>	<i>Friday Hebrews 12: 12-17</i>
<i>Wednesday Hebrews 12: 1-6</i>	<i>Saturday Hebrews 12: 18-24</i>
<i>Sunday Hebrews 12: 25-29</i>	

"It Takes a Whole Community to Educate One Child"

Boards & Organizational Meeting

Sunday ~ July 18, 2004

<i>Finance Committee</i>	<i>After Service</i>
<i>Steward Board Meeting</i>	<i>4:00 P.M.</i>

Monday ~ July 19 - Friday, July 23, 2004

Vacation Bible School

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saturday ~ July 24, 2004

<i>Finance Committee</i>	<i>8:30 A.M.</i>
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St. John A. M. E. Church

Huntsville, Alabama

Women's Day Celebration

July 9, 2006

Scriptural Theme:

*"Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting;
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised." Proverbs 31:30*

Guest Preacher

Reverend Earle Lockhart, Staff Minister for Congregational Care

First Missionary Baptist Church

Huntsville, Alabama

The Right Reverend J. L. Kirkland, Presiding Bishop

Reverend D. E. Dillard Sr. Presiding Elder

Reverend Dr. H. L. McCall, Pastor



Biography of Earla S. Lockhart

Earla Sue Lockhart is a native of Huntsville, Alabama and the daughter of the late James Earl and Ollie McCaulley Lockhart. She is a graduate of William H. Councill High School, attended the University of Alabama in Huntsville and completed the course of study at the Kentucky School of Mortuary Science. She holds the Bachelor of Science degree from Athens State College and the Bachelor of Theology degree from Huntsville Bible College.

In January 1993, she resigned from government employment and joined the full-time ministerial staff at First Missionary Baptist Church, where for she assisted the Pastor, Dr. Julius R. Scruggs as the Staff Minister for Administration and Business Management until 2002 and as the Staff Minister for Christian Education and Discipleship Training until December 2005. Following "semi-retirement" in December 2005, she currently serves as the part-time Staff Minister for Congregational Care.

Memberships:

- Greater Huntsville Interdenominational Ministerial Fellowship (GHIMF)
- Glittering Star Chapter #94, Order of Eastern Star
- NAACP (Life Member)
- Women's Economic Development Council (WEDC)
- National Alumnae Association of Spelman College/Huntsville Area Chapter (NAASC/HAC)
- Huntsville Chapter - National Coalition of 100 Black Women - Huntsville Chapter

Awards/Honors:

Recipient of the first NAASC-HAC Spirit of Spelman Award (2001)

Recipient of the WEDC Women Honoring Women Award (2003)

Recipient of the NAACP Rosa Parks Woman of Courage Award (2005)

She has served on various agency boards including CASA, Girl Scouts of North Alabama, and the Downtown Rescue Mission. She is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the Huntsville-Madison County Christian Women's Job Corps and the Alabama A. & M. University Foundation Board. She also serves as Development Officer and as an instructor at Huntsville Bible College and continues to maintain her long-standing part-time employment relationship with Nelms Memorial Funeral Home.

July, 2006

A Liberating & Reconciling People
A People in the WORD Serving People in the WORLD
WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION
Sunday, July 9, 2006
10:00 A.M.

Meditate: "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." Proverbs 31:29

Prelude Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician, Mr. Cleveland Wilson, Director
Mr. Talbert Cox Percussionist

Acolytes Talese Cox & Taylor Cox

Enter and Worship & Depart and Serve

Processional

Doxology

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Order of Worship

Hymn of Praise (#513) "Time Is Filled with Swift Transition" Choir/Congregation

Morning Prayer of Confession Mrs. Lillie Rivers

Choral Response

Scripture	Old Testament	Judges	4: 4-9	Mrs. Maple Smiley
	Epistle	Colossians	1: 9-19	Mrs. Dawn Lewis
	Gospel	Mark	8: 34-38	Mrs. Vivian Humphrey

Decalogue Ms. Donnie Thompson

Welcome & Occasion Mrs. Mattie Ezell

*Music Women Chorus

Litany of Praise Mrs. Vicki Cox

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Announcements & Guest Recognition Mrs. Nedra McDaniel

Tithes & Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving Mrs. Mary Powers

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Introduction of Speaker Dr. Jeanette Jones

Hymn of Preparation (#200) "Joys Are Flowing Like a River" Choir/Congregation

*Music Women Chorus

Sermon Reverend Earla Lockhart, Staff Minister for Congregational Care
First Missionary Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn of Invitation (#358) "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" Choir/Congregation

Closing Hymn (#400) "Tis the Promise of God" Choir/Congregation

Postlude	The Apostles' Creed	Doxology	Benediction
Recessional			

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Response: We ask your blessings on her life, her family and her ministry.

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Response: Lord, we need women, Christian women, who yield to the Holy Spirit, whose source of strength is from God. We need women who have prayed, preached, healed and helped in time of struggle and transition, and who will respond with kindness and mercy, O Lord.

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Composed by: Dr. Jeanette Jones

Invitation To Christian Discipleship

JULY 9, 2006

10:00 A.M.

Mrs. Lou Clark

Mrs. Geneva Fontenot

STEWARDESS

8:00 A. M.

10:50 A. M.

Mrs. Martha Smith

Mr. Hanford Jones

STEWARDS

Mrs. Vanona Walton

Mrs. Martha Smith

Mr. Otha Owens

Dr. Clifton Pearson

FINANCE COMMITTEE

JULY 16, 2006

Mrs. Pamela Whitehead

Mrs. Lydia Owens

Dr. Clifton Pearson

Mr. Eddie Sherrod

Ms. Patricia Grier

Mr. Jerry Baldwin

Mr. Hanford Jones

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Our Father, forgive us our sins. Help us to work worthy of you and be grateful in every work as we increase in our knowledge of you. Thank you for your healing, provision, protection and presence through the BLOOD of Jesus Christ our LORD and SAVIOR. AMEN

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Very well," Deborah said, "I will go with you. But because of the way you are going about this, the honor will not be yours, for the LORD will hand Sisera over to a woman." So Deborah went with Barak to Kadesh. Judges 4: 9

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, the third day He arose from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Jesus Saves

Home Daily Bible Reading - July 10 - July 16, 2006

Stay in the Word

Monday.....	Hebrews 12: 1-12	Thursday.....	Phillippians 3: 12-16
Tuesday.....	Ephesians 6: 10-20	Friday.....	I Corinthians 9: 22b - 27
Wednesday.....	James 1: 19-27	Saturday.....	I Corinthians 10: 1-7
	Sunday.....		I Corinthians 10: 8-13

It Takes a Whole Community to Educate One Child

Boards & Organizational Meetings

Sunday ~July 9, 2006

Finance Committee After Service

Wednesday, ~July 12, 2006

Children/Youth Choir Rehearsal 6:00 PM

Prayer Service & Bible Class 6:30 PM

Thursday ~ July 13, 2006

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 6:00 PM

Friday ~ July 14, 2006

Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:00 PM

Adult Praise Dance Rehearsal

Saturday ~ July 15, 2006

Finance Committee 8:30 AM

Annual Conference Planning Meeting 10:00 AM

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I Corinthians

Chapter 13: 1-13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal .

If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoice with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes. Always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears.

When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

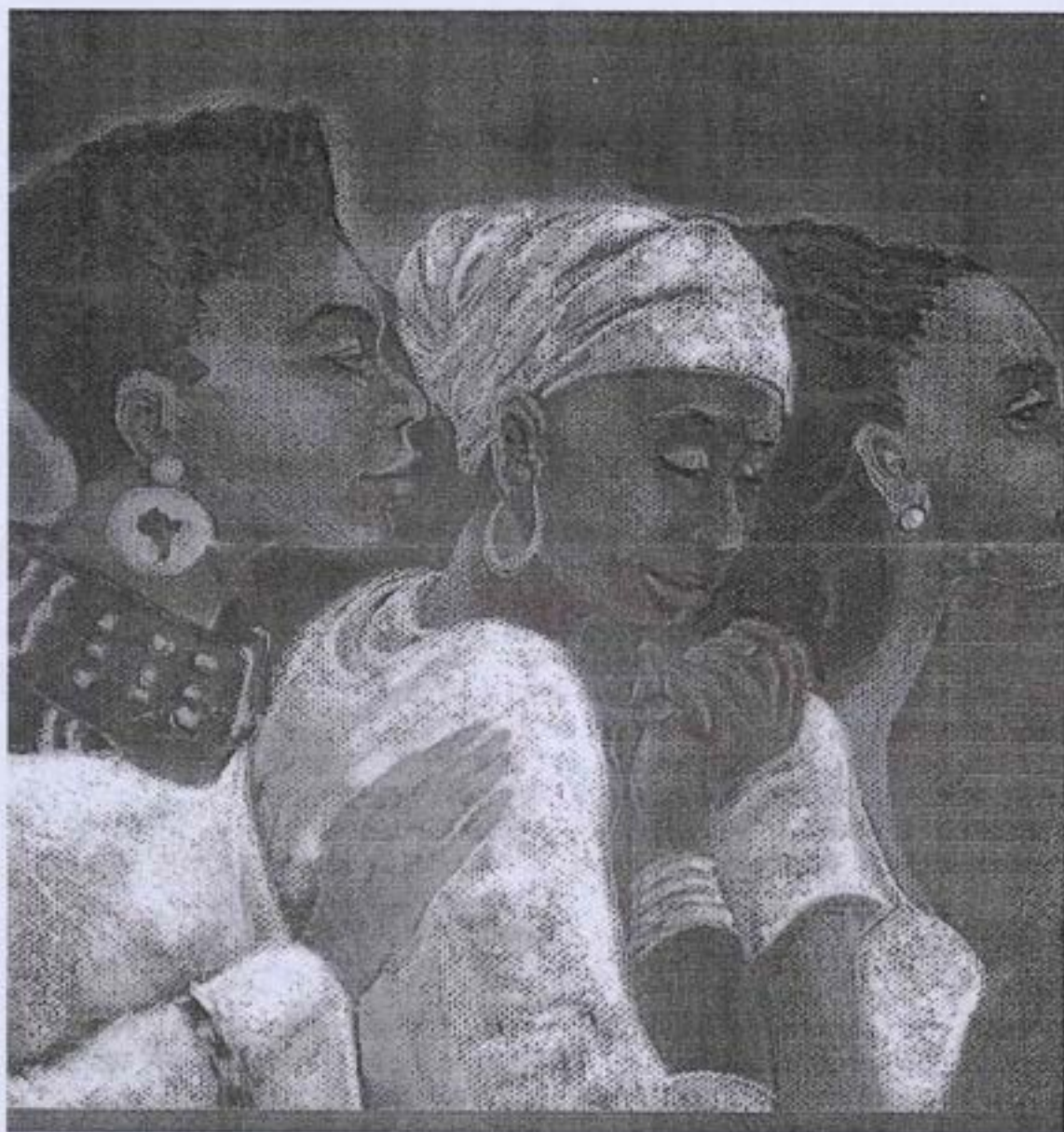
St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church

229 Church Street ~ Huntsville, Alabama

Women Day Celebration

July 8, 2007

Theme: "Sisters United in Spirit"



The Right Reverend T. L. Kirkland, Presiding Bishop

Reverend D. E. Dillard, Sr., Presiding Elder

Reverend Dr. H. L. McCall, Pastor

Altarp

Leader: It is with grateful hearts that we give thanks to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for the gifts of the Spirit, and Christian women who yield to the Holy Spirit.

Response: May we abide in love, and praise the Lord.

Leader: The same Spirit, who inspired the prophets and apostles, rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

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Composed by: *Dr. Jeanette Jones*

A Liberating & Reconciling People A People in the WORD serving People in the WORLD Women's Day Celebration Sunday, July 8, 2007 ~ 10:00 A.M. Sixth Sunday After Pentecost 10:00 A.M.

Meditate "What Zelophehad's daughters are saying is right. You must certainly give them property as an inheritance among their father's relatives and turn their father's inheritance over to them." Numbers 27:7

*Prelude Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician, Mr. Cleveland Wilson, Director
Mr. Talbert Cox, Percussionist*

Acolytes Talese Cox & Taylor Cox

Enter and Worship & Depart and Serve

*Pre Liturgical Worship St. John Praise Dancers
Introit (#601) "He Is Lord" Choir/Congregation*

*Doxology (#647) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Call to Worship Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord, our feet shall stand within Thy gates, O Jerusalem.

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.

Leader: 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.

Leader: 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.

Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my redeemer.

People: 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!

Reverend Myra Turner Billips



Reverend Myra Billips is an ordained Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Presently she serves as Pastor of The Shiloh African Methodist Episcopal Church in Galveston, Texas.

Reverend Billips is a product of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. She is the tenth of twelve children born to the late Presiding Elder William D. and Mrs. Martha L. Turner. Her early years were spent in Italy, Texas. However, because of her father's ministry, she traveled to and lived in many cities in Texas. She graduated from North Side High School in Fort Worth, Texas.

In January 1995, Reverend Billips accepted her call to ministry. Her pastoral work includes serving six years as the Pastor of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church in Coolidge, Texas.

In addition to her pastoral work Reverend Billips has church that includes mentoring young women ages 19-35, to the Missionary Society Quadrennial. Among her civic also a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., "Who's Universities", and honored by the Professional Black in Ministry."

Rev. Billips is a Trailblazer in her right. She was the first female pastor to preach at a Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration for the League of Involved Women's Association in Mexia, Texas, she was the first female pastor to be invited to preach in St. James Primitive Baptist Church in a city in east Texas, and she is the first female pastor to join the Como Interdenominational Ministers Alliance, and the CEO and Founder of "B"Global Ministries, Inc.

In 1997 Reverend Billips ended her eleven-year tenure with the state of Texas and enrolled in Paul Quinn College. After receiving her Bachelor of Arts Degree in English, she entered the Master of Divinity Degree Program at Brite Divinity School at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth Texas.

Reverend Billips is currently serving with her husband, Reverend Eric Billips at The Shiloh Church and they are the proud parents of four gifted children, Oliver, Eric, Jr., Timothy, and Amaris. Reverend Billips is proud of being a second-generation preacher and credits her success in ministry to her father who retired from and served over 50 years in the A.M.E. church, to her mother for being a spiritual guide and counselor and to her wonderful husband for his undying support.

Reverend Billips is a gifted and passionate preacher who has had the opportunity to share the Gospel in Texas, throughout the United States and Bermuda. Through her powerful preaching many souls have come to Christ and she has several sons and daughters in the ministry. Reverend Billips believes that she has been called to lead God's people to a higher place in Him, thus one of her favorite saying is, "You must go higher".



Order of Worship

Hymn of Praise (#513) "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" Women Chorus/Congregation

Morning Prayer of Confession Mrs. Lillie Rivers

Choral Response

Scripture	†	Number	27: 1-11		Mrs. Lisa Sutton
		Philippians	4: 2-7		Mrs. Glenda Sconiers
		Luke	10: 38-42		Mrs. Cheryl Anderson

Decalogue Mrs. Maple Smiley

From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung, Through every land, by every tongue.

Welcome & Occasion Mrs. Vickie Cox

★Music Women Chorus

Announcements & Guest Recognition Miss Claudinette Purifoy

Litany of Praise (please stand) Miss Chaira Marable

Memorial Tribute Miss Lula Rochelle & Mrs. Benita Jackson

The giving of *Psalm 137* Offertory Music Women Chorus

Prayer of Thanksgiving	Mrs. Mary Powers
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Offertory Response

We Give Thee But Thine Own ★ All that we have is Thine Alone
What e'er the gift may be ★ A Trust, O Lord from Thee. Amen.

Introduction of the preacher Miss Gale McCall

Hymn of Preparation (#520) "Come, We That Love the Lord" Women Chorus/Congregation

★Music Women Chorus

Sermon *Rev. Myra Billips*
Ordained Elder, Shiloh A. M. E. Church, Galveston, Texas

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn of Invitation (#77) "Come, thou Fount of Every Blessing; Choir/Congregation

Closing Hymn (#196) Sweet, Sweet Spirit Choir/Congregation

Posthume

Recessional

The Apostles' Creed

Dialogue

Benediction

**The Asterisk Indicates When People May Enter to Worship*

Numbers 27: 1-11

The daughters of Zelophehad son of Hephher, the son of Gilead, the son of Makir, the son of Manasseh, belonged to the clans of Manasseh, son of Joseph. The names of the daughters were Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah. They approached the entrance to the Tent of Meeting and stood before Moses, Eleazar the priest, the leaders and the whole assembly, and said, Our father died in the desert. He was not among Korah's followers, who banded together against the Lord, but he died for his own sin and left no sons. Why should our father's name disappear from his clan because he had no son? Give us property among our father's relatives." So Moses brought their case before the Lord. And the LORD said to him, what Zelophehad's daughters are saying is right. You must certainly give them property as an inheritance among their fathers' relatives and turn their father's inheritance over to them. Say to the Israelites, If a man dies and leaves no son, turn his inheritance over to his daughter. If he has no daughter, give his inheritance to his brothers. If he has no brothers, give his inheritance to his father's brothers. If his father had no brothers, give his inheritance to the nearest relative in his clan, that he may possess it. This is to be a legal requirement for the Israelites, as the LORD commanded Moses."

Invitation To Christian Discipleship

<u>July 8, 2007</u> 1000 AM Mrs. Lou Clark Mrs. Eva Smith	<u>Stewards</u> 8:00 AM	<u>July 15, 2007</u> Mrs. Sharon Butler Mrs. Glenda Sconiers
	10:50 AM	Mrs. Pamela Whitehead Mrs. Lydia Owens
Dr. Jeanette Jones Mr. Carol Cooper	<u>Stewards</u>	Mrs. Martha Smith Mr. Jerry Baldwin
Mrs. Vanona Walton Mrs. Martha Smith Mr. Otha Owens Dr. Clifton Pearson	<u>Finance Committee</u>	Dr. Jeanette Jones Mr. Eddie Sherrod Mr. Carol Cooper

Prayer for the Week

Our Father, thank you for our salvation, anointing and glorification through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. AMEN.

Thought for the Week

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God." Philippians 4:6

The Apostles' Creed

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Jesus Saves
Home Daily Bible Reading - July 9 - July 15, 2007
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Tuesday.....2 Kings 23: 31-37	Friday.....Habakkuk 2: 6-14
Wednesday.....Habakkuk 1: 12-17	Saturday.....Habakkuk 2: 15-20
Sunday.....Habakkuk 3: 13-19	

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Boards & Organizational Meetings

Sunday ~ July 8, 2007

Finance Committee After Service
 A.M.E.N. Deadline

Monday ~ July 9, 2007 ~ Friday, July 13, 2007

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
 6:00 p. m. to 8:00 p. m. nightly

Saturday ~ July 14, 2007

Finance Committee 8:30 AM
 AMEN Staff Meeting 10:30 AM

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St John A. M. E. Church

Women's Day Celebration



*"Inspiring Women of the Bible:
Standing on the Promises"*

**Wednesday Night Prayer and Bible Studies
July 23, 2008 ~ 6:30 P.M.**

Homer L. McCall, D. Min., Pastor

INSPIRING WOMEN OF THE BIBLE: STANDING ON THE PROMISES

**"For no matter how many promises God has made, they are 'Yes' in Christ."
2 Corinthians 1:20**

**He Promises That You Can Be Born Again
John 3:1-21**

**He Promises The Joy of Abiding Love
John 15:1-17**

**He Promises to Make Us More than Ordinary Human Beings
John 13:1-17**

**He Promises Forgiveness
Luke 15:11-32**

**He Promises Everlasting Life
John 11**

**He Promises a Powerful Life
John 14:8-14**

**He Promises Answered Prayer
John 14:13,14**

**He Promises a Peaceful Life
John 14:27 Romans 5:1-11**

**He Promises a Spirit-Filled Life
John 14:15-18, 25, 26; John 16:12-15; Acts 2:38**

**He Promises a Consequential Life
Matthew 25**

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Program
Presiding, Judge Lynn Sherrod

Devotional Leader.....Ms. Beverly Hill
'Come we that love the Lord' - 'I'm on the battlefield for my Lord'

Opening Prayer.....Mrs. Maeola Peoples

Scripture ReadingAttorney Genevia Fontenot
Romans 5:1-11

Song#450.....Blessed Assurance

Inspiring Women of The Bible:
"Standing on the Promises"

Moderator.....Mrs. Lorraine Parham

Discussion Leaders
Mrs. Erica Harbin *(Deborah)*

Dr. Thalia Love-Brown *(Lydia)*
Dr. Rena Lott *(Hannah)*

Closing Remarks.....Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly, Chair
Pastor H. L. McCall

Intercessory Prayer

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Prayer Breakfast Committee

Mable McCall, Chairperson

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Nedra McDaniel

Pearlean Myhand

Lorraine Parham

Maeola Peoples

Lillie Rivers

Glenda Sconiers

Monica Smalls

Paulette Williams

Promises of God

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
John 3:16

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.
Psalms 27:14

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.
Psalms 55:22

But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:19

Women's Day Celebration 2008



"Praying the Promises of God"

**A Service of Praise and Prayer,
with Breakfast**

Saturday, July 26, 2008

8:00 a.m.

*St. John A. M. E. Church
Homer L. McCall, D. Min., Pastor*

Women's Praise Team

Lorraine Parham, Coordinator

Cheryl Anderson

Beverly Hill

Erin Lott

Latisha Mack

Edna Owens

Mary Powers

Mary Rankin

Lillie Rivers

Philip Saulsbury, Pianist

Annual WOMEN'S DAY Worship Service

Sunday, July 27, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Cecelia Greene Barr

Pastor, Trinity A.M.E. Church, Detroit, Michigan

Author of "This is My Story: Testimonies and Sermons
of Black Women in Ministry"

Adrienne Pope-Kelly, General Chairperson

Mable McCall, Prayer Breakfast, Chairperson

Saturday Prayer Breakfast

"Praying the Promises of God"
(Prayer and Praise Service with Breakfast)

Saturday, July 26, 2008

DeAdrian Maddox, Worship Leader

Songs of Praise *Jesus, AT The Mention of your Name* Women's Praise Team

Ministry in Dance *I Love To Praise Him* Adult Praise Dancers
"Stand"

Prayer of Confession *PSALM 51* Agnes Bailey

Scripture *Psalm 37:1-6, 39: 41* Cora Speight

Songs of Praise *Bless THAT Wonderful Name of JESUS* Women's Praise Team

Prayer of Intercession *We Lift our Hands - We Praise you for the* Lillie Rivers

Prayer Presentations

Book Review *Mary + Martha, Hannah, The Samaritan Woman* Lauretta Teague

Songs of Promise - *John 15: 25-24*

Hymn Stories, prayers and testimonies

"Standing on the Promises"

..... Rosa Walker, Anita Burns

"Never Alone"

..... Sarah McGraw, Lula Rochelle

"Tis the Promise of God"

..... Angeline Brownlow, Martha Smith

Ministry in Dance Youth/Young Adult Praise Dancers
"We Must Praise"

Prayer of Thanksgiving Jean Roston

Breakfast S. S. Hereford Fellowship Hall

Closing Prayer

St. John A. M. E. Church

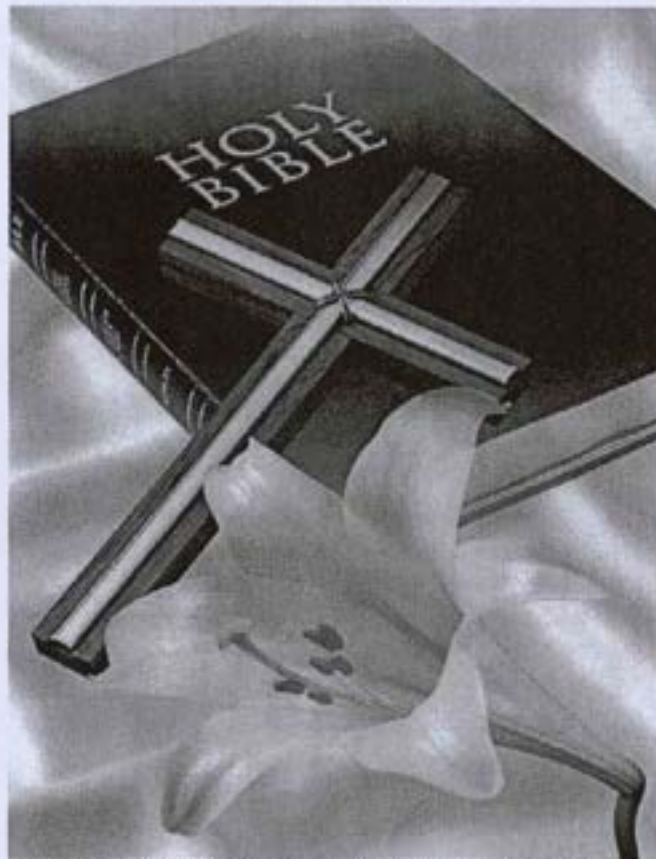
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Annual Women's Day Celebration

July 27, 2008 ~ 10:00 A. M.

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Theme: Still Standing on God's Promises



*"So do not fear, for I am with you do not be dismayed for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."*

Isaiah 41:10

The Right Reverend James Levert Davis, Presiding Bishop

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Biography

Rev. Dr. Cecelia E. Greene Barr

Rev. Dr. Cecelia E. Greene Barr personally received God's plan of salvation more than 29 years ago through the confession of her sins and expressed belief that Jesus is the Son of God. She is a spirit filled citizen in the Kingdom of God who embraces the manifested gifts of the Holy Spirit. She has served as a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ since preaching her initial sermon on June 13th 1993.

Her methodology and philosophy of ministry was molded by the effective tutelage of the late Rev. Dr. Samuel D. Proctor. Raised in the Baptist church, she is an Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church - presently serving in the Fourth District - Michigan Annual Conference as the pastor of Trinity A. M. E. Church in Detroit. Prior to her appointment as the pastor of Trinity, she served as the Chief of Staff at St. Stephen AMEC in Chicago, IL where Rev. Albert D. Tyson, III is the pastor. During her tenure in ministry she has affected the body of Christ through the gifts of preaching, administration, diligence, and biblical instruction for Christian maturity.

Ministry beyond the congregation is realized as a member of the Michigan Annual Conference Board of Examiners, for which she serves as the Chair of First Year Studies. Dr. Greene Barr works with other clergy through her involvement in the A. M. E. Ministerial Alliance of Southeastern Michigan, where she has served as the Secretary and Assistant Secretary. Ecumenical involvement has included participation in programs such as the Pastors of Excellence that is administered by the Sandberg Leadership Center and funded by the Lily Foundation. Dr. Greene Barr is the author of *Guide My Feet: Ministry Transformed through Mentoring* and has been published in *This is My Story: Testimonies and Sermons of Black Women in Ministry*, *The African American Pulpit* (Summer 2005), and *When Pastors Pray: The prayers and Psalms of Pastors*.

Involved in the community, she has served as a volunteer for Big Sisters of the Washington Metropolitan Area. Rev. Dr. Greene Barr is also a life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. A public service organization dedicated to Sisterhood, Scholarship and Service. She has served four years as Midwest Regional Chaplain. During her tenure as Chaplain she conducted workshops during Regional Conferences that were created specifically for chapter chaplains; she often preached the gospel message at Delta Prayer breakfast and Founder's Days as well as convened Regional Revivals.

In 1999, Rev. Dr. Greene Barr contributed to the Kingdom of God through the founding of Sharing Faith Ministries, Inc. A Kingdom based ministry that promotes spiritual maturity. To this end, she conducts religious and educational services, activities and projects to spiritually assess and develop central personality competencies of motives, traits and self-identity consistent with the biblical mandate to take on the mind of Christ.

Rev. Dr. Greene Barr submits to the work of ministry as a prepared servant. She is an honors graduate of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology in Manufacturing. She has gained additional training in Early Childhood Education from the University of the District of Columbia. Her theological education was completed at Princeton Theological Seminary where she earned a Master of Divinity degree and Ashland Theological Seminary where she earned a Doctor of Ministry degree in the area of Transformational Leadership with emphasis on Clergy Mentoring.

She is the wife of Theron Barr, Jr. And together they are the parents of two ^{children} toddlers; Theron-Howard and Cecelia II.

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WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY ~ JULY 27, 2008 ~ 10:00 AM

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Meditate: "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your GOD. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

Isaiah 41:10

Worship of God in Song and Dance 9:45 A. M.

Prelude: Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician

Mr. Cleveland Wilson Choir Director

Mr. Talbert Cox Percussionist

Acolyte Kennedy Harrison & Katherine Ingram

Enter and Worship & Depart and Serve

Doxology (#647) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Call to Worship Dr. Monica Dillihunt

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People: They are planted in the house of the Lord, they flourish in the courts of our God.

Leader: 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.

Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

People: 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!

Decalogue (Abridged)

HYMN # 69

From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
Through every land, by every tongue.

Leader:

And God spoke all these words, saying: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, of the House of bondage, You shall have no other gods before me.

People: (sing)

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Hymn:

Nearer my God, to thee!
Nearer to thee, E'en though it be a cross
That raise-th me;
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee.

Leader:

Hear what Christ our Saviour saith, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with
all thy soul and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And
the second is like
unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang
all the law
and the prophets.

GLORIA PATRI:

Glory be to the father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.



Order of Worship

Worship Leader: Dr. Monica Dillihunt

Hymn of Praise (#424) "Standing on the Promises" Choir/Congregation
Prayer Minister Dorothy Tiller Ray
Madkins Chapel C P Church

Choral Response *The Altar Is Open*

Scripture Isaiah 41: 8-13; 43: 2-3 Ms. Alicia V. Powell
First Missionary Baptist Church
 Psalm 37: 1-6 Mrs. Wanda Nall
Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church
Matthew 28: 16-20 Miss Ashley-Ann Lewis
St. John A. M. E. Church

Decalogue Ms. Cassandra Ingram
Welcome Mrs. Ada Houston
Occasion Major Felicia Carter, US Army
*Music *Stand Up for Jesus* Women's Day Choir
Announcements & Recognition of Visitors Mrs. Vickie Cox
Remarks Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly, Women's Day Chairman

Pastor's Moments

The Giving of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentences Mrs. Monica Smalls
Prayer of Thanksgiving Mrs. Mary Powers
Chant: We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine a-lone ~ A Trust, O Lord, from Thee. A-men.

Memorial Tribute *Gracie Butler, Anita Elliott* Mrs. Gwendolyn Baldwin & Mrs. Bettina Moore
*Music *His Love Is on the Sparrow* Ms. Renee Knight
Church Street C. P. Church

Litany for Honorees Mrs. Charlsie Brooks & Mrs. Nedra McDaniel
Introduction of Guest Preacher Rev. Meriam Garrett
Hymn of Preparation (#400) "Tis the Promise of God" Choir/Congregation
*Music *STAND* Women's Day Choir
Sermon Rev. Dr. Cecelia Greene Barr
Pastor, Trinity A. M. E. Church ~ Detroit Michigan

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn of Invitation (#358) "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" Choir/Congregation
Closing Hymn (#44) "Take the Name of Jesus With You" Choir/Congregation
Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

*The Asterisk Indicates When People May Enter to Worship

Litany

Leader: *Lord our GOD, we give thanks today for the witness of strong women. From the earliest time until today and on into the future, strong women show all of us how to live as GOD's beloved children in GOD's beloved creation, carrying out the call to work for justice and peace for all GOD'S creatures.*

Leader: *For Eve, mother of us all, sinful and beloved we say:*

ALL: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For Miriam, who danced beside the Red Sea, we say:*

Young Women: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For Mary, mother of Jesus, who pondered the angel's words in her heart, we say:*

Mothers: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For Mary Magdalene, first to hear the voice of the Risen Christ, we say:*

Single Women: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For Naomi, who rejoiced in her grandson Obed, we say:*

Grandmothers: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For the Syro-Phoenician woman, bold enough to challenge Jesus himself for her child's sake, we say:*

Daughters: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For Mary and Martha of Bethany, who served the Lord together in their different way, we say:*

Sisters: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For the persistent widow, who would not rest until she won justice, we say:*

Widows: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *For Coretta Scott King, who ran to embrace change in America and then the world and for Sarah Allen and Rosa Parks who helped give birth to the two black freedom movements in America, we say:*

Married: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *There have been strong and bold women all around us today who have served this church for fifty years or more, for them we say:*

ALL: **Thank you, Lord!**

Leader: *To these women: Mrs. Sarah Alls, Mrs. Sarah(Granny) Bell, Mrs. Anita Burns, Mrs. Sally Fitchard, Mrs. Mildred Hereford, Mrs. Ada Houston, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mrs. Marjorie Reed, Mrs. Barbara Turner and Mrs. Margaret Ballard. We give thanks and praise for these women who have demonstrated their faith and love for our Savior Jesus Christ for forty five years and more at St. John: to which we say:*

ALL: **Thank you, Lord.**

Leader: *For the witness of all strong women standing on GOD's promises, yesterday, today and tomorrow, we give thanks and praise. Lord, our God, let their boldness flourish in our hearts as we live out the promise to serve Christ with all our heart, with all our minds and with all our strength.*

ALL: **Thank you Lord, Alleluia, Amen!**

HONOREES

Mrs. Sarah Alls

Mrs. Sally Fitchard

Mrs. Mary Johnson

Mrs. Sarah Bell

Mrs. Mildred Hereford

Mrs. Marjorie Reed

Mrs. Margaret Ballard

Mrs. Anita Burns

Mrs. Ada Houston

Mrs. Barbara Turner

MRS. ALTONETTE BURKS

MRS.
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Burks

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

<u>July 27, 2008</u>	<u>Stewardess</u>	<u>August 3, 2008</u>
Mrs. Sharon Butler		
Mrs. Glenda Sconiers		
Mrs. Ganona Walton	<u>Stewards</u>	Dr. Jeanette Jones
Mr. Otrha Owens		Mr. William Bell
Dr. Jeanette Jones	<u>Finance Committee</u>	Dr. Jeanette Jones
Mr. Eddie Sherrod		Mr. Eddie Sherrod
Mr. Carol Cooper		Mr. Carol Cooper

Prayer for the Week

Our Father, thank you for our salvation by your grace through faith in the atoning blood and resurrection of Jesus Christ, your only Son from the dead. AMEN.

Thought for the Week

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. Ephesians 6: 10-11

The Apostles' Creed

believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, the third day He arose from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of Sins, the resurrection of the Body and life everlasting. Amen.

Listening to the Sermon

Listen to the message from God's Word. Use this sheet to make some personal notes. Go back over them during the week. Let God Crystallize His Truth in your life.

Minister: Rev. Dr. C. Greene Barr
 Date: 27 JULY 2008
 Biblical Text: EZEKIEL 37:1-10
 Sermon Title: STILL NO BREATH

Main Ideas from the sermon: Key Points:

1. Promise included breath

Illustration(s) I want to remember:

There should be more than some rattling and shaking

- Personal (v1) - hand of the Lord
- Proactive (v6) - midst of the valley
- Penetrating (v2) bones were very dry

(v5-6) - Promises > breath will come and you shall live
skins and flesh shall come and you shall live

What I should do as a result of hearing this sermon:

2008 Women's Day Steering Committee

Mrs. Charlsie Brooks

Mrs. Pamela Butler

Mr. Monica Dillihunt

Ms. Beverly Hill

Miss Cassandra Ingram

Dr. Jeanette Jones

Mrs. Nedra McDaniel

Mrs. Mable McCall

Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly

Judge M. Lynn Sherrod

Mrs. Monica Smalls



A woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

Proverbs 31:30



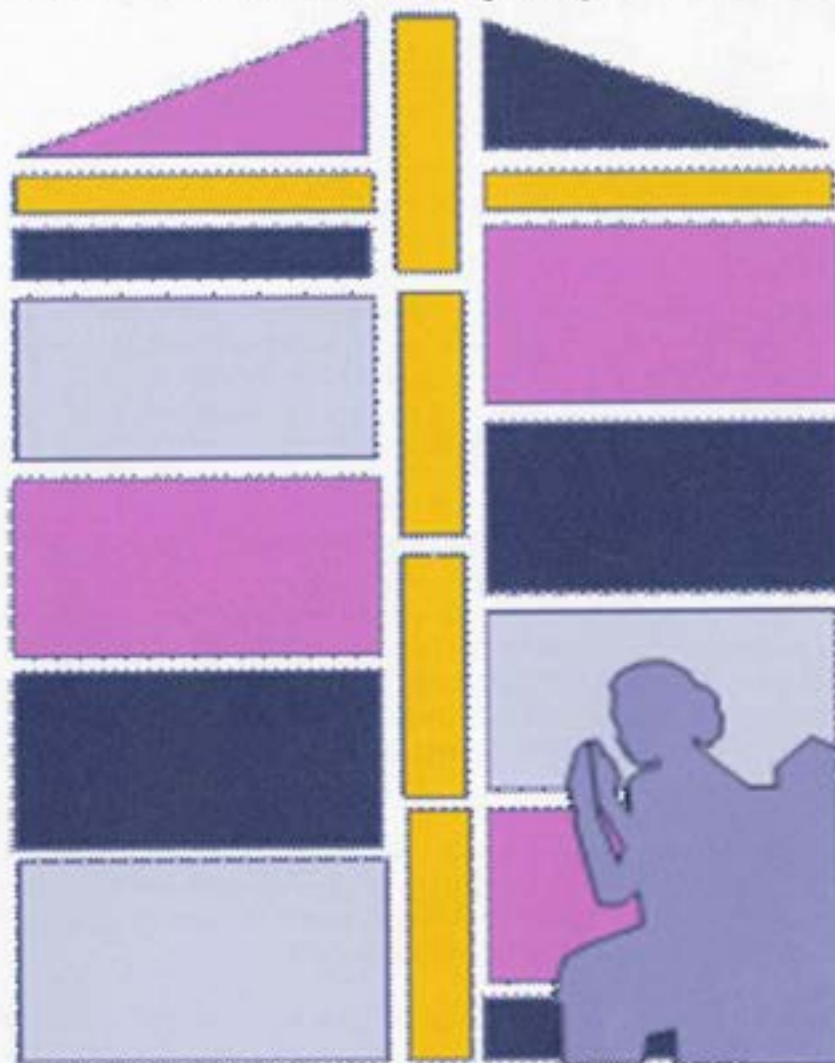
St. John A. M. E. Church

229 Church Street ~ Huntsville, Alabama 35801

Annual Women's Day Celebration

Sunday, July 12, 2009 ~ 10:00 A.M.

Theme: Women of God Revived through Prayer and Fueled by Faith



*Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised. **

Proverbs 31:30

The Right Reverend James L. Davis, Servant Bishop

Reverend Dwight E. Dillard, Sr. Presiding Elder

Reverend Dr. Homer L. McCall, Pastor



Bishop Sarah Frances Davis

The Right Reverend Sarah Frances Davis is the 126th elected and consecrated Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church (A.M.E. Church). Her historic election on July 6, 2004, makes her only the third woman in the 218-year history of the denomination to ascend to its highest level of Episcopal service in African Methodism. Bishop Sarah Davis currently serves as the presiding prelate over the 16th Episcopal District, comprised of churches and schools in South America, Windward Islands, the Caribbean Islands, Cuba and Europe. Since being assigned to the 16th Episcopal District from the Southern African 18th Episcopal District, Bishop Davis was unanimously elected to the office of Chair of the Global Development Council (GDC) of the A.M.E. Church. The GDC is responsible for the unification of all AME churches in Africa, the nations of the Caribbean, South America,

Europe, and Canada; and to promote collaboration, cohesion, and cultural integration with AME churches in the USA.

Bishop Davis is affectionately known as the "Prayer Bishop" because of her consistent emphasis on the importance of prayer in the life of the Church. She has organized numerous prayer ministries and has sponsored annual prayer conclaves in the 18th Episcopal District. Bishop Sarah was chairperson of the prayer committee for the 48th Quadrennial Session of the General Conference of the A.M.E. Church. As a result of her prayer committee leadership, the first ever Connectional Day of Prayer in African Methodism was held April 13, 2008.

Bishop Sarah is one who has experienced a number of firsts throughout her ministerial career. Prior to her Episcopal election, it had been almost a century since anyone from Texas had been elected to the office of Bishop. Bishop Sarah served for seven years as the first female pastor of the 115-year old Bethel A.M.E. Church in San Antonio, Texas having been appointed there by Bishop John R. Bryant in 1997. With this appointment, Bishop Sarah became the first woman in Texas to be appointed to a major A.M.E. Church. Also in 1997, Bishop Sarah, became the first woman in the Connectional A.M.E. Church to be appointed chair of a Board of Examiners. *Ebony Magazine* named Bishop Sarah as one of the 50 Most Intriguing Persons of 2004.

Bishop Sarah is well prepared and trained to perform in all areas of her life's calling having earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Southern Methodist University Perkins School of Theology, a Master of Divinity from the Houston Graduate School of Theology, a Master of Science from New York Pace University, and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Texas.

Her first Episcopal assignment was to the 18th Episcopal District, comprised of the Southern African countries of Lesotho, Botswana, Swaziland, and Mozambique. She and her husband Claytie Davis, Jr., lived in Maseru, Lesotho from 2004 through 2008 while serving in Southern Africa. A staunch advocate of empowerment through education, Bishop Davis gave exemplary leadership to over 39 A.M.E. Church-sponsored schools in Southern Africa. She introduced the first ever summer science and math institute program in Lesotho to globalize and develop the knowledge of students and teachers. Bishop Davis granted a record number of academic scholarships to young people, adults and clergy while in the 18th District. During her term, two clerics earned degrees in theology from universities in South Africa and Mozambique; and four earned diplomas in Theology in Botswana. For the first time, English classes were provided for Portuguese-speaking lay and clergy persons in A.M.E. Churches in Beira, Mozambique which resulted in many receiving English as Second Language (ESL) certificates.

Page 2 – Biographical Sketch – Bishop Sarah Davis

Davis was responsible for oversight of three orphanages in Swaziland during 2004-2008. Through her leadership of the Board of Directors, the Selulasandla Village became fully operational and housed 21 orphans. In April 2008, the building of the first A.M.E. Church-sponsored orphanage was completed and dedicated in the mountains of Mokhotlong, Lesotho.

Bishop Sarah is a member of the Board of Trustees for the Houston Graduate School of Theology; serves as a member of the Jamaica Council of Churches; and is a member of the 500-member World Methodist Council (WMC) through 2011. She was appointed convener of the Strategic Planning Committee of the WMC Executive Council in Sydney, Australia in 2007, and her Committee will make its first report to the Executive Council in September 2009 in Santiago, Chile.

A much sought after preacher, teacher and workshop leader, Bishop Sarah has ministered throughout West Africa, Southern Africa, South Africa, Turkey and the Bahamas. In 2007, at the invitation of King Mswati, III of Swaziland, she was one of three clergy persons to preach at the National Easter Service of the King in Swaziland. She was the keynote preacher at the Annual General Assembly of the Lesotho Christian Council of Churches in May 2008; and she brought the message at the Ecumenical Service of the Centennial Boule of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, July 2008, in Washington, D. C. Bishop Davis is a lifetime member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Bishop Sarah is married to Claytie Davis, Jr., a retired manager of Southwestern Bell, who now serves as the Episcopal Supervisor for the 16th Episcopal District. The Davises have two sons and a daughter-in-law: Corey B. Davis, and Dr. Claytie Davis, III, and wife Yolanda. The greatest joy for Bishop Sarah and Supervisor Davis when in the States, is spending quality time with their only grandchild, Alexandra Morgan Davis.

A Liberating & Reconciling People
A People in the WORD Serving People in the WORLD
Women's Day Celebration
Sunday, July 12, 2009 ~ 10:00 a.m.
Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Mediate: *"Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised."*

Proverbs 31:30

Recorded Music ~ The Prayer by Donnie McClurkin and Yolanda Adams

Worship of God in Song and Dance	9:45 AM
Prelude	Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician
Mr. Cleveland Wilson	Choir Director
Mr. Talbert Cox	Percussionist
Acolyte	Makenzi Maddox & Mariah Gullatte

Enter and Worship † Depart and Serve

Doxology..... (#647)..... Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all Creatures here below: Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Call to Worship Mrs. Lorraine Parham

Leader: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness; come into His presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is He that has made us, and we are His.

People: We are his people and the sheep of His pasture.

Leader: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to Him; bless His name.

Leader: For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting.

ALL: His steadfast love endures forever; and his faithfulness to all generations. Amen.

THE PRAYER

I pray You'll be our eyes and watch us where we go
And help us to be wise in times we don't know
Let this be our prayer when we lose our way
Lead us to a place - guide us with Your grace
Give us faith so we'll be safe.

I pray we'll find your light and hold it in our hearts
When stars go out each night remind us where You are
Let this be our prayer when shadows fill our day.

OH Lord

Lead us to a place - Oh my, Guide us with Your grace
Give us faith so we'll be safe

A place where pain and sorrow will be ended
And every heart that's broken will be mended
And we'll remember we are all God's children
Reaching out to touch You, reaching to the sky.

We ask that life be kind and watch us from above
We hope each soul will find another soul to love
Let this be our prayer just like every child
Needs to find a place - guide us with Your grace
Give us faith so we'll be safe.

Needs to find a place - guide us with Your grace
Give us faith so we'll be safe.

Made popular by Donnie McClurkin & Yolanda Adams
Credits: Carol Bayer & David Foster

Order of Worship

Hymn of Praise (#351) "I Once Was Lost in Sin" Chorus/ Congregation
Prayer Mrs. Lillie Rivers

Choral Response

Scripture Proverb 31: 10, 26- 30 Miss Patrice McIntosh
Luke 1: 28

Decalogue Ms. Barbara Johnson

Welcome Mrs. Ada Houston

Occasion Dr. Jeanette Jones

*Music Women's Day Chorus

Announcements & Recognition of Visitors Dr. Monica Dillihunt

Special Presentations

Remarks Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly
Women's Day Chairman

Pastor's moment

Tithes & Offerings The Giving of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Music Women's Day Chorus

Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Meriam Garrett

Chant: We give Thee but Thine Own, What - e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A Trust, O Lord from Thee, A-men.

Memorial Tribute Mrs. Charlsie Brooks

*Music Women's Day Chorus

Litany Judge M. Lynn Sherrod

Introduction of Guest Preacher Rev. Deborah Peppers

Hymn of Preparation (#84) "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Chorus/Congregation

Music Women's Day Chorus

Sermon *The Right Reverend Sarah Frances Davis*
Presiding Prelate of the 16th Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Church

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn of Invitation (#395) "He Leadeth Me" Chorus/Congregation

Closing Hymn (#97) "Revive Us Again" Chorus/Congregation

Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

**The Asterisk Indicates When People May Enter to Worship*

Light Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall Immediately After Service

Decalogue (Abridged)

Hymn # 69 From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
Through every land, by every tongue.

Leader: And God spoke all these words, saying: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of
the land of Egypt, of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before me.

People (sing) Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Hymn: Nearer my God, to thee!
Nearer to thee, E'en though it be a cross
That raise-th me;
Still all my song shall be,
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Nearer to the.

Leader: Hear what Christ our Savior saith, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and
with all thy soul and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment, and the
second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy self. On these two
commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world with-out end. A - man, A - men.

Litany

- Leader:** It is with grateful hearts that we give thanks to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for Christian women who yield to the Holy Spirit.
- Response:** May we abide in love, and praise the Lord.
- Leader:** The same Spirit, who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
- Response:** We praise you O Lord for giving us courageous women who fear the Lord, who pray without ceasing, witness and work with others for justice, freedom and peace.
- Leader:** We celebrate your Spirit that enables us to overcome disagreements, and disappointments as we seek to serve our community. For the bravery, courageousness, steadfastness, and beauty of women everywhere.
- Response:** We bless your name, O Lord, and thank you for your faithfulness and the work you are doing in each woman's life.
- Leader:** We thank you Father for sending to this earth, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us how to live in love, and who arose and lives within us, empowering us as Christians.
- Response:** We bless your name, O Lord, for your love endures forever.
- Leader:** We give thanks to Thee, O Lord, for this day of celebration: a time to reflect upon your grace and mercy.
- Response:** We praise your name, O Lord and rededicate ourselves to you.
- Leader:** We thank you Lord for your faithful servant, The Right Reverend Sarah Frances Davis, who has come to share with us, on this special day, and anointed message.
- Response:** We ask your blessings on her life, her family and her ministry.
- Leader:** We Praise you Lord for the women of St. John and Christian women everywhere who yield to the Holy Spirit through prayer and Christian service, in times of joy and times of sadness.
- Response:** Lord, we need Christian women, who yield to the Holy Spirit, whose source of strength is from God. We need women who have prayed, preached, healed and helped in times of struggle and transition, and who will respond with kindness and mercy, O Lord.
- Together:** We give thanks to Thee O Lord, and with believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God. We give you all the praise and glory for the opportunity to fellowship, to pray, to demonstrate our faith and to honor you during this Annual Women's Day Celebration. Amen.

By: Dr. Jeanette Jones

Listening to the Sermon

Listen to the message from God's Word. Use this sheet to make some personal notes. Go back over them during the week. Let God Crystallize His Truth in your life.

Minister: _____

Date: _____

Biblical Text: _____

Sermon Title: _____

Main Ideas from the sermon: _____

Illustration(s) I want to remember: _____

What I should do as a result of hearing this sermon: _____



Announcements

Church School convenes each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. after the Early Morning Worship Service. Make plans to attend with your family.
Mr. Willie Sandifox, Superintendent



Prayer Service and Bible Class will be held Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. Acts Chapters 22---24 will be the topic for discussion. Everyone is encouraged to attend.



The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated by Mr. Carver Myhand, Sr. and family -- IN LOVING MEMORY OF -- Mrs. Ella D. Kelley Myhand.

The entire St. John Family is invited to join Rev. & Mrs. Claudewell Campbell and the New Bethel A. M. E. Church family, Sheffield, Alabama in the celebration of Family and Friends Day on Sunday, July 19, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. The church bus will leave for Sheffield after the 10:50 a.m. service. Dinner will be served upon our arrival at New Bethel. The Youth/Young Adult Choir will sing, the St. John Ushers will serve and everyone is invited to attend.

The Annual Summer Revival will be held at St. John beginning Monday, August 24, 2009 through Thursday, August 27, 2009. Praise Worship Service will be held each night from 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. The guest Evangelist is the Rev. Dr. Michael Bell, pastor of Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church, Washington, D. C. Let us all continue in prayer as we are touched and visited again by the Holy Spirit through the anointed preaching of this man of God.



The Annual Celebration of AAMU Athletic Day will be held during the 10:00 a.m. service Sunday, August 30, 2009. The fellowship meal will be served after the worship service at the Board of Realtors. Let us all continue in prayer together for a great event.

By popular demand the A. M. E. Newsletter Staff will be publishing a second edition of the well-received cookbook AMEN: A Taste of St. John and Friends. As with the first edition, the recipes will be those previously published in the St. John's monthly newsletter. We are soliciting additional recipes from church members and friends who would like to share their favorite recipes for the new edition. Please submit your recipes by e-mail to billoyd229@aol.com, nedra.mcdaniel@gmail.com or stjohnameh@aol.com. You may submit a hard copy to Bridget Floyd or the church office.



Computer Ministry Classes

July 11 1. Microsoft Powerpoint Advance
2. How to use a Laptop Computer

July 25 1. Multimedia
2. Photo Shop

Single Adult Ministry

Bible Study - Mondays @ 6:00 pm
Monthly Meeting - 2nd Tuesday @ 5:30 pm.

For further information, please contact Rev. Deborah Peppers, Coordinator



Announcements

Women's Retreat

You are cordially invited to attend a women's retreat on Friday, September 11, and Saturday, September 12, 2009 at the Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in Florence, AL. There will be food fellowship and workshops to rejuvenate your inner spirit. Make it a date to hear about living according to God's plan (Jeremiah 29:11). Register with Lydia Owens and Rosetta Williams. Reserve your space now. The cost for all members is \$80.00. The conference is for women of all ages. For more information call Laurretta Teague at 464-9556 or lcteague@bellsouth.net. Please make it a priority to schedule time for yourself during this special occasion. Watch your email to stay informed of the events as they become available.



Where there is no vision a people perishes. Ask God to help you make your TITHING commitment to Him Today. You may place TITHES and OFFERINGS in the TITHES CONTAINER and your PRAYER requests in the PRAYER CONTAINER that are located in the front of the Sanctuary near the piano and organ.



Join now! Praise Him in Song. The choirs of St. John want you, your children, youth and young adults to join praising God in song. You join by simply showing up to any of the rehearsals listed below.

Children	1 st & 3 rd Saturday @ 11 AM
Gospel Choir	Last Monday of each month and Thursday after the 1 st Sunday @ 6 PM
Male Chorus	Each Friday except Friday after the 4 th Sunday @ 6 PM
Sanctuary Choir	Each Thursday except Thursday after the 1 st Sunday @ 6 PM
Youth/Young Adults	2 nd & 3 rd Saturday @ 11 AM

Rehearsal Time Subject to Change Periodically

Invitation To Christian Discipleship

<u>July 12, 2009</u>	<u>Stewardess</u>	<u>July 19, 2009</u>
Mrs. Edna Owens	8:00 a.m.	Mrs. Maeola Peoples
Mrs. Claire Philadelphia		Mrs. Pamela Whitehead
	10:50 a.m.	Mrs. Margaret Ballard
		Mrs. Willie Heyward
Mrs. Vanona Walton	<u>Stewards</u>	Dr. Jeanette Jones
Mr. Otha Owens		Dr. Jeanette Jones
Mr. Rufus Gilmore	<u>Finance Committee</u>	Mr. Rufus Gilmore
Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly		Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly
Mr. Otha Owens		Mr. Otha Owens

Prayer for the Week

Our Father, help us to know always that Christ is the breadth, length, depth and height of our lives. Amen.

Thought for the Week

"So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."

Ephesians 3:17-19

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He arose from the dead, He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Jesus Save

Home Daily Bible Reading July 13-July 19, 2009

Monday.....	Psalm 100	Thursday.....	Matthew 21: 28-32
Tuesday.....	Joel 2:12-16	Friday.....	Romans 11: 33-12: 2
Wednesday.....	2 Corinthians 9:6-12	Saturday.....	Romans 1:1-6
Sunday.....	Leviticus 8: 1-13		

"It Takes a Whole Community to Educate One Child"

Boards & Organizational Meetings

Sunday ~ July 12, 2009

Finance Committee..... After Service

Monday ~ July 13, 2009

Singles Ministry Bible Study..... 6:00 PM

Tuesday ~ July 14, 2009

Singles Ministry Monthly Meeting 5:30 PM

Wednesday ~ July 15, 2009

Prayer Service & Bible Class 6:30 PM

Friday ~ July 17, 2009

7 Minutes Prayer Renewal
Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:00 PM

Saturday ~ July 18, 2009

Finance Committee 8:30 AM

Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church Vision/Mission Statement

Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church strives to set a Christian standard within the Huntsville/Madison County area, the Nation and the World through its' commitment to the Proclamation and study of the Word, Worship, Stewardship, Mission and Evangelism. We are called to be a people in the word, serving people in the World by meeting the total needs of our members and people from all walks of life, regardless of age, gender, national origin, economic background.

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St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church

229 Church Street ~ Huntsville, Alabama

Annual Women's Day Celebration

Sunday, July 11, 2010 ~ 10:00 A.M.

Theme: Christian Women Sharing God's Spiritual and Physical Blessings



"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual[a] act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will"

Romans 12:1-2

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Rev. Dr. Glenda F. Hodges

Rev. Dr. Glenda F. Hodges, PhD, J.D., M.Div., is the Director of the Division of Community Relations, Howard University Hospital and Assistant Professor, Department of Community and Family Medicine, Howard University College of Medicine. She is also a Lecturer/Trainer in the area of Patient Centered Decision Making: Legal Issues and End-of-Life Planning, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. She is the Founder and CEO of Still I Rise, Inc., a community based empowerment organization

for survivors of domestic violence. She lectures extensively in this area and has done numerous workshops on domestic violence for local and state organizations. Dr. Hodges is an Ordained Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AMEC) Second Episcopal District, where she is responsible for coordinating programs in health education at approximately 25 churches. She serves on the ministerial staff of the Reid Temple African Methodist Episcopal Church, Glen Dale, Maryland, where the Pastor is Rev. Dr. Lee P. Washington. In 2004, she was elected as a Ministerial Alternate of the Judicial Council for the African Methodist Episcopal Church. In this capacity, she serves the church on a connectional level.

Dr. Hodges has attended several colleges and universities, including Virginia State University, Howard University, Bowling Green State University, Harvard University, The District of Columbia School of Law and The University of Texas at Austin (School of Law). She holds the following degrees: B.A., M.A., PhD., J.D., and M.Div. Additionally, she has completed several short courses in Spirituality and Medicine at the Harvard Medical School's Mind Body Medical Institute.

In her position at Howard University, she oversees the following areas: Patient Relations, Pastoral Care Services, Community Outreach, Multi-Cultural Affairs, Protective Services and the Gift Shop. She chairs yearly seminars in Spirituality and Medicine, teaches a course in Spirituality and Medicine to second year medical students and divinity school students, conducts grand rounds in Spirituality and Medicine and Medical Jurisprudence for residents and interns and provides monthly lectures on Spirituality and Medicine for the Comprehensive Aids Training Institute. Additionally, she frequently testifies as an expert witness for physician defendants in matters related to medical/legal ethics. She has been featured regularly on Viewpoint, NBC 4, a televised community-interest talk-show, discussing issues related to health and wellness.

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Dr. Hodges lectures extensively in Spirituality and Medicine and serves on numerous boards of Faith Based Organizations. In 2002, she was a Panelist for the Congressional Black Caucus' Braintrust concerning the Impact of Spirituality on the Health of African American Women. In June 2003, she served as a panelist on the International Call to Women for the Struggle Against Sickle Cell Disease in Paris, France, where she discussed the impact of spirituality in the treatment of sickle cell disease. In 2004, she served as an International Consultant in Cambodia for the White House Office of Faith Based Initiatives. In this capacity, she evaluated the impact of federal dollars used to fund programs where faith and spirituality were considered intervening factors in treating patients with HIV/AIDS. In 2006, she was a Consultant in Ethiopia to Ethiopian Airlines at the request of the Howard University Professional Development Leadership Academy. In 2005, Dr. Hodges received a Secret Clearance and in May 2007, she was appointed by USAID as a Public Member of the Senior Threshold Board reviewing profiles for Senior Foreign Service Officers scheduled to be promoted in the Foreign Service. The persons selected for promotion in this category are ultimately passed on to The President of the United States for his approval.

She has held numerous positions in higher education, including University Department Chairperson and Assistant Dean. She has more than twenty years of experience as a University Professor, lecturing in the following areas: Communication, Business Management, Persuasion Theory, Labor Relations, Negotiation and Bargaining, Business Law, Medical Ethics and Spirituality and Medicine. Dr. Hodges firmly believes in the union of spirituality and medicine and uses every available opportunity to platform this connection.

She is involved in a number of social service organizations and is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She gives all praise and honor to her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for all that she has been able to accomplish. Her constant prayer is that she remain steadfast, immovable and always abounding in the work of the Lord forasmuch as she knows that her labor is not in vain in the Lord.

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Annual Women's Day Celebration
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost*

Meditate: "Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
Proverbs 31:30

Prelude Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician
Mr. Phillip Saulsbury Organist
Mr. Cleveland Wilson Director
Mr. Talbert Cox Percussionist
Acolytes John Butler & Kennedy Harris

Enter and Worship + Depart and Serve

Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Call to Worship Rev. Alice Cato

Leader: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness: come into His presence with singing

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is He that has made us, and we are His.

People: We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Leader: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to Him; bless His name.

Leader: For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting.

All: His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. Amen.

VICTORY IN JESUS

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me:
I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's a toning,
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing
How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see;
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal me broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory.

I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory
and I heard about the streets of gold be-yond the crystal sea:
About the angels singing and the old redemption story,
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.

CHORUS

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, for ever! He sought me and
brought me with His redeeming blood; He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my
love is due Him - He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

Decalogue (Abridged)

Hymn #69 From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung.
Through every land, by every tongue.

Leader: And God spoke all these words, saying; I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before me.

People (sing) Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Hymn: Nearer my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee. E'en though it be a cross
That raise-th me;
Still all my song shall be.
Nearer, my God, to Thee.
Nearer to Thee.

Leader: Hear what Christ our Savior saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with thy soul and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment, and the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy self. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world with-out end. A-men, A-men.



Order of Worship

Hymn of Praise "Victory In Jesus" (see insert) Choir/Congregation
Prayer Mrs. Lillie Rivers

Choral Response

Scripture Old Testament - Proverbs 31: 10-15, 28-31 Mrs. Mary Allen
Epistle - Romans 12: 9-21 Ms. Erin Lott
Gospel - Luke 10: 38-42 Mrs. Abbiegail Hugine

Decalogue Mrs. Maeola Peoples
Welcome Mrs. Charlotte Brisker

Occasion Dr. Monica Dillihunt

*Music Women's Day Choir

Announcements and Recognition of Visitors Mrs. Lorraine Parham

Special Presentation

Remarks Mrs. Bettina Bell Moore

Pastors Moments Pastor McCall

Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Music Women's Day Choir

Prayer of Thanksgiving Mrs. Cheryl Anderson

Chant: We give Thee but Thine Own. What-e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A Trust, O Lord from Thee. A-men.

Memorial Tribute Mrs. Rose Bell and Ms. Brittney Bell

*Music Women's Day Choir

Women's Day Litany Mrs. Yvette Clark

Introduction of the Guest Preacher Rev. Meriam Garrett

Hymn of Preparation (#84) "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Choir/Congregation

*Music Women's Day Choir

Sermon Rev. Dr. Glenda Hodges

Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church Second Episcopal District

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn of Invitation "We Offer Christ" Choir/Congregation

Closing Hymn "Tis the Promise of God" Choir/Congregation

Benediction Rev. Dr. Glenda Hodges

Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

*The Asterisk Indicates When People May Enter to Worship

Litany

"EMPOWERMENT, HEALTH AND SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS THROUGH GOD'S WORD"

Leader: We give Thanks, O God, for the power of your work in the women of St. John and women everywhere. We celebrate women, who are spiritual leaders, committed to unceasing prayer, your work, your unselfish love, your peace, and, all women who will work toward building your kingdom.

Response: We humbly thank you and praise you Lord, for the anointing. Let the anointing fall fresh on us.

Leader: For the power of prayer, teamwork, sisterhood, and the joy that will emerge as the St. John Church Family prays together, sings together, laughs together, stand together and work together in the name of Jesus.

Response: We hear your call and humbly thank you O Lord for the anointing. Let the anointing fall on us.

Leader: For the need to envision, create, explore, and embrace the unlimited possibilities, the value, and goodness of serving God and working in the church.

Response: We hear your call and humbly thank you and praise you Lord for the anointing. Let the anointing fall fresh on us.

Leader: For the inherent empowerment as we teach and invest in our youth. For the enhancement of the church and spiritual healing as we plant new seeds today to increase the church's harvest for tomorrow's blessings.

Response: Lord, we humbly thank you and praise your holy name. Lord, let the anointing fall on our young women.

Leader: For this day of celebration and empowerment of each woman who commits and recommit to you, your work, your will, and your way, and for your humble and faithful servant, The Rev. Dr. Glenda Hodges,

All: Lord, we humbly thank you and praise your holy name. We accept your commission to humbly serve, pray and work.

let the anointing fall on St. John A. M. E. Church family and friends,
let the anointing fall on the women of St. John, and women everywhere,
let the anointing fall fresh on me!

Amen

"Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgives all thine iniquities; who heals all thy diseases; Who redeems thy life from destruction; who crowns thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies; Who satisfies thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's." ~ Psalm 103

Compiled by Dr. Jeanette Jones

Listening to the Sermon

Listen to the message from God's Word. Use this sheet to make some personal notes. Go back over them during the week. Let God crystallize His Truth in you life.

Minister: Dr. Glenda Hodges

Date: 7/11/10

Biblical Text: 1st Corinthians 4:17-10-16-18

Sermon Title: I am looking beyond myself

Main Ideas from the sermon: Three main things

1) Expend your reach

2) Reorder your world view - Thank & Praise always

3) Trust God has more in store!

4) Trust God to answer your prayer - Create to give power,

5) God never all out to another

Illustration(s) I want to remember: If you sit a house/Car

You may not keep buying shoes

How often when others are away you

Behave how you want a blessing?

Intentional words experience / story

What I should do as a result of hearing this sermon:

- 1) The power belongs to God! God is into everything! Blessing others
- 2) Every Good Gifts comes from God's power
- 3) Praise - You just can't quit & Cor 5:17 - New Creation
- 4) Three Benefits
- 5) a) Expand your reach - Trust how it before & happen
- 6) b) Trust no enemies! There are no taller
- c) d) Renew your world view

Announcements



Church school convenes each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. after the Early Morning Worship Service. Make plans to attend with your family.



Prayer service and Bible Class will be held Wednesday, July 14, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. The LAW and GRACE, the Pentateuch and the GOSPEL with emphasis on Genesis, Chapters 11- 21 will be the topic for discussion. Everyone is encouraged to attend.



The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated by Mr. Carver Myhand, Sr. and family
IN LOVING MEMORY OF Mrs. Ella D. Kelley Myhand.

Ms, Denise McCraw, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Homer McCraw and sister of Mrs. Dana Johnson lost everything in the recent Nashville, TN flood. A suggested list of items needed may be found above the boxes in the vestibule and hallway. Or if you prefer, you may make a monetary donation. Please make all checks payable to St. John A. M. E. Church (MEMO Denese McCraw) or indicate gift on Offering Envelope. Thank you for your cooperation.

Announcements



Is served every 5th Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Mrs. Charlsie Brooks, Chair, Food Committee

Single Adult Ministry

Bible Study – Mondays @ 6:00 p.m.

Monthly Meeting – 2 Tuesday @ 5:30 p.m.

For further information, please contact Rev. Deborah Peppers, Coordinator.

Sons of Allen Meeting

The sons of Allen meet every second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise published. All males 18 and older are encouraged to come out and participate.

The AMEN Staff continues to sell the new edition of the Taste of St. John Cookbook. You may purchase a copy from the church office after service or contact any member of the AMEN Staff. The cookbook contains over 300 recipes from members and friends of St. John, including many recipes that have been published in the AMEN. The cookbook is an excellent gift to give any time of the year.



"Where there is no vision a people perishes" ~ Ask God to help you make your TITHING commitment to Him today. You may place your TITHES and offerings in the TITHES container and your PRAYER requests in the PRAYER container that are located in the front of the Sanctuary near the piano and organ.



JOIN NOW! PRAISE HIM IN SONG ~ The choirs of St. John want you, your children, youth and young adults to join praising God in song. You join by simply showing up at any of the rehearsals listed below.

Children Choir	1 st & 3 rd Saturday @ 11 AM
Gospel Choir	Last Monday of each month & Thursday after the 1 st Sunday @ 6 PM
Male Chorus	Male Chorus Each Friday except Friday after the 4 th Sunday @ 6 PM
Sanctuary Choir	Each Thursday except Thursday after the 1 st Sunday @ 6PM
Youth/Young Adult Choir	2 nd & 3 rd Saturday @ 4 PM

Rehearsal Time Subject to Change Periodically

Invitation To Christian Discipleship

July 11, 2010

10:00 a.m.

Mrs. Brenda Lott

Mrs. Marjorie Reed

Stewardess

8:00 a.m.

10:50 a.m.

Mrs. Adrienne "PK" Washington

Mrs. Abbiegail Hugine

Stewards

Finance Committee

Mr. Rufus Gilmore

Mrs. Adrienne "PK" Washington

Mrs. Abbiegail Hugine

July 18, 2010

Mrs. Elaine Washington

Mrs. Charlsie Brooks

Mrs. Felicia Carter

Mrs. Carol Ball

Mrs. Martha Smith

Mr. Clifton Miller

Dr. Jeanette Jones

Mr. Eddie Sherrod

Mr. Carol Cooper

Mr. Hodges Washington

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Our Father, bless us, lead us, guide us anoint us anew with your Holy Spirit that we may know you and glorify your Holy Name. AMEN.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Romans 12:21

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, the third day He arose from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Jesus Saves

Home Daily Bible Reading - July 12 ~ July 18, 2010

Stay in the Word

Monday. Psalm 33: 4- 12	Thursday. 2 Timothy 2: 8- 13
Tuesday. Hebrews 3: 1- 6	Friday. Acts 20: 17- 24
Wednesday. Galatians 5: 7- 14	Saturday. 2 Thessalonians 2: 1- 12
Sunday. 2 Thessalonians 2: 13- 17	

It Takes a Whole Community to Educate One Child

Boards & Organizational Meetings

Sunday ~ July 11, 2010

Finance Committee After Service
AMEN DEADLINE

Monday ~ July 12, 2010

Single Ministry Bible Study 6:00 PM

Tuesday ~ July 13, 2010

Sons of Allen Meeting 6:00 PM

Wednesday ~ July 14, 2010

Prayer Service & Bible Class 6:30 PM

Friday ~ July 16, 2010

Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:00 PM
Adult Praise Dance Rehearsal

Saturday ~ July 17, 2010

Finance Committee 8:30 AM
AMEN Staff Meeting 10:30 AM

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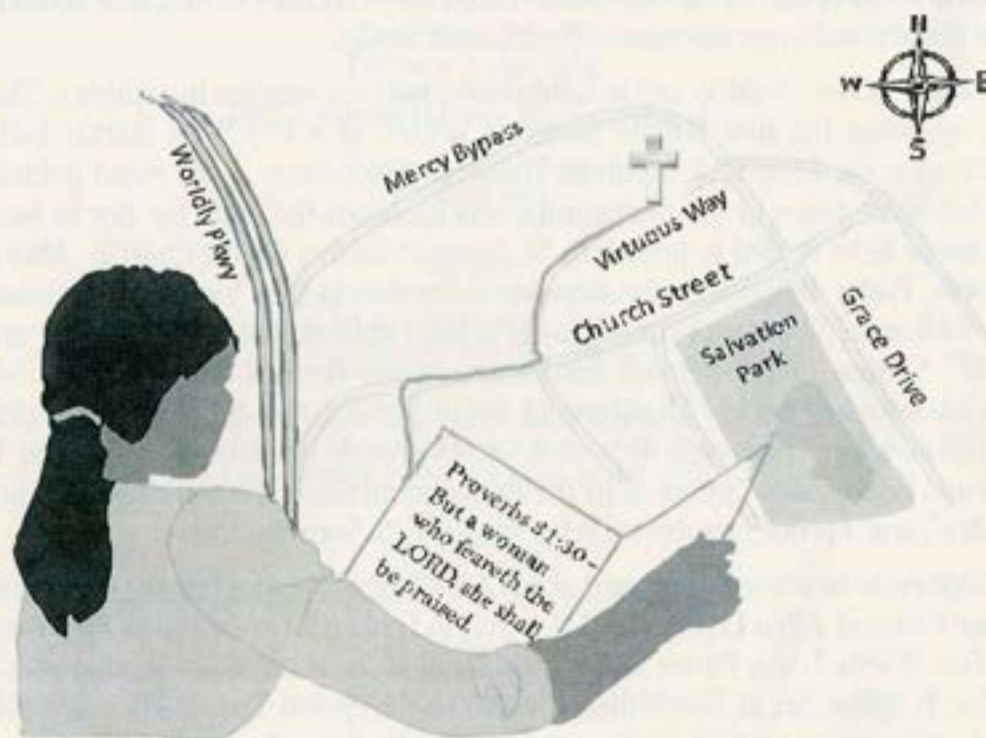
Rev. Deborah Peppers

Members of the Single Women's Ministry

St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church
229 Church Street - Huntsville, Alabama
Annual Women's Day Celebration
Sunday, July 10, 2011

Theme: "God Powered Sisters"

G.P.S.



The Right Reverend James L. Davis, Servant Bishop
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Reverend Myra Turner Billips, M.Div.

The Reverend Myra Billips is a fresh prophetic voice in the Body of Christ proclaiming a Gospel that reaches all generations. Her powerful preaching and charismatic style of worship has changed the lives of many from Texas to Bermuda. She is a cradle member of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and is the 10th child to Mrs. Martha L. Turner and the late Presiding Elder William D. Turner. Pastor Billips has a strong Christian heritage that stems

from her support of both her father, who served over fifty years in the African Methodist Church and her mother, who served as a spiritual guide and counselor. She has a deep sense of Christian service that extends from the Young People's Department to the pulpit. Pastor Billips began preaching in the January, 1995, which lead her to seek higher education. She comes highly trained as a proud graduate of the historic Paul Quinn College, with a Bachelor of Arts, Brite Divinity School with a Master of Divinity, and a concentration in Black Church Studies.

This preacher is not afraid to tackle hard issues that face women in ministry. She has crossed bearers by being the first female pastor to preach at a City-Wide Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration for the League of Involved Women's Association. This event gained her respect among her male peers in the community which opened the door for her to become the first female pastor to be invited to preach in St. James Primitive Baptist Church. After relocating to Fort Worth, Pastor Billips was the first female pastor to join the Como Interdenominational Ministers Alliance. She is no stranger to the A.M.E. Connectional Church having preached at the 2004, 47th Session of the General Conference Youth Revival, the 2003 15th Session of the Women's Missionary Society Quadrennial Youth Service, and the 2008 11th Episcopal District Christian Education Congress. Her civic achievements includes, "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities", honored by the Professional Black Women's Association for "Women in Ministry", and a proud member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Her willingness to be a vessel fully used of God led Pastor Billips to accept the opportunity to serve as the Senior Pastor of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church in Coolidge, Texas, and as Co-Pastor of Johnson Chapel, Fort Worth, Texas. Pastor Billips is excited that she is currently serving with her husband, Pastor Eric R. Billips, Sr., at The Shiloh Church in Galveston Texas. They are one of the few husband and wife teams with both names on the Pastoral Appointment.

Currently residing in League City, Texas Pastor Billips leads a busy but enjoyable life. She is the proud mother of four gifted children, Oliver, Eric, Jr., Timothy, and Amaris, and two grand-children, McKenzie and Elijah.

After hearing Pastor Billips, who is highly sought after across denominational lines, you will realize that she is a next generational preacher who has a "Rhema Word for the Real World".

*Processional Song
Walking in the Light*

Chorus 1:
Walking in the light,
beautiful light;
ain't it wonderful how the light shines?

Walking in the light,
beautiful light;
ain't it wonderful how the light shines?

Verse 1:
The Lord has been good to me,
brought me from a mighty long ways;
gave me food and shelter,
I thank Him for His grace.

I keep my hands in the Master's hand
and never, never go astray;
I'm trusting, yes, trusting in the Lord.

Chorus 2:
Trusting in the light,
beautiful light;
ain't it wonderful how the light shines.

Trusting in the light,
beautiful light;
ain't it wonderful how the light shines.

Verse 2:
The Lord has blessed my family,
let us see another day.
He gave us food and shelter,
as we go on our way.

I thank Him 'cause He clothed and kept me,
I thank Him for He gave me strength;
I get great joy just walking in the light.

Chorus 3:
Joy in the light,
beautiful light;
ain't it wonderful how the light shines.

Joy in the light,
beautiful light;
ain't it wonderful how the light shines.

Chorus 4:
Jesus is the light,
beautiful light;

Vamp 1:
Ain't it wonderful?
Ain't it glorious?
Ain't it marvelous?
Ain't it beautiful?

Ending:
Ain't it beautiful how the light shines?

There is Power in the Blood

By Lewis E. Jones, 1899

Would you be free from the burden of sin?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Would you o'er evil a victory win?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

Would you be free from your passion and pride?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

Would you be whiter, much whiter than snow?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Sin- stains are lost in its life giving flow-
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;

Would you do service for Jesus your King?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Would you live daily His praises to sing?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

Refrain

There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder working pow'r
In the blood of the Lamb;
there is pow'r, pow'r, wonder working pow'r
In the precious blood of the Lamb.

LITANY

"God Powered Sisters use God's Positioning System"

LEADER: In adoration and thanksgiving to our God, we bow in humble submission to Him for the guidance and direction we receive from His Word.

RESPONSE: May we abide in the Word, and learn how to follow the lighted path that God shows us in His Word.

LEADER: For the beauty of Christian women who have a mindset bent on following God's Word,

RESPONSE: We rejoice in Thee, O Lord, the source of our strength and salvation.

LEADER: For the bravery, courageousness and steadfastness of women of biblical times and today who have maintained a righteous walk in the journey of God's Word and Will,

RESPONSE: We bless your name, O Lord, and thank you for your faithfulness and the work you are doing in each woman's life.

LEADER: For the opportunity to stay connected in the Word and seek God's guidance daily,

RESPONSE: We bless your name, O Lord; we use God's Positioning System, the Bible, to navigate through life with confidence and assurance that He will never let us down.

LEADER: We give thanks to Thee, Oh Lord, for this day of celebration; a time to reflect upon your grace and mercy, a time to rededicate ourselves to you.

RESPONSE: We thank you for your faithful servant, The Rev. Myra Billips, who has come to challenge the Women of Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church and Christian men and women everywhere with an annointed message.

LEADER: God calls believers to surrender self and submit to His Word and His Will. He promises to lead, strengthen and bless those who answer His call to obedience.

RESPONSE: We need women, Christian women, who receive their guidance and direction from God; women who surrender to God, obey His word and submit to His Will.

TOGETHER: We give thanks to Thee O Lord and give you all the praise and glory for the opportunity to fellowship, to pray, to demonstrate our faith and to honor you during this Annual Women's Day Celebration. God is our GPS through His word and the Holy Spirit.

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A People in the WORD Serving People in the WORLD
Sunday, July 10, 2011 ~ 10:00 AM**

**Annual Women's Day Celebration
Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**

Order of Worship

Meditate: "To another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit."

1 Corinthians 12: 9

Prelude Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Musician
Mr. Cleveland Wilson Choir Director
Mr. Talbert Cox Percussionist
Acolyte Brittney Lockett & Kimberly Whitehead

Enter and Worship & Depart and Serve

Processional Walking In The Light

Worship of God in Dance Youth/Young Adult Praise Dancers

Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Ghost. Amen

Call to Worship: Rev. Meriam Garrett

Leader: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness, come into His presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is He that has made us, and we are His.

People: We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Leader: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to Him: bless His name.

Leader: For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting.

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Order of Worship

Hymn of Praise..... "There is Power In the Blood" (see Insert) Choir/Congregation
Prayer Ms. Patricia Grier

Scripture & Exodus 19: 2- 6a Miss Nina Johnson
Romans 5: 6- 11 Mrs. Rosemary Wells
Matthew 9: 35-10:8 Mrs. Zelda Goggans

Decalogue Mrs. Cheryl Anderson

Welcome Mrs. Adrienne "PK" Washington
Occasion Ms. Barbara Johnson

Women's Day Litany Mrs. Erica Harbin

*Music *I WILL BE WITH YOU - I WILL TRUST YOU!* Women's Day Choir
Announcements and Recognition of Visitors Ms. Janette Smith
Remarks Mrs. Pamela Whitehead, Women's Day Chair

Pastors Moments Pastor McCall

Tithes & Offerings
Offertory Music *I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU - Blessing and Praise* Women's Day Choir
Prayer of Thanksgiving Mrs. Dana Johnson
Chant: We give Thee but Thine Own. What-e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A Trust, O Lord from Thee. A-men.

Memorial Tribute Mrs. Mary Powers & Mrs. Brandy Lockett
*Music *MY GOD IS ABLE* Women's Day Choir

Introduction of Guest Preacher Rev. Vanessa Glover

Hymn of Preparation. . . (#77) "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Choir/Congregation

*Music Women's Day Choir

Sermon Rev. Myra Billips
Co-Pastor of The Shiloh AME Church in Galveston Texas

Invitation To Christian Discipleship
Hymn of Invitation..... "We Offer Christ" Choir/Congregation
Closing Hymn..... "Victory Is Mine " Choir/Congregation
Benediction Rev. Myra Billips
Recessional The Apostles' Creed Doxology Benediction

The Asterisk Indicates When People May Enter to Worship

Jesus Saves

Home Daily Bible Reading · July 11 through July 17, 2011

Monday.....	Psalm 27: 1-6	Thursday.....	Psalm 56: 1-11
Tuesday.....	Psalm 27: 7-14	Friday.....	Psalm 29
Wednesday.....	Habakkuk 1: 1-5	Saturday.....	Isaiah 31: 1-5
	Sunday Judges.....		3: 15-25, 29-30

Boards & Organizational Meetings

Sunday, July 10, 2011

Finance Committee After Service

Wednesday, July 13, 2011

Prayer Service and Bible Class 6:30 PM

Thursday, July 14, 2011

Noon Prayer 12:00 Noon

Friday, July 15, 2011

Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:00 PM

Saturday, July 16, 2011

Finance Committee 8:30 AM

St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church Vision/Mission Statement

Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church strives to set a Christian Standard within the Huntsville/Madison county area, the Nation and the World through its' commitment to the proclamation and study of the word, Worship, Stewardship, Mission and evangelism. We are called to be a people in the WORD serving people in the WORLD by meeting the total needs of our members and people from all walks of life, regardless of age, gender, national origin or economic background.

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Listening to the Sermon

Listen to the message from God's Word. Use this sheet to make some personal notes. Go back over them during the week. Let God crystallize His Truth in you life.

Minister: Rev. Myra Billips

Date: 10 July 2011

Biblical Text: Proverbs 3:5-6

Sermon Title: 'Recalculate and Be Empowered'

Main Ideas from the sermon: Key Points: Recalculate and be Empowered -

① TRUST - (to let go freely) - God w/ all your heart

② Accept wise counsel

③ Let God lead you (v6)

Illustration(s) I want to remember: _____

- ultimate freedom comes

What I should do as a result of hearing this sermon: _____

2011 Women's Day Celebration Committee

Mrs. Abbiegail Hugine

Ms. Cassandra Ingram

Dr. Jeanette Jones

Mrs. Mable McCall

Mrs. Pearlean Myhand

Mrs. Maeola Peoples

Ms Donnie Thompson

Mrs. Pamela Whitehead, Chairperson

Women's Day

Christian Women
"Walking in the Light
for the Glory of God"



10.7.12 | 8am & 10:50am

St. John AME Church

A message from Pastor Clayborn & Rev. Sheri

Dear Women of St. John AME

How good and how pleasant it is when all of God's children get together. We greet you in the midst of Women's Day 2013, where *Christian Women Walking in the Light for the Glory of God* is the theme. Christian women have been essential to the Christian faith tradition since the ministry of Jesus. As a matter of fact, women helped to fund the ministry of Jesus (Luke 8:2-3). Not only did they fund it with their finances, but they stayed with Jesus until His dying moment at the cross. They were the first to proclaim that Jesus was risen; thus, Christian women are essential to our faith.

Down through the years, Christian women have not only maintained the faith, but have helped to propel the church forward. From those who stood at the foot of the cross of Jesus to those who endured the terrifying cross burnings in their communities and explosions in their churches. From those who were not allowed to speak in churches to those who were only allowed to preach from the floor. From those who were seen as only property to being second class citizens. In each of these groups there was never a loss of passion for carrying out the ministry of Jesus. Today, with women bishops, pastors, leadership within churches, we celebrate the womanhood God has blessed within the church.

Let us welcome our guest preacher, the Reverend Delesslyn Audra Kennebrew as we celebrate this great day! Her ministry accomplishments precede her, and we are honored to have her with us. We pray that God's anointing will flow through her as she breaks the bread of life with us.

So let us follow the theme and walk in the light as all Christian women do. Let that walk touch your spiritual formation, family, vocation, and your community.

Grace and Peace,

Patrick Clayborn & Sheri Smith Clayborn

Pastor Patrick Clayborn & Rev. Sheri Smith Clayborn



Women's Day Guest Preacher

Rev. Delesslyn Audra Kennebrew



Delesslyn Audra Kennebrew is an energetic, articulate, organized, open-minded, and optimistic young lady who stands on the promise that her past accomplishments or accolades are not worthy to be compared with the glory of God that has yet to be revealed through her life!

Delesslyn is the oldest daughter of Bishop Vernon and Mrs. Mary Kennebrew who was challenged as a child to be a role model for others. She accepted Christ as her Savior and was baptized at 8 years old under the pastoral leadership of her father and she later answered the call to proclaim the Gospel under the leadership of the legendary Rev. Jasper Williams, Jr. Delesslyn was licensed and ordained to the Gospel Ministry in 2006 under Rev. Jasper Williams, Jr. and did serve faithfully for a number of years in full time ministry as the Executive Elder of Salem Bible Church - Atlanta, GA & Lithonia, GA. She is currently serving as the Director of Campus Life at the East Location of the Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church in Memphis, TN. She also continues to lead the

Spirited Concepts Consulting Network, LLC which provides Inspirational Writing Coaching and Consulting as well as Ministry Consulting and Corporate Chaplaincy services.

Anyone who knows Delesslyn is clear about her passion for the ministry of writing and work of the local church. She has completed a number of ghostwriting projects as well as had articles published by The TRUTH, Christianity Today and the African American Pulpit Lectionary. Delesslyn is also the author of three books: *Step Out of the Boat: An Invitation to Walk on Water*, *The Power to be PERFECT: A Collection of Reflections on Spiritual Perfection*, and *From My Heart Through Yours: A 26-Day Journey into the Key of LOVE*. In her effort to enhance the work of ministry, she has trained ministry leaders at all levels including ministers and youth leaders, guided ministry leaders in creating and realizing their visions, organized ministry conferences, retreats, worship services, and other community events. She is clear that the work of the Kingdom of God extends far beyond the walls of the local church building. Thus, she has led in the community by forming faith based partnerships between church and public schools, served on the boards of the BaSix Knowledge Academy, Operation Xposure Youth Foundation, Judah Praise Cheer and Dance, Inc., and created and hosts the Kids Korner radio program every Sunday evening [<http://www.facebook.com/kidskornerradio>].

Delesslyn has excelled academically. Upon completing a Bachelors of Arts degree in Mass Communications at Loyola University in New Orleans, LA, she went on to earn two professional degrees - a Juris Doctorate from the University of Arkansas School of Law and a Master of Divinity from Emory University in Atlanta, GA. Delesslyn has maintained her connection to Emory University by working as an Adjunct Professor in the area of Preaching. She is currently enrolled in the Doctor of Educational Ministry program at the Columbia Theological Seminary and is on track to complete that degree in 2014.

Her motivation for pursuing excellence in all areas of her life is found in Colossians 3:17, "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." This is her primary motivation as she continually pursues opportunities for training and development, embraces diverse activities and relationships, and empowers others through teaching, preaching, consulting, listening, singing, acting, and writing.



Order of Worship

Announcements.....Mrs. Claudinette Fears (8:00AM)
Dr. Monica Dillihunt (10:50AM)

Processional Song : "Walking In The Light"

Women of St. John AMEC

Acolytes

Little Miss Kimberly Whitehead (8:00 AM)
Little Miss Jayla Mack (10:50AM)

*Doxology Praise God from whom all blessing flow, Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Call to Worship.....Mrs. Regina Phippen & Ms. Paula Phippen (8:00AM)
Mrs. Zelda Goggans & Ms. Jana Goggans (10:50AM)

Opening Hymn#520 "We're Marching to Zion".....St. John AME Women's Choir / Congregation

**Prayer and Choral ResponseRev. Meriam Garret (8:00AM)
Rev. Vanessa Glover (10:50AM)

**ScripturePsalm 89:14-16.....Ms. Veronica Henderson (8:00AM)
Ms. Janel William (10:50AM)

Worship Through Song.....St. John AME Women's Choir

Welcome & Occasion.....Mrs. Adrienne Pope-Kelly Washington (8:00AM)
Ms. Mattie Ezell (10:50AM)

Guest RecognitionMrs. Lydia Owens (8:00AM)
Mrs. Sarah McGraw (10:50AM)

Praise Through Dance.....St. John AME Liturgical Dance Ministry

Ministry Through Giving

Tithes & Offerings
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ms. Timyra Marshall (8:00AM) Mrs. Cheryl Anderson (10:50AM)

Introduction of the Guest Preacher.....Rev. Sheri Smith Clayborn

Worship Through Song.....St. John AME Women's Choir

**SermonRev. Delesslyn Audra Kennebrew
Director of Campus Life- Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church
Memphis, TN

Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....Rev. Delesslyn Audra Kennebrew

Remarks / Comments.....Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn

BenedictionRev. Delesslyn Audra Kennebrew

*Please stand if you are able.

**Please refrain from walking during this time.

Call To Worship

Leader: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness, come into His presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is God that has made us, and we belong to God.

People: We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

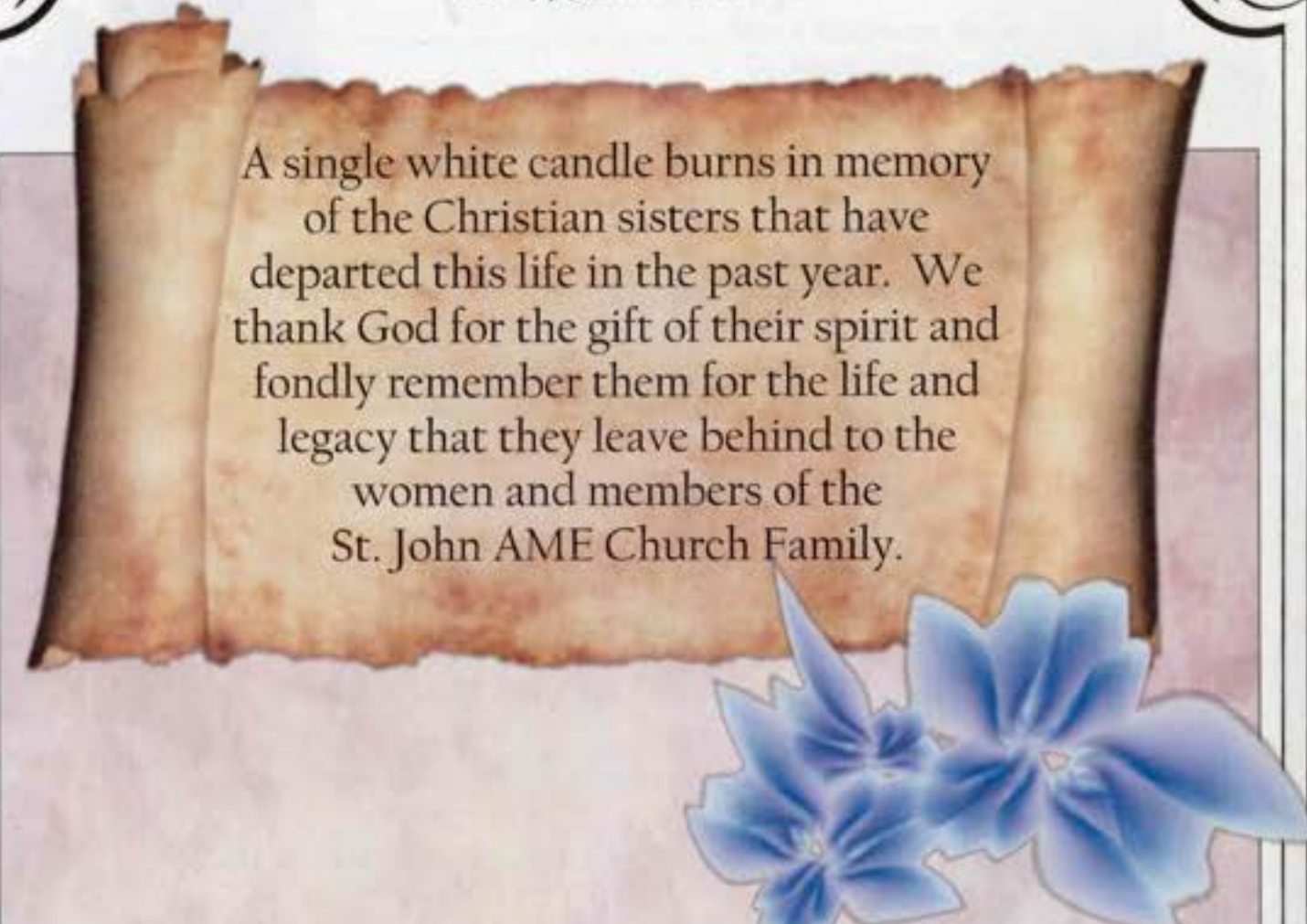
Leader: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to God: bless His Name.

Leader: For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations. Amen

In Memorium



A single white candle burns in memory of the Christian sisters that have departed this life in the past year. We thank God for the gift of their spirit and fondly remember them for the life and legacy that they leave behind to the women and members of the St. John AME Church Family.

Women's Day Planning Committee

Mrs. Pamela Whitehead, Chairperson

Mrs. Carol Ball	Ms. Nina Johnson	Dr. Thalia Love-Brown
Rev. Sheri Smith Clayborn	Dr. Jeanette Jones	Mrs. Pearlean Myhand
Mrs. Mattie Ezell	Ms. Karmen Latimore	Mrs. Mary Rankin

Announcements

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

The flowers on the altar are donated by Mr. Cleophas N. Haygood in honor of his Mother, Mrs. Bernice Haygood's birthday, and in memory of his father, Mr. Cleophas H. Haygood.

Attention Ladies! As part of the 2012 Women's Day activities, the women of St. John have coordinated a Women's Day Service Project. We are collecting new and gently used shoes for the Soles4Souls Charity which distributes shoes to persons in need all over the world. Please support this effort by donating a boxed pair of casual/practical shoes (e.g. sneakers, loafers, flats, low-heels, etc). All donations should be submitted by the end of 10:50 service today.

Do you know the power of **FORGIVENESS**? Join Pastor Patrick Clayborn as he continues this series in our weekly Wednesday Bible Studies. Join us this week at 12Noon. All are welcome! (FNL Cafe' will resume after Annual Conference)

6:30PM Bible Study is on hold this week as Pastor Clayborn walks the St. John AME Church Family through Vision Casting

Time to "Write the Vision and Make it Plain!" Join Pastor Patrick Clayborn this Wednesday night at 6:30pm for a very special Vision casting meeting. Church Leaders are strongly encouraged to attend, all members are welcome.

Mark your calendars - Pastor Patrick Clayborn will be preaching at New Seeds of Faith AMEC in Birmingham on Sunday, October 14th at 4:30pm. Stop by the office for more information. The St. John AME Mass Choir will minister through song.

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Beta Epsilon Sigma Chapter, is sponsoring its Inaugural "Pink Ribbon Gala" on Saturday, October 20th at the VBC. The purpose of this event is to raise the community's awareness about cancer and the importance of preventive measures that could provide early detection. Contact Brothers Michael Clark or Larry Davis for event information.

The Women's Missionary Society thanks the entire St. John AME Church Family for continued support of the Adopt-A-Family outreach project. Because of your generous donations totaling \$155.00, WMS was able to provide much needed back to school clothing and supplies to a grateful family. May God continue to bless each of you, and thanks for your support.

If you are 18-40 years of age the Young Women's Initiative (YWI) is for you. YWI is a Christian movement of young women who desire to grow in Faith, celebrate their Purpose and live lives of Compassion. Please see LTC Felicia Carter or Ms. Karmen Latimore for additional information.

This is the last week to place your orders for FNL -Free to Worship T-shirts or DVDs. Sign up in the church office to pre-order your T-shirt for \$15. DVD orders are also being taken for only \$10. Thanks for your support!

Members who would like to donate flowers for the altar starting September 2, 2012 -August 31, 2013, may contact Mrs. Pearlean Myhand at (256) 852-8265. The cost for the arrangements is \$48.50.

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, click on Online Giving

TENTATIVE 2012 NORTHWEST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA



9th Episcopal District African Methodist Episcopal Church

Rekindling Eternal Vision Inspiring Victory Everywhere!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 WMS Conference (7 am – 3 pm)

Jones Chapel AME Church

225 57th Street, Fairfield, AL 35064

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| 07:30 AM | WMS Registration |
| 08:00 AM | Tanner Turner Memorial Breakfast |
| 09:00 AM | Opening/ Business Session |
| 12:00 PM | Noon Day Worship, |
| 01:00 PM | Lunch/ Compassionate Project |
| 02:00 PM | WMS Business Session |

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 NORTHWEST ALABAMA PRE-CONFERENCE

JONES CHAPEL AME CHURCH

225 57th Street, Fairfield, AL 35064

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| 07:00 AM | Breakfast Devotion |
| 07:30 AM | Presiding Elders meet with Bishop |
| 09:00 AM | Conference Finance Committee, District Treasurer meet with Bishop |
| 10:00 AM | Conference Secretaries and Statistician will meet with Bishop |
| <u>10:45 AM</u> | <u>Board of Examiners and all candidates will meet with Bishop</u> |
| 12:00 PM | WMS Noon Day Worship |
| 01:30 PM | Lunch/Recess |

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 NORTHWEST ALABAMA CONFERENCE

A.H. PARKER HIGH SCHOOL

900 – 4th Street North, Birmingham, AL 35204

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| <u>04:00 PM</u> | <u>All Clergy will meet with Bishop</u> |
| 05:30 PM | OPENING SESSION OF NORTHWEST ALABAMA CONFERENCE
Roll Call and Transfers
Lay Delegates Seated/ Credentials
Conference Boundary and Organization
Appointment of Special Committees & Election of Judiciary Committee |
| 07:00 PM | OPENING WORSHIP
A.H. PARKER HIGH SCHOOL
900 – 4 th Street North, Birmingham, AL 35204

Annual Sermon: The Reverend Mashod Evans
Recognition of Visitors
Holy Communion
Benediction |

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2014 Women's Day Service

Theme

Do You See What I See?

GUEST PREACHER

Rev. Dr. Carolyn Knight
Founder | President
"CAN DO!" Ministries
Atlanta, GA

Sunday, June 29
10 AM

The Right Reverend James L. Davis, Servant Bishop
The Reverend Oliver Allen, Jr., Presiding Elder
The Reverend Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D., Pastor

A message from Pastor Clayborn & Rev. Sheri

June 29, 2014

Greetings to each of you - particularly the women of St. John - in the name of Jesus Christ,

It is with excitement and great expectation that we welcome you to this glorious Women's Day. We are excited because we believe that God is going to bring revival to each of your hearts. God is going to restore dreams. Visions will be divinely birthed in this gathering. Lives shall be transformed. You won't be the same after this encounter.

Do You See What We See? Can you hear what we hear? Do you feel what we feel? Are you anticipating breakthrough, miracles, and deliverance? We are! We see people - especially women - claiming their identity in God. We hear them speaking those things that are not as though they were. We feel women on the edge of their promise. We anticipate women conquering their obstacles and moving toward deliverance. We expect testimonies to flow in from women who have claimed their destinies in God!

So, be open to the move of the Spirit. God wants you to be whole, holy, and healthy - in mind, body and spirit. Please partake of what GOD is offering. Participate in the singing, praying, and praising. Receive the WORD. WORSHIP in spirit and in truth. Believe that your blessing is here. Know that God is for YOU! If God be for you - who can be against you?

We welcome the Reverend Doctor Carolyn Knight, a Spirit-filled preaching woman of God, who is a preaching professor par excellent. As the saying goes, "she can sho' nuff preach!" God has appointed her for such a time as this. Prepare yourself for a life-changing move of God through this mighty servant of the Lord.

Special thanks to Sis. Yvonne Barbor, The Women's Day Committee, Sis. Janette Smith, Bro. Reginald Pearson, and so many more for helping to make this day a success. Thank you to each of you who took time out of your schedule to pray for this day - without you this moment would not be as rich or fulfilling as God had designed.

Finally, we pray that the power of this Women's Day doesn't stay in the sanctuary of St. John AME Church. Our earnest desire is for an explosion of anointing to flow from this church to the lives and hearts of those we touch in Huntsville and everywhere else. Let the glory you experience be contagious...in your homes, jobs, communities and our church!

God Bless,

Patrick Clay
Pastor Patrick Clayborn & Rev. Sheri Smith Clayborn



Women's Day Guest Preacher Carolyn Ann Knight M.Div., D.Min.

The Reverend Carolyn Ann Knight was born and raised in Denver, Colorado; the second daughter of the late Edd and Dorothy Knight. She received her early education in the public school system in Denver and the Bachelor of Arts degree from Bishop College in Dallas, Texas with a major concentration in English, philosophy and religion.

Her theological training began at Colgate Rochester Divinity School in Rochester, NY; she later transferred to Union Theological Seminary in New York City to study under her mentor, Dr. Cornel West. She was awarded the master of divinity degree from Union. Ms. Knight was admitted into the Ph.D. program at Drew University in Madison, New Jersey. She holds the doctor of ministry degree from the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. In addition to these formal areas of studies, Ms. Knight pursued her interest in law and politics by attending classes at Columbia University School of Law.

During the course of her academic studies, Ms. Knight was the recipient of many scholarships and fellowships, among them the Benjamin E. Mays Fellowship for Theological Studies and the United Negro College Fund Colorado Scholarship Award. In pursuit of the Ph.D. degree, Dr. Knight was awarded a fellowship to cover all tuition costs.

Under the influence of her godfathers, the late Reverend M. C. Williams of Los Angeles, California; the late Dr. Frederick G. Sampson of Detroit, Michigan; and her Spiritual father, the late Dr. Samuel D. Proctor of New York City, Dr. Knight developed a love for preaching and the pulpit. She preached her trial sermon and was licensed for the gospel ministry at the Mount Gilead Baptist Church in Denver, Colorado under the leadership of The Reverend Acen L. Phillips. Reverend Dr. Knight has served in the pastoral ministry in pulpits in Denver, Colorado; Dallas, Texas; Rochester, and Harlem, New York. For many years she served as assistant to the pastor of the Canaan Baptist Church of Christ in Harlem where she was mentored in pastoral leadership, organizational strategy and finance by The Reverend Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker, former chief of staff to Martin Luther King Jr. She is the founder and president of "CAN DO!" Ministries; a progressive, preventive youth advocacy ministry that is dedicated to the cultural, social, intellectual, and spiritual well-being of youth and young adults. For ten years, Dr. Knight served as assistant professor of homiletics at The Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia where she had the primary responsibility for teaching and training students in the art and craft of sermon design, development and delivery. In October of 2011, she inaugurated her vision of "The Seminary Without Walls", teaching persons who for whatever reasons may not be able to formally attend seminary classes. This inaugural event was hosted by Bishop Victor T. Curry and the New Birth Baptist Church Cathedral of Faith, International in Miami, Florida.

A preacher/pastor with scholarly interests, Reverend Knight has served as adjunct professor at LaGuardia Community College and New York Theological Seminary. She served as the permanent part-time professor of preaching at her alma mater, Union Theological Seminary in New York City. Dr. Knight has served on numerous boards and committees; among them are Harlem Congregations for Community Improvement, the Breast Examination Center of Harlem, The Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, and the advisory board of the *African American Pulpit* of Judson Press.

A passionate professor and preacher, she is committed to the integrity of the discipline of homiletics as a whole and particularly the best of the African American preaching tradition. In constant demand as a preacher, speaker, and evangelist, Dr. Knight has been called *sui generis*, a one-of-a-kind preaching voice for this generation. Cornel West says she is an "organic intellectual rooted in the best of the prophetic African American preaching tradition." She travels extensively throughout the nation speaking at churches, conferences, and on college campuses. The singular theme of her message and ministry is a better quality of life for the poor and oppressed, particularly women and children. A life-long learner, committed to the life of the mind Ms. Knight is deeply dedicated to spiritual growth, transformation and prayer. Among her spiritual disciplines are meditation, yoga, fasting and prayer walks. From the age of four, she has cultivated a life of prayer that is essential to and informs all of her activities and involvements. After many years of life and ministry Ms. Knight has found no better testament to her commitment to prayer than: **"No prayer, no power. Little prayer, little power. Much prayer, much power!"** A voracious reader, Dr. Knight enjoys reading the Classics, as well as books on history, medicine, law, philosophy, and African-American history.

In addition to her activities and responsibilities as a preacher, Reverend Dr. Knight has been signally honored for her outstanding career achievements, which include Outstanding Young Women of America; The Dunlevy-Milbank Youth Council's Community Service Award; The Mary McLeod Bethune Award of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc.; The Community Service Award from the Laurelton Chapter of the Negro Professional Business Women's Council; and the 1993 United Negro College Fund Alumni Award. In 2011, Ms. Knight was the recipient of the Trombone Award presented by the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson and the Rainbow Push Coalition to outstanding clergypersons and the President's Award from Florida Memorial University in Miami. In March 1996, Reverend Knight was inducted into the prestigious College of Preachers by Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. She was also cited by *Ebony* magazine in November 1997 as one of America's 15 Greatest African American Women Preachers.

A former amateur athletic track and field champion, Dr. Knight is an avid golfer in preparation for the Mid-Amateur Women's Golf Tournaments. She has a variety of interests and hobbies which include reading, computer literacy, writing, music, traveling, power walking, step training, and philosophical and political discussions. Dr. Knight is a Golden Life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Order of Service

Acolytes - Channing Wilson and Callyn Williams

Amber Davis
[Prelude Song]
*Call to Worship

Rev. Merriam Garrett

Leader: O Lord open thou our lips

People: And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Leader: Praise ye the Lord!

People: The Lord's name be praised! Amen.

Opening Song.....Praise Him.....Congregation/Women's Day Choir

**lyrics located inside the back cover*

**Prayer.....Sis. Pam Whitehead

**Scripture.....Exodus 14: 10-14.....Sis. Shayla Wilson

Sis. Karen Minor

Spoken Word.....Sis. Amber Humphrey

Welcome and Occasion.....Sis. Donna Gullatte

Sis. O'Torria Williams

Guest Recognition.....Sis. Mary Rankin

Poem.....Sis. Kaitlyn McClung

Praise through Dance.....Sis. Mariah Gullatte

PASTOR'S MOMENTS

Worship through Tithes & Offerings - Offertory Music - *PASTOR CLAYBORN*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give Thee but thine own * What e'er the gift may be

All that we have is thine alone * A trust, O Lord from Thee. Amen

Introduction of the Guest Preacher.....Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D.

Worship through Song.....*[Shayla & Donna Watson]*.....*I Just Can't Give Up Now*.....Women's Day Choir

**The Preached Word.....Rev. Dr. Carolyn Knight

Founder | President "Can Do" Ministries - Atlanta, GA.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Special Prayer for Women.....Rev. Patrick Clayborn

Remarks/Comments

Benediction.....Rev. Dr. Carolyn Knight

**Please stand if you are able.*

***Please refrain from walking during this time.*

Announcements

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

The flowers on the altar are donated by Sis. Templena Stanley in loving memory of her brother, Steven Bates' birthday.

PLEASE NOTE:

The church office will be closed Thursday, July 3 and Friday, July 4 for the 4th of July Holiday.

St. John AMEC will continue the experience with a summer bible study series broken into age groups each Wednesday at 6:00pm. Join us weekly as we have adult bible study at 12Noon and classes for all ages each Wednesday at 6:00pm.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT MEMBERS please note that the rehearsal schedule has been changed for this upcoming week. The Mass Choir will rehearse July 1 at 6:00pm and the Male Chorus will rehearse that same night at 7:00pm. All interested in joining a choir are also invited to attend.

The Media Department is looking for volunteers who want to help fulfill The Great Commission by getting CD and DVD copies of the powerful WORD we receive at St. John AMEC out to the sick and shut in and to members who request copies for purchase immediately after service. If you are interested in being a media volunteer, please speak to Brothers Curtis Mayes, Darwin Washington, Carl Lewis or Sis. Janette Smith immediately following service.

SAVE THE DATE - The St. John A.M.E. Church Picnic will be held Saturday, August 16, 2014, at the Carol D. Hudson Recreation Center, Redstone Arsenal. Come join us for a day of fellowship, food, fun and games. Sign-up sheets are now posted outside of the church office for various picnic committees. Stay tuned for more details.

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, click on Online Giving.

Celebrating MEN'S DAY



Guest Preacher
Rev. Bobby B. Cox, Jr.
Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church
Mobile, AL



Host Pastor
Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D.
St. John AMEC - HSV

SUNDAY

**JULY
13TH**

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE

10AM

St. John AME Church

229 Church St. NW
Huntsville, AL 35801
(256) 534-3265

Daily Bible Reading

Home Daily Bible Reading for June 30 - July 6

Monday: Ephesians 4:7-16

Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 5: 1-8

Friday: 1 Corinthians 6: 1-3

Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 12:14-21

Thursday: 1 Corinthians 5: 9-13

Saturday: 1 Corinthians 7: 1-9

Sunday: 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

St. John's Week at a Glance

Sun., June 29th	<i>Women's Day Celebration</i>	10:00 a.m.
Mon., June 30th	No Scheduled Meetings	
Tues., July 1st	Mass Choir Rehearsal Male Chorus Rehearsal	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wed., July 2nd	Bible Study	12:00 Noon & 6:00 p.m.
Thurs., July 3rd	Office Closed for July 4th Holiday	
Fri., July 4th	Office Closed for July 4th Holiday	
Sat., July 5th	No Scheduled Meetings	

Sermon Notes

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Carolyn Knight

Date: Sunday, June 29, 2014

Topic IF NOT NOW, WHEN?

Biblical Text Daniel 3:1-18

Key Points:

① Trust in God ^{for the} both process and outcome

② God IS ABLE =

③ Praise God during the storm

④ Pro-active

In times of adversity, we must:

Stand-up ~~Not~~ Bow down

⑤ whatever you are going thru w/GOD is better than w/o God

⑥ don't compare your situation to God - God is Bigger

Opening Song

Praise Him

Verse One

Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him!
Jesus, blessed Savior, he's worthy to be praised.

From the rising of the sun
until the going down of the same,
he's worthy, Jesus is worthy,
he's worthy to be praised.

Verse Two

Glory! Glory! In all things give him glory.
Jesus, blessed Savior, he's worthy to be praised.

For God is our rock,
hope of salvation;
a strong deliverer,
in him I will always trust.

Verse Three

Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him!
Jesus, blessed Savior, he's worthy to be praised.

From the rising of the sun
until the going down of the same,
he's worthy, Jesus is worthy,
he's worthy to be praised.

Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him!
Jesus, blessed Savior, he's worthy to be praised.



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