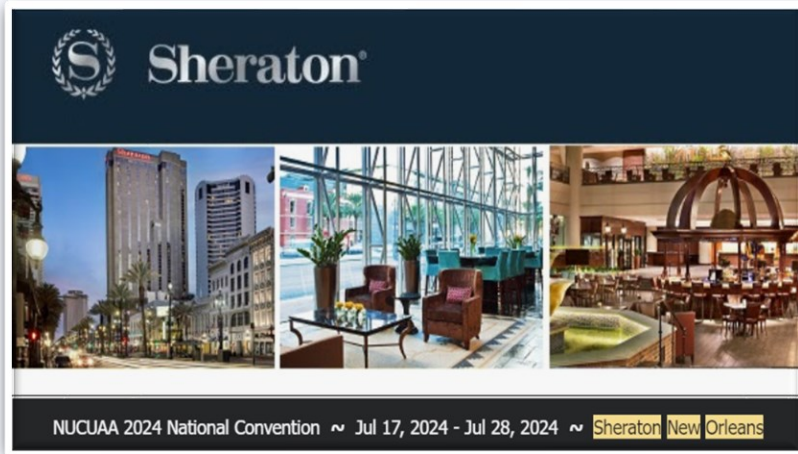




# IN THE KNOW



## *District of Columbia and New Orleans in JULY 2024*



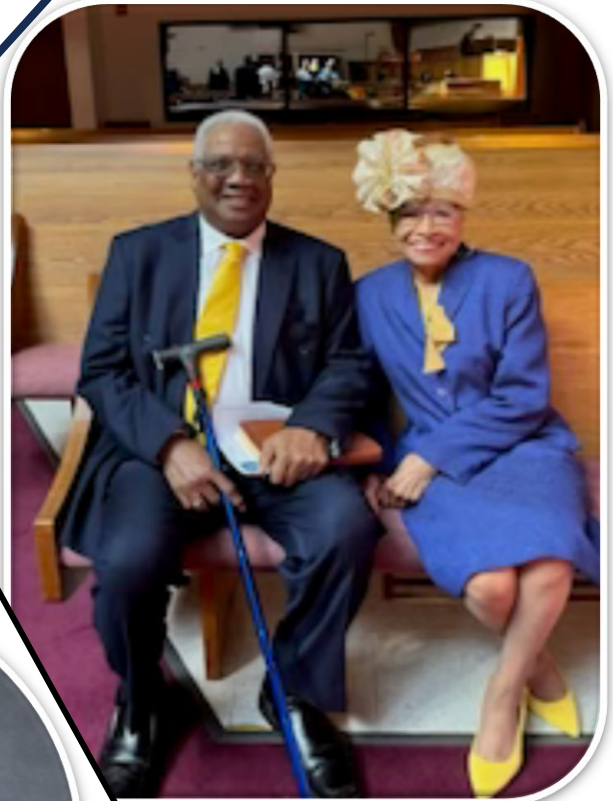
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Elrita James



**Brenda Gilliam**  
Hemingway Memorial AME  
Church  
19<sup>th</sup> President



Father  
Charles W.  
Davis



**Sylvia McGill Jones**  
Mount Sinai Baptist  
Church  
  
Chairman,  
Board of Trustees



**Congratulations to Our Very Own**  
  
**Charles J. Brown**  
Hemingway Memorial AME Church  
  
National President  
2020 - 2024



*SPOTLIGHT MEMBER ALERT ON OUR YOUNG PEOPLE  
AND WHAT THEY DO!!*

## **Ushers & Nurses Annual Celebration Set, Sept. 8**

**T**he ushers and nurses of Mt. Carmel will celebrate their anniversaries jointly on Sunday, Sept. 8 during Divine Worship Service. The theme is “Ushers Assured in Serving the Lord and Advancing the Kingdom of Heaven,” from 1 Corinthians 15:58. Longtime Carmelite and usher Sis. Brittiany Croom (shown, right) will bring the Message.

The first Usher Board (men) and Auxiliary Usher Board (women) were established in 1913; the inaugural First Aid Unit was formed in 1922; the Junior & Young Peoples Usher Board was started in 1952; and the Intermediate Ushers began serving in 1988. Mt. Carmel initiated the first joint celebration of ushers and nurses in 1991.



Don't forget to join the caravan! On this Saturday, Sept. 7, the Joint Usher Board FUNDrive with Value Village will deliver bags and boxes of resellable used items to the Value Village Store, 6611 Annapolis Rd., Landover Hills, Md., at 10 a.m. Proceeds will benefit the Building Hope Fund to maintain or upgrade Mt. Carmel's electrical or HVAC systems. ♦

*From The Mount Carmel Light the September 2024,  
Vol. 31,*

**VI. ALMA COOPER HAWKINS  
PUBLIC RELATIONS**

*Mission:* To promote Church ushering through the dissemination of information regarding the programs, activities, and services provided by the ICUA.

*Working Units* are 1) In The Know Newsletter, 2) Doorkeeper 3) Historical; 4) Our Organization At A Glance; 5 Public Relations; 6) The Glove; 7) Secretarial Services; 8) Alberta T. Leonard Golden Age Ushers Recognition; 9) Workbook.

**WORKING UNITS SERVING UNDER  
THE AUSPICES OF THE PRESIDENT  
AND/OR BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

**RANDY L. PERRIN MEN'S DAY  
CHRISTINE M. GREEN WOMEN'S DAY  
TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING  
JUNE D. MAY BUILDING FUND**

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS**

**VII. YOUNG ADULT Vacant –  
President VIII. JUNIOR AND YOUNG  
PEOPLE Michael Dunn – President**

**ANNUAL EVENTS**

**Annie B. Bailey Memorial Service, Susie  
Gomes Tag Day, Elijah A. Hamilton and  
William H. Davis National Day, Young Adult  
Tag Day, Re-Dedication Service, ICUA  
Anniversary**

The Interdenominational Church Ushers' Association {ICUA} of Washington, DC & Vicinity, Inc. is affiliated with the National United Church Ushers Association of America (NUCUAA). NUCUAA consists of State Usher Organizations within the United States. Our local Association has a

membership of over 80 Churches comprising over 800 members and with Junior & Young People's and Young Adult Departments. Provisions are made for persons interested in membership who are non-members of a Church Usher Board through Associate Membership. ICUA headquarters is located at 1923 – 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, within the District of Columbia. You are always cordially invited to visit. For additional information about being affiliated with this great Christian organization, please visit our website, email or call us using the information on the front of the pamphlet.

“Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people.”  
*Ephesians 6:7 (NIV)*

**2024 ICUA OFFICERS**

Sister Brenda Gilliam  
President

Brother Ronald L. Jones  
Vice President

Sister Sylvia McGill Jones  
Chairman, Board of Trustees

**OUR ORGANIZATION AT A  
GLANCE**

**INTERDENOMINATIONAL  
CHURCH USHERS'  
ASSOCIATION {ICUA} OF  
WASHINGTON, DC  
& VICINITY, INC.**



**“Committed To Serve”**

**1923 – 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW.  
Washington, DC 20009-3364  
202/265-4188**

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**Facebook: [icua of dc and vicinity](https://www.facebook.com/icuaofdcandvicinity)**

**January 2024**



## PURPOSE & MISSION

The Interdenominational Church Ushers' Association {ICUA} of Washington, DC & Vicinity, Inc. was organized in 1912 to foster a closer fellowship and to promote a unified method of ushering. The Organization is completely void of any denominational barriers and is dedicated to promoting service in Christian, social, and moral activities as Ushers. In essence, to promote "Church ushering" as a "ministry."

We believe that the mission of the Church is to lead all mankind to Christ and that the Church Usher has a very definite part to play in the accomplishment of the church's mission as God's representatives on earth. So much can be accomplished through organized efforts; thus, we can't see any just reason why all Church Ushers should not be joined together in one great organization working for the betterment of a common cause.

*"For a day in thy court is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."*

*Psalms 84:10 {KJV}*

## ICUA ORGANIZATION

The ICUA is a religious, tax-exempt Association that depends solely on its annual dues and various fundraising events throughout the year to support itself. The annual dues are appropriated, not necessarily in this order, for the cost of (1) Maintenance, insurance and recurring monthly expenses of the headquarters located at 1923 - 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW; (2) Space rentals for Business Meetings and Special Events; (3) Local and National scholarships (4) Eastern Region (ER) and the National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc. (NUCUAA) Membership Assessments (5) Skill Training Workshops (6) supplement annual charitable donations

## MEMBERSHIP

Any Church Usher Organization may become a member of the ICUA by (a) making a written application for membership in the Association (b) agreeing to comply with, and be bound by, the Charter, By-Laws, and other rules and regulations of the Association (c) paying the membership entrance fee and (d) approval of the application by the Board of Trustees of the Association and, ultimately, by the Parent Body itself.

## ICUA DEPARTMENT STRUCTURE

### I. BUDGET AND FINANCE

*Mission:* To ensure the continued financial health and stability of the ICUA through the application of sound financial management practices.

*Working Units are* 1) Audit 2) Budget and Finance.

### II. EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP

*Mission:* To provide productive and effective training to produce an ever-expanding corps of Church Ushers endowed with skills of the highest quality to serve whenever and wherever called upon.

*Working Units are*

1) Alfred E. Smith Scholarship; 2) Allan A. C. Griffith Alumni 3) Martha P. Alston Arts & Crafts 4) Esther W. Johnson Community Concerns 5) Nettie V. Martin Education 6) Eliza Kilgore Health 7) Catherine E. Mills School of Ushering 8) Training and Development.

### III. EVENTS

*Mission:* To develop, implement, and perpetuate programs and events for the advancement of Church ushering.

*Working Units are* 1) Anniversary; 2) Elijah Hamilton/William H. Davis National Day; 3) Mabel C. Cooper Chorus; 4) Annie B. Bailey Memorial Service; 5) Alberta T. Beale Ratings; 6) Re-Dedication; 7) Social; 8) Time & Place; and 9) William H. Davis Honor Club.

### IV. MEMBERSHIP SERVICES AND OUTREACH

*Mission:* To promote the growth of the ICUA membership, and to develop programs to aid the membership.

*Working Units are* 1) Condolence; 2) Ritualistic Services; (Jennifer E. Parker Bailey Memorial Box) 3) Sick-Expressions; 5) Special Projects; (Arlene L. Robinson Coats & Shoe Drive; and Family & Friends Day.

### V. THELMA D. GOODWIN POLICY AND RULES

*Mission:* To develop, through research and study, policies that address the needs of the Organization; to propose programs, resolutions, and rules to address those needs; and to develop systems to monitor implementation and evaluate effectiveness.

*Working Units are* 1) Past Officers' Council 2) Presidents' and Officers' Council 3) Rules.

**ALMA COOPER HAWKINS  
PUBLIC RELATIONS  
DEPARTMENT**



Jeannette S. Riddick, Director  
Valerie V. Hall, Assistant Director

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*Jesus Calling*

Enjoying Peace in His Presence  
Sarah Young

REST IN ME, MY CHILD. This time devoted to Me is meant to be peaceful, not stressful. You don't have to perform in order to receive My Love. I have boundless, unconditional Love for you. How it grieves Me to see My children working for Love: trying harder and harder, yet never feeling good enough to be loved.

Be careful that your devotion to Me does not become another form of works. I want you to come into My Presence joyfully and confidently. You have nothing to fear, for you wear My own righteousness. Gaze into My eyes, and you will see no condemnation, only Love, and delight in the one I see. Be blessed as *My face shines radiantly upon you, giving you Peace.*

John 15:1 2 Corinthians :21 (NKJV).  
Zephaniah 3:17; Numbers 6:25-26

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THERE IS A MIGHTY BATTLE going on for control of your mind. Heaven and earth intersect in your mind; the tugs of both spheres influence your thinking. I created you with the capacity to experience foretastes of heaven. When you shut out the world and focus on My Presence, you can enjoy sitting with me *in heavenly realms*. This is an incredible privilege reserved for precious ones who belongs to Me and seek My Face. Your greatest strength is your desire to spend time communing with Me. As you concentrate on Me, *My spirit fills your mind with Life and Peace.*

The world exerts a downward pull on your thoughts. Media bombard you with greed, lust, and cynicism. When you face these things, pray for protection and discernment. Stay in continual communication with Me whenever you walk through the wastelands of this world. Refuse to worry, because this form of worldliness will weigh you down and block awareness of My Presence. Stay alert, recognizing the battle being waged against your mind. Look forward to any eternity of strife-free living, reserved for you in heaven.

Ephesians 2:6.  
Romans :6.  
1 John 2:15, 17



"Committed to Serve"

*"Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people."*

Ephesians 6:7

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Greetings Doorkeepers,

As we begin this last quarter of the year for the ICUA and this Administration, I am honored and blessed to have served YOU as the 19<sup>th</sup> President. How can I say, *"Thank You," "Appreciate You"*? I am so grateful for all of you – ICUA Doorkeepers! You have supported this Organization with such dedication. You have exhibited kindness, and love for your Usher Ministry and the ICUA. Each day I pray and give thanks to God for this amazing group of Ushers.

*"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

1 Thessalonians 5:16

Thank you to everyone who attended the 105<sup>th</sup> NUCUAA Convention in New Orleans. I think you will agree that it was a fun and spirit filled convention. What about that Welcome Program with the Mardi Gras performers and the Vicie Juran? We had fun and we attended the Business Sessions, Department Meetings, and the George T. Grier School of Ushering. The banquet honoring National President Charles J. Brown was the climax of the convention.

Congratulations to the following ICUA Members for their accomplishments at the Convention:

George T. Grier School of Ushering Master's Degree Graduates:

1. Carolyn Brown
2. Phyllis Dean Fyall
3. Michelle Henry
4. Robin Holt
5. Sylvia McGill Jones
6. Shirley Moore Mickle
7. Shirley Walker

George T. Grier School of Ushering Instructor of the Year: Jeannette S. Riddick

King and Queen Contest – First Place – Mary Samuel

Vicie Juran Pageant Contest - Second Place – Kaitlyn Perry

Penny Bucket - First Place – District of Columbia, Chair: Frances Penn

The following members for their National Positions:

- Pansy Bradley-Cooper, Chairman, Board of Directors
- Jeannette S. Riddick, Chairman, Alma Cooper Hawkins
- Phyllis Dean Fyall, Co-Chairman, A.W. Briggs Health Unit



**Continuation of National Positions:**

- Sandy Dotson, Chairman, Education
- Mae Frances Frazier, Chairman, Resolutions
- Ronald Jones, Chairman, Elections Committee
- Gloria Madden, Vice Chairman, Sargeant-At-Arms

**Young Adult Department:**

- Maya Catoe, Financial Secretary
- London Lampkin, Board Vice Chairman

**Junior and Young People's Department:**

- Setota Johnson, Financial Secretary
- Kailey Robinson, Chaplain
- Michael Dunn, Board Chair #2

The NUCUAA Task Force Group provided their detailed report to the convention delegates on "How the Pandemic has changed the way we Usher." The report with suggestions/recommendations for including a section in the George T. Grier School of Ushering Manual on Pandemic Protocols was provided to that department for further consideration.

On Sunday, September 16, 2024 the ICUA celebrated its 112<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a stellar program at Matthews Memorial Baptist Church:

- Senior Department 112 years (organized in 1912)
- Young Adult Department 56 years (organized in 1968)
- Junior and Young People's Department 98 years (organized in 1926)

The following awards were presented:

- Guardian of the Year: Cynthia Green
- Presidential Award: Nalcina Wiggins, Patrice Gross and Stacey Reaves
- Special Recognition: Maya Catoe, Young Adult President and Jeremiah Roper, Junior, and Young People's President

The Father of the ICUA, Charles W. Davis, was also recognized and presented with a plaque.

Please reserve Saturday, October 26, 2024 at Enon Baptist Church from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm for Ritualistic Training. Come out and help us form Ritual Teams. We need doorkeepers, Chaplains, and Lead Ushers as well as Speakers. If you have a desire to serve, we need you!!

Additionally, the Bylaw Committee has been working diligently reviewing our bylaws to ensure that all bylaw changes that were voted on are included and making other necessary changes. The revised bylaws will be distributed to the membership by the end of October for review. A special meeting will be held to discuss and/or clarify any questions before voting by the body.

The October 14, 2024 Business Meeting will be held at Purity Baptist Church and Urban Center, 1325 Maryland Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20001.

President Gilliam Continued

The December 9, 2024 Business Meeting will be held at First Baptist Church of Highland Park, 6801 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD 20785. This is the ICUA's Annual Business Meeting and Elections. If deemed necessary, the elections will be held virtually. Please ensure that we have your email address and cell phone numbers to receive a ballot.

An in-person Installation Program will be held on Sunday, January 12, 2024 for the new ICUA President and other officers. Further details will be provided later.

**The 112<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Program – September 16, 2024 – Matthews Memorial Baptist Church**



Interdenominational Church of Washington, Inc.

The 112<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

98th Junior Department  
56th Department

Theme: Steadfast Commitment and Faithfulness

*"The Lord, The Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,"*  
Exodus 34:6 (KJV)



Brenda Gilliam - President  
Maya Catoe - President, Young Adult Department  
Jeremiah Roper - President, Young People's Department  
Sylvia McGill Jones - Secretary, Board of Trustees  
Phyllis Dean-Fyall - Treasurer, Young Adult Department  
Elrita F. [Name] - [Role]  
Charles V. [Name] - [Role]  
Elder Alfred H. [Name] - [Role]



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Actual Advisor

## **CAMPBELL AME CHURCH**

2562 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE.

Office: 2502 Stanton Rd., SE

Washington, DC 20020

202-678-2233

Website: [www.campbellame.org](http://www.campbellame.org)

Rev. Terrance M. McKinley – Pastor



Reporter:  
Williree Jackson

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### **In-Person Services**

Church School: 9:00 a.m.

Worship - 10:00 a.m.

### **Virtual 10:00 am Worship Service**

Via: Facebook Live, [Campbellamechurch.org](http://Campbellamechurch.org) ZOOM Meeting ID# 1-886-8583-1848,  
Meeting Passcode 034810

Telephone: 301-715-8592, ID# 886-8583-1848#

Prayer Call – Wednesdays 6:00 a.m.  
605-472-5734 Access Code – 452043

### **Bible Studies**

Conference Call: 605-472-5734

Access Code: 452043

Wednesday 12:00 Noon

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Greetings Ushers and Friends!

*“This is my commandment,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.”*  
John 15:17 (KJV)

We greet you with the joy of Jesus. We are thankful that we have had new members join our congregation, and that many members are returning to enjoy the worship service in-person rather than virtually. It is our prayer that churches throughout the world will experience growth in membership.

### **All are Invited!**

#### **Thursday, October 3**

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Grief Workshop

Presenter: Reverend Frances Sparkman

Persons interested in attending, please contact Sister Williree Jackson, 301-908-1232

**Celebrate with us!**



## Campbell AME Church Continued

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157<sup>th</sup> Homecoming –

Sunday, October 27 10:00 a.m.

Theme: “157 Years Abounding in the Work of the Lord,” 1 Corinthians 15:58)

Colors: Silver and Blue

Guest Speaker: To Be Announced

The Lucille E. Dale Women’s Missionary Society Annual Day

Sunday, November 17 10:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Sister Josphine Lambert

Washington Conference Area Chairperson

Matilda Monroe Area, Women’s Missionary Society

We continue to lift prayers for the sick and shut-in  
and for those that are mourning the transition  
of loved ones.

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## CARMODY HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

6505 Seat Pleasant Drive  
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

[www.carmodyhills.org](http://www.carmodyhills.org)

Rev. Oscar L. Broadie Jr.,  
Senior Pastor

*“Rebuilding, Transforming and  
Implementing through Christ”*



Reporter:  
Bernadette M. Allen

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**Vision:** “Inspired by the Holy Spirit, to build and foster community and family relationships to experience the love and power of God.”

**Mission:** "On the road to recovery, we must stabilize, mobilize and evangelize to make disciples."

\*Virtual platform at <https://www.gotomeet.me/CHBCconnect> or dial 1-866-899-4679.  
access code 496-585-205#.

**Bible Enrichment (BE)**, Sunday 9:00 a.m. in-person (mask optional, **on hiatus** until sessions resume in September).

**Sunday Worship** 10:00 a.m. in-person (mask optional), also on YouTube

\***Bible Institute (BI)** – virtual only on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. (**on hiatus** until sessions resume in September).

Greetings Brother and Sister Ushers,

The CHBC family hopes that you had a blessed, enjoyable summer and are energized to reengage in a range of Christian fellowship activities. We welcome your participation in our **Christian Education (CE)** activities. **YAH** sessions resumed September 11, **BE** resumes October 6, and **BI** resumes October 9. Information on **CE** study material and instructors will be provided at the initial sessions.

**Upcoming Events**

**October**

5	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	3rd Annual Women's Conference (free event but registration requested for planning and the breakfast and lunch to be provided)
6	10:00 a.m.	Women's Day Worship Service

**November**

10		71 <sup>st</sup> CHBC Anniversary
20	11:30 a.m.	YAH Thanksgiving Family Feast (seniors invited, free event)

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**FAITH SHEPHERD BAPTIST CHURCH**

3233 E Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20019

Reporter:  
Frances S. Penn

**Pastor: Dr. Alton Haynes, Jr.**

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*By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.*  
Hebrews 13:15 (KJV)

The Faith Shepherd Baptist Church has returned from the summer hiatus ready to continue spreading the word of God and praising his holy name. We all need to relax at some point in our daily lives, but do not forget to make God number one in your life regardless of where we are.

We were to resume our Bible Study Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. However, due to several unforeseen hindrances to appear, we had to postpone it until September 24<sup>th</sup>. Nevertheless, we continued our prayers and love for God even through our difficult times.

Faith Shepherd will host its annual fall revival beginning October 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup>. It will be held via Zoom, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81659039034?pwd=clR0cUpPVnFERDZPSkZRNtBuMIA4QT09> at 7:00 p.m. Friday, October 4, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m. service will be held in-person at Faith Shepherd Baptist Church, 3233 E Street, SE, Washington, DC. We hope you can join us on all three days. We can assure you that your spiritual thirst will be well fed.

November 9 - Faith Shepherd Baptist Church will hold its annual Thanksgiving Basket give away. We are looking forward to distributing a minimum of 75 baskets. The baskets will contain, a turkey, green beans, sweet potatoes, macaroni, cornbread mix, rolls, etc. We are looking to be able to give joy to some families that may not be fortunate to purchase these items for their families on the very joyous day. It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Faith Shepherd Baptist wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**FIRST BAPTIST  
CHURCH OF KEN-GAR**

3922 Hampden Street  
Kensington, MD 20895

**Pastor: Rev. Norman O. Hall**



Reporter:  
Frances L. Outland

*Create in me a clean heart,  
O God; and renew a right spirit  
within me.*  
Psalms 51:10 (KJV)

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Prayer Changes Things

*"Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and  
supplication with thanksgiving  
let your requests be made known unto God."  
Philippians 4:6*

As ushers we need to stay prayed up.

**Usher's Prayer**

May I Dear Lord, in church today, fulfill my assignment in a Christ-like way.

Make me efficient in what I do, effective in what I say, understanding by the way I feel about people, and helpful in the attitude I have toward them.

Make me a co-worker with the Pastor, the church musicians, the teachers, and most of all, Lord, with Thee.

Save me from hurtful words and harmful deeds.

Make people glad they came to our church today because the spirit ministered to their needs through the sermon and prayers of the Pastor, music of the organist and singers, through the explanations of understanding teachers and through the ministry of Ushers, like me. In Christ Jesus Name. Amen

First Baptist Church of Ken-Gar is fully open and relaxing it's COVID protocols, making wearing a mask optional, however, still enforcing social distancing and using air purifiers.

**Regular Monthly Services:**

- The Food Distribution with Nourish Now is the second Wednesday of each month starting at 1:00 p.m.
- Women's Bible Study each 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 10:00 a.m.
- Men's Prayer Breakfast each 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 8:00 a.m.
- Food Pantry every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10:00 a.m. in-person

**Upcoming Activities and Services:**

- Men's Day, September 22 at 11:00 a.m. Service
- African American Alliance Health Vaccinations – October 5 at 12:00 noon- 2:00 p.m.



## First Baptist Church of Ken-Gar Continued

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- Usher's Anniversary, October 13 at 11:00 a.m. Service
- Church Anniversary, October 20 at 11:00 a.m. Service

In-person services at church and live stream at 11:00 a.m. (and for view afterward)

<https://www.facebook.com/Firstbaptistchurchofkengar>

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### **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH- RANDOLPH**

712 Randolph Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20011  
202-541-5000 (Church Office)  
**Website:** [fbcwdc.org](http://fbcwdc.org)  
**Email:** [info@fbcwdc.org](mailto:info@fbcwdc.org)



Reporter:  
Brenda J. Sellers

**Rev. Donald D. Robinson, Interim Pastor**  
**Rev. Dr. Frank D. Tucker, Pastor Emeritus:**

*"God First in These Affairs"*

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*"In your relationships with one another, have the same  
mindset as Christ Jesus:"*  
Philippians 1:5 (NIV)

Greetings Doorkeepers,

First Baptist Church Sunday Worship Services are in-person, virtual Zoom, Live, Facebook and YouTube at 10:00 a.m.

Live - <https://www.fbcwdc.org/>;

YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKybMa2WN8h1MQV9AQBRX5Q>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/fbc712/>.

Intercessory Prayer Ministry Teleconference Call

- Monday Nights 6:55 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- (857) 232-0158 Access code: 183141#

Prayer Meeting Teleconference Call ~ Scriptures, Prayers, Music, Testimonies, and Inspirational Moment

- Wednesdays at 7:00 pm
- (351) 999-4483: no access code

### **National Ushers Convention ~ July 2024**

Congratulations to our own First Baptist Church Usher Brenda J. Sellers that was inducted into the National Alumni Department at the Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana in July.

First Baptist Church – Randolph Continued

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**COMING EVENTS**

**OCTOBER**

6	10:00 a.m.	Communion and Homecoming Celebration Featuring the Recognition of the Circle Ministry And Music Ministry Presented by Our FBC Reunion Choir Guest Speaker: Overseer Delavago Scruggs Overseer of the Kingdom Alliance of Churches International
20	10:00 a.m.	Men's Day

**NOVEMBER**

5	Election Day
11	Veteran's Day
24	10:00 a.m. - First Baptist Church 161 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary
28	Happy Thanksgiving



To everyone born in the months of October and November.  
Have a Blessed Birthday!

Please continue to pray for all bereaved families, sick and shut-in and caregivers everywhere. God bless you, stay safe and healthy.

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**FIRST RISING MT. ZION  
BAPTIST CHURCH**

“86<sup>TH</sup> Years of Walking by Faith”  
602 N St. N.W.  
Washington, DC 20001  
Church Office Hours:  
Mon. – Fri. 9a.m. – 5p.m.  
202-289-4480 Office/202-289-4595 Fax  
Website: [www.fistrising.org](http://www.fistrising.org)



Reporter:  
Mary Jackson

**Pastor: Rev. Oran W. Young**

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Greeting Ushers,

God our Creator is Awesome! Autumn is showing its beautiful array of bold colors, midday the delightful temperatures and cool mornings and nights. Creatures are preparing for the change, some flying to other locations, and some hibernating. The earth is ready to yield the harvest.

First Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church Continued

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*The earth is the LORD's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.*  
Psalm 24:1 (NIV)

**FRMZ USHERS REPORTS:**

- **CONGRATULATIONS!!:** Conventioneer "QUEEN MARY SAMUEL" was crowned at the National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc. (NUCUAA) 105<sup>th</sup> National Annual Convention which was held July 26 in New Orleans, Louisiana
- Conventioneer Odessa White attended the 127<sup>th</sup> Lott Carey Annual Session, August 12-15, in Memphis, TN. For the Women' Auxiliary - Women in Service Everywhere (WISE).
- Conventioneers who attended the Mt. Bethel Baptist Association, 149<sup>th</sup> Annual Session, Women's Auxiliary, August 29, in King George, VA, were Ushers: Deaconess Ann Gilliard, Addie Watson, and Mary Jackson. Also at the session was Deacon Harold Gilliard.
- Conventioneers that attended the 144<sup>th</sup> National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., September 2-5 in Baltimore Md., were Pastor Oran Young, Ushers: Deacon Harold and Deaconess Ann Gilliard, Addie Watson, Odessa White and Mary Jackson.
- Thanks to ushers who served Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, for the church Community Day: youths Jakyra Williams and Cornell Shumate. Others. Mary Samuel, Geraldine Ford, Odessa White, Patricia Goodwin, Deacon Harold and Ann Gilliard.
- Women's Usher Board #1- Members have returned to serve in-person on Sundays since Covid.
- Thanks for faithful service by Patricia Godwin and Bobby Moss for working the Covid Protocol.

🎵 "Happy Birthday to you... Happy Birthday to you... H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y" 🎵 🍰 🎉 🎁  
To Ushers celebrating during October and November" God Bless You

**An invite to join us in Worship and Fellowship**

8:00 a.m. Sunday School for Adults (in-Person and virtual)  
9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (in-Person, Zoom and YouTube)  
Live – YouTube [www.firstrising.org](http://www.firstrising.org)

12:00 p.m. \*Sunday School-Youth, Teen, College Age, Young Adult  
(\*Call the church office for the Zoom information)

11:30 a.m. Wednesday's Prayer Service Bible Study (in-Person and Zoom)  
7:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service (Zoom)  
7:35 p.m. Bible Study (Zoom)

**FRMZ Upcoming Events**

**October:** *Serving with the Heart of God* Jeremiah 3:15

5 10:00 a.m.  
12 10:00 a.m.

Diabetes Workshop  
Career Development Ministry  
Workshop



**October Continued**

**SAVE-THE-DATE**

20	9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Noon 1:00 p.m.	<u>USHERS' ANNIVERSARY</u> Baptist Training Union (BTU) Banquet
25	7:00 p.m.	God Cares Cancer Ministry
26	10:00 a.m.	Harvest Festival
27	9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Noon 1:00 p.m.	Missionary Society Anniversary Baptist Training Union (BTU) Banquet

**November:** *In All Things, Give Thanks* 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

23	10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Community Fair & Free Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner
28	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving Day Service

Enjoy and be safe during the Holidays:

5	Election Day – VOTE!!
11	Veterans Day – Thank you for your service. May God Bless America
28	Thanksgiving Day – LORD, I am Grateful and Thankful.

**December**

25	Christmas Day – “Celebrate Our Savior Birth” Love, Joy, and Peace
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Lord, thank you for your loving kindness, your healing, your protection, and for saving us. May your touch comfort those who are Sick and Shut-in, the bereaved and the ones who are missing. Amen.

GOD IS IN CONTROL

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**FREEDOM BAPTIST CHURCH**

1519 U Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20009

**Reverend Carlos A. Younger, Pastor, MDiv**



Reporter:  
Rosie C. White

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*And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28 (NKJV)*

God is a good God; He is a great God and He can do anything but fail. We pause to say thank you God for all the many blessings that you have given us. We want to share with others just how good you have been to us.

## Freedom Baptist Church Continued

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During the month of July our National Ushers Convention was held in New Orleans, Louisiana and we were blessed to have two representatives from Freedom to attend, Sister Rosie White and Sister Jo-Ann Campbell. Also, the Progressive National Baptist Convention was held in New Orleans and our Pastor Reverend Carlos A. Younger represented us, we thank you God for granting traveling mercies and protection to all who traveled during the Summer.

We extend congratulations to all of those who were elected or appointed to a national office. We are praying for you that this year will be a prosperous one for all those positions that you are representing. We are looking forward to the next convention for the ushers, which will be held in Phoenix, Arizona and the Progressive National Baptist Convention which will be held in Chicago, Illinois.

God is blessing us to continue in-person worship services; as well as having services on **Facebook Live** and we are returning to the **Free Conference Call** in Line, which is 978-990-5000, Meeting ID is 195282.

Sunday School is every Sunday 9:30 a.m. and Weekly Prayer Call, 12:00 Noon – 12:30 p.m. are dial-in only. Every Wednesday Bible Study is held at, 6:30 PM, on Free Conference Call and Facebook Live.

Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m. each Sunday, In-Person Worship as well as on Facebook Live and Free Conference Call in Line. We welcome you to join us on any virtual platforms and certainly our in-person worship. We would be more than happy to have you.

### COMING EVENTS

#### October

- 6 Pastor Youngers 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrated at 11:00 a.m.  
Guest Preacher, Rev. Dr. Wallis C. Baxter III, Pastor  
Second Baptist Church Southwest, District Heights, MD
- 14 Columbus Day

#### November

- 3 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 5 Election Day Don't Forget to Vote!!
- 10 Freedom celebrates 61<sup>st</sup> Anniversary at 3:00 p.m.  
Guest Preacher, Rev. Kobi Robertson, Pastor  
St. Paul Institutional Baptist Church. Baltimore, MD  
Choir and Congregation
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 28 Thanksgiving Day

We the Freedom Baptist Church, Pastor and Congregation invite you our reading audience, to join us at any of our worship services. We are confident there is a blessing in store for you.

# GREATER NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

816 Eighth Street, NW  
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Bishop Melvin G. Brown - Senior Pastor  
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Office: (202) 842-1036



Reporter:  
Paulette Ellison

*"2024: Trusting GOD More in the Year 2024  
- Proverbs 3:5-6"*

Greetings!

Sending praises up as 2024 ends for the blessings bestowed each of us.

*"Don't count the days, make the days count."*

### ***Hello, October!***

***One*** of the best things you  
***Can*** do for yourself is  
***Taking*** time to learn and grow.  
***Once*** you give yourself patience  
you  
***Become*** your best friend. And the  
***Empathy***, self-kindness and  
***Resilience*** are what you need to  
grow.

### **October Events**

	Breast Cancer Awareness Month
14	COLUMBUS DAY
20	Senior Usher Board #2 Anniversary Program 11:00 a.m.
27	Annual Choir Day Celebration 11:00 a.m. Color for the month: Pink (for Breast Cancer Awareness)

### **November Events**

3	Daylight Saving Time ends (Clocks "fall back" an hour at 2:00 a.m.)
3	Senior Usher Board #1 & Junior Ushers Anniversary Celebration at 11:00 a.m.
5	ELECTION DAY (Please <b>vote!</b> )
11	VETERANS DAY
17	Flower Ministry Anniversary Program at 11:00 a.m.
24	GNHBC's 91 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary/Homecoming Celebration at 11:00 a.m.
28	THANKSGIVING DAY Colors for the month: Orange and Brown

### ***It's November***

*"Don't wait until  
the fourth Thursday in  
November, to sit with family  
and friends to give thanks.  
Make everyday a day of Thanksgiving!"  
Charmaine J. Forde*

The Missionary Ministry will be distributing Thanksgiving baskets to needy families.

Greater New Hope Baptist Church

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Happy Veterans Day to all veterans! Thanks for your service!  
Happy Thanksgiving Day to everyone! Enjoy family and friends!

***December Says***

“The giving of gifts is not something  
man  
invented. God started the giving spree  
when He gave a gift beyond words,  
the unspeakable gift of His Son.”  
*Robert Flatt*

**December Events**

15	Sunday Church School Anniversary Celebration Program at 11:00 a.m.
24	CHRISTMAS EVE
25	CHRISTMAS DAY
31	NEW YEAR'S EVE
31	Watchnight Service @ 10:00 pm

Colors for the month: Red and Green

Enjoy this holiday season!

The Missionary Ministry will be distributing gifts of toys, coats, and other clothing to homeless and needy families as well as food baskets for the Christmas holiday.

The Women's Ministry will be giving gift baskets of toiletries and goodies to the homeless/needy community during the Missionary Ministry's December luncheon.

Our GNHBC family welcomes everyone to our "Ongoing Church Events"!

- Sunday Church School – Sundays - 9:15 a.m.
- Sunday Morning Service - 11:00 a.m.
- Holy Communion – Second Sunday following morning service
- Believer's Prayer and Christ Disciples Bible Study. Tuesdays 6:30 p.m.
- Come study the Book of Luke, taught by Pastor Brown.
- Homeless/Needy Luncheon – Second Tuesday of each month, 12 Noon -2:00 p.m.
- Sponsored by the Missionary Ministry.

Happy Birthday to those who were born in October, November, and December!

Please continue to pray for the sick, shut-ins and bereaved families.

May God continue to bless!

Don't forget to spread "LOVE" and "JOY" as Vice President Kamala Harris suggests.



## **LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Washington, DC 20003  
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Email: [libertybaptistchurchdc.org](mailto:libertybaptistchurchdc.org)



Reporters:  
Evelyn Clark  
Clarice T. Allen

### **Rev. Eric Abraham Pastor**

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Greetings Fellow Ushers and Friends,

In two short months, we at Liberty Baptist Church will be celebrating our 155<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary and Rev. Eric T. Abraham's 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary as our Pastor. Liberty was founded in 1869 in the Foggy Bottom area of N.W. by a small group of Christians meeting in homes led by Rev. Edward Willis. Rev. Willis was a former slave as were many of the congregants. Rev. Willis became Liberty's first Pastor.

Rev. Abraham came to Liberty from The Word of God Baptist Church where he served as Assistant Pastor to Rev. John McCoy for 17 years. He is also a practicing attorney. Rev. Abraham is Liberty's 9<sup>th</sup> Pastor.

Rev. Abraham is making a great impact. He firmly believes in the power of unity in the church, and has preached a series of sermons on this subject. Rev. Abraham is also ensuring that our members have a strong foundation in biblical principals and is addressing these principals during our Bible Study sessions weekly and some Sunday School classes. He has also introduced corporate prayer during our prayer meetings and encourages those in attendance to pray for specific members and church goals each week during our services. Rev. Abraham also asks our members to use the first hour of each day to pray and read/study our bibles. Liberty has experienced increases in our membership under Rev. Abraham and we praise God for this!

Please join us on November 17<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate our great church and our dynamic pastor. The morning worship service will be at 11:00 a.m. and Rev. Alfred Wright, Pastor of Saint Phillips Baptist Church will be the guest preacher. The afternoon Anniversary Banquet will be held at 3:00 p.m. at The Word of God Baptist Church. The guest preacher will be Rev. John McCoy of The Word of God Baptist Church. The Worship Leader will be Rev. L. K. Floyd of Heart Changers Baptist Church.

We will be celebrating Women's Day on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Cynthia Rioland will be render the sermon. Rev. Rioland is the First Lady and Executive Minister at Paramount Baptist Church in S.E. We always look forward to fellowshiping with Rev. Rioland. Her energy, humor, and insight always bring greater understanding of how we can apply biblical principles to everyday life applications.

Liberty will host The Sunday School Fellowship on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. It will be a virtual fellowship using Zoom. The Expositor will be one of Liberty's Associate Ministers, Rev. Dr. Eric Cooper. The Lesson is entitled, "Songs of the Old Testament Dinnertime". The scriptural reference is Isaiah 25:1-10. We invite everyone to join us for this service. If you are not familiar with the Sunday School Fellowship, it is composed of a large cluster of churches whose members fellowship together monthly to discuss the upcoming Sunday School lesson. Each month, one of the churches in the cluster serves as host and selects someone to lead the discussion of the lesson. Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, everyone met at the host church but we have been virtual since the sessions resumed during the pandemic. Attendance is not limited to the churches in the cluster. All are welcome to participate in the fellowship.

## Liberty Baptist Church Continued

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### Upcoming Events:

#### October

6	11:00 a.m.	Women's Day
18	7:00 p.m.	Sunday School Fellowship (Host)

#### November

17	11:00 a.m.	155 <sup>th</sup> Church Anniversaary and 1 <sup>st</sup> Pastor's Anniversary
	3:00 p.m.	155 <sup>th</sup> Church and 1 <sup>st</sup> Pastor's Anniversary Banquet

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## MOUNT CARMEL BAPTIST CHURCH

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Reporter:  
Brenda Payne Durrington

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### *What's Happening at MCBC*

Interim Pastor Albert Gallmon Jr. and his wife Wilma continue to be a blessing to the congregation. Their positive vibes and encouragement are forever present. Our Pastoral Search Committee is moving forward, and the pastoral position is now advertised. All semi-finalists will be interviewed in person. Next, finalists will come to the church to preach at our Sunday Divine Worship Service and present a lesson at the Tuesday Bible Study. Since our 2024 Theme is "The Year of Miracles", we are devoting this year to praying for belief in miracles. Our members truly feel and express their commitment to achieving many successful ventures. Many believe that we are heading down the right path to better times.

The Honorable Arlene L. Robinson Scholarship Fund (HALRSF) awarded \$40,000 to eight 2024 Continuing Scholars. \$5,000 was sent directly to their college or university. Judge Robinson was an active usher for many years in her church, MCBC, and our usher organizations, ICUA, and NUCUAA. Two of the scholars are members of the MCBC Junior Usher Board, one a former member, and the others attended area churches and high schools. The HALRSF Committee and the church membership expressed joy and blessings for their continued success.

Just before you enter the MCBC Sanctuary you pass through an area we call our patio. Usher Cynthia Johnson and Deaconess Emma Govan prepared plots of land and the wall areas for displaying and growing plants and flowers. The project beautifying the area was successful. The newly designed area was named the Music Memorial Plaza in honor of MCBC musicians and their legacies. Malcolm Taylor, one of the honorees, and an usher, was also well-known and prominent in the history of the ICUA Music Department.



Mount Carmel Baptist Continued

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**MCBC MEMBER GUIDE Information on Accessing our Virtual Services**

**Virtual Divine Worship Service** - Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. (EDT) Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/91640469292?pwd=RFpBT2ZhQkVyc0xyYcm44WmZOaUdwUT09>

Meeting ID: 916 4046 9292 Passcode: 901 Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 916 4046 9292

**Bible Study** - Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. (EDT) Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93751051042?pwd=c09DZHRXWGFaMFFSci9Na2lOUSS4QT09>

Meeting ID: 937 5105 1042 Passcode: Bible Dial in by telephone +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 937 5105 1042

**Devotions via Free Conference Call** – Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7:45 a.m.

1-978-990-5332,

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**MOUNT. LEBANON BAPTIST  
CHURCH**

1219 New Jersey Avenue, NW.  
Washington, DC 20001-1225

**Reverend H. Lionel Edmonds**



Reporter:  
Karen Braxton

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Greetings Door Keepers,

*<sup>6</sup> So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while. <sup>7</sup> These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world.*

1 Peter 1:6-7 (NLT)

Intercessory Prayer takes place on Sundays between 10:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. No service, just prayer! Take your burdens to the Lord and leave them there! Prayer Changes Things!

**PLEASE NOTE:** 11:00 a.m. MLBC Facebook Live Service is available. Please click the **NEW** link below to join MLBC's Webinar:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82314639834>

Dial 1-301-715-8592

Webinar ID: 823 1463 9834##

**Weekly Teleconference Schedule – Please Call: 1-774-220-4000 Passcode: 3519088**

Tuesday – Church School Class at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday – Pastor Bible Study and Prayer service at 7:00 p.m.



## Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church

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The Church's 125<sup>th</sup> and Pastor's 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversaries will be celebrated on Sunday, November 3, 2024. Worship Service will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Church, followed by a 4:00 p.m. Celebratory Dinner at Martin's Crosswinds, 7400 Greenway Center Drive, Greenbelt, MD 20770. The colors are Green and Gold. Our guest speaker is Reverend Dr. Robin A. Toogood, II, Pastor of Purity Baptist Church and Urban Center, Washington, DC, and he serves as the President of the Missionary Baptist Ministers' Conference of Washington, D.C. & Vicinity. The guest psalmist is Pastor DeCarlo Coley of Kent Baptist Church and his group, The Soul Messengers. The attire is semi-formal.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our October and November celebrants!

May God bless you on **YOUR** special day!

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## MOUNT MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH

1636 East Capitol Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20003

Web Site: [www.mountmoriahchurch.org](http://www.mountmoriahchurch.org)



Reporter:  
Christine D. Stewart

**Senior Pastor: Dr. Lucius M. Dalton**

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### ***“BE FILLED WITH THANKFULNESS”***

*Let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God,  
that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.*

Hebrews 13:15

Throughout history, many cultures have set aside a time for expressing their thankfulness. In the United States Thanksgiving Day originated with pilgrims. In the midst of extreme hardship, loss of loved ones, and meager supplies they believed they were blessed. They chose to celebrate God's blessing by sharing a meal with Native Americans who had helped them survive.

We know we've lost the spirit of the original celebration when we catch ourselves complaining that our Thanksgiving Day has been "spoiled" by bad weather, disappointing food, or a bad cold. It's we who are spoiled---spoiled by the very blessings that should make every day a day of thanksgiving, whatever our circumstances.

When you make that list of things to be thankful for don't just remember all the good things and good times, remember the difficult things also. Our Lord clearly reveals in His Word that we are to be thankful and grateful for all things. In order for our patience to grow, we need problems, pain, and suffering. God is there to comfort you in all things.

Hello Ushers:



How are you celebrating "Thanksgiving"? It is a time to be thankful for everyday and everything, share time and all that great food with family and friends. Also share with someone who may not have as much as you, or that sick and shut in. As a matter of fact, we could do this all year round.

## Mount Moriah Baptist Church Continued

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You are invited to all services as follow:

**Sunday Worship Service** --Join us at 10:00 a.m. online and in-person; (mask requirement lifted, your choice) online only at 12:30 p.m.: <https://www.facebook.com/MTMORIAHDC/>; [www.mountmoriahchurch.org](http://www.mountmoriahchurch.org) or YouTube: [www.youtube.com/mmbcdc](http://www.youtube.com/mmbcdc). 10:00 a.m. only:  
Dial: 1-301-715-8592 ID 955 8914 1346 code 893579.

**Sunday Church School** - 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. via zoom and in-person---three classes—Adult Class meet in the sanctuary; Women’s Class meet in the Prayer Room and Men’s Class meet in the Deacons Room.

**Holy Communion Service** First Sunday of each month in-person.

### **Children & Youth Church**

Every Sunday, 10:00 a.m. in-person and 12:00 noon on-line, led by our Youth Minister and the Children’s Ministry Team. Ages 5-12 years only. They will learn Bible basics and learn how to apply Biblical principles to everyday life.

### **Let’s Pray and Study Together**

Prayer and Praise every Tuesday dial-in at Noon; soon back in-person.

Bible Study Tuesdays 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Both Dial In: 1-310-715-8592 Enter ID: 895 8511 9064 Passcode: 266490

**Prayer line:** Monday through Friday at 6:00 a.m. to 6:15 a.m. dial: 1-605-475-4000 code-286273#

**Food Bank:** The 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**The Walk of Faith:** Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** To be Held in conjunction with 10:00 a.m. service or as stated:

139<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Lunch---- October 26<sup>th</sup> 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.

Special Guest - Dr. Lloyd T. McGriff - Galilee Baptist Church  
Suitland, MD

139<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Celebration-----Sunday October 27<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m.

Veterans Day Celebration----- November 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m.

Combined Ushers Anniversary----- November 17<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. The Ministry will be setting and marching in promptly at 10:00am, please join us for a spirit-filled program.

Thanksgiving Church School Program ---- November 24<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.

Annual Angel Tree Program---- December 22<sup>nd</sup> 12 noon - Come out and celebrate with us and bring a gift for an Angel.

## Mount Moriah Baptist Church Continued

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*Please remember the sick and shut-in and the bereaved,  
if you cannot visit,  
just a call or a card could do so much for that person(s) spirits.*

Happy Holiday to Each and Every one,  
Enjoy The Day and Your Families

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### **MOUNT PLEASANT BAPTIST CHURCH**

215 Rhode Avenue, NW

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Terry D. Streeter

*It is good to give thanks unto the Lord,  
and sing praises unto thy name, O,  
Most High*

Psalm 92:1 (KJV)



Reporter:  
Anna M. Rowe

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*"O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy  
Endureth forever."*  
Psalm 107:1

Greetings Fellow Ushers and Friends,

October brings about many changes and opportunities for reflections and to identify areas for improvement.

Here are some things to consider:

1. Have you done your daily, quarterly, or yearly self-reflections?
2. What conclusions have you reached?

Congratulations to all the ICUA Honorees.

1. Special congratulations to Mary Samuel of First Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church, for winning first place in the King and Queen contest.
2. Second place to Miss Kaitlyn Perry in the Vicie Juran Pageant Contest.
3. District of Columbia also won first place in the Penny Bucket contest.

Special congratulations to The George T. Grier School of Ushering Master's Program graduates.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **October**

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| 19 | 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.<br>Nurses Health Breakfast        |
| 31 | 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Harvest Fest— "fun time for all" |

## Mount Pleasant Baptist Church Continued

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### November

1 through 3	35 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rev. Terry D. Streeter
4	11:00 a.m. World Day of Prayer
17	9:00 a.m.
22	Men's Day 7:00 p.m. Sunday School Fellowship
28	9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Service

Happy Birthday to those born in October and November.  
Please call the Church Office for any other information. {202} 332-5748

Peace and Blessings.  
Continue to pray for Mount. Pleasant Baptist Church,  
the sick and shut-ins and bereaved families.

Happy Birthday to those born in July, August, and September.

Please call the Church Office for any information you might need [202] 332-5748.

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### NEW REDEEMER BAPTIST CHURCH

5714 Georgia Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20011

**Reverend Roman D'Andre Gray**  
Pastor



Reporters:  
Latravetta M. Lee  
Melinda H. Wilkins

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Greetings Doorkeepers in the House of God,

New Redeemer Sunday School meets every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Come join us in person or on our Conference line 605-313-4288. Access Code 4128293#. Sunday morning worship service starts at 10:50 a.m. Join us in-person or via Facebook or

<https://youtube.com/@newredeembaptistchurch?si=q-RmnVb3-SVh9S0S>.

Join us for Virtual Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. as we continue our study, "*Advancing Through Adversity*". Join via Zoom. (Zoom ID: 927 275 9234 Passcode: xZ5ny6) (Zoom call in 301-715-8592) or Conference Call 605-313-4288 Access Code: 4128203#. Our new study starting in October is titled "*Discovering Your Identity*."

Come join New Redeemer on the prayer line every Friday morning at 6:30 a.m. Join us on our Conference call: (605-313-4288 Access Code 4128293#).

## New Redeemer Baptist Church Continued

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- Youth fellowship begins on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in September and each following month from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.
- Men Cave fellowship meet every first Saturday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

New Redeemer celebrated Pastor Roman D. Gray's 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary on September 22. There were two services that day.

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## PROMISED LAND BAPTIST CHURCH

401 Van Buren Street, NW  
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(202) 882-8331



Reporter:  
Tylene Harrell

*God has given each of us a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.*  
1 Peter 4:10

**Reverend Kevin A. O'Bryant**

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### Pastor Appreciation

In 1 Timothy 5:17, Paul encourages us to give “double honor” to those who preach and teach. Certainly, our pastors who so willingly serve and shepherd their congregations are worthy of appreciation. But when we show honor, it is not only the pastor who is blessed — the church congregation is blessed, too.



Promised Land Baptist Church (PLBC) is proud to announce that the School of the Great Commission and International Bible Institute conferred a Doctorate (honoris causa) in Christian Leadership on Pastor Kevin A. O'Bryant. The Ceremony took place at Temple of Deliverance – Dover, Delaware on August 17.

And to our own Lady E – Lady Erica O'Bryant, we love and appreciate the countless ways you serve behind the scenes, we are immensely grateful. Your unwavering faith uplifts us. Thanks for being our pastor's rock and ours too.

Promised Land Baptist Church extends an invitation to you to join us in worship Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> as we honor the uplifting leadership of Rev. Kevin A. O'Bryant and Lady E.

### Homecoming

October is a call to come home. Come, let us return to the Lord. The doors of the church are open. Step in, let's worship side by side, where hearts unite, no need to hide. Hands raised high; hearts full of glee, In His presence, we're truly free. With Holy Spirit's fire, we ignite, singing praises, our souls take flight. In this place of worship, we find, a connection deep, of one heart and mind. Welcome to the place where we adore, entering worship, hearts craving more. Hands lifted, spirits set aglow, in His presence, His love we know. Join us, Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> for our 2024 Homecoming Celebration.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Pastor Appreciation Month

October 13, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Appreciation Sunday & Graduation Celebration honoring Rev. Kevin A. O'Bryant

### Homecoming Celebration

October 20th | 10:30 a.m.

Guest Preacher: Rev. Thomas J. Horne, Senior Pastor

Rockhill Missionary Baptist Church – North Carolina

### Men's Day

November 10th | 10:30 a.m.

### PLBC IN Weekly Prayer and Bible Study

Dial in 301-715-8592 Meeting ID 2028828331

### Fall Bible Study Session

September 18 – October 2 | Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Classes will be held virtually using Zoom:

Dial in +1 646 558 8656 Meeting ID: 2028828331, Password 202-882-8331

or use the Zoom app

<https://zoom.us/j/2028828331> Password: 202-882-8331

### Every Wednesday at 6:30 a.m.

Power of Prayer Call

### Every Thursday at 12:00 p.m.

Noon Day Prayer Call

### Contact us at Promised Land Baptist Church

[churchclerk@thepbbc.org](mailto:churchclerk@thepbbc.org) or call 202-882-8331

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## SAINT MARK'S BAPTIST CHURCH

624 Underwood Street, NW

Washington, DC 20011

(202) 726-7712

Website: [www.smbcwdc.org](http://www.smbcwdc.org)

Email: [info@smbcwdc.org](mailto:info@smbcwdc.org)



Reporter:  
Mary Duarte

**Dr. Raymond T. Matthews, Pastor**

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*"Whosoever walketh uprightly shall be saved:  
but he that is perverse in his ways shall fall at once."*

Proverbs 28:18 (KJV)

I hope that everyone had a safe and restful summer.

On Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> St. Mark's will be celebrating their 43<sup>rd</sup> Choir Day. Also on that day we will be honoring Sister Louise Agee who has retired as being the Choir Director for a number of years.

The first Sunday in November we will celebrate Pastor Matthews 24<sup>th</sup> year.

The fourth Sunday will be Men's Day.

Happy Birthday to all who have birthdays in October and November.

### ORDER OF SERVICE:

- Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.
- Church Service – Holy Communion – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday
- Wednesday Noon Day Prayer – 12:00 p.m. on the conference line, 563-999-5190
- Thursday Night Prayer – 7:00 p.m. on the conference line, 563-999-5190
- Bible Study - 10:00 a.m. Saturdays also on the conference line and Facebook

*"His work is honorable and glorious:  
and his righteousness endureth forever."*

Psalm 111:3 (KJV)



## TABERNACLE BAPTIST ASSEMBLY

1900 Tucker Road,  
Fort Washington, Maryland 20744-3511

**Rev. Dr. Larry Phillip McCray**  
**Organizing Pastor**

8787 Branch Avenue, Box 38  
Clinton, MD 20735-2630

[insidethetabernacle@aol.com](mailto:insidethetabernacle@aol.com)

[www.facebook.com/inthetabernacle777](http://www.facebook.com/inthetabernacle777)



Reporter:  
Ulysses Sherman Price

*The heavens declare the glory of God;  
and the firmament sheweth his handiwork.*  
Psalms 19:1 (KJV)

**Masks are optional at all Services**

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

*"Pastor Appreciation Month"* Theme for October

#### October

- |    |   |
|----|---|
| 18 | 7:00 p.m. Church Pre-Anniversary<br>Guest: Bishop Lanier C. Twyman, Sr., Officers, Choir's Members and Members<br>of St Stephens Baptist Church |
| 20 | 9:00 a.m. Worship Service - 4 <sup>TH</sup> Anniversary   |

#### November

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| 11 | 11:00 a.m. Annual Virtual Veteran's Day Commemoration<br>Veterans are invited to join us on Zoom |
| 27 | 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service. Join us as we celebrate<br>in-person                 |

*"Hope Is Born"* Theme for December

#### December

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|----|--|
| 20 | 6:00 p.m. Holiday Concert/Musical. You are cordially invited to fellowship<br>with us during our Musical Concert in-person   |
| 25 | 9:00 a.m. Christmas Morning Virtual Family Moment. Please join on<br>Zoom  |
| 31 | 6:00 p.m. New Year's Watch Night Service - thanking God for what He has<br>done for us and what is to come in the future in sermon, songs, testifying and<br>prayers |

Good morning God (Prayer Time) with Rev. Dr. Larry Phillip McCray Pastor, each Monday morning from 7:00 a.m. until 7:15 a.m.

Pray without ceasing and meet us at the altar with Rev. Dr. Larry Phillip McCray Pastor, each Monday evening at 8:00 p.m.



## Tabernacle Baptist Assembly Continued

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SOUL FUEL (Bible Study) with Rev. Dr. Larry Phillip McCray Pastor, each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m.

Growing in God (GIG) (Sunday School) with various teachers, each Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8117586510?pwd=VDJZTG1DZDVVVHNocnpVQ0hkK202Zz09>

Meeting ID: 811 758 6510 / Passcode: 923771

1-301-715-8592 US (Washington DC),

1-312-626-6799 US (Chicago),

1-646-558-8656 US (New York)

1-253-215-8782 US (Tacoma),

1-346-248-7799 US (Houston),

1-669-900-9128 US (San Jose)

Ways of giving are Zelle Transfers, GIVELIFY, PayPal if you want to be a blessing to Tabernacle Baptist Assembly.

To give a love offering to Rev. Dr. Larry Phillip McCray, cash app: \$LPMcCray.

Transfers or mail to Tabernacle Baptist Assembly, 8787 Branch Avenue, Box 38 Clinton, MD 20735-2630.

Happy Birthday to all who are celebrating a birthday  
during the months of October, November, and December.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year to all.

Please pray along with us for all the sick & shut-in and bereaved around the world.

For all services above all are cordially invited to attend these joyous occasions and please bring a friend.



## TENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

1000 R Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20001

**Pastor:**  
**Rev. A. Michael Charles Durant**



Reporter:  
Elizabeth Wright

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Greeting Ushers and Friends!

Pastor Durant and the TSBC membership invites you to worship with us.

### **ORDER OF SERVICE:**

Sunday School 8:45 a.m.

Church Service 10:00 a.m.

Baptism Second Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Holy Communion Third Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting 646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 641 296 554#

Passcode: 20001

**Theme:** *MOVING FORWARD IN CHRIST*

*18 Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.*

*19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth;  
shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness,  
and rivers in the desert.*

Isaiah 43:18-19 (KJV)

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### **OCTOBER**

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. (In-person TSBC)

6<sup>th</sup> 141<sup>st</sup> Church Anniversary and Homecoming 10:00 a.m.

12<sup>th</sup> Usher Board No. 2 Fall Giveaway 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

18<sup>th</sup> Book Club Meeting

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday School Anniversary 10:00 a.m.

31<sup>st</sup> Harvest Night

#### **NOVEMBER**

3<sup>rd</sup> Pastor Aid Ministry Annual Day 10:00 a.m.

5<sup>th</sup> Election Day

10<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's Day 10:00 am

11<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day

28<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving



## Tenth Street Baptist Church Continued

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### DECEMBER

20<sup>th</sup> Book Club Meeting  
21<sup>st</sup> Usher Board No. 2 to Sight and Sound  
25<sup>th</sup> Christmas

We wish Happy Veteran's Day to all veterans, thank you for your service.

The USHERS and TSBC membership wish everyone Happy Thanksgiving. May God continue to bless and keep you.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to everyone who will be celebrating a birthday  
in the months of October, November, and December.

Please continue to pray for the sick, shut-in and the bereaved; a card or phone call would be appreciated.

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### THE NEW MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

[www.tnmbc.org](http://www.tnmbc.org)

4115 Alabama Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20019

**Patrick J. Walker, Senior Pastor**

*Consider One Another*  
Philippians 2:3b-4



Reporter  
Maria S. Holliday



*Sunday Worship: 8:00 am and 10:00 a.m. (Both services in person; Virtual 10:00 a.m. only)*

Online [www.tnmbc.org](http://www.tnmbc.org) and YouTube

*Wednesdays in the Word: Every Wednesday-7:00 p.m. (Virtual via Zoom)*

*Pop-Up GRAB a BAG!!!*

Weekly Food Distribution

Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. TNMBC Satellite Lot

*Kid's Connect-Children's Sunday School*

Sundays 10:00 a.m. Lower level

*Awana Clubs Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.*

God's Word, Game Circle and Great time of Connecting.

Toddlers to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

***Congratulations!***  
***Pastor Patrick J. Walker***  
***Celebrating 21 years***



*Every sermon you give, every life you touch,  
it all matters. Thank you for shepherding us with love and  
courage!*

**Upcoming Events**

**October**

- |            |   |
|------------|---|
| 6          | 6:00 p.m. - Lord's Supper Service                 |
| Tuesdays   | 7:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study                   |
| Wednesdays | 7:00 p.m. - Teen Bible Study                      |
|            | 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. - Wednesdays in the Word |
| 31         | Harvest Fest 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Satellite Lot |
| Saturdays  | 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. - Men's Boot Camp          |

**November**

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|----------|---|
| 3        | 6:00 p.m. - Lord's Supper Service                       |
| Tuesdays | 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - Zumba by Britt                 |
| 9        | 7:00 a.m. - Student Life Retreat at Camp Joy El         |
| 22       | 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. - Women's Ministry-Friendsgiving |
| 28       | 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. - Thanksgiving Day Service      |

*Birthday Blessings*

**October** Gayle Cooper and Margaret Salter

**November** Naomi Broady-Gilliam, Mary Dicks, Brenda Fisher, and Donna Williams

***Remember Our Veterans***

"Thank you for bravely doing what you were called to do so we can safely do what we're free to do."

***Happy Thanksgiving!***

May your feasts be plentiful and your blessings abundant by the grace of God.

# TRINIDAD BAPTIST CHURCH

6611 Walker Mill Road  
Capitol Heights, MD 20743  
[www.tbcwdc.org](http://www.tbcwdc.org)



Reporter:  
Brenda McQueen-Funderburk

Rev. Justin T. Rhodes, Senior Pastor

*Honoring Christ with Excellence*  
1 Peter 4:11 (NIV)

Greetings Fellow Ushers and Friends:

*And whatever you do, whether in word or deed  
do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus,  
giving thanks to God our Father through him*  
Colossians 3:17 (NIV)

We invite you to join us on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. morning worship service for the Junior Ushers, Senior Ushers. and Nurses Ministries of Trinidad Baptist Church 17<sup>th</sup> Combined Anniversary. **Theme:** "Fully committed, moving forward for the work of the Lord." Psalm 37:5 and Psalm 111: 2-4. We are looking forward to an exciting and spirit-filled celebration. Please come out and praise the lord with us. After the morning service, we will be serving Refreshments.



**Happy Birthday!**

**Rev. Dr. John T. Rhodes, Pastor Emeritus**

## Month of October Events

1	7:00 p.m.	Baptismal Service – Sanctuary
2	7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.	Pastor’s Bible Class – Virtual and Zoom
6	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship – Sanctuary and Virtual
9	7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.	Pastor’s Bible Class – Virtual and Zoom
13	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship – Sanctuary and Virtual
14		<b>COLUMBUS DAY</b>
13	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship
		<b>RAY OF HOPE MINISTRY PROGRAM</b>
21, 22, and 23	7:00 p.m.	<b>REVIVAL</b> Trinidad Baptist Church
27	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship - <b>JOHN T. RHODES</b>
		<b>MISSIONARY MINISTRY ANNUAL DAY</b> – Sanctuary and Virtual
29	7:00 p.m.	Baptismal Service
30	7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. -	Pastor’s Bible Class – Virtual and Zoom

## Month of NOVEMBER Events

3	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship – Sanctuary and Virtual
5	7:00 p.m.	Baptismal Service - Sanctuary
6	7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.	Pastor’s Bible Class – Virtual and Zoom
10	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship
		<b>17<sup>th</sup> COMBINED USHERS AND NURSES ANNIVERSARY</b>



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11		<b>Veterans Day</b>
13	7:00 p.m. to -8:15 p.m.	Pastor's Bible Class – Virtual and Zoom
17	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship – Sanctuary and Virtual
20	7:00 p.m.	Sunday on Wednesday (SOW) Worship
22	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Diaconate and Missionary Ministries – Fellowship Hall
24	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Sanctuary and Virtual

Please remember to pray for our sick and shut in and bereaved families.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to all celebrating in the Months of October and November.





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*“Trustees Working Together”*  
*Romans 8:28*

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES January 8, 2024

### Dear Fellow Ushers

The ICUA headquarters needs repairs and maintenance. Over the last 18 months several expensive repairs were completed at our headquarters. All these repairs were unscheduled and done on an emergency basis. These repairs included the installation of a sump pump and water proofing of the kitchen. Most recently emergency repairs were done on the roof flashing to prevent leaking into the attached apartment building. These repairs depleted our Building Maintenance Fund and some of the costs were paid for from the operations funding of the parent body. Repairs are still needed in the basement as well as on the stone facade on the rear of the building.

To replenish the building maintenance fund and replace the monies used from the operating account, the Board of Trustees is initiating a pledge campaign to raise the needed funds. The goal for the pledge campaign is \$20,000.00. We're asking each member to make a pledge to repair and maintain the ICUA Headquarters. **ALL** donations are welcome – NO amount is too small! This Pledge fundraising project will commence on January 8, 2024.

### Pledge Categories and Denominations

Gold Donors	\$300.00+
Silver Donors	\$200.00+
Bronze Donors	\$100.00+
Donor	\$1 - \$99

### **How to Pledge**

All pledging members will complete a “pledge sheet” (see attached) and submit it along with your check to the ICUA headquarters (1923 16<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Washington DC 20009), attention, Budget and Finance. In the memo section of the check, please write “Headquarters Repairs”. Those paying their pledges via Givelify please remember to include the processing fees of 2.9% + \$0.30, may send either a hard copy pledge form to ICUA headquarters or via email to: [cnbrown11@msn.com](mailto:cnbrown11@msn.com). The fundraising committee will track pledges bi-weekly.

Thank you for helping us maintain the Headquarters of the ICUA of Washington DC & Vicinity, Inc.

Respectfully,

*Sylvia McGill Jones*, Chairman  
Board of Trustees

Building Maintenance  
Vice Chairman Eric J. Kirby  
Trustee Clarence Dillahunt, Sr.  
Trustee Ulysses Sherman Price

“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God.”

**Romans 8:28**





# ICUA Pledge Form

## Headquarters Repairs

### Donor Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Church Name & Address \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Pledge Information

I pledge a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid      now       monthly

I plan to make this contribution by      check       Givelify

### DONOR Categories and Denominations

Gold Donor @ \$300 (Givelify \$309.00)

Silver Donor @ \$200 (Givelify \$206.10)

Bronze Donor @ \$100 (Givelify \$103.20)

Donor @ \$50 (Givelify \$51.75)

Donor @ \$25 (Givelify \$26.03)

Donor @ \$1 - \$24 (checks or cash only)

Pledges made by check: Mail completed pledge form and check to  
ICUA, Attn: Budget and Finance, 1923 16th St. N.W., Washington, DC 20009.

(include "headquarters Repairs" in the memo section of the check)

Pledges made via Givelify: Email completed pledge form and Givelify receipt to:  
[cnbrown11@msn.com](mailto:cnbrown11@msn.com).

Thank you for your generous support!



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**I.C.U.A. JUNE D. MAY BUILDING FUND WORKING UNIT  
PLEDGE FORM**

1. I pledge my support to the building fund project. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
2. I have made a pledge; but plan to contribute more. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
3. I have done my best; but will encourage others to pledge.

Suggested payment plans: Please check one.

- (1) Ten months: \$10 per month for 10 months, \$100 \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Partial Pledges - 10 months
- \$5.00 per month - \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_
- \$4.00 per month - \$40.00 \_\_\_\_\_
- \$2.00 per month - \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_
- \$1.00 per month - \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to ICUA Building Fund, please complete and return the form to any member or mail to the ICUA Headquarters, ATTN: BUILDING FUND, 1923 - 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009

**NOTE:** The pledge can be in your name, your Usher Board, your Church or "In Memory" of a loved one.

*Trust in the Lord with all thine heart;  
and lean not unto thine own understanding.  
In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths.  
Proverbs 3:5-6*



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## **DEPARTMENTAL MEETINGS**

### **First Saturdays:**

12:15 p.m. Christine M. Green Women's Day Meeting  
1:30 p.m. Alma Cooper Hawkins Public Relations  
2:30 p.m. Membership Services & Outreach Department

### **First Tuesdays**

7:00 p.m. Events Department

### **First Thursday**

7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting

### **Second Mondays**

7:00 p.m. ICUA Business Meetings

### **Third Mondays**

8:00 p.m. ICUA Prayer Call

### **First Wednesdays**

7:00 p.m. Randy L. Perrin Men's Day Committee

### **Third Wednesdays**

7:00 p.m. Young Adult Department

### **Fourth Mondays**

6:00 p.m. Interchange bi-monthly Catherine E. Mills School of Ushering and Alumni Working Unit  
7:00 p.m. Education and Scholarship Department

### **Fourth Saturdays**

5:00 p.m. Junior and Young People's Department





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### **PRAYER CALL INFORMATION:**

You may invite any member of the ICUA family, your Pastors, or other members of your churches to pray on your assigned Prayer Call night.

Seven (7) people as prayer warriors. We need from each of those warriors their email addresses and phone numbers. This information is for our Zoom master.

Assistance if necessary. Chaplain Charles Davis (202) 526-1115.

### **Proposed Assignments:**

- October 2024 - Budget and Finance Dept.
- November 2024 - Randy M. Perrin Men's Day Comm.
- December 2024 - Alma Cooper Hawkins Public Relations
- January 2025 - Nominating Committee
- February 2025 - Building Fund
- March 2025 - Honorary Presidents
- April 2025 - Education and Scholarship Dept.
- May 2025 - Events Dept.
- June 2025 - MSOD
- July 2025 - Juniors and Young People's Dept.
- August 2025 - Vacation
- September 2025 - Policy and Rules Dept.
- October 2025 - Christine M. Green Women's Day Comm.
- November 2025 - Young Adults Dept.
- December 2025 - Transportation and Housing Dept.
- January 2026 - Junior and Young People's Dept.
- February 2026 - Board of Trustees



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## *Nominating Committee*

*Praise ye the Lord, Praise God in his sanctuary:  
praise him in the firmament of his power.*

Psalm 150:1 KV

First, the Nominating Committee would like to thank the outgoing administration for their outstanding leadership for the last four years, January 1, 2020 to December 12, 2024. You have served in a very spiritual and professional climate in this organization. If we had ten thousand tongues, we cannot thank you enough.

It is very exciting for the Nominating Committee to assist the incoming administration with staffing their positions as they take the reign on January 1, 2025.

We want to wish each member, their families, and friends, a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Respectful Submitted,  
Frances S. Penn, Chairman  
Cynthia Allen, Vice Chairman  
Diane Fagan-Robinson, Recording Secretary  
Gloria Madden, Correspondence Secretary  
Melinda H. Wilkins, Chaplain  
Onetia Evans, Advisor



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**JOIN THE  
RITUALISTIC TEAM**



**HOLD THE DATE**

**October 26, 2024**

**10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Enon Baptist Church**

**5200 Temple Hill Rd.**

**Temple Hills, MD 20748**

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE RITUALISTIC MEMBERSHIP  
REGISTRATION FORM AND FOLLOW THE  
INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION.**

Shirley Moore Mickel, Director  
Membership Services and Outreach Department

Brenda Gilliam, President

Sylvia McGill Jones, Chairman, Board of Trustee



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## RITUALISTIC MEMBERSHIP MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM

NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

TELEPHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

NAME OF CHURCH

Please indicate speaking roles you have memorized:

Availability for Ritualistic Services:

Speaker #1

Flexibility

Speaker #2

Days Only

Speaker #3

Evening Only

Speaker #4

Weekends Only

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fill in the form
2. Save to your computer
3. Email to: [shirleymickel414@gmail.com](mailto:shirleymickel414@gmail.com)

**Shirley Moore Mickel,  
Director**

**Brenda Gilliam, President  
Sylvia McGill Jones, Chairman, Board of Trustees**



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## **RITUALISTIC SERVICE REQUEST GUIDELINES**

In the event of the death of an ICUA Usher:

Deceased Usher's dues must be current, and Usher was listed on the current ICUA Roster as one of the following categories:

- Active
- Associate
- Honorary Member

If the above criteria are met, the information below should be provided as soon as possible by the deceased Usher's President to:

Sister Druscilla Smalls  
Telephone: 202-678-2180  
Email: [drusyd43@comcast.net](mailto:drusyd43@comcast.net)

If unable to reach Sister Smalls, please contact:

President Brenda Gilliam  
Telephone: 301-306-7233  
Email: [bratteray@msn.com](mailto:bratteray@msn.com)

Vice President Ronald L. Jones  
Telephone: 202-997-3786  
Email: [rjones0042@aol.com](mailto:rjones0042@aol.com)

Information to be provided:

1. Complete name of the deceased Usher
2. Date of death
3. Date, time, and place requested for the Ritual
4. Date, time, and place of funeral
5. Deceased Usher's favorite scripture and song
6. Family member name and contact information – responsible for receiving condolences
7. Funeral home name, address, telephone number, fax number and email address
8. If service will be streamed, please provide that information

If information is to be provided to the Eastern Region and NUCUAA, please complete the attached Form.

The Dress Code for Ritual is the National Uniform.

### **NOTE:**

Please make sure the following action is taken before requesting a Ritualistic Service:

1. Get the family's approval to perform the Ritualistic Service.
2. Get the Church Pastor's approval to perform the Ritualistic Service.
3. Secure the time for the Ritualistic Service. The Ritualistic Service is performed prior to the homegoing service; usually during the wake.



# National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc.

## Condolences/Resolution Form

### Name of the Deceased

Was the Deceased an Usher? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, list Local, State, Region, and/or National position(s) held.

### Who is the Deceased related to? Write name(s).

Mother \_\_\_\_\_  
Father \_\_\_\_\_  
Brother \_\_\_\_\_  
Sister \_\_\_\_\_  
Husband \_\_\_\_\_  
Wife \_\_\_\_\_  
Daughter \_\_\_\_\_  
Son \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Name of Mortuary or Funeral Home:

Address:  
City, State Zip Code:  
Phone Number:  
Fax Number  
Email

### Home going Celebration:

#### Where will the viewing services be held?

Day, Date, Time:  
Address:  
City, State Zip Code:  
Phone Number Fax Number  
Email Address

#### Where will the home going services be held?

Day, Date, Time:  
Address:  
City, State Zip Code:  
Phone Number Fax Number  
Email Address

### Cards of Condolences sent to:

Name:  
Address:  
City, State Zip Code:  
Phone Number  
Email Address

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**"Committed To Serve"**



**TO:** All ICUA Usher Ministry Presidents and Members

**FROM:** Brenda Gilliam, 19<sup>th</sup> President

**SUBJECT:** Young Adult Department Membership

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The Young Adult Department of the ICUA of the District of Columbia is recruiting members to its department. We are requesting your support for our continued recruitment drive for Young Adult Ushers ages 21-35 years. We are asking that you share this information with your Young Adult Ushers Ministry.

The ICUA Young Adult Department has been an arm of this organization since 1968; over 55 years ago. Since then, hundreds of young adult members supported recruiting community events, such as Race for the Cure, volunteering at Capital Area Food Banks, donating gift cards to My Sister's Place, serving breakfast at So Others Might Eat (SOME),

and honoring our fallen soldiers by laying wreaths at Arlington National Cemetery.

Your young adult ushers' involvement in our Young Adult Department will help enhance the vital elements of this Christian organization and provide outreach to the community at large. They are right where things are happening in their lives, and we are looking for them to help promote a strong spiritual movement through this association.

Meetings are currently held via Zoom on the third Wednesday of each month (except July and August) at 8:00 p.m.

Any interested Young Adult Usher may contact Counselor Rita P. Nelson at [rnelson\\_2010@yahoo.com](mailto:rnelson_2010@yahoo.com) (rnelson\_underscore) or 301-237-9559 cell and or text for the Zoom link and to ask questions.

*"Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people"*  
*Ephesians 6:7*



Events Department  
Time and Place Working Unit

## 2024 Business Meetings and Special Occasions

### **Business Meeting Dates**

(All Dates are the Second Monday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.)

October 14, 2024: **Purity Baptist Church and Urban Center**  
1325 Maryland Avenue NE, Washington, DC

November 11, 2024: **Zoom**

December 9, 2024: **First Baptist Church of Highland Park**  
6801 Sheriff Rd, Landover, MD 20785

### **Special Activity Dates**

Date	Event
October 12, 2024 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Instructors One-Day Seminar Enon Baptist Church 5200 Temple Hill Rd, Temple Hills, MD
October 12, 2024 10:00 am. – 1:00 p.m.	In-Person Registration CEM SOU
Sunday – November 24, 2024 3:00 p.m.	Young Adult Leroy Johnson Tag Day
Sunday, December 1, 2024 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Randy L. Perrin Men's and Christine M. Green Women's Day Program Enon Baptist Church 5200 Temple Hill Rd, Temple Hills, MD
Sunday, December 15, 2024 3:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m.	Mabel C. Cooper Chorus Christmas Program







## **Guidelines for Hosting a Business Meeting and Special Activity**

### **Business Meetings**

- Main Sanctuary
  - In the Main Sanctuary, we need one or two tables to seat six people.
  - Two microphones on the table
  - One lectern with microphone for reports
  - A microphone placed in the aisles for members to use when addressing the Presiding Officer. If only one microphone is available place it in the center aisle
- Private Room / Space for the Budget and Finance Department (at least 6 people)
- Fellowship Hall
  - Meal for 50 to 100 people
  - Tables for Department Business

### **December Business Meeting**

- The same requirement as all other Business Meetings in addition to:
  - Two separate rooms for voting
    - One for members to register and vote
    - One for counting the ballots
  - The election process begins at 4:00 PM, so we are requesting that the Church should be accessible by 2:30 PM, to the Election Committee to set up.

### **Special Activities**

- Sanctuary
  - Lectern and microphone for the Worship Leader
  - Use of your piano and /or organ
- Fellowship Hall
  - For meal (if provided) and ICUA Department Business
- A table for the Rating Committee (3 people)
  - Placed at the Church Entrance, if possible, if not in the fellowship hall

Note: If a meal is not being served, we will still need access to the Fellowship Hall for Department Business



**Requisition for use of Church for Business Meeting or Special Activity**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Church)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

Our Church is requesting to host an ICUA Business Meeting on \_\_\_\_\_ with an alternate date of \_\_\_\_\_. This request is for the use of your Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall and private room / space for the Budget and Finance Department as outlined in the Guidelines for Hosting a Business Meeting and Special Activity.

Our Church is requesting to host an ICUA Special Activity.

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the bottom of this form by checking the appropriate box, sign and return a copy no later than January 30, 2024.** We thank you for your consideration of hosting the ICUA of Washington DC & Vicinity, Inc. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Carolyn N. Brown – Time and Place Coordinator – on (443) 926-6553 or Email: [cnbrown11@msn.com](mailto:cnbrown11@msn.com).

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 We hereby grant the ICUA permission to use our Church facilities on the above-listed date

Food will be served

No food will be served

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Pastor or Church Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of President of the Usher Ministry

**PLEASE RETURN SIGNED FORM TO**

Ms. Carolyn N. Brown  
Coordinator – Time and Place Working Unit  
Attn: Events Department  
ICUA of Washington, DC and Vicinity, Inc.  
1923 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20009-3364  
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**CATHERINE E. MILLS SCHOOL OF USHERING (CEM SOU)  
2024-2025 VIRTUAL CLASSES WITH IN-PERSON FLOOR TRAINING**

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**WHEN:** NOVEMBER 14, 2024– MAY 3, 2025  
**WHERE:** HYBRID CLASSES ~ VIRTUAL THURSDAYS (7 PM – 9 PM) AND  
IN-PERSON FLOOR WORK SATURDAYS (10 AM – 12 PM)  
Location to be announced.

**WHAT YOU NEED:** COMPUTER, LAPTOP OR IPAD WITH CAMERA AND MICROPHONE; EMAIL  
ADDRESS, AND ZOOM APP

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**CLASSES**

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**BEGINNERS (Hybrid Classes)**  
**POST GRADUATE I (Hybrid Classes)**  
**BEGINNERS (Juniors Only | In-Person Classes on Saturdays)**

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**MAIL-IN REGISTRATION DATES: September 16, 2024 – November 1, 2024**

**DONATION:**  
**SENIORS, YOUNG ADULTS AND JUNIORS**  
**\$25.00**

**In-Person Registration – Saturday, October 12, 2024**  
**(10:00 am – 1:00 pm)**  
**ENON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**5200 Temple Hill | Temple Hills, MD 20747**

For additional information contact Dean Juanita Prophet  
By texting (240) 917-6980 or emailing: [jprophet301@comcast.net](mailto:jprophet301@comcast.net)

**REGISTER EARLY**



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REGISTRATION FORM

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS: BEGINNERS \_\_\_\_\_ GRADUATE I \_\_\_\_\_  
(check one)

CHURCH NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

USHER MINISTRY PRESIDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: AT TIME OF REGISTRATION, YOUR NAME MUST BE LISTED ON A CERTIFIED ICUA ROSTER FROM YOUR CHURCH'S USHER BOARD OR LISTED AS AN ICUA ASSOCIATE MEMBER.**

PLEASE RETURN AN ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION FORM VIA EMAIL TO:

DEAN JUANITA PROPHET at [jprophet301@comcast.net](mailto:jprophet301@comcast.net)

THEN

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND \$25.00 PAYABLE TO: "ICUA of DC"

TO: ICUA of DC & Vicinity, Inc. | Attn: CEM School of Ushering

1923 – 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009-3364

BUDGET AND FINANCE VERIFICATION:

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

# School Curriculum

(Hybrid Class)

**2024 – 2025**

**BEGINNERS**

**(First Year of Ushering Class)**

## Objectives of Course

The Beginners Class will acquaint Ushers with its Biblical background, establishment and purpose in today's Church. Beginners will learn how and when to execute Signs and Signals in Church Services, Sermons, and Special Programs. They will also learn how to serve on a Welcome Committee (Greeters) and how to manage a Time of Fire, disaster or emergency within the Church. This course will touch on how to (1) Collect the Offerings, (2) Serve Communion, (3) Usher for a Funeral, and (4) Perform a Ritualistic Service for a Deceased Usher.

Mandatory in-person floor training is an integral part of the Beginners Class. This will provide Students with actual hands-on floor experience.



Techniques and teachings are taught by Certified Instructors of the George T. Grier School of Ushering of the National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc. The Official Modern-Day Manual of the Art of Church Ushering, Updated July 2020 is material source.

### **Course Resources:**

Computer, Laptop, or Tablet with camera (mandatory), spotless white gloves, Bible, pen, highlighters, and a calendar.

**Note:** Cell phones cannot be a substitute for a computer, laptop or tablet.





# School Curriculum

(Hybrid Class)

## 2024-2025 POST GRADUATE I (Second Year of Ushering Class)

### CRITERIA:

Students must have successfully completed the Beginners Class within the last 3 years. Due to the pandemic, Students will be permitted to enroll in Post Graduate I if they attended the Catherine E. Mills School of Ushering within the last 5 years and successfully completed the Beginners Class.

### Objectives of Course

The objectives of this course are to strengthen and enhance the knowledge of each student who desires to further their studies in the silent method of Church Ushering. This course is designed for students that have successfully completed the First Year Beginners Class and would like more in-depth training. There will be more focus on building your knowledge of Church Ushering according to the National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc. You will build upon your knowledge of Ushering in the Aisles, Ushering in the Balcony, Usher-in-Charge, Key Usher, Doorkeeper, and Ushering in a Time of Fire or other Emergencies. There will also be more focus on Collection of Offering, Ushering for Communion, and Performing a Ritualistic Service for a Deceased Usher. Finally, there will be training on "How to Serve for a Church Program vs. a Sermon."

Upon completion of this course (Post Graduate I), Students should be comfortable in demonstrating and illustrating each sign and signal used in the silent method of Church Ushering without hesitation. Additionally, students will know what signs are involved in each category of Ushering. He/she will be able to fully execute with accuracy all the signs and signals as they are related to the George T. Grier School of Ushering of the National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc. Mandatory in-person floor training is an integral part of the Post Graduate I Class. This will give students hands-on floor experiences.

### COURSE RESOURCES

- ✓ National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc., the Official Modern-Day Manual of the Art of Church Ushering, Updated July 2020,
- ✓ Spotless White Gloves for all illustrations and demonstrations, and
- ✓ Computer or laptop with camera and microphone (mandatory)  
**Note:** Cell phones cannot be a substitute for computer, laptop or tablet.

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### WE ARE CALLING A FEW GOOD MEN

- To be prayer warriors
- Participate in the Thanksgiving Project
- Participate in fish fry fundraiser
- Participate in men's fellowship activities

Contact Chairman George J. Irick ([gejaclrij@verizon.net](mailto:gejaclrij@verizon.net)) or Vice Chairman Kelvin Hackett ([kvhackett@verizon.net](mailto:kvhackett@verizon.net)) to join us. Meetings via Zoom.

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OCT. 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2024  
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1:00 PM - 3:00 PM



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BUT THEY THAT WAIT UPON THE LORD SHALL RENEW THEIR STRENGTH - ISAIAH 40: 31  
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## Membership Services and Outreach Department

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Pansy Bradley-Cooper, Coordinator



## ***CALLING ALL ICUA MEMBERS AND FRIENDS***

The Coat Drive Committee will be available on Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to collect warm coats and monetary donations at:

Macedonia Community Church

1026 - 46th Street, NE

Washington, DC 20019

Girl Sizes 7-20, Boys Sizes 7-20

Adults (male and female) Medium and Large

Saturday, October 19, 2024, at the same location to sort and divide coats in preparation for delivery to Recipients.

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## **October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

**What is Breast Cancer Awareness Month?** Breast Cancer Awareness Month is an international health campaign that's held every October. The month aims to promote screening and prevention of the disease, which affects 2.3 million women worldwide. Known best for its pink theme color, the month features several campaigns and programs — conducted by groups ranging from breast cancer advocacy organizations to

local community organizations to major retailers — aimed at: supporting people diagnosed with breast cancer, including those with metastatic breast cancer educating people about breast cancer risk factors encouraging women to go for regular breast cancer screening starting at age 40 or earlier, depending on personal breast cancer risk fundraising for breast cancer research Within October, there are also specific dates designed to raise awareness of specific groups within the breast cancer community.

**Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day (October 13)** October 13 is nationally recognized in the U.S. as Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day. About 168,000 women in the U.S. are estimated to have metastatic breast cancer (cancer that spreads beyond the breast to other parts of the body). Researchers estimate that about 30% of early-stage breast cancers eventually metastasize. The day, which began in 2009, is meant to educate the public about the need for more money to go to the study of metastatic breast cancer and the development of new metastatic cancer treatments.

**Men's Breast Cancer Awareness Week (October 17–23)** Although breast cancer is much more common in women, breast cancer affects men, too. In 2021, President Joe Biden designated October 17 to October 23 Men's Breast Cancer Awareness Week. According to the American Cancer Society, 2,790 men in the U.S. will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 2024, and about 530 are expected to die from the disease. However, lack of awareness and stigma can be barriers to detection and care in men, trans men, and non-binary people.

**The history of Breast Cancer Awareness Month** The event began in 1985 as a week-long awareness campaign by the American Cancer Society, in partnership with Imperial Chemical Industries, a British company that made tamoxifen. The campaign eventually grew into a month-long event.

In 1992, the pink ribbon came into play after Alexandra Penney, SELF magazine's Editor-in-Chief, partnered with Evelyn Lauder, Estée Lauder's Senior Corporate Vice President, and a breast cancer survivor, to distribute pink ribbons after the magazine's second annual Breast Cancer Awareness Month issue.

Other variations of the pink ribbon have emerged in recent years to raise awareness that all people with breast cancer are not the same. These include ribbons for raising awareness about metastatic breast cancer, men with breast cancer, inflammatory breast cancer, and more.

This information is provided by [Breastcancer.org](https://www.breastcancer.org).

[Donate](#) to support free resources and programming for people affected by breast cancer.

