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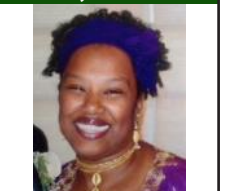


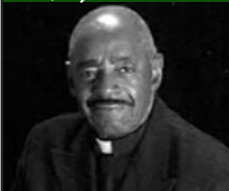











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ANNUAL REPORT

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136th Annual Session of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc.

Dr. Jerry Young, President

September 5-9, 2016 Kansas City, MO Home Mission Board & NBC USA, Inc. Schedule of Events

Monday, September 5, 2016

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Home Mission Day Family Fun Fest

Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church, 3634 Brooklyn Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109

Host Pastor: Rev. Dr. Alfred F. White, 816.923.5815

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

8:00 am – 9:30 am

Home Mission Board Executive Committee Meeting

Kansas City Convention Center, Room 2503B

301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105

12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Home Mission Board's Awards & Recognition Luncheon

(Top Contributors and Top Solicitors) Donation: \$50.00

Kansas City Marriott Downtown Hotel, Truman Rooms A & B

200 West 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105

Guest Preacher: Dr. Claybon Lea, Jr., Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Fairfield, CA

For tickets contact Sis. Wright, , 717.557.1659 or florencejean40@gmail.com

5:00 pm

Home Mission Board Meeting

Kansas City Convention Center, Room 2503B, 301 West 13th Street

Kansas City, MO 64105

6:00 pm

President's Educational Banquet

Kansas City Convention Center – Ballroom

301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, MO

Guest Speaker: Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II

Member of the U.S. House of Representatives

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

7:00 pm

Home Mission Board "Rally"

Kansas City Convention Center, 301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105

Guest Preacher: Rev. Ronald L. Bobo, Jr.

West Side Missionary Baptist Church, St. Louis, MO

Thursday, September 8, 2016

10:00 am

President Jerry Young's Address

Kansas City Convention Center - Ballroom

301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105

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"Envisioning the Future Exceptionally through Our Commitment to Christian Stewardship"

Jeremiah 29:11 & 1 Corinthians 4:1-2

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Home Mission Board Mission Statement

To promote Home Mission Ministry in partnership with the constituency of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. throughout the United States, Virgin Islands and Overseas U. S. Military related Ministries.

Home Mission Board Goal

To spread the Gospel message of Jesus Christ and advance the Kingdom of God in ***Envisioning the Future Exceptionally in "Compassion & Care."***

Home Mission Board Vision Statement

The Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. seeks to witness to the *Compassion & Care* of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and to the glory of God. We fulfill the vision through biblical messages, ministry and mission education. In keeping with our Master's *Compassion & Care*, we believe that Jesus Christ's ministry was restorative, reconciling, and redemptive by nature. This three-fold ministry is therefore holistic, dealing with every facet of human life. Our priorities for holistic ministry include the following foci: spiritual, mental, physical, social, finance and the environment. Only by addressing human life holistically can we be faithful in empowering others to realize the abundant life for which Jesus Christ died and arose.

We partner with the constituency of the National Baptist Convention, its State Presidents, District Moderators, Pastors, and other clergy to provide relevant resources. These resources are designed to assist in the establishment, and/or development of Home Mission Ministry in cooperation with churches across local, global, multi-cultural and multi-ethnic territories.

Greetings from Our Chairman



Rev. Leonard O. Griffin

Grace, peace, and mercy to you from God our Father, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Ghost our Comforter, Teacher, and Guide! I continue to thank God for the opportunity to participate in the work of the Lord through our National Baptist Convention's Home Mission Board. I resolutely stand on the fact that God is using this HMB to reach people with His compassion, comfort, and care!

I want to express my gratitude to the entire HMB team for the stellar, effective, and comprehensive mission work that WE are able to accomplish. No individual person can be the HMB! The teamwork that we exhibit in effectively sharing the compassion and care of our Christ exquisitely resembles what the Body of Christ is to be about! Thank you to each of our Board members for their labor. I also express gratitude for the additions of our two new Field Workers, Rev. Samuel Fulmore, South Carolina and Rev. Shawn Vaughn, Indiana. We pray that God will use them mightily in the HMB!

Thank you to our Executive Secretary Dr. Gilbert Pickett and Mount Horeb Baptist Church for welcoming me to speak at their 90th Church Anniversary Gala and Banquet! The evening was both elegant and inspirational! The hospitality of the Mount Horeb congregation was tremendous! We congratulate Dr. Pickett and Mount Horeb for this milestone celebration!

One of the ways that we exhibit the "Compassion and Care" of our Christ is manifested concretely in and through the Fun Fest Outreach activities hosted in each of the Parent Body Annual Session's Host cities! As we convene the 136th Annual Session in the wonderful city of Kansas City, MO, we will also bless this community and hopefully leave a lasting impression upon the people. We are grateful to our host Pastor, Dr. Alfred White and the congregation of the Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist church, 3634 Brooklyn Avenue, here in Kansas City. As in the past, the HMB collaborates with the Host Church to provide non-perishable food and

toiletries, health screenings, haircuts, children's activities, singing and preaching of the Gospel, to name a few of the many things that occur!

Your HMB has also been a blessing to the citizens of Flint Michigan, as they continue to live through the tragic circumstances of the water crisis. We owe a great debt of gratitude to our Executive Secretary Dr. Pickett and Dr. Lee Bernard for orchestrating the HMB's contributions to the purchase and delivery of clean water.

The HMB, through much collaboration has also blessed some of the students in the Flint area by sponsoring them to attend the Cabela's One-Day Camp. This opportunity blessed them to get away from the everyday stress of the water crisis and to experience another type of educational outlet.

One of the lessons that I believe we should learn, and a fact that underlies the Flint Water Crisis, is that of the power of the VOTE! While it remains to be seen who the culprits are, there is no question in my mind that some elected officials are very likely to have been complicit in creating this health crisis! The citizens of Michigan elected the persons who are currently serving in the various public offices. This Fall, we have the opportunity to elect a new President of the United States (POTUS). President Obama is not and has not been a perfect POTUS. As it has been with others who have previously served as POTUS, you and I did not agree with every decision the POTUS made. On the whole, President Obama has accomplished much in spite of an acrimonious GOP-led Congress and Senate! History will be kind to his legacy eventually! The right successor will keep the positive momentum built by President Obama.

I am praying and working in these next few weeks leading to Election Day to help GET OUT THE VOTE! We cannot afford to be lax nor for any of our congregation members to remain home and away from the polls! The stakes are higher now than ever before! While we cannot dictate how anyone votes, we can implore Pastors, District Moderators, and State Convention Presidents to encourage people in our churches and communities to vote in November!! The votes cast in November will determine the direction of our country and the nation's standing in the free world! The choice is ours – division or unity, continued growth or stagnation, respectability or shame! PLEASE GET OUT THE VOTE this Fall!!

Additionally, our Convention President, Dr. Jerry Young and the HMB, are very concerned about the health of our Pastors, members of our congregations, and the larger citizenry! First Lady Mrs. Michelle Obama has spotlighted the fight to combat obesity during the last eight years. In an effort to continue to combat obesity and the overwhelming

presence of chronic health conditions in the African-American community, more emphasis will be evidenced and exhibited in our Annual sessions of the NBC, USA, Inc. The Rev. Dr. Michael Minor has led the NBC, USA, Inc. Health Outreach and Prevention Education (H.O.P.E.) as the National Director. You may have noticed the many Health organizations' booths in the Convention Hall during the last several National Baptist Congress sessions. With Dr. Young's emphasis on improving the health of our people, Dr. Minor and HMB Chairman Leonard O. Griffin will work to make Dr. Young's vision a reality by bringing the health organizations to the Annual Session of our Parent Body. Visit the H.O.P.E. website to learn more about the mission of "Building Healthy Communities – Congregation by Congregation" at www.hopenbc.com

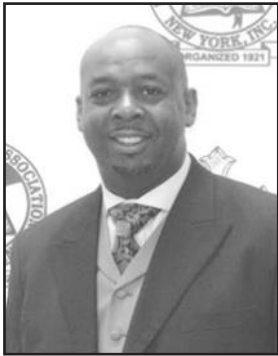
Dr. Minor has long ago forged strong ties and collaborations with many health organizations. Among them is The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). While in Kansas City, we expect HHS to bring to light many of the important facts that we should be abreast of related to the Affordable Care Act, buying health insurance that fits your budget on the Insurance Marketplace, and Medicare and Medicaid! Please visit the booths of these health organizations to gather materials and valuable information to take back to your church.

I am extremely excited about the HMB Awards Recognition Luncheon wherein our Top Contributors and Solicitors are recognized. We delight in saying "Thank You" to those who work hard to support the HMB. We delight in recognizing those churches, Pastors, and individuals who unselfishly support financially, spiritually, and physically the mission efforts of the HMB. We anticipate receiving a great message from Rev. Dr. Claybon Lea, Jr., Pastor of the Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Fairfield, CA. Dr. Lea is in high demand across the country as an Evangelist, Lecturer, and Preacher. I hope that you will join us!

Finally, we welcome all conventioners to join us for the Annual HMB Rally, on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 @ 7PM! Rev. Dr. Ronald L. Bobo, Jr., Pastor of the Westside Missionary Baptist Church, St. Louis, MO will be our Guest Preacher. Widely known for his missionary zeal and powerful preaching, we anticipate that Dr. Bobo will bless our convention and the HMB with a dynamic message that will motivate us to continue to fight the good fight of faith!

I hope and I pray that you will keep the HMB in your annual budget. We cannot be all that we can be as the HMB without your prayers, financial, spiritual, and physical support! May the glory of our God be revealed through us as we share the Compassion and Care of our Christ!!

Greetings from the Executive Secretary



Rev. Gilbert Pickett, Sr.

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! To our esteemed President, Dr. Jerry Young, General Secretary, Dr. Calvin McKinney, and the entire Parent Body cabinet. To Chairman, Rev. Leonard Griffin and Rev. Michael Warren our Vice-Chair and to the hard working Home Mission Board leadership and board members, once again we greet you with Jesus' Joy!

In 2015, we once again gave the opportunity for our convention to see the commitment of the HMB. Though we can celebrate our accomplishments of 2015, namely, the Mission Day project in Memphis and the numerous pastors, churches and community organizations that we have assisted, we want to be seen and taken seriously as the outreach arm of missions and the ministry of help for our great convention.

Congress of Christian Education Week – Tampa, FL

This year, thus far, we have had a blessed and bountiful year of ministry and outreach. I want to thank Rev. Dr. Michael Warren, Vice-Chair, HMB for being an outstanding host in June during our Congress of Christian Education session while in Tampa, FL.

While in Tampa, the HMB sponsored our annual off-site Worship Service and Rally. The Rev. Dr. Gaston E. Smith, Pastor, Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Miami was our guest preacher. I want to thank the First Baptist Church of College Hill, Rev. Dr. S. Evan Burrows, Pastor, for hosting that blessed worship service. The staff was courteous and the congregants treated us with "five – star" hospitality. To God be the glory!

I also want to thank Pastor, Allen Temple AME Church for opening their doors to the HMB for the appreciation luncheon in honor of outgoing Ecclesiastical Endorser,

Rev. Dr. Charles Thomas. Their catering and church staff gave us "white glove" treatment. We were blessed with a powerful word from our immediate former convention president, Rev. Dr. Julius Scruggs. It was a well deserving honor and tribute to the person and work of Dr. Thomas who has been a friend and mentor to me and so many others.

To Flint With Love

On Saturday, July 23rd, I had the blessed opportunity to travel to Detroit, MI and then onto to Rockwood, MI to spend a little time at Camp NBC. Camp NBC is sponsored by the outdoor retail outlet store Cabelas. The HMB sponsored approximately 70 youth from the Flint, MI area; to get away from the tragic conditions that they have been living with due to the contaminated water.



Our Detroit Area Field Worker, Rev. Dr. Lee Bernard, picked me up at the Detroit airport and accompanied me on the journey for the day. Camp NBC Director, Mrs. Genesis Watkins is to be commended on a job well done, along with her brother, Pastor George Waddles, Jr. for the operation of the camp and well organized activities. It was a pleasure working with her for the very first time ensuring that space would be allotted for the youth of Flint, MI.



The Flint project was successful due to the efforts of Sis. Marian Huckenhall of the First Trinity Missionary Baptist

Church of Flint, MI. Mrs Huckenhall also serves as the Director, Young People's Department of our great convention. Thank you again Sis. Huckenhall for your calls, emails and church visits you made coordinating the youth, the transportation, snacks and chaperones. Well done!

A special word of thanks goes to Rev. Dr. Joe A. Bush, CEO of "So Send I You" for the \$3,000.00 gift that was given to the HMB and designated for the project. Honorable mention to Sis. Dansby, State Youth Coordination for assisting the HMB and attending the camp as well.

Kansas City Here We Are!

It is truly a blessing to be in the city of Kansas as we are here to *be a blessing*. God has once again aligned the HMB with a local church namely, Mount Sinai Missionary Baptist Church here in Kansas City. I want to thank Pastor Alfred White and the great people of Mount Sinai for their hard work and willingness to host our annual "Family Fun Fest." Nobody but God could have orchestrated the relationship between Mount Sinai and the HMB – the right church and Pastor (with the mind to do community outreach.) May your ministry continue to grow and flourish as you have displayed a love for God and for the people of God.

Our stay in Kansas City is destined to be a Holy Ghost filled experience. We have two of the most anointed and influential pastors of our convention that are preaching for the HMB. On Tuesday at our annual luncheon, Rev. Dr. Claybon Lea, Jr., Pastor, Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Fairfield, CA and on Wednesday evening during our Rally Worship Service, the Rev. Dr. Ronald L. Bobo, Jr., Pastor, West Side Missionary Baptist Church will be the preacher. It simply doesn't get any better than that. Please secure your luncheon tickets and don't be late on Wednesday evening. This will be a week to remember.

Thank you for your continued support

Our gratitude also goes to our list of contributors for 2016. We especially recognize the kindness of Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church, Colorado Springs, CO, Rev. Dr. Cleveland A. Thompson, Pastor and First Institutional Baptist Church, Phoenix, AZ, Rev. Dr. Warren A. Stewart, Sr., Pastor as our two (2) top contributors of 2016. Thank you Pastors for continuing to believe in the work of the HMB. I pray that other pastors and churches will follow their lead and see the HMB as an opportunity to be a blessing to others.

A note of sadness pertaining to one of our consistent supporters, the late Rev. Dr. Peter Wilson, Pastor, Mt. Zion Christian Baptist Church, Mount Vernon, NY went home to be with the Lord in August of this year. Pastor Wilson believed in missions and supported us 100%. I solicit prayers on behalf of his family and church family.

The HMB Needs Your Financial Support

Have you ever financially given to the Home Mission Board? If yes, we thank God for you and pray that we will have your continued support. If not, then why? The Home Mission Board is not a part of the budget of the parent body. The ministry work that we do comes solely from contributions and donations. Does your church take up a "missionary/benevolence" offering every Sunday? Does any portion of that goes towards Home or even Foreign Mission work? If the answer is no, then why not?

We want you to prayerfully consider supporting our work with your financial contributions. Sowing into the work and ministry of the HMB is sowing into "good ground." Please consider making the Home Mission Board a part your annual budget. Whether it's a \$100.00 or \$10,000.00 a year, every dollar helps our efforts. We can only go, and do, and share, and give based upon what we receive. Won't you help us to continue to be the outreach arm of our great convention? Please help and become one of your supporters and contributors.

Thank You for your Prayers and Support

In closing, I again want to thank God for the opportunity to "serve this present age, my calling to fulfill." I want to take this time to not only thank the HMB and the great people of the Mount Horeb Baptist Church of Corona, NY where I pastor, but also the Eastern Baptist Association of NY, Inc. of whom I serve as Moderator. I, with the help of God our Father will continue to serve with the heart and compassion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I realize that it takes an entire team to complete the assignment that is placed upon us. It's a team/family concept that will help us to be successful at doing kingdom business. Though in the midst of doing ministry, we may experience our own share of personal challenges. The HMB and myself are determined to remain focused on the task at hand. Pastor David W. Green, Sr., of the Allen AME Temple Church, thank you! The task of displaying the "Compassion and Care" of the Master by "Envisioning the Future Exceptionally."

Voting Matters: Crooked Hillary vs Crazy Trump



Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mock

If you had a choice to vote for either a crooked woman or a crazy man how would you vote? Is that what the 2016 American presidential election boils down to -- crooked Clinton or Crazy Trump?

Or, is the major difference between the two candidates pro-establishment Clinton vs anti-establishment Trump?

Or, is the vote between businessman vs politician?

However one chooses to frame this election, choice, is one thing for sure -- the implications and ramifications of one's choice could not be more monumental in the history of this nation.

Personally, I would rather vote for a corrupt politician than a crazy politician. Why? Because there has never been politics without corruption. Corruption is a matter of legal-illegal nuances. There has never been or will be politics with the kind of transparency we Americans can believe in. There will never be laws developed with ethical purity, passed in a context of transparency and reinforced with moral accountability-- not in the midst of America's well established traditions of quid pro quo, backroom money-talking deals, slush funds, pay-to-play lobbyist, etc.

For such reasons I really don't understand people saying they can't stand Donald Trump but will vote for him because Hillary is dishonest and corrupt. I wonder if such persons have researched how many publically elected or appointed officials in their state have left office because of moral or legal corruption and, or dishonesty.

Americans have learned to live and deal with 50 shades of grey corruption and dishonesty. Thank God we have not had to learn to live with 50 shades of crazy.

I think it would be crazy to vote for a President and Commander-in-Chief, a person who has no law degree and, or political experience in a nation built and nurtured on complex, highly nuanced national laws, public policy, statutes and international alliances. Excuse the expression but "I'm just saying."

When it comes to corruption there are well established mechanisms in place to monitor illegality and violations of public policy, not to mention thousands of non-profit watchdogs.

When it comes to "crazy," said mechanisms are less likely to control outcomes. Presidential Press Conferences would have everyone on pins and needles due to obvious reasons in connection with "crazy."

The world is crazy enough. Everywhere we look people are doing crazy things, folks like Ryan Lochte. This 12-medalist Olympian swimmer acted crazy one night with his boys and lied about it. The result was the loss of four major endorsements at the loss of millions of dollars. Crazy!

Who hasn't done crazy things in their teen to adult life? The difference today is "crazy" has become one of the new normal in many places in life as we know it.

The last place we need the normalization of "crazy" is in the White House!

By all means vote this November. We might be crazy if we don't at such a critical time in America and the world!



Mobilizing Our Vision of Faith & Freedom with Our Voices and Votes in 2016!



Rev. Dr. Angelique Walker-Smith

“Oh freedom, oh freedom, oh freedom over me. And before I'd be a slave I'll be buried in my grave. And go home to my Lord and be free.”

This post-Civil War African-American freedom song, often associated with the 20th century Civil Rights Movement in the United States, provides a helpful historical lens for understanding why elections have been important to all African-American churches. Voting and other methods of engaging our public voices have been important in our quest to obtain freedom from social and legal racism in the U.S. while relying on the biblical promise of a transcendent freedom in the afterlife.

Dr. Albert Raboteau at Princeton University points out the following concerning religious formation of African-American churches: “These Christians appropriated Christianity on their own terms despite what they were told or not told by their slave holders and U.S. law. African slaves experienced dissonance between their dignified African identities and the disempowering and undignified messaging of White colonizers and missionaries.”

This kind of social marginalization and oppression of people of African descent, and the acceptance of the biblical narrative of struggle, deliverance, hope, and faith have provoked and encouraged the faith of people of African descent. Such faith has informed their vision and mission to fight for a dignified and equitable quality of life as evidence of earthly freedom.

Historically, African-Americans were prevented from establishing independent institutional churches in the U.S. Dr. Milton C. Sernett of Syracuse University points out that from the early 1600s until the early 1800s, the

so-called “black codes” prevented people of African descent from organizing places of worship. It was not until 1816 that the first independent Protestant denomination founded by people of African descent was organized worldwide - the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME) - which celebrates its bicentennial this year. The AME church and successive independent Protestant denominations founded by people of African descent have had the mission of ministering to the social, spiritual, physical development of people of African descent and all people.

This mission of ministering has led to the historic embrace of voting as a means for moving toward freedom. Yet U.S. laws have consistently prevented and hindered voting by people of African descent. The 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution made it legal for African-American men to vote. African-American women did not obtain this right until 1920 with other women in the USA. However, in both cases, Jim Crow laws, put in place in many Southern states, like literacy tests and poll taxes, made it difficult for them to fully exercise their right to vote. And even today, African-Americans still face obstacles.

Three years ago, the Supreme Court

struck down the heart of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, freeing nine states, mostly in the South, of the requirement that they seek federal approval before changing their election laws.

As a result, numerous states have imposed strict voter ID laws that civil rights groups say unfairly target African-Americans and other minorities. African-American churches have always been a beacon of hope, activism, and support.

In this election cycle, our involvement will be vital more than ever, once again fulfilling our larger vision of faith and freedom through the witnessing of voting. Many African American churches, including our Convention, have joined the Freedom Sunday Coalition for a wider expression of unity in urging people of African descent to vote. The Freedom Sunday Coalition is a national non-partisan faith-based civic engagement coalition of African- American faith leaders dedicated to year-round voter registration, education and mobilization on issues of importance to communities of color.



The coalition is comprised of leaders from denominations such as the (African Methodist Episcopal Church, African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, Full Gospel Baptist Church, Fellowship International, National Baptist Convention, USA, National Baptist Convention of America, Church of God In Christ, Progressive National Baptist Convention and independent organizational partners such as PICO National Network, African-American Ministers Leadership Council, Samuel Dewitt Proctor Conference, Inc. the Global Alliance Interfaith Network and the Global United Fellowship. These leaders represent a network of over 13 million people of faith across the United States. In 2014 the coalition mobilized over 3500 churches, touched over 1 million faith voters in the six weeks leading up to the Mid-Term Elections and had an impact in increasing African-American voter turnout by 1-2% in Kentucky and Louisiana.

Freedom Sunday

The vision of the Freedom Sunday Coalition is to create an empowered, engaged, active voice for justice within our political system that will speak to the needs of African-American communities. We must reclaim our power and mobilize massive turnout of the African-American vote in local and national elections to determine who will best represent a vision of empowered, healthy, whole communities.

Given our Convention's role in the Coalition, We are encouraged to organize **two primary Freedom Sundays – September 25th, 2016 and November 6th, 2016 – when churches around the country will preach and teach about voting rights, voter mobilization, registration, and encourage civic participation.** You can go to www.bread.org/elections and theblackchurchreport.com/votingtoolkit/ for resources to assist you with this.



Bread for the World is a partner with most of the partners mentioned in the Coalition and joins our Convention in the promotion of the Freedom Sundays to mobilize our critical voice and votes, at all levels, on November 8th! As we preach, teach and mobilize please urge the candidates to have hunger and poverty on their platforms. We believe we can end hunger and further reduce poverty if we have the right leadership at every level of the political process. Now it is up to us to make sure this happens!



Selma marchers in 1965. (Photo: Bruce Davidson.)

Ecclesiastical Endorser Report



Dr. Nevalon Mitchell, Jr.

To President Jerry Young, The Board Members and Staff of The National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., Chairman Griffin, Home Mission Board, Executive Secretary, Gilbert Pickett, Sr., and The Home Mission Board Members.

My first six (6) months as the Ecclesiastical Endorser has been an exciting and very rewarding ministry experience. I have had a total of 377 inquiries from February 4, 2016 to August 1, 2016. The inquiries have ranged from new ecclesiastical endorsements to renewals of current endorsements or some questions about the endorsement process. I have provided assistance and administrative support for over 65 new and old endorsement requests. I have also received a verbal commitment from 195 chaplains who have committed to attend our professional training at the 2017 NBC, USA, Inc. which, as you know, will be held in St. Louis, MO.

At the Congress in June, we had 95 chaplains who registered for the Professional Chaplains Institute and an additional 17 chaplains who registered but did not participate. Our first training session was a tremendous success and very rewarding which was highlighted with the distribution of the very first Chaplain Handbook. Everyone that registered and participated in the session received the Chaplain Handbook upon entering the class and the response was overwhelming.

Our primary objectives for the week were:

- ◆ to provide all of our chaplains, bi-vocational pastors and pastors with the tools and skillset to assist them in the identification of potential problems with addictions and mental health issues;
- ◆ to provide clinical and spiritual insight into the emotional and physical suffering that threatens the

wellness of the chapel, church, the family system, and community;

- ◆ to provide basic skills and working knowledge necessary for identifying and assessing mental health challenges, substance abuse, addictions, depression, guilt, grief, shame and trauma;
- ◆ to assist the participants in the identification of potential harmful personal issues that may potentially strengthen or harm their ministry;
- ◆ to provide clinical, biblical, and spiritual guidelines to enable a theological understanding of pastoral care and counseling in a variety of settings with skill, competence and caring;
- ◆ to provide instruction on the Twelve Steps and their biblical comparison for use in the chapel, church and group settings;
- ◆ to provide an overview of the new vision for the chaplains, bi-vocational pastors and chaplains, ministers and others who are endorsed by the NBC, USA, Inc. to grasp the vision of our National President as they provide ministry in a variety of professional settings around the globe; and
- ◆ to impress upon every participant the need to always remain vigilant in their scope of duties when addressing and assessing clients, soldiers, sailors and airmen who need pastoral care and emotional support. I understand that what we say and do just might prevent a possible suicide. Our goal is to find ways to prevent and stop the veterans and others from self-harm and self-destruction.

Finally, my personal goals and objectives for class participants are to assist every person, regardless of their ministry and/or station to think pastorally from a biblical, theological and behavioral science perspective.

My hope is to move forward from a potential position of annihilation to amalgamation. We can achieve this goal by realizing and understanding the situation, use listening skills, coupled with reflective questions and learn the value in working cooperatively and collaboratively.

Proverbs 11:14

Where there is no guidance the people fall, but in abundance of counselors there is victory.



My Camp NBC Experience

Trinity Robbins

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, Flint, Michigan

Rev. Dr. Henry L. Fuller, Jr., Pastor

If I had to describe my Camp NBC experience in one word it would be FANTASTIC! From the time we got on the bus in Flint, Michigan to the time we returned, the entire day was fantastic.

Camp NBC was a day of outdoor fun and excitement. There were lots of fun activities. Some were challenging and that made them exciting too. I learned about outdoor camping — how to safely start a fire with a fire starter. In archery, I learned how to use a bow and arrow correctly and I was even able to hit the target. I learned what equipment is needed to roast marshmallows outdoors and the proper way to use them. Then we made delicious s'mores. My team won a backpack race where we had to work as a team to run up to a table, put an item into the backpack and then run back for the next team member to put the backpack on and do the same thing until all team members had grabbed an item. Everyone was screaming, jumping up and down, cheering their team members on. This was really fun!

There was also fishing and people were excited when they actually caught a fish. I like to fish, but I missed that activity because I was in line trying to get my face painted. My favorite activity was learning how to set up and take down a tent. We did the activities in groups and there was team work so we got to make new friends. The box lunch that we received was so-o-o good. It was much better than I expected which was a nice surprise. The give-a-ways were really great and I was really



shocked when they stated that everyone was receiving a fishing pole and tackle box. I love to fish with my grandfather so I was excited for sure.

All of the Cabela's workers and everyone that worked with us were really nice and helpful. I am so glad that I went to Camp NBC and I am grateful to the National Baptist Convention Home Mission Board for giving us this wonderful chance to learn something new. It was FANTASTIC!

D'wan Lindley II
Age 15
Mount Hermon
Missionary Baptist Church
Dr. K. D. Yarber, Pastor
Flint, Michigan

Six boys and two adults
attended from Mount
Hermon Missionary Baptist
Church.

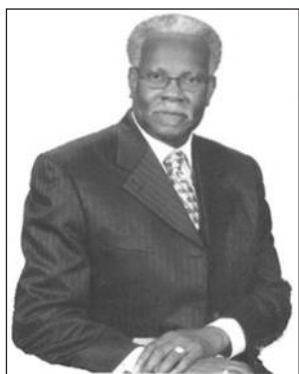


Regional Coordinator Report



Dr. William R. Boone

Pictured to the left is Dr. C. Dennis Edwards, I, President of the Consolidated Missionary Baptist State Convention of Arkansas and to the right, Dr. James E. Mackey, President of the Regular Baptist State Convention of Arkansas.



These great servants of God lead their conventions to work collaboratively this spring in providing water, valued at over \$6,000, for residents, of Flint, MI.

This was the first such venture undertaken by these premiere Baptist Conventions in the state of Arkansas as a show of unity in this home mission venture.

I am happy to be back home, the only state mentioned in the Bible. I am also greatly appreciative of the opportunity to work with these great pastors and their conventions as a field worker representing our Home Mission Board family.



Field Worker Report



Sis. Wilma Jean Byrd, Illinois

International Christian Fellowship for Mission (ICFM)

Giving praise and thanks to almighty God, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Jesus says in Mark 12:30-31, "Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy mind and with all thy strength; this is the first commandment. The second is this; Love thy neighbor as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these."

With expressions to compliment someone we definitely hope to make someone happy and feel loved. To President, Dr. Jerry young, his cabinet, Chairman, Rev. Leonard Griffin, Vice Chair, Rev. Dr. Michael Warren, to our Executive Secretary, Rev. Gilbert Pickett and to all my co-laborers in Christ Jesus.

ICFM is moving forward with the work God has given me. Our work is never done; we must remain committed in our faith and dedicated to the Lord, if not, we have a great deal to lose. Programs for youths are very powerful and much needed in our communities. If we do not take steps forward to help them, they will get lost and caught up in the system.

ICFM Summer Camp included inner city youths from all areas. Many of them needed more help with hands on direction and communication. There were many activities to keep everyone busy, games, dancing, sports, cooking, sewing crocheting, swimming, skating, bowling and many more activities to keep their minds geared in right direction.

This summer proved to be much fun and an eye opening experience for my team at ICFM. We realized that when we reach out to our young people, that it is not always our own view. We had to adhere to what interested them, because the goal was to help change their mind-set. We were able to share and encourage them to know

that they are more than what others think, but, they can achieve whatever they want in life. Some needed more attention than others; we had to spend a little more quality time in some areas. That was ok, just wanted more interaction.

Most homes were chaotic and crazy, to the point that they were alone and received no attention. My team were striving to empower our youths to not feel alone on their journey. We worked very hard to show them that we loved them; we are there for them whenever needed.

We had the opportunity to go on many field trips; places some had never gone before. What a joy it was to see smiles on their faces. God is so good.

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, August 20, 2016 Back-to-School picnic. We will provide 200 backpacks filled with school supplies.

Saturday, September 24, 2016 Stop the Violence Rally.

November and December 2016 we will feed those who are hungry.

We must continue to follow the Mandate of Christ Jesus. "... And go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost and Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Matthew 28:18-20

Sis. Wilma Jean Byrd
Asst. Treasurer/Field Worker
President/ICFM



Field Worker Report



Sis. Patricia White, Pennsylvania

During 2015 - 2016 it has been my privilege to serve as the President of the Women's Ministry of the Pennsylvania Baptist State Convention. During this time I have traveled across the Commonwealth to serve the Women of Pennsylvania through various events of Celebration and Services of Worship. I also attended several homegoing services for women of our ministry and family members of our Women's Ministry.

I planned and executed a Spiritual Retreat at the DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Hotel, Lancaster, PA, June 24-25, 2016. Our Facilitators were Rev. Dr. Ruby Purnell, Baltimore, MD, Rev. Ann Marie Wyche, Bronx, NY, and Rev. Dr. Marsha Brown Woodard, Philadelphia, PA. The teaching, fellowship and sharing was a great time according to all who attended.

I will be putting into our program a plan to extend our service to homeless women and children and women and children of abuse.

I continue to serve as a committee member of the American Red Cross, Northeast Region for Diversity Inclusion. We serve to help to insure that the blood donations are inclusive for all who require blood transfusions. I also shared HMB materials at several Blood Donation events in the Philadelphia area.

This has been a busy year, but spiritually satisfying by following the scripture Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

Field Worker Report



Sis. Mary Elizabeth Williams, Oklahoma

The Oklahoma Baptist State Convention under the leadership of Dr. C. W. Whitlow, in partnership with the National Baptist convention and the American Red Cross provided disaster relief training for 18 new volunteers to the National Baptist Convention Disaster Relief Team. Classes were held at the Pilgrim Baptist Church, Tatum's Oklahoma, Pastor, Eddie Copeland.



National Baptist convention Home Mission board member Elizabeth Williams, a certified Red Cross instructor, organized and taught the class. Our goal was to recruit and train as many disaster relief volunteers as possible this year. Please become a disaster team member by contacting your state disaster relief coordinator.



Thank you!

Dear Home Mission Board:

Thank you so much for supporting my ministry with DiscipleMakers. I praise the Lord for your generous donation. Your support is helping college students hear about Jesus Christ.

Thank you for investing your resources toward furthering the Lord's Kingdom on college campuses. I can't wait to see how the Lord uses your support for His Glory!

In Christ,
Bria Griffin

National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. - Home Mission Board
Annual Session Board Meeting — Kansas City, Missouri — September Session 2016
 Calculations – based on bank statements for 6/1/16 – 8/23/16
 (subject to audit by the NBC, USA, Inc.)

NBC Home Mission General Operating Account

Beg Balance 06/01/2016

Month	Deposits & Credits	W/D & Debits	Checks	Service Fee	Monthly Income vs Expense	\$16,055.87
June	\$21,130.93	\$ (6,326.71)	\$(14,043.33)	\$ -	\$ 16,816.76	
July	\$17,913.68	\$ (4,601.37)	\$(13,792.30)	\$ -	\$ 16,336.77	
August	\$16,911.57	\$ (5,165.74)	\$(11,912.13)	\$ (81.00)	\$ 16,089.47	
Totals	\$55,956.18	\$ (16,093.82)	\$(39,747.76)	\$ (81.00)	\$ 16,089.47	
*Service Fee was for Check Order						

NBC Ecclesiastical Endorser General Operating Account – Under Separate Cover

Beg Balance 06/01/2016

Respectfully Submitted,
 Rev. Shawn L. Buckhanan, BBA, MTS
 Treasurer

Home Mission Board Top Contributors

September 2015 through September 2016

Dr. Warren H. Stewart, Sr.	First Institutional Baptist Church	Phoenix	AZ	\$	18,529.56
Rev. Cleveland A. Thompson	Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church	Colorado Springs	CO	\$	12,322.85
Dr. Bartholomew Orr	Brown Memorial Missionary Bapt. Ch.	Southaven	MS	\$	10,000.00
Rev. Naomi Tyler-Lloyd	Trinity Baptist Church	Bronx	NY	\$	10,000.00
Dr. Julius R. Scruggs	First Baptist Church	Huntsville	AL	\$	10,000.00
Dr. Lee Bernard	Institutional District Association	Detroit	MI	\$	8,990.00
Dr. Vernon Swift	AL State Missionary Baptist Convention	Selma	AL	\$	5,000.00
Dr. Charles F. Thomas, Sr.	Former, Ecclesiastical Endorser	Chicago	IL	\$	5,300.00
Dr. Leonzo Lynch	Ebenezer Baptist Church	Charlotte	NC	\$	5,000.00

Rev. Cedrick Jones	Mt. Zion Baptist Church	Philadelphia	PA	\$	4,500.00
Rev. Keith I. Jones	Shiloh Baptist Church	Norfolk	VA	\$	4,250.00
Dr. Geoffrey Guns	Second Calvary Baptist Church	Norfolk	VA	\$	3,250.00
Rev. Dr. J. Albert Bush, Sr.	So I Send You	Bronx	NY	\$	3,000.00
Rev. James A. Thornton	Salem Missionary Baptist Church	Brooklyn	NY	\$	2,500.00
Dr. Ronald Grant	Empire Baptist Missionary Conv. of NYS	New York	NY	\$	1,500.00
Rev. John H. West III	Siloam Baptist Church	Norristown	PA	\$	2,500.00
Rev. Roy E. Terry	Sixteenth Street Baptist Church	Huntington	WV	\$	2,401.00
Rev. Dr. Carsie E. Barnes	Salem Baptist District Association	Chicago	IL	\$	2,400.00
Rev. James Thomas, Sr.	Mt. Olivet Baptist Church	St. Paul	MI	\$	2,000.00
Rev. Gilbert Pickett Sr.	Mount Horeb Baptist Church	Corona	NY	\$	2,000.00
Dr. Russell Harris	Emmanuel District Baptist Association	Chicago	IL	\$	2,000.00
Dr. Calvin C. Butts	Abyssinia Baptist Church	New York	NY	\$	2,000.00
Dr. Michael Jackson	Aimwell Baptist Church	Mobile	AL	\$	1,800.00
Rev. Andrew Johnson	Providence Baptist Church	Milwaukee	WI	\$	1,300.00
Rev. Calvin Gibson	Ebenezer Baptist Church	Flushing	NY	\$	1,500.00
Rev. Dr. Jesse T. Williams Sr.	Convent Avenue Baptist Church	New York	NY	\$	1,500.00
Rev. Peter Wilson Sr.	Mount Zion Baptist Church	New York	NY	\$	1,500.00
Rev. David L. Frazier, Sr.	Revelation Missionary Baptist Church	Mobile	AL	\$	1,500.00
Dr. Jesse V. Bottoms, Jr.	Beulah Baptist Church	Poughkeepsie	NY	\$	1,500.00
Dr. Nevalon Mitchell Jr.	Ecclesiastical Endorser	Bowie	MD	\$	1,500.00
Dr. Guy Campbell Jr.	Evergreen Baptist Church	Palmyra	NJ	\$	1,500.00
Dr. William R. Boone	Mount Pleasant Baptist Church	North Little Rock	AR	\$	1,350.00
Bishop Calvin C. Barlow, Jr.	Second Baptist Church	Nashville	TN	\$	1,300.00
Dr. Angelique Walker-Smith		Washington	DC	\$	1,200.00
Dr. Warren H. Stewart, Sr.		Phoenix	AZ	\$	1,200.00
Rev. Donald D. Moore	Mount Carmel Baptist Church	Philadelphia	PA	\$	1,250.00
Rev. Ronald Bobo	West Side Missionary Baptist Church	St. Louis	MO	\$	1,125.00
Rev. Shawn Vaughn	Peter's Rock Missionary Baptist Church	Gary	IN	\$	1,001.00
Dr. Keith McGee	United Baptist State Convention	Chicago	IL	\$	1,200.00
Dr. Wallace Mills	Baptist Missionary & Educational State Con.	Detroit	MI	\$	1,000.00
Rev. Samuel Jordan Jr.	New Gethsemane Baptist Church	Philadelphia	PA	\$	1,000.00
Rev. Gilbert Pickett Sr.	Eastern Baptist Association of NY, Inc.	Corona	NY	\$	1,000.00
Rev. Jeffery Thompson	Amity Baptist Church	Jamaica	NY	\$	1,000.00
Rev. Malobe Sampson	Thessalonia Worship Center	Bronx	NY	\$	1,000.00
Rev. Henry Fuller Sr.	Wolverine Baptist State Convention	Saginaw	MI	\$	1,000.00
Rev. Bassil Brooks	Mount Pisgah Baptist Church	Cordova	TN	\$	1,000.00
Dr. Christopher Bullock	Canaan Baptist Church	New Castle	DE	\$	1,000.00
Dr. Raymond Merriweather	First Baptist Church of Darby	Darby	PA	\$	1,000.00

Quarterly Contributions by State May 2016 through August 2016

ALABAMA

Aimwell Baptist Church	Dr. Michael Jackson	Mobile	AL	\$	500.00
Bro. A. Ray Williams		Elba	AL	\$	100.00
Bro. Dwight L. Owens		Decatur	AL	\$	100.00
Bro. Fletcher Fountain		Fort Deposit	AL	\$	50.00
Bro. John Tucker		Monroeville	AL	\$	25.00
Christian Fellowship Baptist Church	Rev. Robert L. Webb	Livingston	AL	\$	300.00
Dr. Alvin A. Cleveland, Sr.		Mobile	AL	\$	25.00
Sis. Barbara T. Jackson		Mobile	AL	\$	100.00
				\$	1,300.00

ARIZONA

Dr. Warren H. Stewart, Sr.		Phoenix	AZ	\$	833.33
First Institutional Baptist Church	Dr. Warren H. Stewart, Sr.	Phoenix	AZ	\$	10,225.22
St. Paul Baptist Church	Rev. Shawn L. Buckhanan	Sierra Vista	AZ	\$	100.00
				\$	11,158.22

ARKANSAS

Bro. Louis W. Ford, Jr.		Wynne	AR	\$	20.00
Bro. Robert J. Thompson		Pine Bluff	AR	\$	100.00
Bro. Willis W. Walker, Jr.		North Little Rock	AR	\$	20.00
Dr. William R. Boone		Sherwood	AR	\$	750.00
				\$	890.00

CALIFORNIA

Sis. Jacquelyn Y. McMahan		Los Angeles	CA	\$	100.00
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COLORADO

Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church	Rev. Cleveland Thompson	Colorado Springs	CO	\$	1,900.00
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FLORIDA

Bro. Jerry B. Alexander	Friendship Missionary Bapt. Ch.	Arcadia	FL	\$	25.00
Bro. Rudolph R. Daniels		Miami	FL	\$	100.00
Dr. Brett Snowden		Riverview	FL	\$	25.00
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church	Dr. Gaston Smith	Miami	FL	\$	300.00
Pleasant View Baptist Church	Rev. Michael D. Warren	Apopka	FL	\$	200.00
Rev. Frank Jenkins, Sr.		Pensacola	FL	\$	100.00
Rev. Michael D. Warren		Apopka	FL	\$	200.00
				\$	950.00

GEORGIA

Bro. Robert E. Grier, I		Covington	GA	\$	15.00
Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church	Rev. Toney	Macon	GA	\$	50.00
				\$	65.00

ILLINOIS

Emmanuel District Association	Dr. Russell Harris	Chicago	IL	\$	2,000.00
Dr. Charles F. Thomas, Sr.		Chicago	IL	\$	200.00
Dr. Samuel W. Hale, Jr.		Springfield	IL	\$	100.00
Friendship Baptist Church	Rev. Reginald Bachus	Chicago	IL	\$	150.00
Great Hope Missionary Baptist Church	Sis. Tanya W. Cook	Robbins	IL	\$	100.00
Messiah Temple Baptist Church	Dr. Keith McGee	Chicago	IL	\$	200.00
Rev. Charles F. Thomas, Sr.		Chicago	IL	\$	400.00
Rev. O. C. Dockery		Chicago	IL	\$	200.00
Salem Baptist District Association	Dr. Carsie Barnes	Chicago	IL	\$	1,200.00
Sis. Jeannete Dockins		Blue Island	IL	\$	2.00
Sis. Kimberly E. Thompson		Villa Park	IL	\$	50.00
Sis. Wilma Jean Byrd		Villa Park	IL	\$	100.00
				\$	4,702.00

INDIANA

Divine Providence Baptist Church	Dr. Michael A. Griffin	Fort Wayne	IN	\$	200.00
Peter's Rock Missionary Baptist Church	Rev. Shawn Vaughn	Gary	IN	\$	1,001.00
				\$	1,201.00

KENTUCKY

Bro. B. T. Bishop		Elizabethtown	KY	\$	100.00
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LOUISIANA

Dr. Harry Blake		Shreveport	LA	\$	100.00
Bro. Benjamin Scott		Lutcher	LA	\$	50.00
				\$	150.00

MARYLAND

Bro. Dean Allen Evans		Delmar	MD	\$	25.00
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MASSACHUSETTS

Christian Faith Baptist Church		Springfield	MA	\$	25.00
First Baptist Church	Rev. Leroy Mahoney	Saugus	MA	\$	50.00
Joy Missionary Baptist Church, Inc.	Rev. Samuel L. Campbell, Sr.	Brockton	MA	\$	100.00
Mt. Zion Baptist Church	Rev. A. White	Springfield	MA	\$	100.00
New Hope Baptist Church	Dr. Arthur Hilson	Portsmouth	NH	\$	100.00
Saint James Baptist Church	Dr. Sammy Vaughan	Woonsocket	RI	\$	100.00
Shiloh Baptist Church		West Medford	MA	\$	50.00
United Baptist Convention, MA, RI & NH	Dr. Arthur Hilson	Portsmouth	NH	\$	525.00
				\$	1,050.00

MICHIGAN

Baptist Missionary and Ed. State Con. of MI	Rev. Wallace Mills	Detroit	MI	\$	500.00
Bethel Temple Baptist Church	Rev. Damon Mosely	Detroit	MI	\$	200.00
Greater True Vine Baptist Church	Dr. Lee Bernard	Detroit	MI	\$	400.00

MICHIGAN

Jamison Temple M. Baptist Church	Rev. Homer Jamison	Detroit	MI	\$	300.00
Liberty Temple Baptist Church	Rev. Steve Bland	Detroit	MI	\$	100.00
New Birth Rescue M. Bapt. Church	Rev. John White				
New Ebenezer Baptist Church	Rev. Wallace Mills	Detroit	MI	\$	100.00
Rightway Missionary Baptist Church		Detroit	MI	\$	300.00
Sis. Hazel O. Whitney		Dearborn	MI	\$	500.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church	Pastor Johnson	Detroit	MI	\$	200.00
				\$	2,600.00

MISSISSIPPI

Brown Missionary Baptist Church		Southaven	MS	\$	2,500.00
First Stokes Chapel		Canton	MS	\$	200.00
General Missionary Baptist State		Canton	MS	\$	200.00
				\$	2,900.00

MISSOURI

Bro. Anthony Woods		St. Louis	MO	\$	25.00
Bro. Charles W. Bateman II		Florissant	MO	\$	750.00
Bro. Leno Blue		Florissant	MO	\$	100.00
New Sonny Mount Baptist Church		Florissant	MO	\$	200.00
				\$	1,075.00

NEVADA

Sis. William C. Webb		Sparks	NV	\$	100.00
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NEW JERSEY

Bro. Kenneth D. Clayton		Paterson	NJ	\$	50.00
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NEW YORK

Beulah Baptist Church	Rev. Dr. Jesse V. Bottoms, Jr.	Poughkeepsie	NY	\$	100.00
Bro. Isaiah Holland		Jamaica	NY	\$	100.00
Bro. Leonard F. Jarvis		Freeport	NY	\$	100.00
Convent Avenue Baptist Church	Rev. Dr. Jesse T. Williams, Jr.	New York	NY	\$	200.00
Ebenezer Baptist Church	Rev. Calvin Gibson	Flushing	NY	\$	1,500.00
Empire Baptist Missionary Conv. Of NYS	Dr. Ronald Grant	New York	NY	\$	1,500.00
Min. Nautochia R. Webb		Corona	NY	\$	100.00
Rev. Donald E. Butler		Wheatley Heights	NY	\$	100.00
Rev. Patrick H. Young		East Elmhurst	NY	\$	100.00
Sis. Geraldine Harris		Bronx	NY	\$	200.00
Thessalonian Baptist Church	Rev. Malobe Sampson	Bronx	NY	\$	200.00
Trinity Baptist Church	Rev. Naomi Tyler-Lloyd	Bronx	NY	\$	10,000.00
				\$	14,200.00

NORTH CAROLINA

Bro. John R Shannon		Elizabeth City	NC	\$	25.00
Ebenezer Baptist Church	Dr. Leonzo Lynch	Charlotte	NC	\$	1,500.00
Sis. Sara L. Dogan		Wake Forest	NC	\$	10.00
				\$	1,535.00

OHIO

Dr. Elliott Cuff		Mason	OH	\$	100.00
Sis. Frieda Gilyard		Columbus	OH	\$	100.00
				\$	200.00

OKLAHOMA

Bethlehem Baptist Church		Lawton	OK	\$	300.00
Sis. Mary Elizabeth Williams		Tatums	OK	\$	300.00
				\$	600.00

PENNSYLVANIA

Community Baptist Church	Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mock	Erie	PA	\$	100.00
Mount Carmel Baptist Church	Rev. Dr. Donald D. Moore	Philadelphia	PA	\$	500.00
Rev. Clifford A. Carter		Pittsburgh	PA	\$	25.00
Sis. Jennifer Mock		Erie	PA	\$	50.00
White Rock Baptist Church	Dr. William J. Shaw	Philadelphia	PA	\$	100.00
				\$	775.00

SOUTH CAROLINA

Rev. Floyd Hughes	Macedonia Baptist Church	Blackville	SC	\$	25.00
Rev. Robert Lee Hodges	Annivesta Baptist Church	Hollywood	SC	\$	25.00
Rev. Albert M. James	Second Providence Baptist Ch.	North Augusta	GA	\$	100.00
Morris Street Baptist Church	Rev. Leonard O. Griffin	Charleston	SC	\$	687.50
Rev. Leonard O. Griffin		Goose Creek	SC	\$	150.00
Sis. Jessie H. Chandler		Columbia	SC	\$	50.00
The New Ebenezer Baptist Church	Dr. Michael Ross	Columbia	SC	\$	250.00
Union Baptist Church of North. Charleston	Dr. Elden Heyward	North Charleston	SC	\$	150.00
Sis. Melza D. Davis		Ridge Spring	SC	\$	25.00
				\$	1,462.50

TENNESSEE

Annesdale Cherokee Baptist Church	Rev. Dwight Montgomery	Memphis	TN	\$	100.00
Bro. S. M. Wiley		Memphis	TN	\$	25.00
Castalia Baptist Church	Rev. Randolph M. Walker	Memphis	TN	\$	200.00
ELB Ministries		Memphis	TN	\$	25.00
First Baptist Church	Rev. Derrick Jackson	Gallatin	TN	\$	200.00

TENNESSEE

Greater Mt. Moriah Baptist Church		Memphis	TN	\$	100.00
Greater New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church		Memphis	TN	\$	100.00
Lowbar Publishing Company`	Bishop Calvin Barlow			\$	100.00
LTC James L. Johnson		Manchester	TN	\$	10.00
Min. I. Slack		Memphis	TN	\$	50.00
Mt. Carmel Baptist Church		Memphis	TN	\$	50.00
Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church	Rev. Bassil Brooks	Cordova	TN	\$	300.00
New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church		Germantown	TN	\$	150.00
New Mount Zion Baptist Church		Memphis	TN	\$	100.00
Second Missionary Baptist Church	Bishop Calvin C. Barlow, Jr.	Nashville	TN	\$	700.00
Sis. Cheryl A. Grant		Cordova	TN	\$	25.00
Whitehaven District Association		Memphis	TN	\$	150.00
				\$	2,385.00

UTAH

CBC Pastoral Care		Salt Lake City	TN	\$	100.00
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VIRGIN ISLANDS

Dr. Bentley Thomas		St. Thomas	VI	\$	100.00
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VIRGINIA

Dr. Keith Jones	Shiloh Baptist Church	Newport News	VA	\$	2,500.00
Second Calvary Baptist Church	Dr. Geoffrey Guns	Norfolk	VA	\$	1,000.00
Shiloh Baptist Church	Dr. Keith Jones	Newport News	VA	\$	1,000.00
Sis. Margaret E. Dickerson		Petersburg	VA	\$	15.00
				\$	4,515.00

WISCONSIN

Providence Baptist Church	Rev. Andrew Johnson, Jr.	Milwaukee	WI	\$	1,400.00
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Top Solicitors January 2015 – December 2015

The Officers and Members of the Home Mission Board wants to personally thank and recognize the following Regional Coordinators and Area Field Workers for their efforts and support on behalf of the Home Mission Board and its ministries.

REGIONAL COORDINATORS

\$15,680.00



Bishop Calvin C. Barlow, Jr.
Southwestern Region

\$7,890.00



Dr. William R. Boone
Southwestern Region

\$32,500.00



Rev. Shawn L. Buckhanan
Western Region

\$6,270.00



Rev. Leonard O. Griffin
North and South Carolina

\$15,680.00



Dr. Robert I. Webb
Southwest Region

\$28,425.00



Rev. Gilbert Pickett, Sr.
Northeast Region

FIELD WORKERS

\$8,990.00



Dr. Lee M. Bernard
Michigan Area

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Sis. Wilma Jean Byrd
Illinois/Indiana Areas

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Rev. Eugene Henson
Memphis Area

\$14,250.00



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Sis. Mary Elizabeth Williams
Oklahoma



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Rev. James C. Thomas
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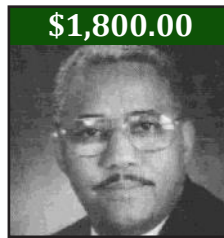
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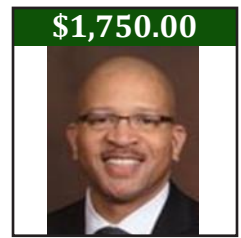
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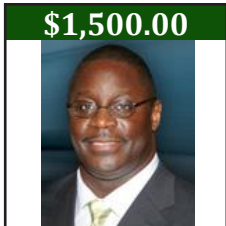
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Baptist Church
Rev. Dr. Jesse T. Williams Jr.
New York, NY



Mt. Zion Christian
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Mt. Vernon, NY



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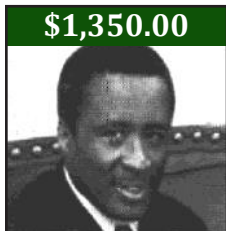
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Dr. Guy Campbell, Jr.
Palmyra, NJ



Mount Pleasant
Baptist Church
Dr. William R. Boone
North Little Rock, AR



Providence Baptist Church
Rev. Andrew Johnson
Milwaukee, WI



Bishop Calvin C. Barlow, Jr.
Second Baptist Church
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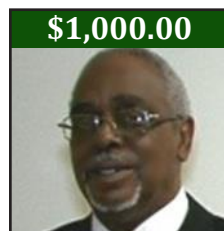
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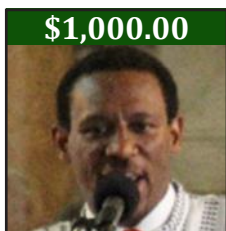
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