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**ANNUAL  
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President

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Laymen  
General Secretary

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**Dr. Calvin McKinney, General Secretary**

*Theme: Solidarity with the Savior*





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# **NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION USA, INC.**

“SOLIDARITY WITH THE SAVIOR”  
1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. is to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ through preaching, teaching and healing.

## **NATIONAL BAPTIST LAYMEN’S MOVEMENT**

### **PREAMBLE**

The National Baptist Laymen’s Movement is an auxiliary of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. We have come together to demonstrate more fully Biblical Essentialism (Being) and Biblical Existentialism (Doing) in “SOLIDARITY WITH THE SAVIOR”.

### **BIBLICAL PURPOSE**

TO SAVE MEN WITH THE MESSAGE OF JESUS CHRIST

TO SANCTIFY MEN THROUGH THE MORAL TRUTH OF JESUS CHRIST

TO SEND MEN ON THE MISSION OF JESUS CHRIST

### **STRATEGIC BIBLICAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

To Biblically and Spiritually implement a Health Care Ministry in cities hosting National meetings with emphasis on expansion to other cities.

To Biblically and Spiritually enhance the Street Meeting Ministry, Prison Ministry, Senior Ministry, Homeless Ministry and other Ministries in cities hosting National meetings with emphasis on expansion to other cities.

To Teach the Biblical Function of Men in a “Solidarity” relationship with Jesus Christ.

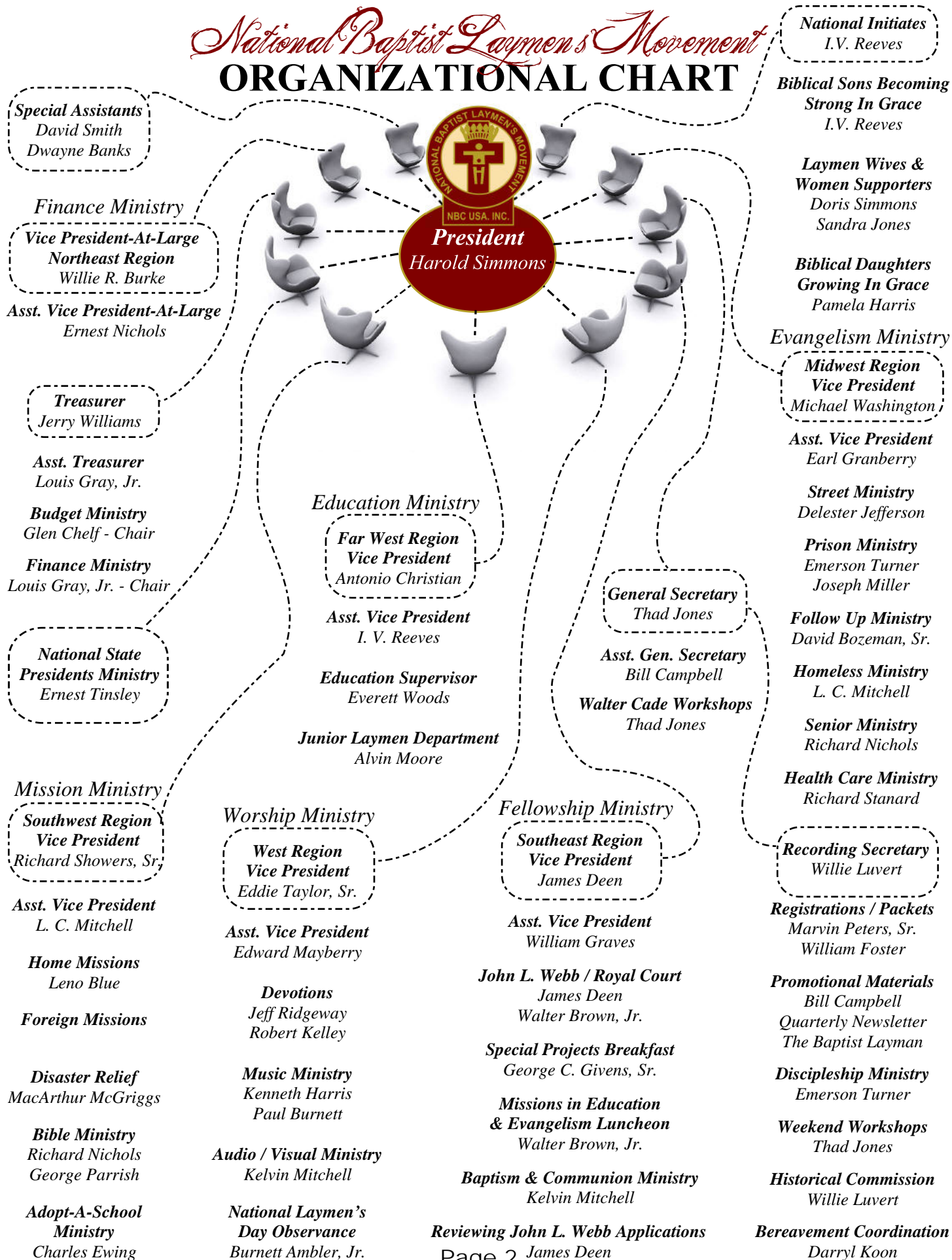
To Biblically encourage Men to “Spiritually Grow” from being “Members of the Church” to “Disciples of Christ” with a commitment to Jesus Christ, Family, Church and the World.

To Biblically Teach men to “Envision the Vision” of our Pastors given to them by the Holy Spirit to the Local Church, District Association, State Convention and the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc.

To Biblically Teach Men to become “Biblical Stewards” in supporting Local Churches, District Associations, state Conventions and the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. in giving of their Time, Talent and Tithes.

# *National Baptist Laymen's Movement*

## ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# National Baptist Laymen's Movement Officers

## Officers

Harold Simmons	President
Willie R. Burke	Vice President-At-Large
Richard Showers, Sr.	First Vice President
Antonio Christian	Second Vice President
Eddie Taylor, Sr.	Third Vice President
James Deen	Fourth Vice President
Michael Washington	Fifth Vice President
Jerry Williams	Treasurer
Louis Gray, Jr.	Assistant Treasurer
Thad Jones	General Secretary
Bill Campbell	Assistant General Secretary
Willie Luvert	Recording Secretary

## Assistant Vice Presidents

Ernest Nichols	I. V. Reeves
L. C. Mitchell	Edward Mayberry
Earl Granberry	William Graves

## Special Assistant to the President

David Smith	Dwayne Banks
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## Junior Laymen Officers

Julius Cherry	President
D'Andre Richardson	Vice President-at-Large
Markus Snead	First Vice President
Bryson E. Collier	Second Vice President



# **President's Office**

**Harold Simmons**



## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2012 – 2013

**1. Theme Development Ministry**

Coordinated by Emerson Turner, the first National Laymen Theme book was produced. *"Biblical Watchmen in Solidarity with the Savior: Watching and Warning through the Word."*

**2. Red Cross Certification**

MacArthur McGriggs earned his Red Cross certification place the National Laymen in position to work and serve in disaster areas along side and with the Red Cross. One more class in November to complete and earn the Disaster Preparation certification.

**3. Fellowship Cruise Reporter**

Following the 2012 Alaska cruise, Katie Patterson was named the Cruise Reporter for all future laymen cruises.

**4. Foreign Mission Chairman Appointed**

Charlie Richmond, Jr. of Whitehouse, TX was appointed as the laymen's Foreign Mission chairman and to serve as a liaison to the parent-body Foreign Mission department.

**5. Laymen Wives & Women Supporters Assists and Serves in All Ministries**

Each ministry now has a person from the Wives & Women Supporters Ministry to serve and exercise their gifts to elevate, enhance and grow that respective ministry.





# **Mission Ministry Report**

**Richard Showers, Sr.  
Vice President**

## Foreign Mission Ministry

# Annual Report

**Purpose:** To assist and support the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., in its efforts to provide for nine (9) mission stations and our brothers and sisters in Africa and South America.

**Mission Statement:** To fulfill the great commission of Jesus Christ as it is written in Matthew 28: 19-20, in Africa and South America.

**Mission:** To do God's will; Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; 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 28:19-20*

This mission implies service in the name of Jesus Christ. The Laymen's Foreign Mission Ministry seeks to accomplish this mission by providing resources that will assist the Foreign Mission Board in providing:

- Resources for our ministers' to preach and teach the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Educational materials and supplies for our schools and day care centers.
- Medical equipment, medicine and supplies for our clinics, hospitals and mobile clinics.
- Maintenance and repairs of our schools, day care centers and medical facilities on our mission stations.
- Baptist theological training for ministers.
- Food for the feeding ministries.
- The cost of shipping clothing, supplies, etc., to our mission stations.
- Occupational and educational training.
- Stipends for missionaries, teachers, medical personnel and other mission station staff.

**Vision:** To engage and involve Laymen in foreign mission and foreign mission activities in every state convention, district association and local churches within the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc.

**Actions/Activities:** Since being appointed to lead the Foreign Mission Ministry in April of this year, I've spent much time and effort in implementing a ministry structure that will allow the ministry to accomplish its mission, vision and goals in an organized and efficient manner. All of the Walter Cade, Jr. Workshop Coordinators have been contacted for their input as well as some State and District Laymen Presidents. My initial goal was to have a structure in place prior to this annual session. However, developing a solid structure from ground level is challenging and demanding. Therefore, the anticipated date for completion is November 2013. Please see the attached ministry structure.

## Foreign Mission Ministry (cont'd)

This past June, I attended the Foreign Mission sessions in St. Louis, MO. I had an opportunity to meet with Rev. William B. Moore, Foreign Mission Board Chairman, Rev. Nicholas Richards, Executive Secretary for the Board, as well as some board members. I also had the pleasure of meeting Sister Delores Collins, Foreign Mission Office Manager in Philadelphia, PA. As a result, I received a wealth of information about the Foreign Mission Board and its works in Africa and South America. During our meeting, I was astounded by the projected budget of the Foreign Mission Board to accomplish its works in nine mission stations in Africa and South America. There is a great need for additional funding and resources. The 2013 budget, consisting of domestic and international expenses, is only \$1,193,343. There is no doubt in my mind that with the help of God and the cooperation of our laymen and laymen supporters across this country, we can have a significant impact on the foreign mission budget and the work being done by the National Baptist Foreign Mission Board to help our brothers and sisters across the waters to experience the power of God.

**Goal:** It is my goal as chairman of the ministry, to contribute, with the help of every man that makes up this National Baptist Laymen's Movement, at least \$200,000 by the 2014 Annual Session. This may appear to be an aggressive goal, but with the assistance and commitment of dedicated leaders and workers, including local churches, we can reach this goal and more.

### **Recommendations:**

- To have a Region Laymen Foreign Mission Coordinator for each region within our convention.
- To have a State Laymen Foreign Mission Coordinator for each state convention laymen movement.
- To have a District Laymen Foreign Mission Coordinator for each District Association.
- To have a Laymen Foreign Mission Representative in each local church.

All of the aforementioned coordinators will have a position description outlining the characteristics of the person suited for these positions as well as their duties and responsibilities.

*Charlie Richmond, Jr.*

Charlie Richmond, Jr., Chairman

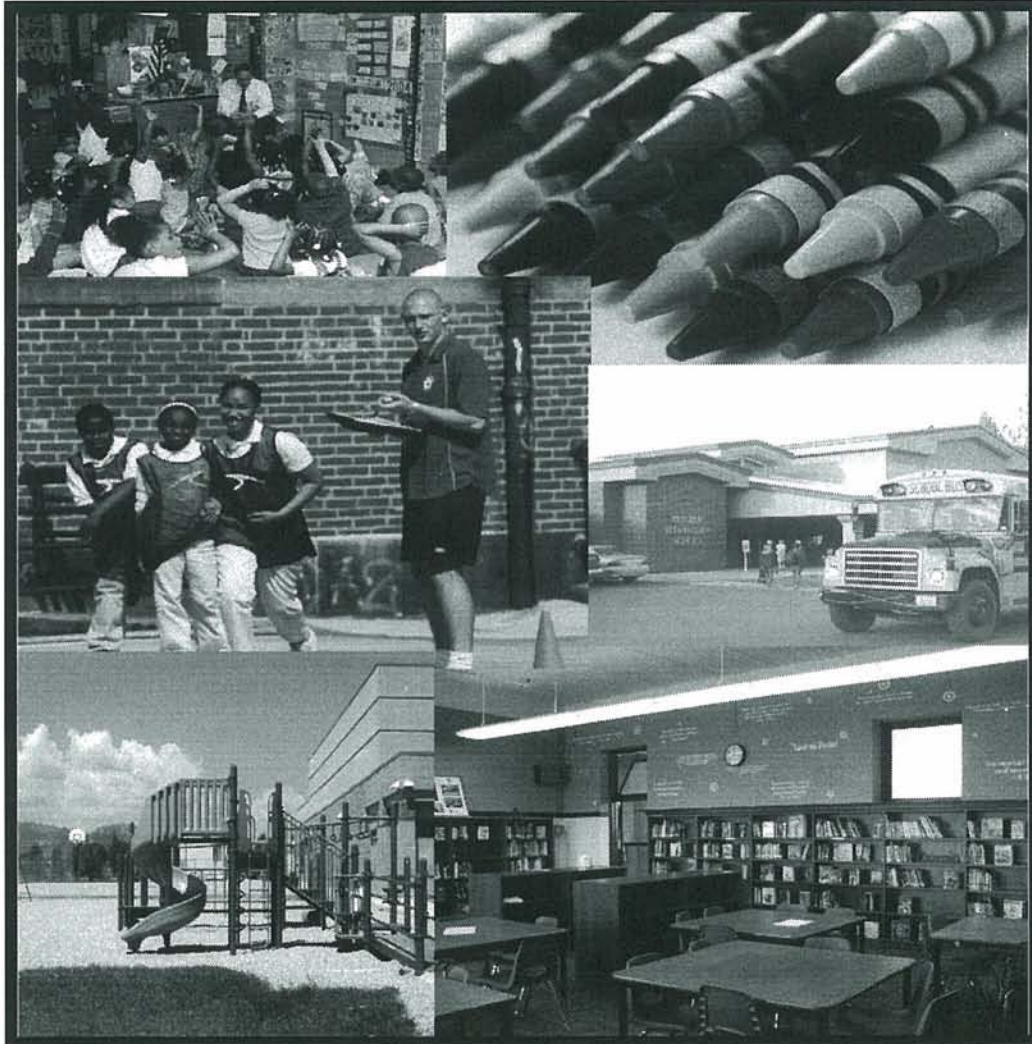
Lester Dewberry, General Secretary



National Baptist Laymen's Movement

# Adopt-A-School Ministry

*"An Effort to Establish Church & Public School Partnerships Throughout America"*



**Charles L. Ewing**

Ministry Director

**Robert A. Pope**

Executive Secretary

**2013 Annual Session Report**

Charlotte, North Carolina

September 2, 2013



National Baptist Laymen's Movement  
**Annual Report**  
**National Adopt-A-School Ministry**  
This ministry demonstrates *Solidarity with the Savior*.



### **PURPOSE**

This Ministry brings to the National Baptist Laymen's Movement an approach and methods to assist churches in establishing local initiatives within the school system in the community where their church is located.

### **VISION**

To produce a higher percentage of young men who attend elementary, middle and high school that perform and achieve at levels that produce well educated graduates and more productive citizens.

### **MISSION**

The mission of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement's Adopt-A-School Ministry is to reflect our love of Jesus the Christ by partnering with schools to positively impact the lives of youth through character building and academic excellence. The Ministry will help them discover the skills and talents that will improve their lives and our community.

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### **Adopt-A-School Team**

Charles L. Ewing, Sr. Ministry Director  
Memphis, Tennessee

Robert Pope  
Memphis, Tennessee

Leroy Martin  
St. George, South Carolina

Ozell Wright  
Covington, Tennessee

Ernest Tinsley  
Atlanta, Georgia

Leslie Kendrick  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Wilbert Nobles  
Morristown, New Jersey

William Carper  
Beaumont, California

Charlie Richmond  
Tyler, TX

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### **2013 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Completed development of the Training Handbook, Power Point presentations and other items to support delivering the Workshop during the Annual Session.
- During the 2012 Annual Session in Atlanta, GA presented the first Adopt-A-School Workshop.
  - Twenty two (22) Convention attendees participated in the Workshop and received materials that will assist with the implementation of the Adopt-A-School ministry when they return home.
  - Adopt-A-School materials were also distributed to Laymen and Supporters that could not attend the Workshop during the Annual Session.



- Director Charles Ewing briefed the Laymen Movement during a General Session.
- Brother Charlie Richmond of Tyler, TX has joined the Adopt-A-School Team.
- The Team continues to meet regularly via teleconference to discuss progress and next steps.
- The Team members and their church have successfully adopted a school in their area or are in the process of implementing the ministry.
- Brother Tinsley as Director of the State Presidents Advisory Council has asked each State President to commit to getting a school adopted. The State Presidents have accept this challenge.
- Brother Kendrick has begun to develop a web page for the Adopt-A-School Ministry on the National Baptist Laymen web site.
- Brother Pope delivered a Ministry update during the 2013 Mid-Winter Board Meeting in January 2013 and at the Southwest Laymen Workshop held in Jackson MS in July 2013.
- The Team continues to responds to requests for materials from Laymen and Supporters throughout the National Baptist Laymen Movement.
- Began work to develop a companion document for the Survey form to collect activities and events used by churches when a school has been adopted.

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

- Develop a support system for local churches, Districts, and State Conventions to use as they implement Adopt-A-School.
- Develop measuring tools to assist local churches determine guidance for moving to the next level of the ministry
- Develop measurement tools for the Ministry to track implementation progress and processes.
- Complete development of the web page on the National Laymen's website and develop other marketing methods.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

- Each State President will establish an Adopt-A-School Ministry in their state.
- State Presidents report the information regarding the established Ministry to the Adopt-A-School Team.
- In states with multiple conventions, each convention will establish the Ministry in its representative area.



# **Education Ministry Report**

**Antonio Christian  
Vice President**

# EDUCATION MINISTRY

## ANNUAL REPORT

The Education team consists of:

Assistant Vice President. - I.V. Reeves,  
Supervisor - Everett Woods  
Asst. Supervisor - Anthony Woods  
Junior Laymen Director - Alvin Moore  
Staff - Keith Thomas, Virgil Marshall  
Writing Specialist - Ernest Tinsley

With the help of God, this team will continue to direct all of the Education of the Laymen's Ministry, Junior Laymen, Scholarships, reorganizing junior laymen program and other assignments given by the president.

The Allen Jordan Seminar in St. Louis, Missouri was outstanding; we again offered more than fifteen classes that were well received and attended. We welcomed Brother Anthony Woods to our staff and we are looking forward to being blessed by his presence.

We plan this year at the annual session to offer a new class which will focus on creating and maintaining healthy marriages, taught by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Perry of New York.

The Congress session this year continued to be devoted to discussions and training preparing for the time when we are able to expand the boy's ministry. We will also offer this class in September to further prepare our men to teach our young men.

We continue to improve the Bible Bowl rules and procedures and we will encourage all state presidents to have a participant.

We continue to revise Basketball Tournament rules and plan to have more input from coaches and state presidents. We will continue to look for sponsors and support of local professional Christian athletes at each location.

We are still looking into ways to revise our scholarship ministry and we are still looking for new ideas and assistance.

We thank God for the journey thus far and we ask that you pray with us and for us as we  
"STUDY TO SHOW OURSELVES APPROVED UNTO GOD, A WORKMAN THAT  
NEEDETH NOT BE ASHAMED RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH" 2Timothy  
2:15

Respectfully submitted,

*Antonio Christian*

Antonio Christian  
Vice-President

Education Ministry

**Annual Report**

**Junior Laymen Ministry**

The National Baptist Junior Laymen Basketball Tournament opened at 10:00 a.m. at Demetrious Johnson Charitable Foundation, 724 Union Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Five states participated in the tournament: Alabama, Kansas, Illinois, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Scores from the semi-final games were:

- Alabama 56 vs. Oklahoma 38 (Alabama was led by Justin Coleman with 21 points and Oklahoma by Sanders with 20 points)
- Kansas 47 vs. Missouri 21
- Missouri 42 vs. Illinois 16

The championship game was held Tuesday.

**Tuesday, June 18, 2013**

The National Baptist Junior Laymen Basketball Tournament opened at 4:00 p.m. at Demetrious Johnson Charitable Foundation, 724 Union Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

The third place winner was Oklahoma with 36 points vs. Missouri with 30 points. Oklahoma was led by Sanders, with 18 points.

The championship game was an exciting game with Alabama emerging, again this year, as the 2013 champions. The game scores were; Alabama with 60 points and Kansas with 33 points. Justin Coleman, an Alabama native, scored the most points in the tournament with 46 points against Oklahoma 21 and 25 points against Kansas in the championship game.

**Wednesday, June 19, 2013**

The National Junior Laymen Day opened at 10:15 a.m. at Renaissance Airport Hotel, 9801 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis Mo 63134. President Julius Cherry called the session to order. The Junior Laymen were in charge of the devotion and the itinerary for this period. Brother Justice Turner was the presiding officer. Brother Justice Turner introduced the speaker of the hour, junior laymen President, Julius Cherry. President Cherry gave an inspiring message. His father, Brother William Cherry, Jr., presented his remarks. Julius Cherry will be attending Tuskegee University this fall.

# THE BIBLICAL WOMAN'S ROLE IN THE LAYMEN'S MINISTRY

## Class Report

**Instructors: Sister Sandra Jones and Sister Alcion Ambler**

The Biblical Woman's Role in the Laymen's Ministry class was held during the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education session in St. Louis, MO. during the week of June 17 - June 21, 2013.

There was a total of 25 on the roll, with 25 in attendance. This attendance included two pastor's wives.

This class teaches wives and women supporters about the importance of the biblical woman's role in the lay ministry. It is designed to help wives and women supporters to undergird and support our men in the lay ministry. It is also designed to help wives and women supporters understand the role that God gave to man and to help, aid and assist our men and to reach their highest potential designed by God.

The course deals with the biblical function of women in a working relationship with God and man. The class outline for the week focused on:

1. Understanding the roles of women in the Laymen Ministry.
2. Understanding the Biblical Woman's role based on biblical principles and precepts, including the biblical principal of submission.
3. Understanding the importance of prayer and it's concepts.
4. Understanding the importance of ministry to help undergird and support our husbands and men.

During the class period, the facilitators and the students engaged in meaningful discussion on the above topics. Handouts and practical application was available to the students.

The class period began each day with a devotional, led by the class president and devotional team and ended each class period in prayer.

Report submitted by:

*Sandra Jones*

Sandra Jones  
Instructor



# **Worship Ministry Report**

**Eddie Taylor, Sr.  
Vice President**

National Baptist Laymen's Movement

**Worship Ministry**

**Annual Report**

**Music Ministry**

**National Male Chorus**

The music ministry continues to provide musical selections as designated for sessions of the Laymen's Auxiliary. These include the January Board Meeting, the National Congress of Christian Education held in June, and the Annual Session held in September.

President Simmons' vision of a National Male Chorus at the Annual Session is an ongoing project. Even though the goal of 100 Men has not been realized, each September a representative group of men from across the nation still come together to make-up a National Male Chorus. The support of all regional directors and national leaders is coveted in the fulfillment of this vision.

*Kenneth Harris Jr.*

Dr. Kenneth Harris, Jr.  
Chairman

## **Audio Visual Ministry**

# **Annual Report**

The Audio Visual Ministry is glad to report the purchase of a new 88 keys, Korg keyboard with stand and cables to connect into any sound system. By purchasing this keyboard it will allow the laymen's auxiliary to save more than \$600 per session. Since our last annual session we have saved more than \$1,800.00 which is more than we paid for the item and has saved the auxiliary approximately \$300.00. This item can be used at any meeting and can be shipped anywhere the auxiliary needs it.

The Audio Visual team is also glad to report that every session is streamed live across the Internet. By logging on to [www.proaudiookc.com](http://www.proaudiookc.com) people are able to view the session in its entirety. Once you go to this website you have to click the tab streaming video and click on the play button to view. This was kicked off at the last general session and every session since then has been streamed and archived on this site.

All laymen and supporters have a chance to view what is going on as well as the ability to watch these sessions at a later time for up to a year.

The Audio Visual team still records every session on CD as well as DVD and this media is available at each session or by calling 405-833-8626. This is a great way to support the ministry as well get some helpful and meaningful information in your hands.

The Audio team of Kelvin Mitchell, Tim Jones, Kevin Henderson, Kris Mitchell and Norvick Nolen are glad to provide A/V support the Laymen.

*Kelvin Mitchell*

Kelvin Mitchell  
Chairman



## Communion Service Ministry

# Annual Report

A little more than two years ago brothers Curtis Savannah and Walter Brown entrusted to me the Communion Service Ministry. After working with them for more than seven years they asked me to take over as the Deacon-in-Charge.

The Communion and Baptism Service is the closing service of the annual session each year. As the Deacon-in-Charge it is our responsibility to ensure the ordinance of the church is carried out.

In our last session in Atlanta we baptized more than 10 and served more than 1,000 members of the convention. We had more than 30 male deacons from all over the country clad in black suits, white shirts and red ties, the official uniform of the deacons to serve the Lord's Supper.

This year we will be in Charlotte, N.C. working with the local committee for the closing session and we encourage all male deacons to come prepared to serve in this closing session of the convention. There is a blessing in staying for the benediction

Yours in Christ,

*Kelvin Mitchell*

Kelvin Mitchell  
Chairman

# **Social & Fellowship Ministry Report**

**James Deen  
Vice President**



# Social and Fellowship Ministry

## Annual Report

The Social Ministry Team is responsible for coordinating the programming of the social and fellowship activities of the Movement. Included under this umbrella: the John L. Webb Banquet, Evening with the Royal Court, Missions In Education and Evangelism Luncheon, Special Projects Breakfast, Baptism, Communion, Fellowship Cruise, and the Wives and Women Supporters Prayer Breakfast. These activities are good from the fellowship stand point and some of them help raise much needed funds for the operation of the movement

To those states that have been consistent in your participation in these efforts, thank you. To those states which have participated sparingly, our challenge to you is to try to increase your effort. To those states which have not participated at all, our appeal to you is to get on board. We continue to work to reach the point at which there will be no states with zeros by their names.

### **Special Projects Fundraiser and Breakfast**

The Laymen convene the third week of January for the Annual Mid-Winter Board Meeting each year. The highlight of the board meetings have been the annual Special Project Breakfast. Due to drop in attendance and rising food costs a decision was made not to do the breakfast during the 2013 Mid-Winter Board Meeting. However that did not stop the Special Projects Fundraising. The Special Projects Service was held and the states made their report.

Every State Laymen Convention President is asked to bring from his state a gift of \$2,500.00 to support this effort. All National elected and appointed Officers, Committeemen, State, District, and Local Presidents are asked to give \$100.00 each for this cause. We thank all of you for your efforts this year and we urge each of you to help us move closer toward our goal.

The Social Ministry Team continues to ask and encourage all Pastors, Ministers, Men and Women who feel led by the spirit to continue to support the National Baptist Laymen's Movement during the Mid-Winter Board Meeting in January. Also the team encourages the membership to begin their drive for the upcoming Mid-Winter Meeting. Our goal continues to be "no zeros."

### **Mission In Education and Evangelism**

The Mission in Education and Evangelism Project is held each year in June during the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education. Each District President is asked to represent with \$300.00. The reports are made during the Mission in Education and Evangelism Luncheon at the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education in June. The 2013 Luncheon was held on Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at the Third Baptist Church in St. Louis, MO. The Message was delivered by Rev. Greg L. Oliver, Sr., Pastor of the True Vine Baptist Church, Monroe, LA. The winners of the National Baptist Laymen's Basketball Tournament were presented.

## Social and Fellowship Ministry (cont'd)

They were as follows: first place – Alabama, second place – Kansas, and third place – Oklahoma. Also the finalists in the Bible Bowl were presented. They were: first place - Isaiah Davis(New Jersey), second place - Issac Watts(Mississippi, and third place – Charles McClure(Ohio).

Our goal in this effort is also **no zeros**. Our thanks to all who made an effort this year. These funds will continue to be used to support the ministry's commitments to Mission in Education and Evangelism.

### **Evening with the Royal Court**

Our annual September fundraiser for laymen ministries is held on Thursday at during the annual session. All state convention presidents are encouraged to bring a minimum donation of \$750.00 to represent their state convention. The Social Ministry Team urges each state laymen convention president to bring as much as possible over the minimum, even go for the gold. The **no zeros** still applies.

All donations and resumes are to be turned in as soon as possible so that we will know the number participating and can adequately plan for seating. All monies must be turned in by 12:00 noon on Wednesday. All contestants need to be at the site of the Royal Court by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 5, 2013.

The 2012 Royal Court in Atlanta, Georgia was a good event. Brother Tommy Taylor of Macon, Georgia was crowned King(Arch Duke). The Social Ministry Team congratulates this year's winners and all previous winners. We look forward to a competitive event this year in Charlotte, North Carolina.

### **John L. Webb Awards & Recognition Banquet**

The John L. Webb Awards and Recognition Banquet is held on Thursday evening following the Evening with the Royal Court. Tickets are \$50.00 each and a table of 10 is \$500.00. Tables are selected on a first come, first pay basis. Each state convention is encouraged to sell as many tickets as you can, again **no zeros**. Select your tables early to make sure you have good seating.

The highlight of the banquet is when the National Baptist Laymen's Movement honor one of their own with the highest Laymen's Award, the John L. Webb Award. The John L. Webb Award is given to a man that has exemplified extraordinary qualities and a commitment to laymen work in his local church, his district association, his state convention and the National Baptist Laymen's Movement. This man must be recommended by his state president and the recommendation submitted to the John L. Webb committee on time. The Social Ministry Team extends congratulations to all previous winners of the John L. Webb Award and look forward to the announcement of the winner for 2012.



### **Baptism and Communion**

Among the many tasks of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement are helping with baptism and assisting with communion. We need as many deacons as possible to be prepared to help in these two efforts. Special instructions will be given during the annual session concerning the time, location, and procedures for baptism and communion. **Special deacons attire for baptism is as follows: Black Suits, White Shirts, Red Ties, and White Gloves.**

*James Deen*

James Deen  
Vice President

Laymen's Wives & Women Supporters Ministry

## Annual Report

# 22<sup>nd</sup> Melinda J. Cade Prayer Breakfast

In 2012 the 22nd Melinda J. Cade Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters Prayer Breakfast was held at the Marriott Marquis Hotel, 265 Peachtree Center Ave. NE, Atlanta, GA 30303 on September 4, 2012 at 7:00am.

The theme was, "*Biblical Women in Solidarity with the Savior*", Proverbs 31:30 and Titus 2:3-5.

The keynote speaker was Sister Frances Joyner, Camden New Jersey.

The committee chairpersons were as follows:

Program - Sister Sylvia Brown,

Praise Team - Sister Sandra Jones, Finance, Sister Eve Ridgeway, Hostess, Sister Frances Joyner, Decorations, Sister Bettye Showers.

Ticket Coordinators - Sister Joice Tinsley and Sister Lynn McGinnis

Audio Visual - Brother Kevin Mitchell

There was no chairperson from 2011 – 2012 in respect and in memory for Melinda J. Cade, the founder.

There were approximately 150 in attendance.

*Eve Ridgeway*

Eve Ridgeway  
Chairwoman



# Melinda J. Cade 22<sup>nd</sup> LAYMEN'S WIVES & WOMEN SUPPORTERS **PRAYER BREAKFAST** of the *National Baptist Laymen's Movement*

*Biblical Women in Solidarity With the Savior*  
*Proverbs 31:30 & Titus 2:3-5*

7 a.m. - September 4, 2012

Marriott Marquis Hotel

265 Peachtree Center Avenue, NE

Atlanta, GA 30303-1204

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**SISTER FRANCES R. JOYNER**

**CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY**



Sylvia Brown, Program Chairperson  
Doris Simmons, General Chairperson  
Harold Simmons, President  
Thad Jones, General Secretary



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Francess Register Joyner** is the wife of Quinton B. Joyner Jr. Together they live in Camden, NJ and are active members of the Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church where the Rev. James C. Jones is the pastor. At Mt. Calvary, Francess serves as a Deaconess, Junior Usher Advisor, Substitute Teacher of the New Members course, Chairperson of the church's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and Assistant Church Clerk. Because of her love for education, she is often found in inspirational courses on a local, state and national level. She has also taught classes on each of the three levels. Most recently, she taught "Women Raising Sons to be Christian Men" for the Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters.



Francess holds a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education as well as a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology. She has been employed as an administrator with the Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual disAbilities for almost 30 years. Although she works primarily with individuals who have a severe mental illness, she also holds postgraduate certificates in counseling individuals with alcohol and other drug addictions, as well as treating individuals with co-occurring disorders.

Francess will often be found supporting her husband Quinton in the many capacities in which he serves. However, she would say that it is his support of her that has been more impressive in their relationship. When she was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2004, Quinton became a caretaker extraordinaire. Only their faith in the Lord and love for each other brought them through a full year of rigorous treatments, disappointments and finally victory. They both praise the Lord for how He delivered them and rededicated themselves to His service. This blessed couple has three sons: Zsakhien, Yusef & Quinton III; three grandsons: Isaiah, Matthew & Nathaniel and one precious granddaughter: Samantha.

*"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me"*

*(Philippians 4:13).*



# ORGANIZER

**Melinda J. Cade** grew up in Kansas City, Kansas and graduated from Sumner High School in 1967. She attended the Kansas City, Kansas Community College where she obtained an Associate's Degree in Data Base Management.

She loved the Lord and began her Christian walk at the Eighth Street Missionary Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas. She grew up under the watchful shepherding of the late Reverend I.H. Henderson, Sr.

Melinda served in the following ministries: Church Choir, General Mission, Trustee, One Accord, and was a former Deaconess. In her State, she was the immediate past Executive Assistant to the Missionary Baptist State Convention of Kansas, the Associate Editor of *The Kansas Missionary*, served as a Friend of Camp Ascension, and was a former member of the Business and Professional Women's Committee. Also, she served as Treasurer and Chair of the Souvenir Journal for her graduating alumni class.

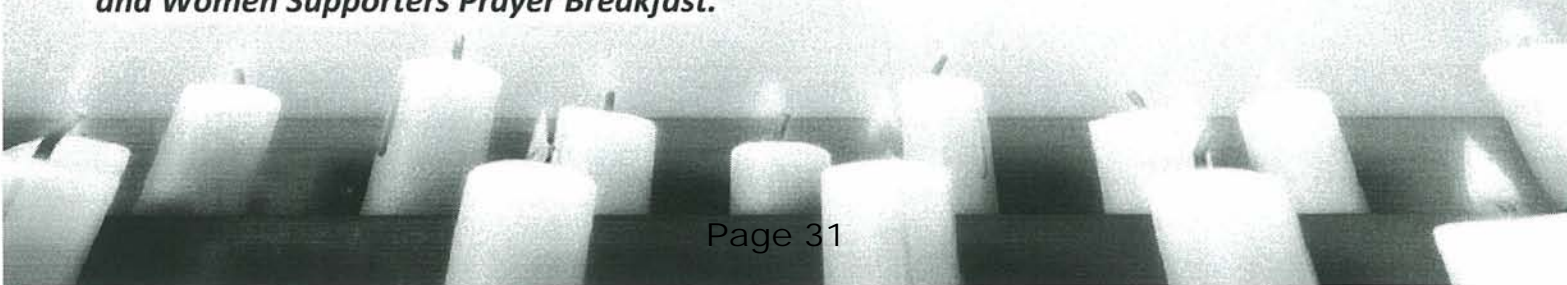
Professionally, Melinda retired from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) after 34 years. She made her mark in the Public Housing Division for her expertise in public housing programming and computer technology.

Melinda was the wife of Walter Cade Jr., fourth president of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement and subsequent Executive Director of the Baptist World Center. Melinda was an integral part of the National Laymen and assisted her husband as secretary, travel planner, program layout artist and many other roles. She traveled extensively with Walter, and did missionary work in Africa, Brazil, and the Bahamas. Among many of her many achievements, she organized the National Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters Prayer Breakfast.

Following Walter's death, Melinda remained involved and worked closely with the lay ministries, gave leadership to the prayer breakfast and served as breakfast chairperson. She introduced many innovated ideals that are derivative in other prayer breakfasts.

The joys of her life were children, Steven and Jyana, her daughter in-law, Kim, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

On October 27, 2011, Melinda transitioned from this physical life to the spiritual life. In honor of her memory and legacy, this breakfast is named the **Melinda J. Cade, Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters Prayer Breakfast.**





# PROGRAM

WORSHIP LEADERS:.....Bro. Gene and Sis. Linda Turner, (TX)

OPENING SCRIPTURE:..... Bro. A.L. and Sis Mary Folmar (AL)

GREETINGS:.....Sis. Willie Ruth Dunn (GA)

GREETINGS:..... Sis. Virginia Cuff (OH)  
Wife of Dr. Elliott Cuff,  
Dean of the NBC, USA, Inc., Congress of Christian Education

PURPOSE:.....Sis. Alcion Ambler (KS)

PRAYER OF PRAISE, THANKSGIVING & GRACE:.....Bro. Edward and Cecilia Mayberry (KS)

## *Breakfast is Served*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMARKS:.....Sis. Sylvia A. Brown (NJ)

SPECIAL RECOGNITION & PRESENTATION:.....Sis. Doris Simmons (KS)

REMARKS:.....President Harold Simmons (KS)

SELECTION:.....Worship and Praise Singers

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER:.....Bro. Quinton Joyner (NJ)

SOLO:.....Sis. Sandra Jones (MO)

SPEAKER:.....Sis. Francess Joyner (NJ)

SELECTION: .....Worship and Praise Singers

CIRCLES OF PRAYER: .....Individual Tables

CLOSING PRAYER:.....Bro. Joseph and Sis. Thelma Miller (MD)

# Previous Keynote Speakers

1991	Sister Alcion Ambler (KS)	2002	Sister Katie Webb (CA)
1992	Sister Ruth Wilson (LA)	2003	Sister Doris Gash (CA)
1993	Sis. Irma Harden (NY)	2004	Sister Virgie Savannah (TX)
1994	Sister Sheryl Hines (CA)	2005	Sister Lela Stallings (IN)
1995	Sister Vernita Howze (MI)	2006	Sister Eve Ridgeway (MI)
1996	Sister Sylvia A. Brown (NJ)	2007	Sister Neva Forney (NM)
1997	Sister Lorraine Chelf (NM)	2008	Sister Sandra Jones (MO)
1998	Sister Eleanor Jones Webb (CA)	2009	Sister Rosaline Buckannan (AZ)
1999	Sister Bettye Showers (AL)	2010	Sister Betty Christian (CA)
2000	Sister Zoya Webster Phillips (FL)	2011	Sister Angeleen Gray (KS)
2001	Dr. Rosa B. Cooper (IL)		







## ***Committee Chairpersons***

National Praise Team Chairperson  
Sister Sandra Jones (MO) & Committee

Finance Committee  
Sister Eve Ridgeway (MI) & Committee

Prayer Breakfast Ticket Coordinators  
Sister Joice Tinsley (GA), Lynn McKinnis (KS) & Committee

Hostess Chairperson  
Sister Francess Joyner (NJ) & Committee

Decoration Chairperson  
Sister Bettye Showers & Committee

Audiovisual Chairman  
Bro. Kevin Mitchell & Committee

## ***Special Thanks***

To all prayer breakfast participants, “thank you” for your love, dedication and self-sacrifice. We appreciate you and all of our brothers and sisters coming together in cooperative prayer for our families, leaders and others.

Sister Francess Joyner, “thank you” for readily taking this responsibility as Keynote Speaker. We know that God’s blessings are upon you and your message. Bro. Walter Brown, Jr. and Bro. Bill Campbell, we are most appreciative to you for taking care of our breakfast details. Again, we thank all National Laymen for the opportunity to serve beside worthy men of God.



***The Laymen’s Wives and Women Supporters***

# **Wives & Women Supporters Ministry Report**

**Doris Simmons  
Chairwoman**





# WIVES AND WOMEN SUPPORTERS

## ANNUAL REPORT

### **Mission Statement:**

Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters (Laymen's Ministry) are jointly working with our husbands and men to enhance the complete Laymen's Ministry. "And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone: I will make him a help meet for him" (Gen. 2:18).

### **Vision**

To provide an ongoing "encouragement/help" ministry to our husbands and men of the National Laymen's Movement, helping them to meet the spiritual challenges of this present age.

**Purpose of Meetings:** We meet to introduce, fellowship, and communicate ministries and activities of the National Baptist Laymen. Lay sisters are constantly looking for ways to assist our lay brothers for their betterment.

### **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2012 NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, USA, INC. ANNUAL SESSION MEETING IN ATLANTA, GA**

#### *Minutes Report submitted by Sister Cecilia Mayberry*

Meditation by Sister Lynn McKinnis: "*Worshipping the Lord*", Psalm 29:2

Reading of previous minutes, minutes approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Prayer Breakfast – Sister Doris Simmons said the chairperson for the breakfast had been left vacant for a year in honor of Sister Melinda Cade.

The floor was opened for nominations for a new chair. Sister Doris Simmons said Sister Eve Ridgway's name had been recommended.

Motion made by Sister Bettye Christian for Sister Eve Ridgway to be the new chairperson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sister Joice Tinsley, all in favor I, and it was agreed upon.

There was a suggestion that the sale of the tickets need to go smoother and we need to get younger women involved.

## **REPORTS:**

**Prayer Breakfast** – Sister Sylvia Brown presented a copy of the program and she went over that with those present

### **Special recognition for laywomen to be recognized:**

Praise singers – need all who can to pitch in.

Ticket money – if you have \$'s to turn in and give to Sister Joice Tinsley. There will be few tickets sold at the door.

Sister Eve Ridgway – the newly elected chairperson of the prayer breakfast had some remarks.

For the breakfast persons must have a ticket. We need to be sure it is understood open to men and women. Anyone who wants to work just let her and Sister Doris Simmons know.

### **Recommendations for the prayer breakfast:**

Sister Bettye Christian suggested next year raising the tickets to \$30.00.

Sister Alene Anderson suggested getting a good representative from each state and the tickets will move.

Sister Joice Tinsley suggested being able to register on-line for tickets

Another lady suggested raising the price to \$35.00. Another suggestion is to have a cut off date for the purchase of tickets and any purchased at the door would be more. Another Suggestion to get our speakers from the states we have the convention at that year so more people from that state would already be there and would probably come thereby boosting attendance.

## **CLASSES:**

Sister Alcion Ambler went over the Biblical Women's role in the Laymen Ministry- class was well attended in St. Louis. New addition is "*Single and Satisfied*".

1. Sister Doris Simmons went over the Biblical Womanhood – class is growing. This class is only taught during the Congress session
2. Sister Francis Joyner – went over the Biblical Women Raising Boys to be Biblical Men – said in September only need one (1) class. She made a proposal to do a class on forgiveness. Sis. Doris Simmons said that if anyone interested in teaching a class, they must turn in a syllabus to President Simmons to be reviewed and presented to Dean
3. Biblical Daughters – Sister Sandra Jones said that the class is three (3) years old and has really taken off
4. Sister Joice Tinsley – "*Woman the Vessel, God the Power*" said that she discussed that this class to be taught in June. This session will deal with Confidence.



**MINISTRIES:** Sister Sandra Jones said that we typically go out to women's shelter. Last time the Biblical Women Team went to the Fishes and Loaves Women Shelter but only got to spend time with the staff which was very beneficial. This year the team will go into a Women's prison that housed 50 – 60 females. We will also have street outreach to prepare for baptism on Friday night.

**ACTS OF KINDNESS** – collected money in June and still have \$s to use – for the women's prison they need 4500 bars of Family size dial soap.

**PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY** – Sister Teresa Byrd sent out over 200 emails

**ALASKAN CRUISE** – Sister Lynn Perry did a short talk about the cruise

### **PRAISE REPORT**

Anniversary 35 years Mr. and Mrs. Myrick

Birthday Sister Joice Tinsley, Sister Alene Anderson reported on her illness and the Lord was bringing her back. Sister Thelma Miller married 52 years.

Invited Sister Jyana King to come again, this is Sister Melinda Cade's daughter

Meeting open to anyone who wants to work in a ministry. Copies of the laymen's ministry charts were passed out. Please contact Sister Doris Simmons or President Simmons and let them know where you desire to work. Everyone is welcomed.

### **Those present:**

Sis. Doris Simmons, Sis. Alene Anderson, Sis. Alcion Ambler, Sis. Sandra Jones, Sis. Joice Tinsley, Sis. Cecilia Mayberry, Sis. Eve Ridgway, Sis. Lynn McKinnis, Sis. Angie Gray, Sis. Gwen Davis, Sis. Bettye Christian, Sis. Margie Mitchell, Sis. Jyana King, Sis. Francis Joyner, Sis. Belinda Johnson Hammons, Sis. Eula Mae Brooks, Sis. Lynn Jackson Perry, Sis. Glenice A. Myrick, Sis. Purline Robinson, Sis. Thelma Miller, Sis. Mary H. Robinson, Sis. Mary Folmar and Sis. Sylvia Brown.

## **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JANUARY 21, 2013 MID-WINTER BOARD MEETING IN NASHVILLE, TN**

### **Minutes Report submitted by Sister Cecilia Mayberry**

**Meditation by Sister Cecilia Mayberry, titled "You're Necessary".**

### **Lay Wives and Women Supporters Prayer Chain Ministry:**

Sister Theresa Byrd, Chairperson - Not as many emails coming now as previously.  
Sister Cuff had a serious surgery and she is doing well recuperating.

### **Biblical Woman's Role in the Laymen's Ministry Goals for 2013:**

Instructors: Sister Sandra Jones and Sister Alcion Ambler

This is the oldest class. The class will focus on being single and satisfied.

### **Biblical Womanhood Goals for 2013**

Instructors: Sister Betty Showers and Sister Doris Simmons

They are going to concentrate on certain areas about Holiness and Spiritual Warfare.

### **Biblical Daughters Growing in Grace Goals for 2013**

Instructor: Sister Pamela Harris (AR)

This class needs some innovation and more workers who have a vision for our daughters.

### **Biblical Womanhood Witness Team 2013**

Leaders: Sister Sandra Jones and Sister Doris Simmons

Per Sister Sandra Jones, we visited the West Central Integrated Treatment Facility located 50 – 60 miles outside of Atlanta, GA where there were approximately 40-50 females. They were very receptive and appreciative of our visit. Each person in the team had an opportunity to address the ladies. We had a Spirit-filled fellowship.

### **Classes Offered in September 2013**

Instructors: Sister Joice Tinsley (GA) & Sister Betty Christian (CA)

The class will be "*Woman the Vessel, God the Power*"

### **Special Initiation:**

Volunteers are always needed – need Christian women willing to enhance our husbands and men of the National Laymen's Movement

## **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JUNE 17, 2013 NBC, USA, INC, NATIONAL CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING IN ST. LOUIS, MO**

### **Minutes Report submitted by Sister Cecilia Mayberry**

Meditation: Sister Alcion Ambler from Psalm 12, a prayer from David "*Help Lord.*"

### **Reports:**

#### **Prayer Breakfast – by Sister Eve Ridgeway**

We have no tickets yet but they will be mailed out at a later date. We are to let Sister Ridgeway know how many tickets we will need. The participants will wear white with purple flowers. She brought a sample of the corsages and the lady was going to charge us only \$1.00 and that was after being told we would not let her do them for free. After lots of discussion decided on using the corsages as a small fund raiser and charge \$5.00 for them and use them at least 2 years. We are going to order a total of 50 and Sis. Ridgeway has already paid for 30 of them.

Sister Sylvia Brown is ill and needs our prayers. Sister Ridgeway will contact Sister Brown concerning the programs that she is normally in charge of and see if she needs someone else to help her.



***Our speaker for September 2013 is Sister Mary Reeves***

Discussion about the price of the tickets we cannot charge \$30.00 for purchases at the door just \$25.00 still. We can still do the pre-pay on a reserved table and the cut off date on those is 8/25. Sister Ridgeway will talk to Brother Jerry Williams about how to handle the tickets and she will take about 50 tickets to the registration.

**National Congress Classes:**

**Biblical Women's Role in the Laymen's Ministry:** same report as previous.

**Biblical Womanhood:** Sister Doris Simmons said they have added two additional phases

1. Holiness
2. Spiritual Warfare

**Biblical Daughters:**

Montoya Gayden is no longer assisting Biblical Daughters; therefore, we need to get someone else to assist.

**Witness Team for June:**

Sister Sandi Jones didn't know for sure but didn't think we have a location to visit.

**Special Recognition for Lay-Sisters:**

We will try to have at least five (5) but there are so many Lay-sisters that need to be recognized. Several presented names to put on the list. If we cannot recognize them all this time, we can do some more next year.

No new suggestions for Ministries or Activities for the Lay Wives & Women Supporters

**Classes offered in September 2013:**

*"Woman the Vessel, God the Power,"* Sister Joice Tinsley (GA) & Sister Betty Christian (CA)

**Praise Reports:**

Sister Doris Simmons commented on President Simmons' mom and how she has recuperated and getting stronger daily.

Sister Cecilia Mayberry commented on a great niece that was in a diabetic coma for five days and came out of it with minimum complications.

Sister Mary Reeves daughter graduated from college. Hallelujah!

Those present: Doris Simmons, Alcion Ambler, Sandy Jones, Thelma Miller, Jessica Turner, Mary Reeves, Eve Ridgeway, Angeleen Gray, and Cecilia Mayberry.

**MELINDA J. CADE, LAYMEN'S WIVES AND WOMEN SUPPORTERS  
(SPIRITUAL) PRAYER BREAKFAST FOR 2013, CHARLOTTE, NC**

Breakfast Chairperson: Sister Eve Ridgeway

Program Chairperson: Sister Sylvia Brown (NJ)

Program Date and Location: September 3, 2013 at 8 A.M.

Program Speaker for 2013 is our own *Sister Mary Reeves, Seattle, WA, the wife of Brother I. V. Reeves.*

Program Color: Wives and women supporters are asked to wear white.

Program Goal: Our goal remains the same, to increase our attendees by getting our state lay presidents committed.

2012 Breakfast Speaker: We appreciated Sister Francess Joyner (NJ) who delivered a Scriptural message.

Special Recognition of lay sisters chairperson: Sister Leila Stallings and Sister Virgie Savannah

***Per Doris Simmons** - In life, we make all kinds of plans but God has the last word. As a blessed people of God, having a **"Spiritual Breakfast"** is far better. This economy is teaching and leading us to get back to basic--feasting on the Word of God and experiencing His grace and mercy.*

**LAYMEN'S WIVES AND WOMEN SUPPORTERS CLASSES  
AND MINISTRIES REPORTS**

***THE BIBLICAL WOMAN'S ROLE IN THE LAYMEN'S MINISTRY - 2013***

**Instructors: Sister Sandra Jones and Sister Alcion Ambler**

**Report submitted by Sister Sandra Jones**

The Biblical Woman Role in the Layman Ministry class was held during the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education Session in St. Louis, MO during the week of June 17 through June 21, 2013. There was a total of 25 on the role, with 25 in attendance. This attendance included 2 Pastor's wives. This class teaches wives and women supporters about the importance of the biblical woman role in the Lay ministry. It is designed to help wives and women supporters to undergird and support our men in the lay ministry. It is also designed to help wives and women supporter understand the role that God gave to man and to help, aid and assist our men to and to achieve and reach their highest potential designed by God. The course deals with the Biblical function of women in a working relationship with God and Man. The class outline for the week focused on:



## Wives and Women Supporters (cont'd)

- Understanding the roles of women in the Layman Ministry
- Understanding the Biblical Woman role based on biblical principles and precepts, including the Biblical principal of submission
- Understanding the importance of prayer and it's concepts
- Understanding the importance of ministry to help undergird and support our husbands and men

During the class period, the facilitators and the students engaged in meaningful discussion on the above topics. Handouts and practical application was available to the students.

Class period began each day with a devotional, lead by the class President and devotional team and ended each class period in prayer.

### **THE BIBLICAL WOMANHOOD CLASS – 2013** **Instructors: Sister Doris Simmons and Sister Mary Reeves**

#### **Report by Sister Doris Simmons on the 2013 Congress Class**

Sister Mary Reeves substituted for Sister Bettye Showers this year. Overall, we are blessed to have Sisters studious in Biblical study that are available in a moment notice. We thank you, Sister Reeves, for a job well done.

Biblical Womanhood class is one of our National Congress of Christian Education, Allen Jordan Seminar which had approximately 25 students.

Biblical Womanhood class addresses the totality of woman as it takes an in-depth look at woman from her Prelapsarian State and contrasts that to her Postlapsarian State and Redemptive State. Each woman is able to do a self-evaluation by analyzing and comparing the origin of woman Biblical design and purpose to her redemptive state.

Our major challenge was the location of class. Since Allen Jordan Seminar classes were held at the Renaissance Hotel at the St. Louis, MO airport, it prevented some students getting to the location and delayed others because of the distance involved. Other than that, the classes were Spirit-filled and heart wrenching.

The Biblical Womanhood class has Part I book in print. The suggested book is *The Biblical Essence and Existence of Woman*, copyrighted 2010/2011.

### **BIBLICAL DAUGHTERS GROWING IN GRACE CLASS – 2013** **Instructor: Sister Pamela Harris (AR)**

#### **Report by Sister Doris Simmons**

*Special thanks to Sister Cecilia Mayberry for assisting and substituting for Sis. Harris' Biblical Daughters Growing in Grace Class on Friday, June 21, 2013. Thank you so much Sister Mayberry, you truly accepted the call to service within in a moment notice.*

Our ongoing challenge is class proportions and getting the message out about our Biblical Daughters classes. Sis Harris' recommendation for future classes is that we separate daughters according to age or set an age limit per class.

Suggestions from daughters that they would like to have additional material since they have taken the class several times. They suggested having subjects addressing how to **properly handle peer pressure pertaining to dating, sex and drugs** because these are serious issues daughters are struggling with.

**We are seeking additional teachers who have a love for teens.** Sister Montoya Gayden will no longer be assisting Sis. Harris, therefore, we are praying that God will send us a replacement. If you know a young person to assume these duties, please notify anyone of the Biblical Daughter mentors listed below.

We are in need of writers who would like to contribute to the Biblical Daughters Workbook and in need of additional mentors. Thus far daughters' mentors are Sister Pamela Harris, Sister Sandra Jones, Sister Eve Ridgeway and Sister Doris Simmons.

### **SEMINAR CLASS FOR SEPTEMBER - 2013**

**Instructors: Sister Joice Tinsley and Sister Betty Christian**

#### **Report submitted by Sister Joice Tinsley**

**2011 Inaugural Seminar Class** - "*Woman the Vessel; God the Power*" during the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

**2012 Seminar Class Part II:** *Christian Women: Confidence Under Construction.*

**2013 Seminar Class Part III:** "*Am I My Sister's Keeper; Service Inside The Sandbox*"

This class discusses how women can minister to other women in the church, in light of prevalent divisive/separating behaviors.

Discussion around:

- The Situation
- The Servant
- The Solution
- The Self Assessment/ Am I my sister's keeper?

This particular class is open to all women during the National Baptist Convention.

**National Layman's Wives and Women Supporters Prayer Chain**  
**Leader: Sister Theresa Byrd**

**Report by Theresa Byrd**

**Inaugurated** on October 20, 2011, Sister Byrd sent letters of information to various lay wives and women supporters sharing the exciting news about the birthing of a new ministry, which was briefly discussed during the September 5, 2011, Wives and Women Supporters meeting. Various Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters consented to participate in the National Baptist Laymen's Movement Prayer Chain. Our Scripture emphasis has been *"Pray without ceasing, In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you"* (I Thessalonians 5:17-18 KJV). The Prayer Chain is a powerful spiritual tool in our arsenal of war weaponry, and encouraged all to participation in this mighty movement of God as we closed the ranks against all forms of attack against God's people.

**From 2011 – 2012**, nearly two hundred Emails were received and sent by Sister Theresa Byrd with specific prayer requests.

**From 2012-2013**, slightly less than the previous, however, we still are witnessing God's increase through the receipt of praise reports—celebrating the victory over sickness, bereavement, loss of employment, financial instability, imprisonment, and the stronghold of addiction. Things happen when praying women come together with earnest petitions in *"Solidarity of the Spirit."* We are praying for an increase in participation and the further growth of this ministry.

Anyone desiring to participate in this **"Prayer Chain Ministry"**, please email:  
Sister Theresa Byrd  
**sistatbyrd@yahoo.com.**

All are welcome to become a link in the Prayer Chain Ministry.



**National Baptist Layman Wives and Women Supporters Outreach Ministry**  
**Leaders: Sister Sandra Jones and Sister Doris Simmons**

**Report submitted by Sister Sandra Jones**

During the September 2012 National Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, the Layman Wives and Women Supporter Outreach Ministry joined forces with the Prison Ministry Team and traveled to the West Central Integrated Treatment Facility. This facility was located approximately 60 miles outside Atlanta, Georgia. The treatment facility housed about 50-60 females. Under the direction of Prison Team Leader Emerson Turner, our group was checked into the treatment facility where we had our assignments for ministry. The facility had requested for couples to be in attendance to allow the inmates to witness healthy men and women relationships serving God. Those attending the ministry included: President and Sister Simmons from Kansas, The Ridgeway's from Michigan, The Robinson's from Iowa, The Kelly's from Michigan, Bro. Dewayne Banks and The Jones from Missouri. Each person was able to minister to the congregation of approximately 25 Women inmates. Music was provided by The Kelly's and Bro Banks. Bro Turner was able to deliver a spirit-filled message of hope and trust in Christ Jesus. Another successful outreach ministry was adequately delivered.

*End of Reports*

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Very special thanks to all Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters for participating and submitting reports on behalf of the Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters Ministry. May God's choice blessings be upon all wives and women supporters of the National Baptist Laymen's movement as we serve beside worthy men of God!

*Doris Simmons*

Doris Simmons  
Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters General Chairperson

Sandra Jones  
Laymen's Wives and Women Supporters Co-General Chairperson

# **Evangelism Ministry Report**

**Michael Washington  
Vice President**



Report from Evangelistic Street Service

Avalon Park Housing Complex

2798 Peek Road

Atlanta, Ga. 30318

Friday, September 07, 2012

Bro. Delester Jefferson – Street Service Worship Leader

The Street Service was held on the premises of the Avalon Park Housing Complex. We had a crowd of approximately 70 people in attendance at the street service. Sis. Ramona Douglass, who is the property manager of the complex, gave a testimony. Bro. K.T. McClendon of Toledo, Ohio played the keyboard and rendered songs during the street service. The Rev. V. L. Johnson of Antioch Baptist of Gainesville, Ga. delivered the message for the street service. The invitation to discipleship was extended by the Rev. Dr. O. K. Patterson and we had 15 to come as Candidate for Baptism, 2 for Prayer, 2 by Christian Experience and 3 children were blessed. All of the Candidates of Baptism were baptized at the Convention Center on that Friday night. The follow up team is currently working with Sis. Adrienne Combre of the Salem Missionary Baptist Church of Lilburn, Ga. and Rev. Darrius Cox of the First Corinth Missionary Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga..

Follow – up Person Information

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Bro. David A. Bozeman & Bro. Jimmie Maxwell – Follow up Ministry

Bro. Delester Jefferson – Chairman of Evangelistic Ministry

Bro. Michael Washington – 5<sup>th</sup> Vice President, Evangelistic Ministry

Rev. Dr. O. K. Patterson – Chairman of Evangelistic Ministry – NBC

Bro. Thad Jones – General Secretary, National Laymen's Movement

Bro. Harold Simmons – President of National Baptist Laymen's Movement

Rev. Dr. Julius R. Scruggs – President of National Baptist Convention USA. INC.



Names of Individuals who came from Street Evangelistic Service						
Last Name	First Name	Address	City/State/Zip	Phone #	Member Profile	Date of Birth
Bostic	Ray		Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 879-8159	Candidate for Baptism	10/17/1996
Brawner	Antonia	2798 Peek Rd-417	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 839-4821	Christian Experience	6/12/2004
Brawner	Shannia	2798 Peek Rd-417	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 839-4821	Christain Experience	6/17/2003
Brown	Bryon	2798 Peek Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(678) 913-7330	Prayer	7/1/2002
Cammon	Priscilla	2798 Peek Rd-614	Atlanta, Ga. 30318		Prayer	
Clark	Nichlas	748 Old Know Dr.	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(678) 749-2640	Candidate for Baptism	8/22/1992
Heard	Shirrell	2798 Peek Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30318		Candidate for Baptism	3/12/2002
Hope	Alfed	2798 Peek Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 343-6964	Candidate for Baptism	6/18/1987
Hope	Caliyah	2798 Peek Rd-436	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 343-6964	Blessed	
Hope	Charisma	2798 Peek Rd-436	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 343-6964	Blessed	
Lewis	Demarcus	2798 Peek Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 396-4539	Candidate for Baptism	4/13/1997
Price	Crystal	2798 Peek Rd-436	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 343-6964	Candidate for Baptism	9/18/1988
Rodgers	Hykiem	2798 Peek Rd-314	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 484-0746	Candidate for Baptism	
Smith	Arianna	1446 Axridge	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 482-8662	Candidate for Baptism	4/17/1997
Tucker	Lashanna	639 Albert St.	Atlanta, Ga. 30311	(678) 973-9727	Candidate for Baptism	7/5/1996
Walker	Williams	3607 Roxboro Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30026	(404) 337-2832	Candidate for Baptism	9/8/1982
White	John	2881 Peek Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 373-8785	Candidate for Baptism	3/9/1995
Williams	Brianna		Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 759-7766	Candidate for Baptism	6/10/1997
Worsham	Renessa	719 Florence Pl.	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 351-0448	Candidate for Baptism	7/16/1960
Wyatt	Elijah	2798 Peek Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 514-8224	Candidate for Baptism	6/30/2001
Wyatt	Harvesha	2798 Peek Rd	Atlanta, Ga. 30318	(404) 514 8224	Candidate for Baptism	10/14/2002





## **Evangelistic Street Service**

Jonas Hubbard Jr.  
Carr Square Community Center  
1629 Biddle  
St. Louis, Mo

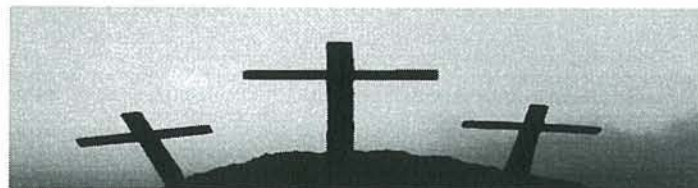
### **108<sup>th</sup> National Congress of Christian Education**

Wednesday, June 19, 2013

Street Witness Service was held outside at the Jonas Hubbard, Jr Carr Square Community Center. There was approximately 75 guests, adults and children were in attendance. A 20x30 tent with chairs was provided by the host Laymen to shield the guest from the very warm sun. Rev. Leander Bridges from Mississippi and a member of the National Evangelism Board brought a powerful and heart changing message.

The invitation was given and 13 came as Candidates for Baptism, 2 having Christian Experience, 1 for Prayer and 1 to be Reinstated at his church. WOW!!! What a Mighty God We Serve! There were 37 Bibles given out during the outreach.

The follow up team being led by Jimmie Maxwell is being assisted by Bro Ottis Woodard and Rev Michael Owens from Illinois Baptist General and General Smith, Missouri Laymen are working to assure all candidates have a church home. Rhema Baptist Church and Mercy Seat MB Church are the churches following up on candidates with no church preference. One family of 5 from Illinois who noted a church they were attending, Bro Ottis Woodard contacted their pastor to assure their confession of Christ was followed up on.



**Bro. David Bozeman & Bro. Jimmie Maxwell – Follow-up Ministry**  
**Bro. Delester Jefferson – Chairman of Evangelistic Ministry**  
**Bro. Mike Washington – 5<sup>th</sup> Vice President, Evangelistic Ministry**  
**Rev. Dr. O.K. Patterson – Director of Evangelism Board – NTL Baptist Conv**  
**Bro. Thad Jones – General Secretary, National Laymen Movement**  
**Bro. Harold Simmons – President of National Baptist Laymen Movement**  
**Rev. Dr. Julius R. Scruggs – President of National Baptist Convention USA, Inc**

## PRISON MINISTRY

# Annual Report

On June 19<sup>th</sup>, Bro. Jeff Ridgeway and myself visited the St Louis Justice Center (County Jail Annex) and conducted religious service. We were met by Chaplain (Rev.) Ralph Neal and two of his support staff, Ministers Davis and Young. The facility houses approximately 1,300 inmates.

We were able to minister to 22 young men across the A, B, C & D Pods from the central theme *"Dead End or New Start"* based on the Luke 15:11-24 text.

Of the 22 men present, approximately 18 rededicated their lives to Christ and responded to the call to *"Come to their senses and Go Back Home"*

On Thursday night, June 20th, 13 volunteers visited the Minimum Security Institute (St Louis) and ministered to some 42 inmates. We dealt with the same subject matter as the previous night, *"Dead End or New Start"*, from Luke 15:11-24. Of the 42 or so in attendance, some 37 rededicated their lives. While there were no new converts in either of our settings, it is good to know that some of those who are behind the walls are merely those who have fallen and our message to them is simply get back up.

In summary:

- We made 64 contacts
- We witnessed some 55 rededications
- We provided some 15 volunteers opportunities
- We trained and provided training for some 10 -11 students

We solicit your prayers for this ministry that we continue to make a difference in the lives of those who are left behind and disenfranchised.

We now turn our attention to Charlotte, NC for our September session. Bro. Richmond Turner and I have already had preliminary conversation.

If you are interested in joining in this ministry experience with us, please provide me your contact information so that you will be provided application to gain clearance.

Emerson Turner

*Emerson Turner*

Prison Ministry Coordinator  
National Baptist Laymen

# **Secretary's Ministry Report**

**Thad Jones  
General Secretary**





# National Baptist Laymen's Movement

## Annual Report

### GENERAL SECRETARY

Our **PURPOSE AND MISSION** is to assist the president and to serve as the recording officer of the Movement for all sessions and meetings. We are to keep a record of the membership that includes names, addresses and other necessary information.

We are responsible for communicating with the membership between sessions and notifying the officers and ministry leaders of information and directives from the president. We are to prepare programs and make any necessary reports of any laymen proceedings.

We are to oversee and give direction to the other secretaries that serve the movement.

Our **ACTIVITIES** since the September Annual Session has been: **(See Diary)**

1. Working with the president regarding the general direction of the movement.
2. Corresponding with the membership.
3. Electronic Death Notices
4. Distributing Promotion Material
5. Coordinating Programming, materials and logistics for all sessions.
6. Attend the Walter Cade, Jr. Midwest Laymen's Workshop, Merrillville, IN
7. E-Quarterly correspondence.
8. Maintaining and updating the membership records.
9. Updating the Laymen websites.
10. Prepare Mailouts for all sessions.
11. Prepare the Programs for all sessions.
12. Compile and Prepare Annual Reports for the Annual Session.
13. Coordinate Discipleship Program
14. Mail Promotional Material as requested to membership.
15. The Asst. General Secretary Bill Campbell mailed out Birthday cards and lapel pins.
16. Attend the Walter Cade, Jr. Southeast Laymen's Workshop, Jacksonville, FL
17. Coordinate with the Bereavement Coordinator Darryl Koon.
18. Created Social Networks communications
19. Coordinate with the Media Ministry in Streaming Sessions
20. Review, proof and comment on the 2013 Theme book.

The **GOALS** that we aspire to accomplish are:

1. Write a book on the work of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement.
2. Increase our e-mail addresses to more efficiently correspond to our constituents.
3. Enhance the Social Networks communications.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None



## National Baptist Laymen's Movement

### **Annual Report** Promotional Work Ministry Report

### **Laymen News**

Our **PURPOSE AND MISSION** is to publish the activities, programs and ministries of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement and the men and women who are instrumental in carrying them out. The newsletter also serves as a historical document in recording and chronicling the dates, times, places and people involved in the movement.

The newsletter also serves to highlight the activities and great work of the laymen throughout the country of what they are doing in their local church, district association and state convention.

Since the 2012 September Annual Session our **ACTIVITIES** has included:

1. Publishing the laymen news.
2. Publishing News Flashes.
3. Publishing news and photos on Social Networks.
4. Publishing E-Calendar of events at the beginning of each month.
5. Publishing Death Notices.
6. Created *Quick Notes* to add to the News and Flashes

The **CURRENT PROJECTS** that we are working on are:

1. Expanding and enhancing the *Laymen News, Flashes and Quick Notes*
2. Expanding our Social Networks presence.

Our **GOAL** is to continue to provide first class publications in a professional manner and to take advantage of today's technology to benefit the movement.

**RECOMMENDATIONS** – None

### ***THE BAPTIST LAYMAN***

*The Baptist Layman* has been a periodical that has been produced as the official organ of the National Laymen since 1959. Its **PURPOSE AND MISSION** is to provide information on the National Laymen to the various men's groups around the country and to serve as a study guide.

We have been providing Calendar of Events to the S.S.P.B. for *The Baptist Layman*.

Persons requesting copies may order them from the Sunday School Publishing Board.

National Baptist Laymen's Movement

Annual Session

Kansas City, Missouri

September 6, 2013

## **General Secretary's Report**

Thad Jones

Asst. General Secretary  
Bill Campbell



**National Baptist Laymen's Movement  
General Secretary's Diary**

8-11-12 Death Notice – Leo Williams, Memphis, TN  
8-12-12 Work on Memorial Program  
8-12-12 Work on Annual Report  
8-12-12 Work on Memorial Program  
8-13-12 Work on Annual Report  
8-13-12 Work on Memorial Program  
8-14-12 Work on Annual Report  
8-14-12 Work on Memorial Program  
8-14-12 Email Memorial Program and Annual Report to Minnesota Avenue Printing  
8-16-12 Laymen News Vol. 12 Issue 3  
8-17-12 Proof Memorial Program  
8-17-12 Proof Annual Report  
8-21-12 News Flash - Memorial Tributes to National Workers  
8-26-12 Prepare President's Pre-Session Agenda  
8-28-12 Go to Minnesota Avenue Printing and Ship Annual Session Material  
8-29-12 Go to Minnesota Avenue Printing and Ship Annual Session Material  
8-31-12 E-Calendar – September 2012

9-2-12 Travel to National Baptist Convention – Atlanta, GA  
9-6-12 Laymen News – Vol. 12 Issue 4  
9-9-12 Death Notice – John Dunn, Atlanta, GA  
9-10-12 Death Notice – Yvonne Mathis, Grand Rapids, MI – Sister of Andre Pierre  
9-11-12 Death Notice – Louella Smith, Kansas City, KS – Wife of Anderson Smith  
9-11-12 Laymen News – Vol. 12 Issue 5  
9-25-12 Ship Promotional Material to Jacksonville, FL – Walter Cade, Jr. Southeast Workshop  
9-25-12 Death Notice – Roy McInnis, Bremerton, WA – Former State Laymen President  
9-27-12 New Flash – Walter Cade, Jr. Southeast Workshop  
9-27-12 Death Notice – Leo Dudley, Clovis, NM – Former Jerusalem District Laymen President  
9-28-12 Travel to Jacksonville, FL – Walter Cade, Jr. Southeast Workshop

10-1-12 E-Calendar – October  
10-7-12 Upload Baptism Photos to Denise Mayhan, National Website  
10-8-12 Update National Website – Laymen's Leadership Directory  
10-8-12 Update National Website – Laymen's Annual Session Report  
10-9-12 Death Notice – Ella Wee Jessie – Oklahoma City, OK – Mother of Kelvin Mitchell and Tim Jones  
10-12-12 National Laymen Survey  
10-26-12 Travel to Walter Cade, Jr. Midwest Workshop – Merrillville, IN  
10-31-12 E-Calendar - November

11-14-12 Laymen News – Vol. 12 Issue 6  
11-16-12 Laymen News – Vol. 12 Issue 7

12-15-12 Work on Directory  
12-15-12 Work on Calendar  
12-16-12 Work on Directory  
12-22-12 Work on Mid-Winter Board Program  
12-22-12 Update email addresses from Emerson Turner  
12-22-12 Death Notice – Jearldine Carson, Greenville, SC – Wife of Richard Carson, Former SC President  
12-24-12 Work on Mid-Winter Board Program  
12-25-12 Work on Mid-Winter Board Program  
12-25-12 Email Mid-Winter Board Program to Dr. Calvin McKinney  
12-25-12 Email Revised Mid-Winter Board Program to Dr. Calvin McKinney  
12-27-12 Email Directory and Calendar to Minnesota Avenue Printing



12-27-12 Update Laymen's Website – Calendar & Events  
 12-29-12 Proof of Directory and Calendar  
 12-29-12 Order Portfolios for Mid-Winter Board  
 12-30-12 Email laymen logos to [smragin@msn.com](mailto:smragin@msn.com)  
 12-31-12 Update laymen's contact information. Mark Giles, VA and Jarvis Naylor, MS  
 12-31-12 Proof Directory  
 12-31-12 Proof Calendar

1-2-13 E-Calendar of Events  
 1-2-13 Update Laymen's website – Digital 2013 Calendar  
 1-2-13 Proof Calendar  
 1-2-13 Proof Directory  
 1-2-13 Reconcile KC Bank Account

1-2-13 Draft Letters to Mid-Winter Board Speakers  
 1-2-13 E-Calendar – January  
 1-2-13 Email Joanne Patton National Laymen Calendar of Events  
 1-8-13 Contact Education Committee for Rev. Wallace Mills to teach  
 1-8-13 Death Notice – Rev. Lloyd Hall, Gary, IN – Brother-in-Law, Burnett Ambler, Jr.  
 1-8-13 Death Notice – Hillman Anderson, Bay Minette, AL – Brother of Michael Washington  
 1-9-13 Death Notice – Ritchie Kendrick, Oklahoma City, OK – Brother of Leslie Kendrick  
 1-9-13 Death Notice – Samuel Furr, Newark, NJ – Laymen President, New Hope Baptist Church  
 1-10-13 Death Notice – Artis Williams, Stephen, AR – Brother of Lonnie Williams  
 1-12-13 Email Raymond Weeden, OH Discipleship Form  
 1-13-13 Mail Discipleship Forms to Moses Garrett, OH  
 1-13-13 Mail Working Manual to Thurmond Caldwell for laymen officers duties and responsibilities  
 1-14-13 Go to Minnesota Avenue Printing and ship Mid-Winter Board Materials via UPS  
 1-14-13 Email Walter Cade, Jr. bio to Walter Green  
 1-15-13 Prepare Mid-Winter Board Pre-Session Agenda  
 1-17-13 Conference with Web-mistress – Laymen's website  
 1-18-13 Update website with National Calendar  
 1-18-13 Email National Digital Calendar and Directory to Jerry Williams  
 1-19-13 Email Minnesota Avenue Printing open invoices to Jerry Williams  
 1-19-13 Update member email addresses with updates from Emerson Turner  
 1-19-13 Review laymen organization chart changes with President Simmons  
 1-20-13 Conference call with Rev. Shawn Buckhanan – Re: Portfolios order  
 1-20-13 Death Notice – Betty J. White, Kansas City, KS – Widow of Luther White, Former Vice President  
 1-21-13 Email Ed's Trophies invoice to Jerry Williams – Re: Portfolios  
 1-22-13 Update laymen's website with Adopt-A-School information  
 1-22-13 Forward to Beverly Thomas laymen's cruise flyer  
 1-22-13 Update laymen's website – Cruise flyer  
 1-23-13 Email laymen's session photos to Rev. Donald Toussaint, Sr., TX  
 1-24-13 Update laymen's website – Officer's Contact List  
 1-24-13 Email Richmond Turner laymen's Hosting Guidelines for Annual Session  
 1-24-13 Email Richmond Turner budget for laymen's annual session  
 1-27-13 Conference call with Cheryl Batts – John L. Webb Book and cover photo  
 1-30-13 Death Notice – Rebecca Lewis, Randolph, MA, Sister-in-Law, Luther Lewis  
 1-30-13 Death Notice – Rosemary Richard, Spencer, OK - Sister of Luther Lewis  
 1-31-13 Email Denise Mayhan laymen's Mid-Winter Board Report

2-4-13 KC Bank Account Reconciliation  
 2-5-13 E-Calendar of Events – February  
 2-7-13 Laymen News – Vol. 12 Issue 8  
 2-5-13 Death Notice – Jesse Hill, Jr., Covington, TN – Tennessee Laymen's Movement  
 2-11-13 Death Notice – Macy Kee, Philadelphia, PA, Wife of David M. Kee, Bright Hope Baptist Church  
 2-12-13 Email Dr. Wellington Johnson, SS Publishing Board, Calendar of Events

2-13-13 Death Notice – Anthony Myrick, Sr. – Petersburg, VA – Brother of Ben Myrick  
 2-14-13 Death Notice – Rev. John D. Kelly – Detroit, MI, Pastor of Robert Kelley  
 2-15-13 Email James Deen laymen's stationary  
 2-18-13 Update laymen's website – Adopt-A-School material  
 2-27-13 Death Notice – James S. Young, Sr., Philadelphia, PA, Officer of Pennsylvania Laymen  
 2-28-13 E-Calendar of Events – March

3-6-13 Email Richmond Turner laymen's annual program agenda  
 3-6-13 KC Bank Account Reconciliation  
 3-8-13 Quick Notes  
 3-9-13 Quick Notes  
 3-9-13 Order laymen lapel pins. Ed's Trophies  
 3-11-13 Quick Notes  
 3-11-13 Design *Quick Notes* messaging. Upload Minnesota Avenue banner.  
 3-11-13 Promotion material order for Delester Jefferson – Minnesota Avenue Printing.  
 3-12-13 Quick Notes  
 3-13-13 Death Notice – Elma Edwards Gordon, Edgard, LA – Mother-in-Law of Cornelius Dumas  
 3-13-13 Death Notice – Jimmy Roger Carter, Vincent, AL – Alabama State Laymen's Movement  
 3-13-13 Laymen News – Vol. 12 Issue 9  
 3-14-13 Quick Notes  
 3-15-13 Quick Notes  
 3-18-13 Quick Notes  
 3-19-13 Death Notice – Alice Emma Leathermen, Brooksville, OK – Mother of Anita Taylor  
 3-21-13 Death Notice – Eric Jerry Stewart, Union, NJ – Brother-in-Law of Darryl Koon  
 3-31-13 E-Calendar of Events – April

4-5-13 Death Notice – Addie Parker, Cleveland, OH – Wife of Odis Parker  
 4-8-13 Death Notice – Zollie Williams, Albuquerque, NM – Mt. Olive State Laymen's Movement  
 4-8-13 Death Notice – Juanita Miller, Jamaica, NY – Amity Baptist Church  
 4-8-13 Laymen News – Vol. 12 Issue 10  
 4-11-13 Death Notice – Vernell White, Kansas City, MO – Mother of Dr. Alfred White  
 4-18-13 Death Notice – Brian Johnson, Manhattan, KS – Smokey Hill District Assoc. Laymen President  
 4-19-13 Quick Notes  
 4-24-13 Quick Notes  
 4-25-13 Death Notice – Jerry Noble, Omaha, NE – Nebraska Laymen's Movement  
 4-25-13 Death Notice – Rufus Gardner, Covington, TN – Tipton County Laymen's Movement  
 4-30-13 E-Calendar of Events - May

5-6-13 KC Bank Account Reconciliation  
 5-8-13 Laymen News – Vol. 13 Issue 1  
 5-10-13 Quick Notes  
 5-11-13 Email stationary to Antonio Christian  
 5-14-13 Death Notice – Rowena Lewis, Indianapolis, IN – Mother of Mary Jordan  
 5-14-13 Death Notice – Annie Frierson, Ypsilanti, MI – Mother of Frank Frierson  
 5-15-13 Death Notice – Jessie Mildred Huglett, Brighton, TN – Mother-in-Law of Ozell Wright  
 5-23-13 Death Notice – Dee Willie Golsby, Biloxi, MS – Mississippi General Laymen's Movement  
 5-24-13 Work on Laymen's Congress program  
 5-24-13 Death Notice – Nathaniel McCullough, McLemoresville, TN – Obion River District Association Laymen  
 5-29-13 Email Congress program to officers for review  
 5-31-13 Email Congress program to Minnesota Avenue Printing  
 5-31-13 Quick Notes  
 5-31-13 E-Calendar of Events - June

6-6-13 Laymen News – Vol. 13 Issue 2  
 6-7-13 KC Bank Account Reconciliation  
 6-14-13 Email Congress Program to Virgil Marshall  
 6-13-13 Quick Notes



6-18-13 Email invoices to Jerry Williams  
6-27-13 E-Calendar of Events - July

7-1-13 Email laymen's Hosting Guidelines to Anthony Hagans, NC  
7-2-13 Death Notice – David Richardson, Chicago, IL – Son of Louis Richardson  
7-5-13 Death Notice – Lucille Gibby, Mobile, AL – Mother of Keith Gibby  
7-7-13 Death Notice – David Bozeman, Shiloh, IL – National Laymen Follow-up Chairman  
7-15-13 Conference Call – Education Committee – Everette Woods, Supervisor Re: Proposed Modules  
7-15-13 Conference Call with President Simmons – Annual Session Program  
7-18-13 Work on Annual Session Program  
7-19-13 Draft and Mail Emerson Turner Confirmation Letter, Annual Session Speaker  
7-19-13 Work on Annual Session Program  
7-24-13 Draft and Mail Annual Session Speaker Letter to: Rev. Edward Chaney  
7-24-13 Draft and Mail Annual Session Speaker Letter to: Rev. Sedric D. Veal, Sr.

8-2-13 Draft and Mail Annual Session Speaker Letter to: Rev. Jesse Bottoms  
8-8-13 Research Laymen's 2001 Congress records for location of Street Service  
8-9-13 Work on Annual Reports  
8-10-13 Work on Memorial Program  
8-10-13 Work on Annual Reports  
8-10-13 Death Notice to Memorial Program: Sally Mae Hubert, Chicago, IL – Aunt of Charles Bateman, St. Louis

# **Discipleship Ministry Report**

**Emerson Turner  
Chairman**





## DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY COMMITTEE

# Annual Report

### MISSION STATEMENT

To process and record all information of men and other supporters who have become members of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement via registering in the Discipleship Ministry.

### PURPOSE

The purpose of this ministry is to harness the manpower of the laymen and to clearly identify those that love the Lord and those who desire to be identified with an organization on the move. This ministry provides opportunities to build relationships, as well as provides the movement financial assistance in its operational processes.

### MISSION

The discipleship ministry is designed to identify all the men and supporters of the National Baptist Laymen. It is an annual program that asks for \$40.00 once a year for seniors and \$25.00 for juniors. The month of January is Discipleship Drive Month. Laymen are asked to sign up all the men of their local congregations, district associations and state conventions. Discipleship sign-ups should be reported during the convention's Mid-Winter board meeting held in January. Discipleship fees are welcomed throughout the year from persons who are not able to bring or send them in January.

### ACTIONS/ ACTIVITIES

Our goal was to have a database that truly reflects the status of our discipleships in accordance with our mission statement. We are happy to report, that exclusive of standard errors created by the movement of disciples and other challenging logistics, we have completed those actions.

From the database we are able to print address labels monthly for the "birthday card ministry" as well as for periodic mailings. These tasks can now be performed in minutes. Additionally, we can provide mailing labels specifically targeting state presidents as well as district presidents. Going forward, and as the need arises, this should be a tremendous enhancement as it relates to our ability to target communications.

Some key numbers are as follows:

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| • Total Active disciples (01/2012 forward)                   | 1305 |
| • New discipleships 1 year ago to date (06/24/12 – 06/24/13) | 998  |

Our goal has been to turn around discipleship cards within 2 business days after receipt of notification. While we don't keep an actual statistic, we are comfortable that that goal is being met well over 99% of the time. Today, we rarely hear of a complaint relative to someone not receiving their discipleship card.

## DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY COMMITTEE (cont'd)

# Annual Report

The printing of discipleship cards continues to be available at the national meetings. Disciples should be able to take their cards home with them after registration.

### ON-SITE CARD PRINTING

Over the past years, it is apparent that sufficient discipline has developed where the overwhelming majority of discipleship cards are printed in January. From the recent June session, not a single card was printed. As such, we will no longer provide the facility to print cards on-site at the congress and convention. There are costs associated with the shipping of the equipment without any benefit to the movement.

### AMENITIES

All participants in this ministry will receive:

- A Discipleship Card
- Placed on the laymen's mailing list
- Receives the laymen's Quarterly Newsletter
- Receives a Birthday card on their birthday
- Receives three major mail-outs and/or emails a year. Housing forms included.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Continue to improve the legibility of the media from which we garner discipleship information; including completeness of forms, with correct addresses, church homes, state and district officers, etc. This will allow us to use the database to target disciples by state president, local districts and the like.
- We are also looking into ways to assist the Laymen registration process to allow direct entry by the registration team, thus eliminating the duplication of effort.
- Investigate the use of bar codes for ease of updating and garnering information.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Delester Jefferson

*Emerson Turner*

Emerson Turner  
Chairman

# **Bereavement Committee Report**

**Darryl Koon  
Coordinator**





## CELEBRATING THE LIVES OF OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

**Yvonne Mathis**

September 5, 2012  
Grand Rapid, MI  
Sister of Andre Pierre

**John Dunn**

September 6, 2012  
College Park, GA  
Georgia District President

**Louella Smith**

September 8, 2012  
Kansas City, KS  
Wife of Anderson Smith

**Dr. Charles T. Smith**

September 11, 2012  
Baton Rouge, LA  
National Congress Officer

**Roy McInnis**

September 18, 2012  
Bremerton, WA  
Former Washington State President

**Rev. Thomas E. Crayton**

September 21, 2012  
Tyler, TX

**Leo Dudley**

September 25, 2012  
Clovis, NM  
Former NM District President

**Mrs. Anna R. Cokley**

October 3, 2012  
Andrews, SC

**Ella Wee Jessie**

October 4, 2012  
Oklahoma City, OK  
Mother of Kelvin Mitchell and Tim Jones

**Betty Jones**

October 11, 2012  
Tuskegee, AL

**Rev. Limmie Downs**

October 11, 2012  
Little Rock, AK

**Ms. Elizabeth Williams Weathersby**

October 22, 2012  
Progress, MS

**Dr. J.H. Flakes, Jr.**

November 12, 2012  
Columbus, GA

**Lloyd D. Hall**

December 6, 2012  
Gary, IN  
Brother-in-Law, Burnett Ambler, Jr.

**Lillie M. Raspberry**

December 12, 2012  
Chicago, IL

**Jearldine Carson**

December 20, 2012  
Greer, SC  
Wife of Richard Carson  
Former SC State President

**Cornelius Norman Taylor**

December 31, 2012  
Port Arthur, TX

**Joseph Marks**

December 31, 2012  
Kansas City, MO

**Hillman Anderson**

January 4, 2013  
Bay Minette, AL  
Brother of Michael Washington

**Samuel Furr, Jr.**

January 4, 2013  
Newark, NJ  
Laymen President, Newark, NJ

**Ritchie Kendrick**

January 5, 2013  
Oklahoma City, OK  
Brother of Leslie Kendrick

**Artis Williams**

January 9, 2013  
Stephens, AK  
Brother of Lonnie Williams

**Mother Josephine Bowman**

January 10, 2013  
Harvey, IL

**Betty J. White**

January 16, 2013  
Kansas City, KS  
Widow of Luther White

**Rebecca Lewis**

January 28, 2013  
Tulsa, OK  
Sister-in-Law, Luther Lewis

**Rosemary Richards**

January 30, 2013  
Spencer, OK  
Sister of Luther Lewis

**Jessie Hill, Jr.**

January 30, 2013  
Covington, TN  
Tennessee Laymen's Movement

**Macy Kee**

February 3, 2013  
Philadelphia, PA  
Wife of David M. Kee

**Anthony Myrick**

February 10, 2013  
Petersburg, VA  
Brother of Ben Myrick

**Rev. John D. Kelly II**

February 11, 2013  
Detroit, MI  
Pastor of President Robert Kelly

**James S. Young, Sr.**

February 18, 2013  
Philadelphia, PA  
Pennsylvania State Laymen Officer

**Rev. John R. Hinton**

February 27, 2013  
Tyler, TX

**Elma Edwards Gordon**  
March 8, 2013  
Edgard, LA  
Mother-in-Law, Cornelius Dumas

**Jimmy R. Carter**  
March 8, 2013  
Vincent, AL  
Brother of Rev. Clarence Carter

**Alice Emma Leatherman**  
March 15, 2013  
Brooksville, OK  
Mother of Anita Taylor

**Eric Jerry Stewart**  
March 17, 2013  
Vauxhall, NJ  
Brother-in-Law, Darryl Koon

**Rev. Dr. Spurgeon E. Crayton**  
March 18, 2013  
Amityville, NY

**Addie Parker**  
April 1, 2013  
Cleveland, OH  
Wife of Odis Parker

**Zollie Williams**  
April 3, 2013  
Albuquerque, NM  
New Mexico Laymen Worker

**Juanita Miller**  
April 3, 2013  
Jamaica, NYU  
Amity Baptist Laymen Supporter

**Vernell White**  
April 7, 2013  
Kansas City, MO  
Mother of Dr. Alfred White

**Rufus Gardner**  
April 16, 2013  
Covington, TN  
Tennessee State Laymen Worker

**Brian K. Johnson**  
April 16, 2013  
Manhattan, KS  
District Laymen President

**Jerry Noble**  
April 22, 2013  
Omaha, NE  
Nebraska State Laymen Worker

**Rev. Clarence A. Lett**  
April 30, 2013  
Daphne, AL

**1<sup>st</sup> Lady Robin Dunmore**  
May 7, 2013  
Newark, NJ

**Rowena Lewis**  
May 7, 2013  
Indianapolis, IN  
Mother of Mary Jordan

**Jessie Mildred Hughlett**  
May 8, 2013  
Brighton, TN  
Mother-in-Law, Ozell Wright

**Annie R. Frierson**  
May 10, 2013  
Ypsilanti, MI  
Mother of Frank Frierson

**Dee Willie Golsby**  
May 18, 2013  
Biloxi, MS  
Mississippi Laymen Officer/Worker

**James Allen Terrance**  
May 19, 2013  
Port Allen, LA

**Lonnie Nathaniel McCullough**  
May 22, 2013  
McLemoresville, TN  
Tennessee Laymen Musician

**Alex W. Adams**  
May 22, 2013  
Huntsville, AL  
Brother of Bettye Showers

**Jinnie L. Poullard**  
May 23, 2013  
Lafayette, LA

**Roy L. Bolton**  
June 6, 2013  
Atlanta, GA  
Georgia State Layman

**George Ragin**  
June 17, 2013  
Albuquerque, NM

**David Richardson**  
June 30, 2013  
Omaha, NE  
Son of Louis Richardson

**Norman L. Mukes, Jr.**  
July 1, 2013  
New Albany, IN

**Lucille Gibby**  
July 2, 2013  
Mobile, AL  
Mother of Keith Gibby

**James Monroe Harris, Jr.**  
July 2, 2013  
Flint, MI

**David (Boze) Bozeman**  
July 6, 2013  
Shiloh, IL  
Illinois General State Laymen  
President and National Evangelism  
Follow-up Chairman

**Rev. Kenneth E. Munnerlyn**  
July 13, 2013  
Pittsburg, PA

**Sally Mae Hubert**  
August 8, 2013  
Chicago, IL  
Aunt of Charles Bateman, St. Louis

**Matthew Smith**  
August 2013  
Swansea, SC  
Brother of Jimmy Lee Zeigler

**Walter Cade, Jr.**  
**Workshops**  
**Reports**

**Thad Jones**  
**Coordinator**



# **Walter Cade, Jr.**

## **Southeast Laymen's Workshop**

### **Annual Report**

The States of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia convened in Jacksonville, Florida on the weekend of September 28 – 30, 2012. This was the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Walter Cade, Jr. Southeast Laymen's Workshop.

The Florida General Baptist Convention Laymen under the leadership of laymen president James F. Green hosted the workshop in grand style. The Theme was, "Men Living By The Law Of Love". The workshop was held at the Wyndham Jacksonville Riverwalk Hotel. Rev. Dr. James B. Sampson is Convention President of the Florida General Baptist State Convention.

There were 354 paid delegates:

Georgia	144
North Carolina	96
Virginia	40
South Carolina	44
Florida	30

On Friday Night during the Youth Program Joel Lewis served as Master of Ceremonies. The program included praise and prayer by Southeast Junior Laymen, musical selections from the The Family, Greater Bethany Baptist Church. Youth Exhibitions were rendered by the Dance Ministry of the Greater Bethany Baptist Church. Greetings were given by Terrell Rogers of Virginia, Union Hill Baptist Youth of North Carolina, Maleak Duffie of South Carolina, and Eddie M. Rooks of Georgia, and Dalen Stewart of Florida. The junior laymen speakers were: Nicholas Mills of North Carolina, Isaiah Staten of Georgia, J. R. Little of South Carolina, Alonza Miles, Jr. of Virginia, and Darien Bolton, Jr. of Florida. All the speakers did a good job. Bro. Donald Rogers gave directions for next day activities.

The Saturday Classes were:

- Men Deepening Their Faith – Isaiah Hill, Virginia
- Christian Women Confidence Under Construction – Joice Tinsley, Georgia
- Ministering to Families In Crisis – President Harold Simmons, Kansas
- Principles of Christian Leadership – Ernest Tinsley, Georgia
- Junior Laymen – "Developing Christian Men" – Brian Jones, North Carolina
- Closing The Back Door – James Simons

The Topics for the general assembly were:

- "The Role of the Laymen's Wife" – Glenice Myrick, Virginia
- "The Laymen's Role In Supporting The Pastor" – Anthony Hagans, North Carolina
- "The Work of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement" – Thad Jones
- "The National Baptist Laymen's Movement" – President Harold Simmons

The Thematic Sermon was preached by Rev. Thurmond N. Tillman, Pastor of First African Baptist Church, Savannah, Georgia and President of the Congress of Christian Education of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc.

The Street Evangelistic Service was held in the afternoon at the Franklin Arms Apartment Complex. Rev. Quvadis T. Thomas was the Evangelist for the Street Service.

The Banquet on Saturday Evening was well attended and enjoyed by all. It was held in the Ballroom of the Hotel. The banquet speaker was South Carolina Brotherhood State President Leroy Martin. The Lovely Hill Men of Praise of South Carolina really stirred those in attendance with their singing. Greetings were extended by Rev. Dr. James B. Sampson, Florida General Baptist State Convention President. Host Laymen President James F. Green also extended greetings.

The Early Morning Service on Sunday Morning closed out the workshop. The Southeast Region Laymen's Male Chorus provided the music for the early morning service. This was the third appearance of the Male Chorus since it was organized. Under a directive by Southeast Region Laymen Vice President and Workshop Coordinator James E. Deen the Male Chorus was organized. Dea. Robert Mack of Georgia the coordinator the Male Chorus. Bro. Jerome Linder of Georgia introduced the Morning Preacher, Rev. J. Stephon Deen, Pastor of First African Baptist Church, Alma, Georgia. Rev. Deen closed out the workshop and sent the attendees home with the word of God on their minds.

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Walter Cade, Jr. Southeast Laymen's Workshop will convene October 4 – 6, 2013 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in North Charleston, South Carolina. It will be hosted by the South Carolina State Brotherhood, Bro. Leroy Martin, President.

Yours in the Master's Service,

*James E. Deen*

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Walter Cade, Jr. Southeast Workshop Coordinator

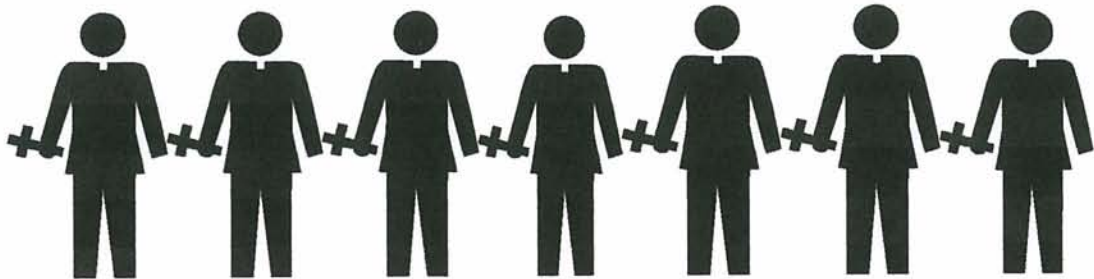
# **WALTER CADE, JR. SEVEN STATE LAYMEN'S WORKSHOP OCTOBER 26-28, 2012 MERRILLVILLE, IN**

**THEME:” MEN IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE SAVIOR“**

**EPHESIANS 6:10-20**

**WORKSHOP REPORT  
THE WALTER CADE, JR. GREAT LAKES REGIONAL LAYMEN'S WORKSHOP  
MERRILLVILLE, IN**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26 – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2012**



**BRO. MOSES J. GARRETT –SECRETARY  
BRO. EARL GRANBERRY – REGIONAL WORKSHOP COORDINATOR  
BRO. HAROLD SIMMONS – NATIONAL LAYMEN PRESIDENT  
DR. JULIUS R. SCRUGGS –PRESIDENT  
NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION U.S.A., INC.**



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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2012**

**Friday October 26, 2012**

**Friday:** Our delegates started arriving from the states of Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, along with the host state of Indiana in great numbers! President Williams, and the host committee made ample preparations to host this grand event! The Radisson Hotel was one of the most luxurious hotels that we've seen. The hotel staff was pleasant and accomadating in every respect. There were 550 registered delegates from all of our seven states of Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, and the host state of Indiana.

**Friday night:** Classes continue on Friday night. Following devotion period by the Laymen, Bro. Earl Granberry Regional Coordinator provided direction for the night. He acknowledged all presidents, state officers, and delegates. President Harold Simmons was in attendance (Sis. Doris Simmons joined the workshop later, having a prior commitment). Also present were General Secretary Thad Jones and Sis. Sandra Jones.

**The following classes were attended.**

**7:15 PM\*\*\*\*\*WE STUDY OUR WORK\*\*\*\*\***

**How to Call & Keep a Pastor.....Rev. Charles Alexander- MI**

**Junior Laymen Ministry.....Rev. Keith Thomas -IL & Bro. Karl McMichael -IN**

**Leading on your Knees.....Rev. Damian Epps- IA**

**The Biblical Doctrine of the Church.....Bro. Clinton Yokely -OH**

**Witnessing to the Un-Saved.....Bro. Curtis Johnson,Sr.- OH**

**Ministry of the Deacon.....Bro. Luther Lewis- MO**

**Biblical Womanhood.....Sis. Evelyn Ridgeway - MI**

**The Leadership Style of Christ.....Bro. Thad Jones- MO**



<b>The Biblical Role of the Laymen in the Church.....</b>	<b>Rev. Joe Games, Sr. – WI</b>
<b>Biblical &amp; Cultural Concepts of Marriage &amp; Family Life.....</b>	<b>Rev. Issac Floyd– IL</b>
<b>Developing a Christian Substance &amp; Abuse Ministry.....</b>	<b>Bro. Felix Chambliss- IN</b>
<b>How to develop &amp; maintain A Men’s Ministry in the Local Church.....</b>	<b>Bro. Ernest Nichols- MI</b>
<b>A Do Something Man.....</b>	<b>Rev. Rogers Jackson – IL</b>
<b>The Role of the Deacon’s Wife.....</b>	<b>Sis. Lucille Washington- MI</b>
<b>Proper Church Etiquette.....</b>	<b>Rev. Wallace Mills- MI</b>
<b>Developing Christian Morals.....</b>	<b>Dr. W.H. Foster - IL</b>

**8:20 PM \*\*\*\*\*ASSEMBLY FOR YOUTH NIGHT\*\*\*\*\***

The youth rally as always, was an experience that the media and entire city should have witnessed! Bro. Cedric Steel served as MC and did a great job! Bro. Antonio Brown extended a warm and enthusiastic welcome, from a biblical content, using Psalm 6 and Psalm 150. It was simple remarkable to see our youth expressing their love for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, through dance and song, and expression of faith. The youth directors and assistants did a wonderful job in preparing the area youth for this worship expression.

## **Invitation to discipleship extended**

No service is ever complete with giving those who have not accepted the Lord Jesus Christ, an opportunity to do so! No one came at this time, but the door is still open for sinners to come to Christ! Bro. Granberry applauded the youth and directors on such a marvelous presentation. Service concluded with prayer.

### **7:00 – 7:45 A.M. Saturday Morning: Oct. 27-Breakfast**

Following breakfast, all delegates were instructed to go directly to their perspective classes from Friday night. Class devotion to be conducted by students in individual classes.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2012**  
**10:00 A.M. General Assembly**  
**Bro. Michael- 5<sup>th</sup>. V.P. National Laymen - Presiding**

**Devotion:** The laymen conducted a spiritual filled devotion service. Following devotion the meeting was placed in the hands of Bro. Michael Washington, who served as presider and called for the order of the program to be followed.

**PROGRAM SPEAKERS**

**\*The Role of a Layman's Wife:** Sister Velvelorne Julius (WI). Sister Julius inspired, and encouraged us, as she boldly shared from the Word of how wives should support their husbands! With our wives by our sides, and with the direction of Almighty God, the Laymen's movement can accomplish much for the Lord, in kingdom building for the cause of Christ!

**\*Pastoral Benefits:** Bro. Delester Jefferson (State Laymen President – MO) provided a comprehensive plan that should be implemented for our Pastors! Thankfully, the message contents are always consistent with the previous presenters view on this subject: That is the fact that our Pastors need the same provisions that we expect from our places of employment: a decent salary, health insurance, educational assistance, housing, church business fuel allowance, and a retirement package. This must be an ongoing effort on the part of the Laity (men particular) to do all that we can to bring about these needs for our Pastors.

**\*The Work of the National Baptist Laymen:** Bro Thad Jones, National General Secretary, provided valuable information on the work of the Laymen's Movement. He explained thoroughly the work of the ministries: Their specific roles, and the means by which they are funded. He encouraged the Laymen and supporters to financially support the movement to the best of their abilities. We need to share with others about the total program of the Laymen's Movement. He also recognized first time attendees to a Laymen Workshop, and encouraged them to continue their active involvement and support.

**\*Financial support of National Baptist Convention Laymen...**Bro. Jerry Williams –Treasurer- NBC Laymen Bro. Williams provided an in depth need of finances in order for the Laymen to fulfill the many ministry obligations. He mentioned the various means of support including: annual discipleship, session registrations, and all Special Projects: including, but no limited to: Royal Court contest, Laywives Prayer Breakfast, John L. Webb banquet, and purchase of Laymen pins, caps, and literature which is conducive to promoting the Laymen Movement and mission.

**Remarks...**Bro. Harold Simmons – President- National Baptist Laymen  
Our President inspired us as usual with encouragement to all the Laymen and supporters of the Movement. He welcomed all first time attendees and assured them of their importance, value, and impact within this great ministry that the Lord has provided for us. His words are always geared with the intent to convey to men, the importance of assuming and maintaining their rightful place within their homes, community and the church. With this comes dedication, love, and commitment to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ that spreads to others to the extent that our actions and life style impact our respective communities, and ultimately the world!



### **Bible Exposition:**

Introduction of Speaker: Bro. Levron Robinson (State Laymen President –IA) introduced the preacher for this session. He provided us with basic background and credentials, and then came the word!

The Message: Rev. Harold Davis- Pastor of King of Kings Baptist Church, Des Moines, IA. This was a most dynamic message, and presentation that has ever been witnessed by our workshop! Coming from the book of II Kings, the fifth chapter, Rev. Davis presented an enthusiastic and demonstrative sermon based of the “Cleansing of Naaman The Leper”. His presentation held youth and adults yearning for the next statement of his message!

### **Invitation To Discipleship**

None came to Christ at this worship experience, which gave us the assumption that all present within the workshop have accepted our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and their personal savior.

### **Instructions for Street Meeting Agenda:**

Basic instructions were given as to time, place, bus departure, for the witness / street service site. Buses and vans will be available for transportation in the front of the hotel lobby. As usual we are excited about sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with the un-saved. We go to tell the story of Jesus and his love for all: To the extent that his gave his life, that all might have an opportunity to be re-connected with God the Father!

### **LUNCH IS SERVED**

Senior & Junior Laymen enjoyed lunch and fellowship together, and then changed into clothing suitable for Street Witnessing. The ladies had their typical lunch / program complete with devotion, a speaker, solos, and a delicious lunch.

### **Departure for The Street Service: (1:45 P.M.)**

Brothers and sisters, some wearing T-shirts boarded buses and vans for the witness site. Door to door witnessing was conducted and all prospects were invited to attend the street service. Bro. Delester Jefferson -Missouri presided at the street service. Introduction of the speaker was made by Bro. Albert Brown, State Laymen President of Wisconsin. Pastor Danny Washington, Greater Spring Hill Baptist Church delivered the message from the Lord. His presentation of the gospel of Jesus Christ was down to earth, so all could understand clearly the meaning of Romans 10: 9-13, John 3:16-17, and John 14: 1-6. God’s word came forth and **souls surrendered themselves to Jesus!**

**There were (13) candidates for baptism, (10) came under Christian experience, (3) came for restoration, and (7) requested and received prayer!** Evangelism information was shared with the local host church.  
**Praise the Lord!**

### **Banquet 2012 (7:00 P.M.)**

The banquet was attended by close to 600 people. Another fabulous evening with Christian Brothers and Sisters! Bro. David Smith (Special Assistant- National Laymen President) served as toastmaster, and guided the program with great expertise! Bro. Robert Eddie extended a gracious welcome to all attendees.

Greetings were extended by:

Dr. Charles Emery – President - General Missionary Baptist Convention of Indiana

Bro. Ernest Nichols- President – North American Baptist Men's Fellowship

President Harold Simmons – National Baptist Laymen

Invocation / Blessing of the food offered by Rev.Thomas Fuller. After which a delicious dinner was enjoyed as the hotel staff served in a commendable manner.

Special music was provided by Bro. Norbert Glover (MI- Wolverine) who along with his group rendered a mini-concert which was enjoyed by all present. This was a tremendous benefit in many ways!!!!

Introduction of speaker: Pastor Rodrick A. Smith- Zion Baptist Church, Saginaw, Michigan. Introduced our speaker for the evening, sharing the many gifts and talent s that this young man uses to the glory of God within his local church.

Bro. Marvin Walker- State Laymen President (MI- Wolverine) had waited patiently to deliver what the Lord had laid on his heart. He challenged and inspired us as he spoke on our workshop theme: "Biblical Men in Solidarity with the Savior". Ephesians 6:10-20. President Walker did a wonderful job, and as the saying goes:

The long wait was well worth it!

Now comes what all want to hear! What state convention has won the right to retain the highly sought and coveted "Jesse A. Collins / Edward Lindsey Trophy" for 2012 -2013? Bro. Granberry workshop coordinator has "The Envelope" and stepped to the podium, and announced that with a total of **99 registered delegates, the Michigan Wolverine Convention had won this honor!** They will retain the trophy from 2012– 2013 until we meet in Ohio to see if they retain or give up the trophy? Great job Michigan Wolverine State Convention!

Closing prayer by Rev. Isaac Culver- IN.

### **Sunday Morning Worship Service**

Oct. 28, 2012 – 5:45 A.M.

Bro. Moses J. Garrett, Laymen President, OH (UMB) Presiding

The Laymen led the devotion at this early hour as we started this day in praising the Lord! testimony service was led by the State Laymen President BM & Laymen of Michigan, Bro. Robert Kelly. Several spontaneous testimonies were share by brothers and sister in Christ of God's grace, mercy, and goodness, since our last workshop in 2011. Even though the testimony segment of the service was closed, Bro. Garrett was compelled to share just one more testimony!



He spoke of the terrifying event in 2009 in Memphis that found his wife, Sis. Bernice Garrett suffering from seizures, brought on by an unknown source or situation. Hospitalized for three (3) days in Memphis, TN then leaving without any known reason from the doctors, as to what brought this on. Since that time to September 2010 she had suffered 6 other seizures. Then he said he received a call from a Christian friend who had heard of this dilemma and advised him to have a special family prayer meeting, and to lay hands on his wife. Since he followed those instructions (from the Lord) she has not had one seizure! God is Good, All the Time, and All the time God is Good! Praise his Holy and Righteous Name!

Introduction of the preacher by: Bro. Bro. Curtis Johnson, Sr. (OH). This was a sweet and bitter situation for Bro. Johnson: as his wife had went home to be with The Lord in 2011. In addition this was the first opportunity that his son and Pastor: Rev. Curtis Johnson, Jr.-Pastor of New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church, Sandusky, Oh had been afforded the privilege to preach in a National setting. He expressed how his dear wife, Sis. Brenda would have savored and relished this moment. However he knew that she was watching from heaven's shores. With that he brought his son and Pastor, Rev. Curtis Johnson, Jr. up to deliver the message!

**The Message:** Pastor Curtis Johnson, Jr. delivered an electrifying sermon: speaking from the basic theme "Biblical Men in Solidarity with The Savior" Ephesians 6:10-20. But he went far beyond our theme in spoke to the heart and soul of all who profess Jesus, The Christ as Lord and Savior! The sermon was filled with powerful statements relative to the Christians role to portray the image of Christ! To in solidarity is to emulate him! When the world looks at us, it needs to see more of Christ, and less of us! Are we looking like Christ or someone else? The "New J congregation " (as Pastor Johnson refers to New Jerusalem Baptist Church- Sandusky, Oh) provided great support of their Pastor, as did all who were blessed, encouraged, and challenged by this great message! This was the first, but will definitely not be the last time that we hear from this dynamic preacher – Pastor!

#### Invitation to Discipleship

No new believer came at this time, but those who were present were strengthened and challenge to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with others! The door to salvation is still open, for those who will hear the call, and accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.

#### SPECIAL COMMUNION SERVICE

Sunday morning service was concluded with a Holy Communion Service in which Deacons served the congregation. The service was conducted by Dr. Charles Alexander MI, and coordinated by Deacon David Smith of Indiana. Upon the conclusion of the communion service the program was turned over to Bro. Granberry, Workshop Coordinator. Bro. Granberry applauded the Indiana Laymen for a job well done! Special thanks were extended to all instructors, and delegates who attended. God's Blessings upon the awaiting breakfast meal and prayer for safe return of all delegates to their respective states was offered by Pastor Alexander.

Bro. Moses J. Garrett- General Secretary-*MJG*  
Bro. Earl Granberry- Workshop Coordinator  
Walter Cade, Jr. Midwest Seven State Laymen's Workshop  
Bro. Harold Simmons- President  
National Baptist Laymen's Movement  
Dr. Julius Scruggs –President  
National Baptist Convention, U.S.A. Inc.

# **Walter Cade, Jr.**

## **Western Far West Laymen's Workshop**

### **Annual Report**

The Walter Cade Jr., Western Far West Laymen's Annual Workshop was held April 19-21, 2013 in Oakland, California. Our host was the California State Baptist Convention Laymen's Movement under the leadership of Brother Jimmy Stuart.

Our theme was "*Biblical Watchmen In Solidarity With The Savior; Watching and Warning Through the Word.*" The three day workshop was held at The Hilton Oakland Airport where over 500 delegates from the Western Far West participated in the workshop. Rev. Dr. Henry L. Perkins is the convention president for California State.

The Friday Night Program began with a class on Evangelism; *How to Share Your Faith On A Daily Basis?* This class was taught by Rev. Dr. Alfred White, pastor of Community Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas. The rest of the evening was focused on the youth and also lead by the youth. Minister Shamar Lewis served as Worship Leader. The program included Praise and Worship from California State Baptist Youth.

Youth Exhibitions were rendered by The Tarver Family (Sacramento, California), Mime Ministry by Jermaine Brown and Jason Wilson (Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, Richmond, CA), and Men of Valor (Second Baptist Church, Las Vegas, NV). The Junior Laymen speakers were: Brother Donte Johnson (Shiloh Baptist Church, Washington), Brother James Neal (Intermountain General Baptist Church), Brother Christopher Davis (Citizens of Zion, Los Angeles, CA), and the Inspirational Speaker, Minister David L. Reaves, Youth Pastor, (Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Fairfield, CA.). Greetings were extended by Rev. Dr. Henry L. Perkins (California State Baptist Convention President).

#### Saturday Classes:

- Biblical Essence and Existence of Woman #7024 – Sister Doris Simmons
- Biblical Essence and Existence of Man #7025 – President Harold Simmons
- How to Develop a Prison Ministry #8029 – Brother Emerson Turner
- Junior Laymen Becoming Men of Faith #8077 – Rev. Dr. Virgil Jones
- How To Share Your Faith On A Daily Basis – Rev. Dr. Alfred White
- Biblical Leadership Concepts – Brother Ernest Tinsley
- Christian Daughters Growing In Grace – Sister Betty Christian
- Men Teaching Boys – Rev. Dr. Arthur C. Banks



## Western Far West Laymen's Workshop (cont'd)

### General Assembly Topics:

- "The Role of the Laymen's Wife" – Sister Jacquelyn Campbell
- "The Laymen's Role in Supporting The Pastor" – Brother Calvin Rayford
- "The Preacher" – Rev. D. Edward Chaney, Pastor, Second Baptist Church, Las Vegas, NV.
- "The Summation" – Rev. Dr. Virgil Jones, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Las Angeles, CA.

Over 550 people attended the banquet on Saturday night. The banquet speaker was Brother Donald Norwood. Washington State, under the leadership of President Charles Caldwell won the attendance award with 65 delegates. Remarks were extended by President Harold Simmons and Vice President Antonio Christian.

The Sunday early service closed out the workshop with Pastor Harold O. Fields, pastor, Unity Baptist Church, Salt Lake City, UT. God blessed the Western Far West with an outstanding workshop!

### Locations of future Workshops:

2014..... Utah  
2015..... Arizona  
2016..... California Western  
2017..... Nevada  
2018..... Washington State  
2019..... California State

It is our goal at the Walter Cade, Jr., Western Far West Laymen's Workshop to continue providing the delegates with quality speakers and classes, so we can all become stronger followers of Jesus Christ!

Yours in the Master's Service,

*I. V. Reeves Jr.*

I.V. Reeves, Jr.  
Walter Cade, Jr., Western Far West Laymen's  
Workshop Coordinator

**Walter Cade Jr.**  
**Southwest Laymen's Workshop**  
**Annual Report**

The Walter Cade Jr. Southwest Laymen's Workshop was held July 26-28, 2013 in Jackson, Mississippi, the home of the historical Jackson State University. Our host was the Mississippi State Laymen's Movement with Brothers L.C. Mitchell, Billy Meets, James Girley, Jimmie Maxwell and Tracy Shelby as State Laymen Presidents. Brother Worth Haynes served as general chairman. Our headquarters hotel was the Hilton-Jackson.

Our theme, "*Christian Men in Solidarity with the Savior*" with emphasis on "Christians Preparing Themselves for Service" kicked off with our Friday Night Program dedicated to the youth which we called Youth Night In Historical Jackson, MS.

We had one junior laymen speaker, Brother Gregory Poindexter. We were also blessed with the presence of the Mt. Ararat Church boys and girls mime groups, who did an excellent job in praising God in Dance.

Our Bible Bowl was led by Brother Bill Campbell (Workshop Coordinator) and it was very successful. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner of the Bible Bowl was Isaac Ward (MS). This year we gave all participants medals and bibles which was signed by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement, Brother Richard Showers Sr.

On Saturday night at the banquet we gave gift cards to the 1<sup>st</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup> place winners of the Bible Bowl from Wal-Mart. Our workshop also included ten breakout classes, three lectures and the standing room only class titled "*Proper Church Etiquette*" which was led by Pastor Clarence Carter (the real Clarence Carter) from Alabama. We believe that this class "*Proper Church Etiquette*" should be a part of every workshop, class or session in the National Baptist Laymen Movement. If our churches are to become better we must teach our members how to be and do better. We also passed out course cards to those who had attended the same class for at least two years.

Our banquet was well attended with over 543 in attendance. This year's banquet speaker was Brother Lonnie R. Williams Jr, from the state of Arkansas. The state of Alabama won the attendance award for the 4th time with 147 delegates.



Walter Cade, Jr. Southwest Laymen's Workshop (cont'd)

Our street ministry was very fruitful with 80 people in attendance. Our Street Evangelist was Rev. Jimmie Garner. from Mississippi. The Men's Chorus under the direction of Brother Kenneth Harris (AR) sang to the glory of God. We encouraged all the men who sing in their local church choirs to join us in lifting the name of Jesus through song. We thank all of the men and women who served for their hard work and we solicit their continued support and service.

It is our goal at the Walter Cade Jr. Southwest Laymen's Workshop to continue to provide the delegates with quality speakers and classes that we may become better disciples of Jesus Christ. It is our hope to establish an additional class entitled "What Baptist Believe or Baptist Doctrine"

Locations of future workshops:

2014.... Memphis, Tennessee

2015.... Mobile, Alabama

2016.... Texas

2017.... Arkansas

2018.... Louisiana

Humbly submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Campbell".

Bill Campbell  
Workshop Coordinator

# **State President's Advisory Council Report**

**Ernest D. Tinsley  
Chairman**



NATIONAL BAPTIST LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT

**STATE PRESIDENTS' ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

The purpose of the State Presidents' Advisory Council is to provide a forum for state presidents to:

- (1) Develop methods by which the National Baptist Laymen's Movement (NBLM) can assist state presidents (How can the NBLM help state presidents?);
- (2) Develop suggestions to enhance the ministry of the NBLM (How can state presidents help the NBLM?);
- (3) Share best practices (How can state presidents help each other?).

In September, 2012 at the Annual Session in Atlanta we conducted a class in which we discussed methods of enhancing the effectiveness of the work of state presidents. Twenty-eight state presidents were in attendance.

In January, 2013 on the weekend before the Board Meeting we gathered in Nashville for our annual meeting. At that time we introduced the Council's newly appointed Leadership Team, consisting of Bros. Jimmie Maxwell, L. C. Mitchell, I.V. Reeves, Marvin Walker, Sam Moore, William A Graves, Jr., Ernest Nichols, and Edward Mayberry. Each of these brothers is responsible for working with an assigned group of state presidents. In addition, Bro. Robert Pope serves as the Administrator of the team, and has been an invaluable addition.

The rest of the Annual Meeting was devoted to exercises and training. The presidents participated in developing a list of 23 leadership traits in a session entitled "What Do Leaders Do?" They were also presented with a workshop entitled "10 Steps to being a Successful State President."

Finally, the presidents agreed to take on two challenges for 2013. First, after hearing a presentation on the Adopt-A-School Ministry, each state president agreed to initiate programs in his convention in a number equal to the number of districts in his convention. For instance, if a state convention has six districts, that state president is committed to adopting six schools this year.

Second, upon the recommendation of Bro. Ernest Nichols, the state presidents agreed to support the financial goals of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement. Each president committed to register himself, his wife (if married), his church, and his state convention at the June and September sessions of the National Movement. In addition, the state presidents agree to take out a discipleship at the January Session for himself, his wife, and his pastor, and to register his church and convention at this session. At the Annual Session in Charlotte each state president will be requested to give a report on his progress on these two commitments.



## State President's Council (cont'd)

During the course of the year the Leadership team has met twice via conference call, and all of the state presidents were called together for a conference call. Participation on these calls has been encouraging, and we anticipate increased participation as more state presidents see the value of participating in this effort.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ernest D. Tinsley  
Chairman, State Presidents' Advisory Council

**Reports  
To the Parent Body  
Laymen 2012 – 2013  
Sessions**

**Willie Luvert  
Recording Secretary**



National Baptist Laymen's Movement  
89th Annual Laymen's Session

National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.  
132<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session  
Atlanta, GA  
September 3 – 7, 2012

## REPORT

### **Monday, September 3, 2012**

The Laymen Wives & Women Supporters Ministry held their annual planning meeting for the Annual Prayer Breakfast and other projects at the GWCC at 5:00 p.m.

President Harold Simmons held his annual Pre-Convention meeting with the officers and ministry leaders at 5:00 p.m. at the GWCC: The agenda for the meeting was:

- Prayer & Praise Period
- Greetings by Deacon James Deen, president of the Georgia laymen
- Programming For The Week
- Meeting locations and logistics
- Education Ministry - Seminars
- Evangelistic Efforts for the week
- Registrations & Discipleship Ministry
- Fellowship & Social Ministry
- Finance Committee

### **Tuesday, Morning September 4, 2012**

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Melinda J. Cade Laymen Wives & Women Supporters Prayer Breakfast was held at 7:00 a.m. at the Marriott Marquis Hotel. The theme was, "*Biblical Women in Solidarity with the Savior*".

This breakfast was dedicated in the honor and memory of the late founder and General Chairwoman Melinda J. Cade who passed away in October 2011. Two of her children, Steven and Jyana King who traveled to Atlanta and attended the breakfast to receive recognition, acknowledgements and tributes of their mother's great service and work to the prayer breakfast, the Laymen Wives & Women Supporters Ministry and the National Baptist Laymen's Movement.

After a year of the general chairwoman position being vacant due to the death of Melinda J. Cade, the committee named Sister Eve Ridgeway, MI as the new general chairwoman.

Sister Francess Joyner, New Jersey was the keynote speaker. Her topic was "*Getting Close to the Savior*".



## National Baptist Laymen's Movement

The program included:

Worship Leaders	Brother Gene and Sister Linda Turner, TX
Opening Scripture	Brother A. L. and Sister Mary Folmar, AL
Greetings	Sister Ruth Dunn, GA
Greetings	Sister Virginia Cuff, Wife of Dr. Elliot Cuff
Prayer of Praise, Thanksgiving & Grace	Brother Edward and Sister Cecilia Mayberry, KS
Remarks	President Harold Simmons, KS
Announcements	Sister Sylvia A. Brown, NJ
Presentations	Sisters Doris Simmons
Selections	Worship and Praise Singers
Introduction of Speaker	Brother Quinton Joyner, Jr., NJ
Solo	Sister Sandra Jones, MO
Speaker	Mrs. Frances Joyner, NJ
Circles of Prayer	
Closing Prayer	Brother Joe and Sister Thelma Miller, MD

### **Tuesday, Afternoon September 4, 2012**

The Official Opening of the laymen's 89th Annual Session convened at 1:30 p.m. in GWCC Hall B Room 406.

Following the Praise and Worship period, the Fellowship and Social Ministry and the President's Advisory Council gave their report.

The laymen's special guest was Cheryl L. Batts and her team from the P.H.O.E.B.E. Publishers who wrote a book about the story of John L. Webb, the first laymen's president who served from 1923 to 1946. The book is titled, "*The Winds of Change, John Lee Webb, The Man & His Legacy*". This will be a great resource and history book for the National Baptist Laymen as we continue to honor our first president. The laymen's Awards & Recognition Banquet is named after Webb and the highest honor a layman can receive, the John L. Webb Award, Layman of the Year is named after him.

The men's singing group from Birmingham, AL, Men of Praise, rendered the music during the laymen's session and prior to the keynote opening message.

Rev. Walter Solomon, Sr., pastor of the Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church of Birmingham, AL delivered the morning message. The title of his message was, "*Handling Life's Heavy Load*". Psalm 88:1-3.

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Following the message the Laymen's Education Ministry conducted their annual Study Institute at 3:45 p.m. The seminars were:

- Becoming a Productive Man – Ernest Tinsley
- Deacons Ministry – Luther Lewis
- Prison Ministry – Emerson Turner
- The Man Project – Rev. Rogers Jackson
- Christian Women: Confidence under Construction – Joice Tinsley
- Teaching Boys to Become Christian Men – Antonio Christian
- How to Begin an Adopt-A-School Ministry – Charles Ewing and Robert Pope

The National Laymen Street Evangelistic team went witnessing to work and prepare for the week's witnessing activities.

### **Wednesday, Morning September 5, 2012**

The morning session opened at 8:00 a.m. with a Prayer and Praise Service.

Reports were given by the Worship; Education and Adopt-A-School ministries.

Following the reports, the keynote speaker was Rev. E. C. Wilson, pastor of the Griggs Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Dallas, TX delivered the morning message. His title was "*Solidarity with the Savior, Through Rejoicing*", I Peter 1:6.

Following the message, the body was dismissed to Study Period No. 2

### **Wednesday, Afternoon September 5, 2012**

The laymen afternoon session called for President Harold Simmons to deliver his 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Address.

Prayer and Praise Service opened the afternoon session.

The 2012 – 2013 recommendations by President Simmons were read and adopted

#### **Recommended Ministries**

1. Congress Class Instructors Syllabus in one booklet (Christian/Woods)
2. Red Cross Certification for members of the laymen's ministry.(McGriggs)
3. Discipleship (Reclamation Ministry - Assistant Vice-Presidents)
4. National Laymen Personal Profile Sheet
5. Theme Development Ministry (Emerson Turner)
6. Young Adult Ministry (Grant Lewis)
7. Care & Communication Ministry
8. Evangelism Ministry class in the Community (Washington, Jefferson)
9. NBLM Cruise Reporter (A.J. Byrd, Katie Patterson)
10. Foreign Mission Chairman
11. Working Manual (Thad Jones)
12. Laymen At-A-Glance (Budget)
13. Laymen Wives & Women Supporters Ministry assist in all ministries  
(Doris Simmons/Sandy Jones)
14. Build up the usher's involvement in our sessions.

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Following the adoption of the recommendations, special guests who came to support President Simmons expressed greetings. They were:

Dr. Robert Baynham, Immediate Past President of the Missionary Baptist Convention of Kansas  
Dr. Carrington Pinder, pastor, St. Mark Native Baptist Church, Nassau, Bahamas  
Brother James McHenry, president of the National Ushers  
Dr. Jimmy L. Brown, president of the Missionary Baptist Convention of Missouri  
Dr. George Waddles, Sr., president, National Congress

Dr. Elliott Cuff, dean of the National Congress introduced president Simmons.

President Simmons delivered his 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Address. His theme was, "*Biblical Men in Solidarity with the Savior, Watching and Warning Through the Word*". Ezekiel 33:7 and 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

### **Thursday, September 6, 2012**

The morning session opened at 8:00 a.m. with a Prayer & Praise Service.

The Mission Ministry, Wives and Women Supporters Ministry and Prison Ministry gave their reports.

Following the reports, the annual **Memorial Period** was observed acknowledging workers and love ones who have passed away since the last annual session. The program was comprised of the following memorials offered:

Our Beloved Spouses – Leno Blue, MO  
Our Cherished Parents – Donald Norwood, CA  
Selection – Sandra Jones, MO  
Our Dear Relatives – John Whitehead, IL  
Our Faithful Workers – Bill Campbell, TX  
Memorial Prayer – Douglas Davis III

A Special Tribute period was observed for those of the National Laymen family who had passed away since last September. There were six national workers who passed away. A memorial candle was lit for each one prior to their tribute. They were:

1. Augustus Dobbins, Columbus, OH, National Classification Committee member, tribute by Wallace Wyatt, OH, former Ohio state laymen president.
2. John McCormick, Las Vegas, NV, National Evangelistic team member, tribute by Delester Jefferson, MO, Chairman of Evangelism.
3. Shelia White, Kansas City, KS, National Evangelistic team member and wife of former National Laymen chairman of Evangelism Rev. Dr. Alfred White and pastor of the Community Missionary Baptist Church, Kansas City, KS, tribute by Lynn McKinnis, Wives & Women Supporters committee member.

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4. Pamela Patterson, Fort Worth, TX, National Classification Committee member, tribute by Jerry Williams, IN, National Laymen Treasurer.
5. Melinda J. Cade, Kansas City, KS, General Chairwoman, Laymen Wives & Women Supporters Prayer Breakfast and widow of former National Laymen president Walter Cade, Jr., tribute by Alcion Ambler, KS, 1991 and first Prayer Breakfast speaker.
6. Jerry Gash, Los Angeles, CA, the sixth National Laymen president, 1995 – 2000, tribute by Roosevelt Gilkey, president of the laymen of the California Western State Convention.

At the conclusion of the Memorial Period, the delegates were dismissed to attend Dr. Julius R. Scruggs' 3rd annual address.

At 6:00 p.m. at the Marriott Marquis Hotel, the annual King contest was held.

The 2011 – 2012 king, Darryl Koon, New Jersey, delivered his address. It was titled, *"Are We Fishing or Wetting the Line?"* John 21:3, 5-6.

The top three places were: 1<sup>st</sup> – Tommie Taylor, GA  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Kennedy Hutchins, NJ  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Ozell Hickerson, AL

Tommie Taylor, GA, will serve as the 2012 – 2013 king.

At 7:45 p.m. the annual John L. Webb Awards and Recognition Banquet was held at the Marriott Marquis Hotel. Dr. Leroy Adams, pastor of the Morning Star Baptist Church of Omaha, NE was the keynote speaker. The title of his message was, *"True Expression of Affectionate Worship"*, Matt. 15:1-9. During the banquet, the layman of the year award was presented to Bennie Surratt of Midwest City, Oklahoma.

### **Friday, September 7, 2012**

The morning session opened with a Prayer and Praise Service.

The General Secretary and Evangelistic ministries gave their annual reports.

The keynote speaker was I. V. Reeves, WA who is the Coordinator of our training program of teachers for junior laymen. The title of his message was, *"God Needs Praying Men"*. I Tim. 2:8

Study Period No. 3 was at 9:30 a.m.

The laymen reconvened at 11:00 a.m. for our closing session. Rev. Keith Thomas, pastor of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Champaign, IL delivered the closing message for the session. The title to his message was, *"God is Able"*. Jude 24



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This week the laymen evangelism activities included:

- Prison ministry services on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Fulton County Jail in Atlanta, Ga.
- Prison ministry service on Thursday at the Georgia Department of Correction Facility
- Prison ministry service on Friday at the West Central Integrated Treatment Facility.

The West Central Integrated Treatment Facility, a women's facility had a need for bar soap. Through the laymen's Acts of Kindness ministry that supplies personal care items to shelters, senior citizen's homes and prisons where the convention is convening, donated more than 2,000 bars of soap. An appeal went out across the country for Dial bar soap. Soap was donated by pastors, churches, individuals, district and state auxiliaries. The laymen from the state of Mississippi donated 504 bars of soap.

- Nightly canvassing and witnessing was done at two housing complexes. at the Avalon Park, 2798 Peek Road in Northwest Atlanta and the Heritage Station housing complex, 765 McDaniel St. SW in Atlanta.
- Street Evangelistic services were held at the two housing complexes listed above at 3:00 p.m. Candidates won to Christ and who are willing to come downtown will be baptized tonight during the Baptism & Communion Service. Sixteen persons came to the convention center to be baptized.
- Our Senior Citizen Ministry witnessed and minister at the Heritage Station Senior Citizen Home.

The laymen's Kelvin Mitchell, OK, gave leadership to the deacons serving communion during the Baptism & Communion Service.

Willie Luvert, Recording Secretary  
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NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION U.S.A., INC.

MID-WINTER BOARD SESSION  
JANUARY 21 – 24, 2013  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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Nashville, Tennessee  
Millennium Maxwell House Hotel  
January 21 – 24, 2013

***“Solidarity with the Savior in Our Witness”***

**Sunday, January 20, 2013**

The State President's Advisory Council led by Ernest Tinsley, GA, held a two day seminar meeting prior to the start of the Annual Mid-Winter Board Session. The purpose of the seminar was to review and evaluate the laymen ministries and programs and make recommendations to President Simmons and the Executive Committee.

Those attending the two-day Summit were:

Ernest Tinsley, GA	Sullivan Stallworth, TX	Robert Pope, TN	Jimmie Maxwell, MS
William Graves, VA	L. C. Mitchell, MS	Marvin Walker, MI	Thad Jones, MO
Harold Simmons, KS	Edward Mayberry, KS	(10)	

**Monday, January 21, 2013**

The State President's Advisory Council concluded the two-day Summit starting at 8:00 a.m. with the leadership team. Then entire body of state laymen presidents convened at 10:00 a.m.

President Simmons convened his Pre-Session Officers and Ministry Leaders Meeting at 3:00 p.m. The agenda was:

- Opening Prayer
- Registration & Discipleship Ministry
- Programming for the week
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Service
- Housing & Logistics
- Mission Ministry Report – Superstorm Sandy Efforts
- Social & Fellowship Ministry - Special Projects Effort
- 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Fellowship Cruise Report
- Adjournment

The leaders were encouraged to attend the convention's Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Celebration at the 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Baptist Church at 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, January 22, 2013**

The laymen's Mid-Winter Board session officially opened at 8:00 a.m. the Prayer and Praise service by the Worship Ministry.

President Simmons opened the session with his Vision & Focus for the year. His theme for the year is, *“Solidarity With the Saviour in Our Witness”, “Watching and Warning Through the Word”*

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Reports were then called for from the State President's Advisory Council on their two day summit prior to the session and the Finance, Registration and Discipleship ministry report.

The morning message was delivered by Rev. Matthew Canada, pastor of the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church of Madison, MS. and moderator of the Madison County District Association. The title of his message was, "*A Senseless Rage*", Luke 6:6-11.

The session adjourned to the Parent-Body opening session.

At 1:30 p.m. the afternoon session opened with a Prayer and Praise period.

The Adopt-A-School Ministry and Social and Fellowship Ministry gave their report.

The afternoon message was delivered by Rev. Daryl Hope, pastor of the St. Stephens Baptist Church of Stephens, AR. The title of his message was, "*Straighten Up and Praise God*", Luke 13:10-13.

The laymen adjourned to committee meetings.

**Wednesday, January 23, 2013**

The session opened at 8:00 a.m. with a Prayer and Praise service.

Reports were given by:

The Education Ministry  
The Wives & Women Supporters Ministry

The morning message was delivered by Dr. Robert L. Manaway, Sr., pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Seattle, WA and president of the North Pacific State Convention. The title of his message was, "*Thanks for Warning Me*", Ezekiel. 33:7

The afternoon session opened at 1:30 p.m. with a Prayer and Praise period.

The Mission Ministry and Evangelism Ministry gave their report.

Street Evangelistic Services    Prison Ministry in Atlanta  
Homeless Shelters Plans        Acts of Kindness Ministry  
Senior Citizens Ministries      Brush of Kindness Ministry

Following the reports, Dr. Guy Campbell addressed the laymen and thanked them for their efforts for Superstorm Sandy victims in his state and spoke about the personal attention paid by President Harold Simmons on his trips to the area.



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Also Rev. Wallace Mills of Detroit addressed the laymen and reported the Michigan B.M.&E. donations to churches in the New Jersey area.

Following the reports Dr. Randy Vaughn., National Director of Disaster Management and pastor of the Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church of Port Arthur, TX reported on the efforts of the convention for Superstorm Sandy victims and delivered the afternoon message. The title of his message was, "*The Lazarus Syndrome*". John 11 and 12.

The laymen adjourned for the afternoon.

**Thursday, January 24, 2013**

The session opened at 8:00 a.m. with Prayer & Praise Service.

This is Special Projects day for state laymen conventions to make contributions to national laymen ministries.

The program called for:

- Greetings for the Tennessee state laymen presidents Ozell Wright and Charles Wilks
- Statement of Purpose
- Roll Call of State President's Contributions to laymen ministries and special projects
- Presentation of Plaques
- Introduction of the speaker
- Special Music

The morning message was delivered by Dr. Stanley T. Hilliard, pastor of the St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church, Houston, TX and National Congress Family Enrichment Chairman.

The laymen session for this 2013 Mid-Winter Board session was then adjourned.

Willie Luvert  
Recording Secretary

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Harold Simmons  
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33<sup>rd</sup> ALLEN JORDAN SEMINAR**

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION U.S.A., INC.  
**108<sup>th</sup>**  
**CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**  
**JUNE 17 – 21, 2013**  
**St. Louis, MO**

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**DR. ALLEN JORDAN LECTURE SEMINAR (LAYMEN)**

**Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel \* St. Louis, MO.**

Antonio Christian, Vice President, Education

Mr. Everett Woods, AZ, Supervisor

This seminar is open to all persons who desire to enhance their local, district and state laymen auxiliaries. There is a \$40.00 registration fee for adults and \$35.00 for youth 18 years old and under. A registration kit is given to those who pay the workshop registration fee.

Schedule	
8:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Class Period
10:30 – 11:00 a.m	Reports
11:00 – 12:00 p.m.	Lecture
12 Noon	Dismissal

LECTURER	GROUP DISCUSSION LEADER
Rev. Greg Oliver, Sr. LA	

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
7009	Evangelism Street Witnessing	Bro. Delester Jefferson, MO	Lambert Ballroom	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
7019	How to Development and Maintain a Men's Ministry in the Local Church	Mr. Ernest Tinsley, AZ	Orly B	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8079	Biblical Womanhood	Mrs. Doris Simmons, KS – Mrs. Betty Showers, AL		8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
7008	Evangelism – How to Share Your Faith On a Daily Basis	Mr. Michael Washington, MI  Rev. Samuel Nero, Sr., MO	Orly A	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8012	Organizing a Junior Laymen's Ministry in the Local Church		Ladue	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8080	Biblical Daughters Growing In Grace	Ms. Pamela Harris	Truman	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8074.1	Biblical Manhood	Mr. Isaiah Hill, VA Mr. Harold Simmons, KS	Gatwick A and Clayton	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8075.1	Devotion: What It Is and How To Do It	Mr. Robert Kelley, MI Mr. Dwayne Banks, OH	Heathrow A	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8076	The Biblical Women's Role In The Laymen's Ministry	Mrs. Sandra Jones, MO  Mrs. Alcion Ambler, MO	Heathrow A and Lindbergh A	8:00 am

COURSE				
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NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8077.1	Junior Laymen Becoming MEN of Faith	<b>Section I</b> Ages 8-12 Mr. Clarence Logan, KS		8:00 am
8077.2		<b>Section II</b> Ages 13-15 Rev. Michael Ross, Sr.		
8077.3		<b>Section III</b> Age 16 Rev. Shawn Buckhanan, AZ		
8077.4		<b>Section IV</b> Ages 17-18 Rev. Keith Thomas, IL, Mr. Virgil Marshall, IL		

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
7024	The Biblical Role of The Layman In the Church	Mr. Thad Jones, MO	Heathrow B	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8029.2	Developing & Organizing A Prison Ministry	Mr. Emerson Turner, AZ  Mr. Joe Miller, MD	Gateway	8:00 am

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTORS	ROOM NAME	TIME
8080	Biblical Sons Strong in Grace	Mr. I. V. Reeves, WA	Truman	8:00 am

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**Monday, June 17, 2013**

The National Junior Laymen Basketball Tournament opened at 10:00 a.m. at the Demetrious Johnson Charitable Foundation. Teams participating were Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Illinois and Alabama. The results for Monday were, Kansas 47 Missouri 21. Alabama 53 Oklahoma 38. Missouri 42 Illinois 15.

Missouri vs. Oklahoma for 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Alabama vs. Kansas for the championship.

I.V. Reeves presided over the Education Ministry's Allen Jordan Division faculty meeting at the Renaissance Hotel at 4:00 p.m. Everett Woods, supervisor gave instructions as he reviewed the classes, schedules and package materials with the instructors. He had the instructors and seminar workers complete the necessary documents.

Rev. Anthony Woods, Sr. was named Associate Supervisor by Everett Woods.

President Simmons convened his Pre-Session Officers and Ministry Leaders Meeting at 5:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Hotel. The agenda was:

- Prayer & Praise
- Opening Remarks – Harold Simmons, President
- Greetings – Bro. Delester Jefferson, president of the Missouri State Laymen
- Registrations – Bro. Willie Burke, Finance Committee
- Programming for the Week – Thad Jones, General Secretary
- Education Ministry – I.V. Reeves, Asst. Vice President, Education Ministry
- Housing & Logistics – Bill Campbell, Asst. General Secretary
- Evangelism Ministry – Michael Washington, 5<sup>th</sup> V.P.
- Social & Fellowship Committee – Willie Burke
- Fellowship Cruise – Michael Washington, 5<sup>th</sup> V.P.

The Wives & Women Supporters Ministry held their meeting at 5:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Hotel. Their agenda was September Prayer Breakfast and classes, Prayer Chain ministry and outreach ministry for the week.

**Tuesday, June 18, 2013**

The opening of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Allen Jordan Seminars was called to order by President Simmons at 10:30 a.m. Reports were given by Education Ministry and the Social and Fellowship Ministry. Ms. Cheryl Batts of P.H.O.E.B.E. made a presentation on the revised John L. Webb book.

For the third consecutive year, the Congress assigned a discussion leader to the laymen's department to lecture and speak on the Congress theme, *"Solidarity with the Savior Through His Word"*. The laymen's discussion leader was Rev. Robert Glaspy of the Mt. Leonard Baptist Church, St. Louis, MO.

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Following the Discussion Period, a Moore, Oklahoma report by Charles Hardrick and the offering, Rev. Greg Oliver, Sr., True Vine Baptist Church, Monroe, LA, delivered the opening lecture. His topic was "*Three Words, Strong, Power and Might*". Ephesians 6:10.

The National Junior Laymen Basketball Championship was played at 4:00 p.m. at the Demetrious Johnson Charitable Foundation. The championship game was played between Alabama and Kansas with Alabama winning the championship by the score of 60 – 33. Oklahoma beat Missouri for 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

### **Wednesday, June 19, 2013**

The morning session opened at 10:30 a.m. as National Junior Laymen Day at the Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel.

The junior laymen began the Junior Laymen period and were in charge of the music, devotion and the presiding.

The National Bible Bowl Championship was held and there were nine participants.

The results of the Bible Bowl was:

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Isaiah Davis, NJ

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Isaac Ward, MS

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Charles McClure OH

Julius Cherry the national junior laymen president delivered the president's annual address.

### **Mission, Education and Evangelism Luncheon**

The Missions in Education and Evangelism Luncheon was held at the Third Baptist Church at 12:30 p.m.

The awards presentations were made to the basketball teams and bible bowl contestants.

The Roll Call of States was conducted to receive state contributions for laymen ministries in missions, education and evangelism.

Rev. Greg Oliver, pastor of the Truevine Baptist Church of Monroe, LA was the keynote speaker. He about "*A Father's Fight For His Family*", Luke 8:40-42, 49-56.



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#### **The Street Evangelistic Service**

The Street Evangelistic Service began at 3:30 p.m. at the:  
Carr Square Community

The report is: 13 - Candidates for baptism

1- Rededication

2 – Prayer

3 - Reinstatement

#### **Prison Ministry**

Jeff Ridgeway and Emerson Turner visited the St Louis Justice Center (County Jail Annex) and conducted religious service. We were met by Chaplain (Rev.) Ralph Neal and two of his support staff, Ministers Davis and Young. The facility houses approximately 1300 inmates.

They were able to minister to 22 young men across the A, B, C & D Pods from the central theme "*Dead End or New Start*" based on the Luke 15:11-24 text. Of the 22 men present, approximately 18 rededicated their lives to Christ and responded to the call to "*Come to their senses and Go Back Home*"

#### **Thursday, June 20, 2013**

The morning session opened at 10:30 a.m. with prayer, praise and worship.

Rev. Robery Glaspy discussed the convention theme.

A Report was given by the Evangelism Ministry.

Rev. Greg Oliver, True Vine Baptist Church, Monroe, LA delivered the morning lecture.

#### **Men's Shelter Ministry**

The Homeless Mission ministry team ministered at the:

Sunshine Mission

1320 N. 13<sup>th</sup> Street

St. Louis, MO.

Team members were L. C. Mitchell, Jimmy Maxwell and Melvin Snoddy.

They distributed Acts of Kindness items that included 150 towels, 250 bars of soap, 200 jars of deodorant and 240 tubes of tooth paste. The team brought food to feed 44 men.

Two persons came for candidates for baptism following the message.

The Acts of Kindness Ministry along with the local host laymen donated personal care items and fed a meal to the residents.



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#### **Prison Ministry**

On Thursday night, June 20th, 13 volunteers visited the Minimum Security Institute (St Louis) and ministered to some 42 inmates. We dealt with the same subject matter as the previous night, *"Dead End or New Start"*, from Luke 15:11-24. Of the 42 or so in attendance, some 37 rededicated their lives.

While there were no new converts in either of our settings, it is good to know that some of those who are behind the walls are merely those who have fallen and our message to them is simply get back up.

In summary for the two-day ministry in St. Louis:

- We made 64 contacts
- We witnessed some 55 rededications
- We provided some 15 volunteers opportunities
- We trained and provided training for some 10 -11 students

#### **Friday, June 21, 2013**

Rev. Robert Glaspy delivered the discussion on the theme and reports were then given by the Men's Shelter Ministry, Prison Ministry and the General Secretary.

Rev. Greg Oliver delivered the final seminar lecture for the session.

President Simmons closed out the session at approximately 12:10 p.m.



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