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YPD

GROW, GLOW, AND GO FOR CHRIST!



JUNE
2026
UPDATE

2026
LTI
IN REVIEW

CONNECTIONAL YPD

— WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY —

Joyce Johnson,
*Connectional
YPD President*

Richelle Fry Skinner,
*Connectional
YPD Director*

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Dr. Deborah
Taylor King,
*Connectional
WMS President*

Rev. Dr. John Green,
*Executive Director,
Global Witness &
Ministry*

Bishop Silvester
Beaman,
*Commission
Chair*

— Transformation: Transcending in 3G —

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LTI AGENDA

LTI: JULY 17 - 19

PRE-LTI: JULY 15 - 17



WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

12:00 PM -
8:00 PM

SANKOFA-ZAKAR FREEDOM SCHOOL PILGRIMAGE

THURSDAY, JULY 16

8:00 AM -
5:00 PM

SANKOFA-ZAKAR FREEDOM SCHOOL PILGRIMAGE

FRIDAY, JULY 17

8:30 AM
9:00 AM
11:00 AM
12:30 PM
3:00 PM
4:30 PM

LTI CHECK-IN OPENS
SANKOFA-ZAKAR FREEDOM SCHOOL @ EJI
YPD CARES
LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)
WHAT ABOUT THE CHILDREN? PANEL
CHOIR & RECOGNITION GROUPS
DINNER (ON YOUR OWN)
7:00 PM OPENING WORSHIP SERVICE
WITH HOLY COMMUNION
9:00 PM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING #1
DISCOVERY ZONE 1 - 12 AND UNDER

SATURDAY, JULY 18

7:00 AM
7:30 AM
8:45 AM

10:15 AM
12:00 PM

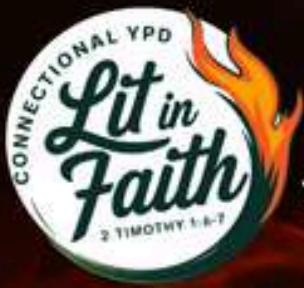
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3:45 PM
5:15 PM
7:00 PM

CHECK-IN & BREAKFAST (ON YOUR OWN)
MORNING GLORY SELF DENIAL SERVICE
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING #2
DISCOVERY ZONE 2 - 12 AND UNDER
VISIONARY LABS - TRACK 1
RECOGNITION LUNCHEON
HALL OF FAME: HONORING OUR FAITHFUL LEADERS
VISIONARY LABS - TRACK 2
VISIONARY LABS - TRACK 3
MUSIC & CHRISTIAN ARTS REHEARSAL
RECOGNITION BANQUET
*HONORING THE PAST, CELEBRATING THE PRESENT,
IGNITING THE FUTURE*
10:00 PM LIP SYNC BATTLE

SUNDAY, JULY 19

8:30 AM
9:00 AM
NOON

CONNECTIONAL YPD AWARDS
CLOSING WORSHIP SERVICE
DEPARTURE



CONNECTIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S & CHILDREN'S DIVISION
2026 LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE & EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

YPD T-SHIRT & ANY BOTTOMS



THURSDAY, JULY 16

PILGRIMAGE T-SHIRT & ANY
BOTTOMS



FRIDAY, JULY 17

DAY ATTIRE
DISTRICT ATTIRE



OPENING WORSHIP SERVICE
OFFICIAL GREEN & WHITE



SATURDAY, JULY 18

DAY ATTIRE
LTI 2026 T-SHIRT
& KHAKIS



EVENING ATTIRE
FORMAL ATTIRE



LIP SYNC BATTLE
DISTRICT DECADE
80s, 90s, & 2000s ATTIRE



SUNDAY, JULY 19

SUNDAY'S BEST GREEN & WHITE



BASED ON THE DISTRICT'S
LIP SYNC BATTLE SONG

LTI ATTIRE

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2 TIMOTHY 1:6-7



YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION

2026 LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE

REGISTRATION - CLASSIFICATIONS

REGISTRATION SUMMARY

Mother Sunbeams	15
Allen Stars	52
Young People's Auxiliary	205
Young Adult Division	202
YPD Directors, Advisors, and Adults 27+	330
TOTAL	804

LEADERSHIP

Bishops	9
Episcopal Supervisors	16
General Officers	1
Connectional WMS Officers	15
Connectional YPD Officers	24
Episcopal WMS Presidents	13
Episcopal YPD Directors	17
Episcopal YPD Presidents	14

GRADUATES

High School	44
College	16
YPD to OPD	3

WORSHIP AND ARTS

Choir	179
Praise Dancers	64
Mime	12
Ushers	40

COLLEGE FAIR

Colleges and Universities 6

CAREERS

Resume Development

MISSION OUTREACH

Family Sunshine Center

SELF DENIAL PARTICIPANTS

Artistic Expressions	11
Musical Expressions	24
Literary Expressions	35
Visual Arts Expressions	10
YPOCARES Community Service Project	7
TOTAL	87



Grow, Glow, and Go for Christ!



FLAMES OF Faith



A 10 DAY PRAYER COUNTDOWN

JOIN THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION AS WE SEEK GOD TOGETHER THROUGH 10 DAYS OF PRAYER, FAITH, AND UNITY FOR THE LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE.



SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION

Praying for hearts to be renewed, minds to be empowered, and lives to be transformed by God's Spirit.



PLANNING & PREPARATION

Praying for divine wisdom, clear direction, and effective preparation for a successful and impactful Institute.



TRAVEL

Praying for safe travels, covered itineraries, and protection over all who journey.



EXECUTION

Praying for excellence in every session, unity in every moment, and lives impacted for God's glory.



*10 Days. One Purpose.
God's Will.*



LET'S IGNITE THE FLAME OF FAITH THROUGH PRAYER!



MICHAEL WEBB, JR
Connectional YPD
Worship Director



JOYCE JOHNSON
Connectional YPD
President



MRS. RICHELLE FRY SKINNER
Connectional YPD
Director

SANKOFA-ZAKAR

*Sankofa~
to reach back
and remember.*

*Zakar~
to hold our history
with purpose.*



CONNECTIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S &
CHILDREN'S DIVISION

★★ 2026 ★★ PILGRIMAGE



WEDNESDAY, JULY 15TH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

- Conversation with Janice Kelsey Kelly
- Ingram Park
- Sixteenth Street Baptist Church
- Birmingham Civil Rights Institute
- Dinner at Saint John AME Church
- Conversation with Sarah Collins Rudolph
- Freedom Rides Museum



THURSDAY, JULY 16TH MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

- Dr. Richard and Mrs. Vera Harris' Home and Centennial Hill Community
- Dexter Avenue Baptist Church Parsonage
- First Baptist Church
- St. John A.M.E. Church
- Rosa Parks Bus Stop
- Court Square Fountain (The Slave Auction Block)
- Freedom Rides Museum



SELMA, ALABAMA

- Foot Soldiers Park and Educational Center
- Slave Auction Block
- Slave Warehouse
- Carter Homes
- Brown Chapel A.M.E. Church
- Selma County Courthouse
- Edmund Pettus Bridge reenactment



HISTORY
NO
MYSTERY

THE LEGACY
OUR ANCESTORS LIVED.
OUR PEOPLE STRUGGLED.
WE REMEMBER THEIR
COURAGE AND CARRY
THEIR LEGACY FORWARD.



FRIDAY, JULY 17TH
CHILDREN'S FREEDOM SCHOOL
— 12 AND UNDER —

- Rosa Parks Museum
- Freedom Rides Museum
- Reading and Discussion at New South Books
- Reading of Liberty's Civil Rights Road Trip
- Conversation with Dr. Valda Montgomery



★ EQUAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE ★ 13+ LEGACY SITES

- The Legacy Museum
- National Memorial for Peace and Justice
- Freedom Monument Sculpture Park
- Montgomery Square





YPD CARES

MISSION OUTREACH PROJECT

Join YPD as we come together to make a meaningful impact in our community!

- ✓ Serve with purpose
- ✓ Make a difference
- ✓ Build community
- ✓ Share love



Benefiting

**FAMILY SUNSHINE CENTER
ALABAMA**



JULY 17TH



11:00 AM



**RENAISSANCE
MONTGOMERY HOTEL
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**



Let's be the hands and feet of Christ in our community.
Together, we can shine a light of hope!

**Goal: A minimum of \$200/Districts 1 - 14 and \$100/Districts 14-20.
Funds are due June 30th, or items in person on July 16th.
Connectional YPD will match the cash donations.**



At the Family Sunshine Center, we're a beacon of hope and healing for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking across Central Alabama. We offer crisis intervention, safe shelter, advocacy, and supportive services—all free of charge. Our mission is to empower survivors to build safe, violence-free lives and to foster a community where healing and resilience thrive. Together, we can create a brighter future, one story at a time.

We ask each Episcopal District to support this outreach based on the distributions below. Ask your local YPD and WMS, family, and friends to support our work. Seek support from local businesses.

Note: The items listed are requested from each Episcopal District.

EVEN # DISTRICTS

- 2 boxes of Diapers
- 2 Baby Lotion (bulk)
- 2 Baby Boy Wash (bulk)
- 2 bundles - Baby Towels and Washcloths
- 2 Small toys
- 5 sets of Children's Pajamas (boys))
- 10 packages of girls underwear
- 5 packages of boys underwear
- 10 packages of children's socks
- 20 pairs of children's flip flops

ODD # DISTRICTS

- 2 boxes of Diapers
- 2 Baby Lotion (bulk)
- 2 Baby Boy Wash (bulk)
- 2 bundles - Baby Towels and Washcloths
- 2 Small toys
- 5 sets of Children's Pajamas (girls)
- 5 packages of girls underwear
- 10 packages of boys underwear
- 10 packages of children's socks
- 20 pairs of children's flip flops

DISTRICTS 14-20 - EACH DISTRICT IS REQUESTED TO DONATE

- 2 Small toys
- 2 sets of Children's Pajamas (girls)
- 2 packages of girls underwear
- 2 packages of boys underwear
- 2 packages of children's socks
- 5pairs of children's flip flops

CONNECTIONAL YPD

- 10 boxes of Diapers
- 20 pairs of children's flip flops
- 10 Twin Sheet Sets
- 10 Twin-size Blankets
- 50 Journals
- Supplies for the YPD CARES crafts



CONNECTIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S & CHILDREN'S DIVISION



What About the CHILDREN?

LEGISLATIVE ENGAGEMENT & YOUTH VOICE PANEL

★ FACILITATOR ★



HARRIET BROWN BIRK, ESQ.

Constitution & Bylaws
Committee Chair
Connectional WMS

★ MODERATOR ★



MARK JOHNSON

Parliamentarian and
Vice Chairperson
Constitution and Bylaws
Connectional YPD

**SUBMIT YOUR
QUESTIONS &
TOPICS HERE**



**FRIDAY,
JULY 17TH**

AT 3 PM



**YOUR VOICE.
THEIR FUTURE.
OUR PURPOSE.**

ENGAGE | EMPOWER | ELEVATE | TOGETHER WE BUILD TOMORROW



AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION

Opening WORSHIP AND HOLY COMMUNION *Service*

Preacher:
Reverend Michael E. Bell, Jr.
Pastor, New Mt. Zion AME Church
Tallahassee, Florida, 11th Episcopal District



FRIDAY,
JULY 17TH

7:00 PM



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Sunday SENDING FORTH WORSHIP SERVICE

“ Faith isn't just something you have. ”



Presenting our *Youth and Young Adults.*

SUNDAY, JULY 19TH | 9:00 AM

Join us as we celebrate our young people and send them forth to continue

SHARING FAITH, SERVING OTHERS, AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE.



VISIONARY LABS



GROW, GLOW, AND GO
for Christ!

MOTHER SUNBEAMS (2-6)



- Books and Bears
- Lit Leaders
- Why Music?
- God says I am...
- Little Leaders: Big Light

ALLEN STARS (7-12)



- God Made It: Exploring Faith in STEAM
- Shining in YPD: My Place in God's Team
- Leading with Light: Using My Gifts to Help Others
- Fruit That Glows: Showing God's Love in Our Community (Fruits of the Spirit)
- My Church, My Home: Discovering Our AME Family (Know Your Church)
- The Power of Your Shine

YOUNG PEOPLES AUXILIARY (13-17)



- Called & Commissioned: Planning Your Future with Faith
- History No Mystery: AME Church in the Civil Rights Movement
- College and Career Fair
- All Things QUAD

YOUNG ADULTS (18-26)



- Called & Commissioned: Planning Your Future with Faith
- Faith in Democracy - Civic Engagement, Awareness, and Youth-Centered Social Action
- College and Career Fair
- All Things QUAD

ADULTS 27+

- Illuminate: Letting Faith Lead in an AI-Driven World
- Leading with Joy



TRANSFORMATION: TRANSCENDING IN 3G



All Things QUAD @ LTI

YPD QUADRENNIAL KICKOFF

Let's Connect, Let's Plan, Let's Impact!



**21ST
QUADRENNIAL
CONVENTION**

**DALLAS, TX
HILTON ANATOLE**

**YPD
JULY 7 - 9**

JOIN US

as we prepare for the 21st Quadrennial Convention in Dallas, TX and equip our young people and leaders for a powerful four years of growth, worship, service, and leadership!



DATE:
**SATURDAY,
JULY 18TH**



TIME:
10:15 AM



LOCATION:
2026 LTI

-  SHARE IDEAS
-  ENGAGE IN DISCUSSION
-  MAKE AN IMPACT

DISCUSSION PROMPTS

-  **HOST DISTRICT WELCOME**
-  **THE WHAT? AND WHY? OF A QUADRENNIAL**
-  **FINANCIALLY FIT FOR QUADRENNIAL**
-  **BACKGROUND CHECKS**
-  **2027-2031 QUADRENNIAL THEME SUGGESTIONS**
-  **NOMINATION PROCESS AND CREDENTIALS**
-  **DELEGATES, ALTERNATES, AND OBSERVERS**
-  **COMMITTEE FORMATION**
-  **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AMENDMENTS**
-  **WHITTER & VIDEO REPORTS**
-  **MISSION OUTREACH**
-  **QUAD GAMES**
 - Mother Sunbeams and Allen Stars
 - Bible Bowl
 - Know Your Church
 - Spelling Bee
 - Science Fair
 - Youth Auxiliary and Young Adults
 - Bible Bowl
 - Know Your Church
 - Shark Tank
 - Debate
-  **VISIONARY LABS**
-  **VOTER REGISTRATION/ SOCIAL JUSTICE**
-  **WORSHIP SERVICES**
-  **SPECIAL EVENTS**
 - Recognitions
 - Connectional Officer Event
 - Closing Event
-  **QUADRENNIAL DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE WEBINAR**
-  **YPD QUADRENNIAL KNOW BEFORE YOU GO**
-  **PROPOSED PRE-QUADRENNIAL EVENTS**
 - Freedom School Pilgrimage
 - Immersive Mission Outreach
 - Excursions to Texas Amusement Parks, Zoo, Aquarium, etc.

SAVE THE DATE



Mark your calendar for saving event gathering to the list of the fully reserved.

YPD: JULY 7 - JULY 8, 2021
TRANSITION DATE: JULY 10, 2027
WMB: JULY 11 - JULY 19, 2027



CONNECTIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION

2026 LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE

COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR



FOR MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

***BE SURE TO BRING YOUR RESUMÉS FOR REVIEW**

Alabama State University
Alabama A&M University
Tuskegee University
Shorter College
Savannah State University
Clark Atlanta University

CONNECTIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ATTIRE GUIDE & REHEARSAL SCHEDULE CHOIR ATTIRE GUIDE

JULY 17
FRIDAY EVENING



WHITE WITH GREEN ACCESSORIES

JULY 19
SUNDAY MORNING



GREEN AND WHITE CHURCH ATTIRE

USHERS/LITURGICAL & MIME DANCERS ATTIRE GUIDE

USHERS



GREEN AND WHITE CHURCH ATTIRE BOTH OPENING/CLOSING

LADIES



WHITE LEOTARDS/SKIRTS (OPENING)
BLACK LEOTARDS/SKIRTS (CLOSING)

GENTLEMEN



UNINTERRUPTED WHITE (OPENING)
UNINTERRUPTED BLACK (CLOSING)
UNINTERRUPTED BLACK (MORNING GLORY) **MIME**

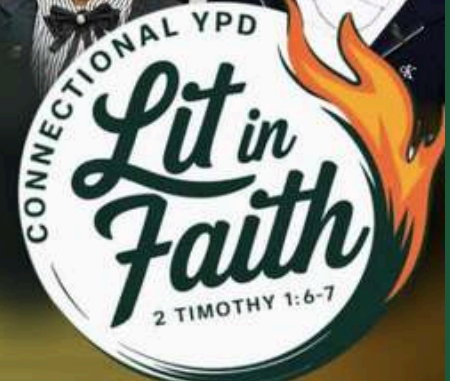
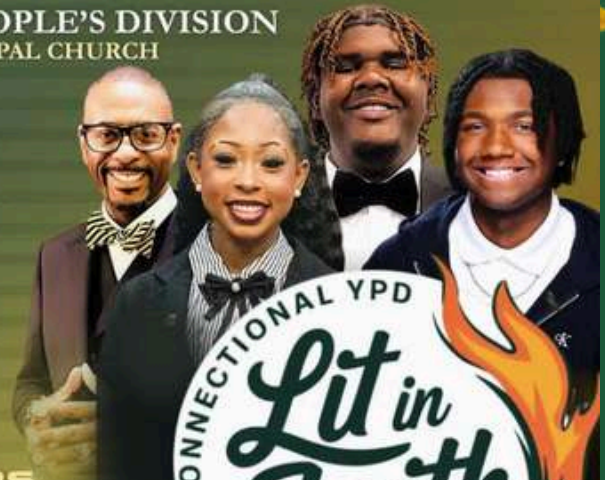
ON-SITE REHEARSALS:
FRIDAY 4:30-6PM | SATURDAY 5-6PM

BRO. MICHAEL WEBB JR.
CONNECTIONAL YPD WORSHIP DIRECTOR

BRO. ROBERT SHAW, III
MIME LEAD | 800YPD PRESIDENT, 5TH DISTRICT

REV. MAURICE WRIGHT II
CONNECTIONAL YPD MUSIC DIRECTOR

SIS. TRINITY WILSON
LITURGICAL DANCE LEAD | 9TH DISTRICT WORSHIP DIRECTOR



LTI 2026

WORSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRY

VIRTUAL REHEARSALS | CHECK-IN:
SUNDAY JULY 5 | 6PM EST
SUNDAY JULY 12 | 6PM EST

zoom

MEETING ID: 817 8923 7955
PASSCODE: 775027



CONNECTIONAL YPD HALL OF FAITH RECOGNITION LUNCHEON



HONORING OUR FAITHFUL LEADERS.



EPISCOPAL DISTRICT
EMERGING LEADERS



EPISCOPAL DISTRICT
MVP



4 YEAR
OFFICERS



8-YEAR
DIRECTORS

SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2026 | 12:00 PM

TRANSFORMATION: TRANSCENDING IN 3G
GROW, GLOW, AND GO FOR CHRIST!



CONNECTIONAL YPD ANNUAL AWARDS *Banquet*



HONORING THE PAST | CELEBRATING THE PRESENT | IGNITING THE FUTURE

SATURDAY, JULY 18TH AT 7:00 PM

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS



HIGH SCHOOL
AND COLLEGE
GRADUATES



HANDY SIMMONS
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



YPD
TO OPD



FORMAL ATTIRE ~ *Color of Choice* ~

CONNECTIONAL YPD
PRESENTS

FAITH

OLD SCHOOL

NEW SCHOOL

Beats
&

FLASHBACKS

LIP SYNC

BATTLE

NEW SCHOOL VS OLD SCHOOL

70's



80's



90's



2000's



2010's



JULY 18TH

DISTRICT ATTIRE:
THE DECADE OF YOUR SONG

@ 10PM

PARTICIPANTS:
YOUR DECIDED ATTIRE



FAITH · BEATS · FLASHBACKS · LEGACY · VICTORY.
COME REP YOUR DECADE. LIP IT. LIVE IT. WIN IT!



YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION



What About the Children? Affirmation Journal Sponsors

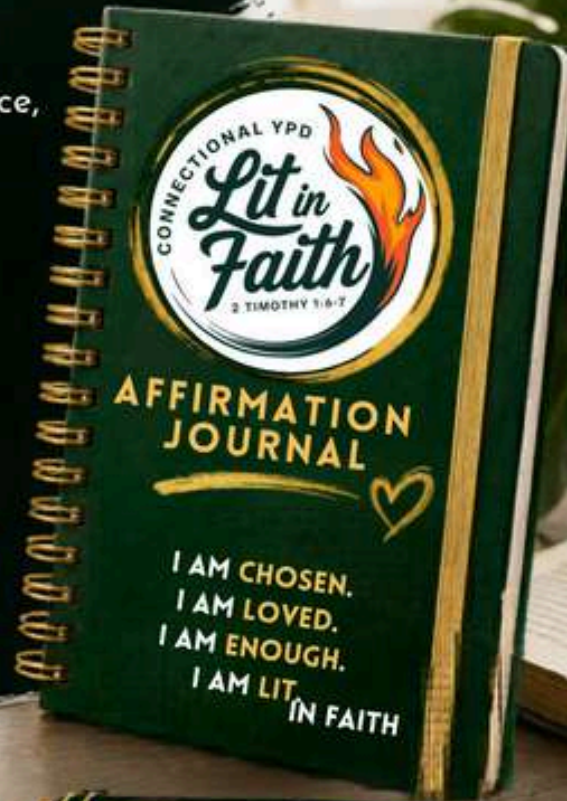
We invite you, candidates for office, businesses, family, and friends, to sponsor an affirmation page!

SPONSOR LEVELS

FULL PAGE	\$100
HALF PAGE	\$50

Young people, 26 and under, are encouraged to write a maximum 25-word affirmation focused on faith!

YOUNG PEOPLE \$10



This initiative is designed to uplift and inspire our young people through powerful messages of encouragement and faith.

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR AFFIRMATION
BY FRIDAY, JULY 10TH.

**JOURNAL FOCUS:
FAITH**



FAITH ISN'T JUST SOMETHING YOU HAVE.

It's something you live. Thank you!

YOUR SPONSORSHIP IS AN INVESTMENT IN THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND DEMONSTRATES YOUR COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRY OF THE YPD!

SCAN HERE



Joyce Johnson
Connectional YPD President

Richelle Fry Skinner
Connectional YPD Director

TO
SUBMIT YOUR AFFIRMATION

Goal: A minimum of 4 full-page submissions per District Connectional YPD EBoard to submit an affirmation.

110TH BIRTHDAY GIVING CAMPAIGN

Thank you for your support!

OCTOBER 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026



VISIONARY LEADERS - \$1,110

Dr. Deborah Taylor King
Richelle Fry Skinner
Sanjena Clay
Rev. Dr. Teresa Fry Brown
Supervisor Miriam Burnett, MD, MPH
General Officer Rev. Dr. John F. & Supervisor Phyllis N. Green
Chandelle R. Ivy
Bishop Michael & Supervisor Cordelia Mitchell
Bishop Harry L. Seawright
Supervisor Sherita Seawright

GENERATIONAL PILLARS - \$510

Rev. Dr. Patrick D. Clayborn & Rev. Dr. Sheri Smith Clayborn
Mark Brown, Sr. & Dr. Rikeshia Fry Brown

HERITAGE BUILDERS - \$310

Paulette Cryer
Monica Dillihunt
Teresa Givens
Tara Simmons
Wanda Ringgold
Supervisor Winifred Zanders

CENTURY SUPPORTERS - \$110

Bishop Silvester Beaman
Joyce Johnson
Supervisor Renee P. Beaman
Bishop Ronnie Brailsford, Sr.
Supervisor Carolyn Brailsford
Bishop Francine Brookins, Esq.
Tonya Beard Brown
Denise Brown
Harriet Brown Birk
Mark Brown, Jr.
Supervisor Miriam Burnett, MD, MPH
Susan Butler
Gloria Byrd
Alexandria Carver
LaRhonda Collins
Quianna Couthen
Bishop James L. Davis
Supervisor Arelis B. Davis
Thelma Y. Denton
Gerri Earl
Timika Fountain-Coney
Reva Gadson
Doris Gibson
Supervisor Carey Grady
Lorlei Johnson
Lisa Johnson-Whigham
Romella Jones
Laurastine King
Bishop Jeffrey Leath
Charolett Martin
Gwendolyn M. Mishoe
Selerya Moore
Sylvia Moore
Adrienne A. Morris
Fashonda Oliver
Wanda Sims
Marchanita Smith
Barbara Stanley
Veronna Stoddard
General Officer Dr. John Thomas

110TH BIRTHDAY GIVING CAMPAIGN

Thank you for your support!

OCTOBER 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026



LEGACY FRIENDS - \$55

E. Janet Bordley
Stephanie Burks
Jason Ferguson
Sharon Fletcher
Sheila Floyd
Mark Johnson
Ada Nelson
Sandra Nelson
Fatima Rodriguez Johnson
Natoya Travers
Sherry White

3G SUPPORTERS – \$25 YOUNG PEOPLE 13-26

Robin Barrow
Jalecia Claytor
Jarvis Denman, Jr.
Kierra Giles
Jaylen Hocker
Jameer Johnson
Mar'Qeise Johnson
Tra'Nyce Jones
Harley Kelly
Jaelyn Maladdie
Philippa Olofintuyi
RaVeon Pace
Alexis Roberson
Cassie Singleton
Durriyah White
Nahdea Wiley

3G SUPPORTERS - \$10 YOUNG PEOPLE 2-12

Kaiden Noi
Jonathan Perry



GIVING CAMPAIGN TIMELINE
October 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026