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Mt. Moriah MBC Spiritual Leaders' Workshop 2013

By Deaconess Renee Lemon

"Honoring Our Legacy, Embracing Our Future, and Following the Vision for the Appointed Time".



March 8-9, 2013, Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church in N. Chas SC hosted its annual Spiritual Leaders Workshop. The Workshop began Friday evening with an uplifting spirit filled service. Sr. Pastor W. Michael Martin of Oak Spring Missionary Baptist Church, Arlington, TN brought the message using the workshop theme, "Honoring Our Legacy, Embracing Our Future, and Following the Vision for the Appointed Time".

In his message titled, "Releasing the Joshua's Generation" taken from Deuteronomy 34:5-12 and Joshua 1:1-2. He stated God spoke to Joshua telling him arise, cross this Jordan, because "Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD". The sons of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses came to an end. He pointed in order to move from where we are to where God wants us to be, we must: (1) Understand that Moses began the journey and Joshua's generation has to complete what God promised Moses. (2) By releasing the Joshua's Generation, we would be honoring the ministry of Moses by putting into action what we learned. (3) We should not throw everything from the past away, because we can use them for the future.

Pastor Martin stated, "the times in which we live, spiritual leadership is critically important. Not only to the institution of the church but our Leadership is paramount to the spiritual consciousness of the entire society". He pointed out that the responsibilities of leaders are enormous and that now is not the time to lose heart. He went on to say that this generation needs the wisdom of the spiritual leaders; Christ needs their gifts and service.

Saturday's Session covered Areas of Interest & Concentration and Group Discussion based on Habakkuk 2:3 and Hebrews 10:34. Areas of Interest & Concentration were: Honoring Our Calling, Embracing our Commitment, Realizing Our Conflict, Accepting Our Criticism and Helping Our Church.

We **honor our calling by understanding that** our calling is Predetermined (Jeremiah 1:4-5), a Priority (1 Corinthians 9:16), should always be in Perspective (1 Peter 1:3-10), and is a Privilege (Matthew 22:14). We must understand that Leadership is an invitation of grace, not the possession of tremendous ability, genius or skill. (To be called into Spiritual Leadership is a FAVOR that God has just decided to give us).

Embracing our Commitment, Pastor Martin stated that Spiritual Commitment is a Lost Discipline in the 21st century. We can transform the sense of Spiritual Apathy by examining the development of commitment, understanding the dis-



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Message from the Chairman
 Deacon Emeritus Daniel Hoskins
 "Team Work Generates Harmony"
 April 2013



Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On March 22 and 23, 2013, Deaconess Emerita Doris and I attended the National Baptist Deacons Convention of America, Inc. & Its Auxiliaries Mid-Session held at the Hilton Norfolk Airport Hotel in Norfolk Virginia.

It was very heart warming to meet and greet the over two hundred delegates and Executive Board members who journeyed to this important planning session. Although several have gone on to their promised resting place, it was a joyous occasion. As usual there were smiles, hand shakes and razzings.. Singing, prayers, and scripture readings were shared again in abundance. It was like family coming together from a long absence from each other. "You aught to have been there"!

Some of the highlights of the Session were:

1. In an effort to move the Convention westward, a resolution was put forth that the Convention make every effort to appoint new VP's from different states, with a focus on states not currently part of the Convention. This resolution would be applied to all departments and it is to be implemented beginning in 2016.
2. The Annual Convention is being held at the Intercontinental Hotel in Cleveland Ohio on July 22-26, 2013. Housing will be in two (2) hotels; Intercontinental Hotel and Intercontinental Suites.
 - The Intercontinental Hotel is \$115.00 per night plus tax and \$10.00 per day Parking. Refrigerator or microwave does not come with the rooms. However refrigerators, if available will rent for \$50.00. All meeting rooms will be on the 2nd. and 3rd. floors.
 - The Intercontinental Suites, (one (1) block away) is \$109.00 plus tax. This hotel rooms includes: refrigerator ,microwave, couch that opens up into a bed, and two double beds. The Cleveland Clinic houses several eating facilities including McDonald's, Subway, Asian Eatery, Starbucks and American Café salad bar, sandwiches, pasta and Au Bon Pan and is approximately a seven to ten minute.
3. The host church is Liberty Hill Missionary Baptist Church which is located about five (5) minutes away. It is a very large structure and was once an Old Jewish Synagogue. Public transportation is very limited however you may take a taxi from the airport for approximately \$40.00.
4. Deacon Roland Gibbs, Chairman of the Liberty Hill MBC Deacons Ministry (native of Cordsville, South Carolina) gave a brief overview of Cleveland's attractions such as the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. If the rest of Clevelanders are anything like him, we are in for an exciting time. Deacon Gibbs also mentioned that he and several other churches are in process of organizing a Deacon's Alliance.
5. Due to the 1st. Field Workers journey, we are looking forward to welcoming several new state delegations from Indiana, West Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, and Alabama. Be on the lookout for them and let's show them some love.
6. **Look out for our adjusted registration fees. They will be posted on the Convention Web Site in about two weeks.** www.Nationalbaptistdeaconsconventionofamerica.com/registration/ ■



2013 Annual Session May 5-11

Greetings in the name of our Precious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The 136th Annual Session of our Convention will convene on May 5-11, 2013, at Mount Moriah Baptist Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina. Dr. Benjamin D. Snoddy and the Spartanburg Association Family will serve as hosts. Our Welcome Night speaker will be the Reverend Dr. Stephen Thurston, President of the National Baptist Convention of America. All services will be held at the church. Please mark your calendars for the President's Educational Banquet, which will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at the Marriott Renaissance Hotel, 299 N. Church Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina 29306, at 6:30 PM. The speaker will be Dr. Clarence Moore, Vice President of the Southeastern Region of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. We are asking that each church and association purchase at least two (2) tickets at \$35.00 each for this occasion.

Register Online Today at http://www.bemsc.org/bemsc_members/login_form.php

Go online to <http://www.bemsc.org/annual-session-hotels.php> for the 2013 Hotel Information

The President's Educational Banquet

The President's Educational Banquet will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at 6:30 PM at The Marriott Renaissance Hotel 299 North Church St. Spartanburg, SC 29306. Dr. Clarence Moore, Vice President of the Southeastern Region of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. will be the guest speaker. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

You may purchase tickets from the Baptist E&M Headquarters office in Columbia.

Pastors and Delegates are urged to bring their doorway fees. Registration will begin on Monday, May 6, 2013 at 12:00 Noon in the J. Leon Pridgen Fellowship Hall at Mount Moriah Baptist Church. Registration will open each day thereafter at 8:30 AM. Dr. William A. Salley is the Chairman of the Registration Committee.

Please be prepared to register with the Brotherhood, the Music and Ushers Departments. We are also asking that you come prepared to pay your Benevolence Fee of \$50.00, Scholarship of \$100.00, and a Sandy Disaster Relief Donation.

Moderators are reminded that Moderators Night will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Each Association is requested to contribute a minimum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00).

Prayerfully, we look forward to seeing you on May 5-11, 2013 at Mount Moriah Baptist Church. Should you have any questions or concerns please call us at 803-931-8811. Until then, may God's richest blessings abide with you.

For A Greater Baptist E&M Convention, I Am,

Benjamin D. Snoddy
President

The Care and Feeding of Your Pastor's Wife

by Janice Hildreth

Just as growing plants need special nutrients and a healthy environment in order to flourish, your pastor's wife needs four special ingredients from you in order to thrive in your church.

Your Pastor's Wife Needs Friends

When pastor's wives are asked to list the drawbacks they experience in the ministry, the number one complaint is always loneliness. Being "lonely in a crowd" is often a reality for pastors' wives. However, it does need to be said that her problem may not stem from the people within your church.

- She may be bringing baggage from a previous experience with another church and you are getting the fall out while she works through her pain.
- She may come from an old teaching platform wherein pastors were warned not to get too close to the people in their congregation because of being thought to have favorites.
- She may be shy.
- She may be fighting shock at the new culture in which she finds herself.
- All of these can work to make your pastor's wife appear unfriendly or unapproachable. But she needs friends just as much as you do, so take the initiative to reach out. Go out of your way to include her in your activities:
- Invite her to lunch
- Walk through the mall together
- Meet at Starbucks and visit
- Ask her if she'd like to join your scrapbooking group.
- Share tickets to concerts and plays, taking her along on a night out.

When you are together do not talk about the church, instead relax and converse about female interests you both enjoy. She probably does not have a theological degree and doesn't really care if you're pre-, mid-, or post-trib.

Your Pastor's Wife Needs Freedom

Everyone is gifted by God for special work in His kingdom. Don't assume this pastor's wife will have the same gifts your previous pastor's wife did. I can almost guarantee that she will not. If it helps you release expectations, remember that the term pastor's wife doesn't occur anywhere in scripture. God doesn't have a particular list of qualifications for her like he does for deacons or pastors. So give her freedom (and time) to find where her niche will be.

Your Pastor's Wife Needs Loyalty

You have every right to expect your pastor's wife to be loyal to your congregation. Therefore, she has every right to expect loyalty from you. Disloyalty shows up in gossip. Do not listen to, pass on, or allow someone to gossip about your pastor's wife in your presence. Go out of your way to build her up verbally. And if you are chosen to be a confidant to the pastor's wife, do not ever flaunt your position of trust before others.

Your Pastor's Wife Needs Prayer

Listed last, but the most important, prayer is an incredible force for change. When you see needs she isn't aware of, when you sense she's under a burden but know she won't reveal her pain, pray for her. Every day pray for her and her family. When there are rough patches in the ministry, I can tell you from experience, we can physically feel prayer holding us up. The difference this support makes is the difference between a flourishing pastoral family and one who crashes and burns. In summary, the best way to treat your pastor's wife is by the age-old Golden Rule: treat her as you would like her to treat you.

Special thanks to Sister Hildreth who so graciously gave us permission to reprint her article. Janice Hildreth and her husband, Michael, have three adult children and have pastored for 32 years. They currently pastor Victory Church in Garden City, Idaho. She is the author of four books. To see them, go to her website www.pastorswife.com or Amazon.com ■

HOMEGOING FOR DEACON HARRY CARN, JR.



Deacon Harry Carn, Jr., 87, of Richmond, departed this life March 5, 2013. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Diane C. Booth. He is survived by his wife, Viola Carn; daughter, Vernetia Carn; four granddaughters, one step granddaughter, two great-grandchildren, one son-in-law, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Deacon Carn was a long standing active member of the Deacons Conferences on the Local, State, and National levels. His homegoing celebration was held Monday March 11, 2013 at at Great Hope Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia.

Expressions of sympathy and condolence, may be extended by calling The Carn family at 804.643.7055 or by mail to:

Mrs. Viola Carn
1721 Mechanicsville Tpke
Richmond, VA 23223

Please feel free to communicate this information to other Conference members, especially those who do not have email. ■



February Oyster Roast and Crab Crack was a Great Success!

The February Oyster Roast received donations of \$2,905. These contributions greatly support our Award of Excellence Scholarship program. Deacon Sammy Burroughs Chairman of fundraising and his team deserve a huge round of applause for a fine job well done."

"In spite of extremely poor weather, the oyster Roast was well attended and spirits were high even until the end. Our thanks go out to all who continue to support this effort. We'll be doing this again in October and encourage you to continue your support of this effort.

Chairman Daniel Hoskins



Join The Low Country Deacons Alliance

The Low Country Deacons Alliance, Inc. and Its Auxiliaries is a tax-exempt charitable organization in accordance with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service codes.

Membership fee is \$5.00 annually.



You may join us as an individual Missionary Baptist Deacon or as part of an organized body of Deacons. We encourage you to become involved and participate with the Low Country Deacons Alliance to bring about ongoing fellowship among Low Country Deacons and to partake in education, missionary work and youth programs.

Download the membership application form online at www.deaconsalliance.org and mail to us with your annual fee or email info@deaconsalliance.org for an application.

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tractions, determination to commitment, and the willingness to demonstrate this commitment. (Psalm 37:5a, Proverbs 16:3 and 2 Timothy 2:2).

Realizing Our Conflict, points out that a TRUE LEADER Recognizes the conflict of his calling and is Aware of his own calling contradictions. He knows that resolving His Own conflict is a Gift of Grace(2 Corinthians 12:9) A true leader Learns (On The Job) to put Conflict Into Proper Perspective, allows conflict to Give Validity and not Futility to His Assignment. The Three Basic Areas of Conflict are: Our Enemy, Our energy and our expectations. Very a Study The 'Emotional Rollercoaster' of Elijah in 1 King Chapters 17-19.

Accepting Our Criticism comes with the job! It was stated that the Church Leaders are Known for being extremely insecure & defensive, not listening very Well, thinking that they have all the answers, taking a challenge or disagreement too personally and not accepting criticism well. We must considering the Following...You should be your Greatest Critic. Expect Criticism. Be open to Criticism. Receive All 'Constructive' Criticism. Don't ask for it If You Can't Handle It. All Criticism is Not Evil, Criticism CAN Actually Be a SIGN That You are Being Effective, and Don't allow Criticism to Side-Track Your Assignment & Redirect Your Energies. (Grow From It!!) Should you need assistance, Read The Book Of Proverbs!! (Specifically 2:10-11; 9:8-9; 27:6)

Helping Our Church: As a Leader, God has decided to use your gifts & influence. God wants you to help the church remain Biblical in an Unethical Society, Stay Relevant In An Irreverent Culture, Continue Worshipping God The Way He Desires (In Spirit & Truth), Maintain An Environment For Genuine Spiritual Development & Maturity, Ensure A Healthy Ministry & and not just a(Numerically) Growing Church, Point & Lead People to Jesus Christ as Lord, Promote Christlikeness In The Earth, Provide Hope & Healing To A Lost Generation, and Demonstrate The Love Of God To The World.

Our Group Discussion also covered issues such as Fellowship, Vision, Money, Gay and Tenure. Leaders are not only responsible for being "in charge" and telling people what to do, but are expected to solve the problems that are facing today's church. In each discussion, groups we charged with giving insight, their perspective and strategies on hold to deal with each issue..

In order to be a light of hope in the 21st century and beyond, the church must have a plan to address these issues. When dealing with Fellowship, the pastor should get feed back from the spiritual leaders. He/she must have a vision for his/her congregation which included all age groups. When dealing with Vision Issues, we all must understand that the vision is given to the Pastor from God. As spiritual leaders, we are to buy into the vision, keep the vision in view and keep tract of the vision. In a struggling economy, we must figure out how to engage the Parishioners to continue making God first, remain consistent and give financially to support the church. We must do this without appearing to be insensitive to their own financial concerns and struggles. We as spiritual leaders, MUST set the example; we must have faith and should not give out of necessity nor grudgingly.

The LGBT Community is a growing reality in our world. In the 21st Century, must develop ways that are not prejudice or disdain to properly deal with the issue. Finally Tenure, there are board members & ministry leaders who have served well beyond their time and ability to remain effective. How does the church deal with this issue without hurting individuals knowing that the overall ministry continues to suffer. With the many very challenging and relevant issues that the 21st century face.

God has graced us again with the blessing of drawing from one another. He has ordered our steps to be in this place as we seeks wisdom for the tremendous task of leading His people. The church has been given the **Great Commission – Bringing Souls to Christ.**■

***** **Editor's Note:** Special thanks to Deaconess Barbara R. McFadden who contributed to this article and Deacons Pete Pendergrass and Ike Archibald who provided the photos on page 1 and 11.



How To Pray For Our Leaders

“It is a great privilege, as well as our responsibility, to pray for our government leaders.”

— Billy Graham

**HOW TO
PRAY
FOR OUR LEADERS**

“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior.” —1 Timothy 2:1–3, NIV

- Petition means to ask. God urges us to ask, and He is pleased when we do.
- Prayer is talking to God, anywhere, anytime, in any way.
- Intercession is praying for someone else. The Bible tells us that Jesus Christ constantly intercedes for us (see Romans 8:34), so it pleases God when we intercede for someone else—including heads of state and others in authority—because we are doing what Christ does.
- Thanksgiving always pleases God, and the Bible specifically tells us to include thanksgiving when talking to God about those in authority.

We are to pray respectfully for leaders. “Show proper respect to everyone, “fear God, honor the emperor” (1 Peter 2:17). We are to pray with the clear understanding that government authority is established by God. “Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God” (Romans 13:1). We also pray knowing that God’s Word says, “The king’s heart is like channels of water in the hand of the Lord; He turns it wherever He wishes” (Proverbs 21:1, NASB).

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- Help our president [or any leader at any level] to accept wise counsel. Proverbs 11:14; 15:22
- Teach [name] to trust in You. Psalm 21:7
- Protect [name] from the influence of the evil one. 2 Thessalonians 3:3
- Give [name] discretion, foresight, and understanding in making decisions. 1 Chronicles 22:12
- Generously answer his/her prayer for wisdom. James 1:5
- Pour out Your Spirit on his/her leadership. Proverbs 1:23
- Deliver [name] from opinions contrary to Your Word. Psalm 119:105
- Protect [name] from harm, and bless and protect his/her family. Psalm 21:11; Ezra 6:10
- Enable [name] to carry out his/her duties with humility toward You and toward others. 1 Peter 5:5
- Bless [name] with strength, endurance, and stamina. 1 Chronicles 16:11; Isaiah 40:31
- Equip [name] to act according to Your will and to make choices pleasing to You. Hebrews 13:20–21
- Give [name] the courage to do the right thing even when urged to do the wrong thing. Proverbs 2:11–15
- Give [name] a tender heart of compassion toward those he/she leads and serves. Colossians 3:12

You can pray using words and thoughts from Scripture.



Health Committee



Increasingly, people are turning to places of worship to get accurate, useful information about issues that uniquely affect African Americans. The Low Country Deacons Alliance, Inc., & Its Auxiliaries Health Committee aspires to improve the health of member congregations and Low Country communities. The Health Committee will endeavor to educate and provide activities necessary to create a healthier community.



Deaconess Gwendell Murray - Health Committee Chairperson

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to recognize that we each can play a part in promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families in communities.



CHILD ABUSE

PREVENTION IN CHURCHES

“In America, 6 children are reported abused or neglected every minute. Research tells us that for each child reported there are 18 more harmed in the same 60

seconds. What this means for churches is that none can expect to remain unaffected by the problem.”

There was a time when we assumed that schools, preschools, daycare centers, and churches were safe places for our children. That is no longer a safe assumption. While most adults have experienced the local church as a safe place, reports of physical, emotional, and sexual abuse of children have opened our eyes to real risks that children and churches face. Although much of the publicity of late has been around the violations and cover ups within the Roman Catholic Church, the problem of child abuse is by far not restricted to Roman Catholics. According to an article posted on EthicsDaily, the Associated Press reported that three insurance companies receive upward of 260 reports each year of young people being sexually abused by Protestant clergy. Insurance officials told the AP the numbers of sex-abuse cases has remained steady over the past two decades, but churches are doing more to prevent child-sexual abuse by conducting background checks, installing windows in nurseries and play areas, and requiring at least two adults in a room with a child.

Churches need a Child Protection Policy. Child abuse is on the rise and churches need to initiate policies to protect children. Some of resources available to help your church develop a Child Protection Policy can be found on the SC Baptist Convention website <http://www.scbaptist.org/protectingchildren/article117505.htm> and Darkness to Light Website (www.d2l.org). It is recommended that each church solicit the advice of an independent and qualified attorney.

Another resource is **“Keeping Your Church Safe”** by Ron Aguar. It is a practical blueprint for churches covering all aspects of church security and safety for staff, premises and members. It’s a well-outlined, easy-to-follow guide in establishing an effective security program for congregations of all sizes. Book available from Amazon.com ■

April is also . . . NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH

African Americans are the largest group of minorities in need of an organ transplant. African Americans have higher rates of diabetes and high blood pressure than Caucasians, increasing the risk of organ failure. African Americans comprise 13% of the population, 34% of those waiting for a kidney, and 21% of those waiting for a heart. The number of organ transplants performed on Black Americans in 2012 was only 14% of the number of Black Americans currently waiting for a transplant.

The need for donors is greater than ever before. Today, more than 110,000 Americans await an organ transplant, and while many individuals will receive lifesaving treatment, too many will pass before help arrives. All of us can play a part in ending this unacceptable loss of life. I encourage every American to consider becoming an organ and tissue donor; to consult their family, friends, physician, or faith leader about their decision; and if they choose to be a donor, to register on their state organ donor registry. Our churches should consider educating members on organ donations. To learn more about organ and tissue donation and how to enroll in a donor registry, visit: www.OrganDonor.gov ■

April is Financial Literacy Month

By Deaconess Barbara McFadden



The US Senate designated April as financial literacy month in 2003. Financial literacy month was created to help raise awareness about financial illiteracy and promote financial education events across the country. Financial literacy month also focuses attention on helping individuals pick up practical money management skills and educate people of all ages on basic financial matters. The sixth annual Financial Literacy Survey of adults, conducted in 2012 on behalf of the National Foundation for Credit Counseling and the Network Branded Prepaid Card Association revealed that: 56% admit that they do not have a budget; and one-third, or more than 77 million Americans, do not pay all of their bills on time.

Christians need to know the Biblical concepts of financial management for the Body of Christ so that the words of Scripture can be fulfilled. The Word says that whoever the Son sets free is free indeed (John 8:36). If we are in financial bondage, that is not freedom. Jesus came that we might have life, and have it very abundantly. Many Christians worry about where the next mortgage payment is going to come from. That's not living the abundant life. Two resources available to assist our members who may have financial difficulties are: www.increasinghope.org and www.daveramsey.com.

It is my prayer that you find this information informative and encouraging. In the coming months, we will present tips concerning finance from a Christian perspective. I ask that you share the information with your members.

Increasing Hope presents its annual money fair on April 13th from 10:00 to 3:00 pm. This event is open to everyone but you are encouraged to register online at www.increasinghope.org or call 225-4343 for more information. ■

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Rev. Doris Tisdale, First Lady



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Deacon Robert Ransom, President Parent Body

79 Years of Christian Service
“Changing the Method, not the Message”

1 Corinthians 9:20-23
 July 22-26, 2013

The National Baptist Deacons Convention of America, Inc. and Its Auxiliaries began on July 26, 1934, when members of local Deacons organizations from Washington, DC, Richmond, Virginia and Hilltop, Maryland met to initiate a closer relationship of Baptist Deacons.

The original purposes included:

1. Learning how to assist Pastors better in advancing general interests of churches;
2. Bringing a closer relationship between Deacons and members of our churches;
3. Discussing and studying principles and duties applying to Deacons;
4. And, performing home and foreign mission work.

What We Do

The Convention offers a vast array of positive programs that revolve around the organization's original purposes of worship, education, fellowship and missionary work. Skilled and dedicated personnel lead all programs. Just a few of the Conventions programs are:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Christian Leadership Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshops • Bible Study • Prayer and Worship Services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Dynamic Youth Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Workshops • Scholarship Competitions and Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lott Carey Foreign Mission • National Regional and Local Charities |
| <p>2. Women's Auxiliary Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panel Discussions • Health Ministry • Prayer Breakfast • Missionary Work | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4. James and Priscilla Ross Mission and Education Board's Annual Awards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAACP • United Negro College Fund | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Two Annual Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th Weekend in March Executive Board Meeting and Annual Youth Day • Monday after the 3rd Sunday in July Annual Week long Session |

Join Us:

You may join us as an individual Missionary Baptist Deacon or as part of an organized body of Deacons. We encourage you to become involved at the local level to perpetuate ongoing fellowship among Deacons and to promote programs in education, missionary work and youth programs. Local groups are advised to form a Women's Auxiliary to include Deaconesses and other Christian Women. Usually, a minimum of three Ministries or Boards of Deacons from nearby Churches is sufficient to form a local unit.

Deacons, Christian Women and youths as well as Pastors and Ministers are welcome to register for all Convention functions.

The Convention is a tax-exempt charitable organization in accordance with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service codes.

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Mount Moriah Spiritual Leader Workshop March 8-9, 2013



EMBRACING OUR COMMITMENT

- The Development
- The Distractions
- The Determination
- The Demonstration

REALIZING OUR CONFLICT

The Three (3) Basic Areas Of Our Conflict..

- Our Enemy
- Our Energy
- Our Expectations

Preacher and Facilitator for the workshop was the Rev. W. Michael Martin, Pastor of Oak Spring Missionary Baptist Church in Arlington, TN.



Photos provided by Deacon N. 'Pete' Pendergrass
and Deacon Ike Archibald



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UPCOMING EVENTS

This Month



PRAISE IS WHAT WE DO



Wed. Night Fire
W/ Chris Bethel

Spring Break Teen Conference

"God is a Spirit; and they that worship Him
must worship Him in spirit and in truth." St. John 4:24
Tuesday, April 2nd-Friday, April 5th

Daily Sessions Including: Teen Led Sessions
Miming, Dancing, Choir, Puppets, Drama, Step & More!



Friday Night
Youth Explosion
W/ Rev. J. Wright

Free Registration @
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For more info, call
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Rev. Dr. A.D. Robinson, Jr.- Pastor Emeritus

LCDA Next Meeting - 6:30 P.M. Monday April 8 at: Mt Moriah Missionary Baptist Church

7396 Rivers Ave.
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4 p.m. April 21, 2013

Rev. James Townes, Pastor

Ferry Field Baptist Church
539 River Road
Johns Island, SC 29455

May 5-11, 2013 - The 136th Annual Session of the SC Baptist
E&M Convention will convene on at Mount Moriah Baptist Church,
Spartanburg, SC.

LCDA May Meeting - 6:30 P.M. Monday May 13th at: Promise Land Missionary Baptist Church

2641 Bennett Yard Rd.
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