

128th Annual Session

Of
The East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association
Of
North Carolina, Inc.

Orange Grove Missionary Baptist Church
505 East End Ave, Durham, NC 27703
(919) 596-8088
Reverend Dr. Herbert L. Dickerson, Sr. Pastor

July 20 – 21, 2022
3:00pm

*Theme: "Answering God's Call For Courageous Living And Faithful
Service in Uncertain Times (Joshua 1:1-9)*



MODERATOR

Reverend Dr. George Crews, III, DMin, MDiv

**1701 Jimmy Ed Road,
Hurdle Mills, North Carolina 27541**

Wednesday July 20, 2022

Presiding: Reverend Dr. Alvin B. Downing Sr., First Vice Moderator
Pastor, Pettiford Grove Missionary Baptist Church

3:30 pm

Registration.....Sister Sandra Wilkerson
Deaconess Donna Pitt
Sister Vereatha Barnett
Deacon Linda Bradsher

4:00 pm

Call to Worship.....Reverend Dr. Downing
Pettiford Grove MBC

Opening Song.....St. Johns MBC

Scripture.....Reverend Johnnie Bethea, Pastor
Henderson Grove MBC

Prayer..... Reverend Willie Johnson, Pastor
Siloam MBC

Welcome..... Reverend Dr. Herbert L. Dickerson. Sr. Pastor
Orange Grove Missionary MBC

4:15 pm.....Graduation Celebration

Congress of Christian Education Graduation Celebration
Presiding: Deacon Larry Williams, President

The Processional
Special Recognitions

Graduation Address
Closing Remarks

2022



Association Opening Session

5:00 pm

Praise Service..... Brother Detroit Yancy
New Hope Granville MBC

Scripture..... Reverend Angela Nevels-Thompson
New Hope Granville MBC

Offering & Offertory Prayer..... Reverend Shelton Harris, Associate Minister
Pettiford Grove MBC

Introduction of Preacher..... Reverend Dr. George Crews, III, Moderator
Lattisville Grove MBC

Opening Sermon..... Reverend Dr. James H. Wilkes, Jr
Elon First Baptist Church

Remarks & Benediction



Thursday July 21, 2022

Presiding: Sister Queen Earle, President, Woman's Auxiliary
New Hope Granville MBC

3:30 pm

Registration..... Sister Sandra Wilkerson
Sister Dinah Pitts
Sister Vereatha Barnett
Deacon Linda Thomas

4:00 pm

Woman's Auxiliary Session..... Sister Queen Earle, President, Presiding
New Hope Granville MBC

Call to Worship..... Sister Queen Earle
New Hope Granville MBC

Opening Song..... Congregational Hymn (Leader Sister Janice Alston)

Scripture..... Reverend Elizabeth McCoy, 1st Vice President

Prayer..... Reverend Joyce D. Clayton, 2nd Vice President

Welcome.....Sister Sharon Allison Vincent, Financial Secretary
 Offertory Prayer/Offering..... Reverend Pamela Lester, Reverend Peggie Cooper,
 Minister Sheryl Alston, Stewardship Committee
 Introduction of Preacher.....Sister Judy Jacobs, 3rd Vice President
 Selection.....Sister Janice Alston, Devotion Leader
 Speaker.....Reverend Dorothy Evans, Pastor Pine Grove MBC
 Remarks.....Sister Queen Earle, President Woman’s Auxiliary
 Closing Prayer.....Sister Yvonne Moore, Ledge Rock MBC



Presiding: Reverend Dr. Kenneth Williams, Second Vice Moderator
 Pastor, Hawkins Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

5:10 pm

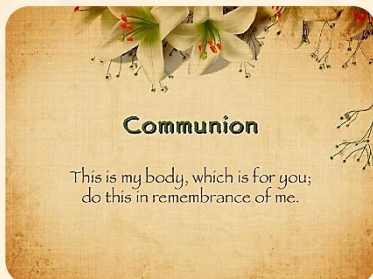
Call to Worship.....Reverend Dr. Kenneth Williams, Pastor
 Hawkins Chapel MBC
 Opening SongNew Hope Person Choir
 Scripture.....Reverend Dr. Wilber Richardson, Pastor
 New Hope Person MBC
 PrayerReverend Dr. Larry Wilson, Pastor
 New Red Mountain MBC
 Welcome..... Reverend Dr. Herbert L. Dickerson Sr.
 Pastor, Orange Grove MBC
 Business.....Reverend Dr. Kenneth Williams, Presiding
 Hawkins Chapel MBC
 Overview of Church & Multipurpose CenterWilliam Sendor, AIA
 Principal / Co-founder
 Reservoir Studio Architecture, PLLC
 Minutes...Sister Judy Jacobs, Recording Secretary
 Lattisville Grove MBC
 Offering

Report of Committees:

New Churches
 New Ministers
 Recommendations
 Resolutions

Reports of Auxiliaries (All Reports: written only)

Executive Board.....	Reverend Dr. Langston Logan, Pastor Lawson Chapel MBC
Catechizing Committee.....	Reverend Dr. Larry Wilson, Pastor New Red Mountain MBC
Trustees	Reverend Shelton Harris Pettiford Grove MBC
Woman's Auxiliary.....	Sister Queen Earle, President New Hope Granville MBC
Congress of Christian Education.....	Deacon Larry Williams Lawson Chapel MBC
Ministers Deacons Deaconesses Union.....	Reverend Dorothy Evans, President Pine Grove MBC
Ushers.....	Deacon Ronnie Robinson St Johns MBC
Laymen's League.....	Minister Carlos Lewis, President Union Baptist MBC
Financial Report.....	Sister Sharon Allison Vincent Lee's Chapel MBC
Treasurer's Report.....	Deacon Linda Thomas Bradsher Lawson's Chapel MBC
New Pastors/Retirees.....	Reverend Dr. James Smith Mt. Calvary MBC
Introduction of the Moderator.....	Reverend James Isaac, II, Pastor Former Moderator New Hope Granville MBC
Selection.....	Lattisville Grove MBC
Moderator's Address.....	Reverend Dr. George Crews, III, Pastor Lattisville Grove MBC



Communion
Benediction



REVEREND DR. JAMES H. WILKES, JR.

SENIOR PASTOR



Rev. Dr. James H. Wilkes, Jr. is a native of Gastonia, North Carolina, and he is the only child of the late Mr. James H. Wilkes, Sr. and the late Mrs. Deborah Wright Wilkes. On September 23, 2017, he married Miss Melia Olivia Burris, also of Gastonia and they have one son, Master James H. Wilkes, III.

Rev. Dr. Wilkes is a graduate of the Gaston County Public School System. He graduated from The University of North Carolina at Greensboro where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Business Management. Rev. Wilkes is also a graduate of Wake Forest University where he received his Master of Divinity degree (M.Div.). On April 5, 2022, he successfully defended his doctoral dissertation while in pursuit of his Doctor of Ministry degree (D.Min.) in Transformational Leadership at Boston University.

Rev. Dr. Wilkes answered the call to ministry at the age of 13. In July 2007, he was licensed to preach the Gospel while at the historic Mount Calvary Baptist Church (Gastonia) and was ordained in 2011. He served at the church of his childhood under the impactful leadership of Pastor James Burris, while simultaneously serving as President of the Youth Missionary Department, a member of the Evangelistic Ministry and Youth Adviser. He is also the Founder of Youth Connected 4 Christ Ministries. Later, Rev. Dr. Wilkes served as the Assistant to the Pastor of the Genesis Church in Gastonia, North Carolina where Rev. Johnny D. Brown, III is the current pastor. He also served as a ministerial staff member at Union Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC, under the direction of Dr. Sir Walter L. Mack II.

On Monday, July 25, 2016, Rev. Dr. Wilkes was voted unanimously as Senior Pastor of Elon First Baptist Church in Elon, NC and was officially installed as the church's eighth pastor on October 16, 2016.

The ministry of Pastor James H. Wilkes, Jr. can be described as a unique theological blend. Each Sunday morning, he mounts the pulpit as a seasoned minister of the gospel, utilizing his dynamic gift of preaching to unearth biblical truths to save, set free and renew the people of God. He unapologetically emphasizes the importance of holy living. While at the same time, he energetically pursues nontraditional ministry avenues by collaborating with the people of Elon to present relevant ministry opportunities which have intergenerational appeal. He also partners with diverse community groups to meet the needs of people who are underserved and underrepresented in Alamance County.

Most importantly, Pastor Wilkes loves the Lord and firmly stands on the word of God. He knows that Jeremiah 29:11 remains true: "For I know the plans that I have for you saith the Lord, plans to prosper you and give an expected future."

REVEREND DOROTHY EVANS



Reverend Dorothy Evans is a native of Dallas, Texas. She received her Master's in Divinity from Shaw University and currently serves as Pastor of Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church, in Butner NC.

Reverend Evans answered the call to preach the gospel in 2001 under the mentorship of the late Bishop Larry Scurlock. In 2003, she became a member of Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. J. Eric Morgan. Reverend Evans was ordained in 2006 through the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association, in Creedmoor, NC. She served as Associate Pastor of Mount Gilead Orange Church, Hillsborough, NC under the leadership of Rev. Jimmy Wilson.

Reverend Evans currently serves as President of the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association, Ministers, Deacons and Deaconess Union and is a recent recipient of the Faithfulness Award to the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association and the General Baptist State Convention.

Professionally, Reverend Evans is employed at Murdoch Developmental Center, in Butner NC, where she serves as a Staff Development Specialist.

Maternally she is the mother of Willis, Zavion and Shekiera and she is the proud grandmother of seven wonderful grandchildren.

Reverend Dorothy Evans is a woman of God who loves the Lord. A woman who understands that communication with the Lord is her life line and a cornerstone in her life. She knows she's a better person when she's spent time at the feet of her Savior and filled with the joy of the Lord.

Plus, she knows that fellowship with God can take many forms, including:

- When a woman brings her burdens or hurts before the Lord or praise Him for provisions, a God-fearing woman's fellowship with the Lord is always her lifeline.
- Set a Bible Study Time – a woman who trusts God knows that Scripture is her weapon against the wicked one and fights temptation with truth.
- Singing and praising delights the Lord and gives her peace and a closer walk the Lord.

There is no sweeter thing than a life fully surrendered to God and a heart that longs to be in His presence. It is with great pleasure that I Introduce to some and Present to others, Reverend Dorothy Evans, hear her for the word.