

Fruits of Joy

The Power of Kindness

Being Good To Others Can Be Good For You

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Birthday Recognitions

April

- 3 Eunice T. Turner, BA
- 12 Monica Brown, HC
- 21 Vanessa D. J Hillard, BA
- 21 Deborah D. Taylor, BA
- 22 Loretta Pines, BA
- 24 Madlean S. Lewis, BA
- 27 Sandra Pierson, BA

May

- 5 Theresa M. McCoy, UMA
- 12 Cora L. Jackson, BA
- 12 Rena' Batts Elmore, BA
- 18 Ramona Ivy, BA
- 18 Davishia A. Baldwin, BA
- 21 Angela Dorsey, BA
- 25 Joann M. Talley, BA
- 28 Barbie Daughtry, BA
- 30 Andrea Logan, IC
- 30 Margaret B. Payton, BA

June

- 2 Michelle Russell, BA
- 8 Agnes Venson, HC
- 13 Edna M. Owens, UMA
- 14 Rosa Fitzgerald, BA
- 15 Theresa Denson, BA

July

- 4 Kathy E. Pointer, UMA
- 7 Crystal F. Brown, BA
- 9 Sherl L. Streeter, BA
- 10 Burree Williams, UMA
- 16 Willetta Graham, UMA
- 17 Patricia M. Brown, HC
- 18 Talita V. Grayton, BA
- 24 Yvette Tyree, IC
- 27 Elsie Young, HC
- 30 Marie Bowe-Quick, BA

August

- 3 Angela White, HC
- 3 Marie White, HC
- 3 Betty Sistrunk, HC
- 5 Kim Trice, UMA
- 14 Marie White, HC
- 14 LaVon V. Thompson, BA
- 15 Quienzella E. Lattimore, BA
- 20 Patricia F. Brown, BA
- 23 Shelia Lee, BA
- 26 Lakeisha Galloway, HC
- 30 April Elliott, HC

September

- 3 Norma McCain, BA
- 7 Lois Washington, BA
- 8 Sarah Y. Phillps, BA
- 10 Gloria J. Williams, IC
- 10 Patricia Ann Jones, BA
- 11 Mattie M. Lawson, BA
- 21 Verna Wilson, HC
- 23 Ezora Brown, HC
- 25 Inez Elliott, HC
- 26 Oleathea Slaughter, BA
- 30 Felicia Momoh, BA

The Need for Fellowship and Support

The United Metropolitan Alliance of Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows was established July 8, 2010, under the leadership of Lady Edna M. Owens and Minister Glenda Harden Boston, who served as the first President. The mission for the chartering of another local for the District of Columbia State Association was to foster a sisterhood through fellowship, workshops, and philanthropic activities. The Alliance was designed to embrace ministers' wives and ministers' widows (MWMWs) and to provide a safe place for sharing ideas, strategies, and information that would enhance their quality of lives.

UMA is a **SISTERHOOD** that strives to support, mentor, encourage, motivate, and pray for each other daily. We commit to maintain spiritual endurance, forbearance, and a heart of love, mercy, and understanding for all. We believe it is important to be a source of inspiration and influence, not only to the sisterhood, but to the families and to the body of Christ by demonstrating the right spirit and using wisdom as we interact with others.

Initially, monthly meetings were held during breakfast fellowships on the third Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. Monthly Fellowship Breakfast was soon enhanced by Annual Get-A-Way Weekends, Workshops, and a Christmas Fellowship Dinner.

Ministry and service activities include a monthly Adopt-A-Sister Outreach plan, a time of Deliberate Prayer for those in need, monetary gifts for ministers' wives & widows in crisis, as well as support for families within the community for holidays and special efforts.

A Sisterhood of Kindness is showing behavior of generosity, consideration, or concern for others without expecting praise or reward. UMA colors are Lavender and Green. We accessorize our suits with these colors at conferences, funerals, as well as the state, regional and international meetings.

In April 2019, the sisterhood hosted their first annual outreach fellowship and received new members, Willetta Graham, Michelle Pointer, Monica Teal, and Kim Trice. During our 2021 Outreach Fellowship, over 10 sisters throughout the DMV joined us for a great time of sisterhood; UMA welcomed one new member. Lakeisha Pointer.

IAMWMW Founder's Day Weekend 2019



From left to right: Edna Owens, Sherl Streeter, Doretha Pettus, Glenda Boston, Kathy Pointer, Willetta Graham, Pamela Barksdale





Top left to right: Monica Teal, Kim Trice Bottom left to right: LaKeisha Pointer, Michelle Pointer





From the Heart of the UMA President...



Reverend Dr. Kathy E. Pointer

Kingdom Women on a Mission to Do Kingdom Business!

UMA is no stranger to fellowship and support of others. Putting Our Hands and Hearts to Work is an initiative focused on listening to God and following His purpose for our lives.

Kingdom Assignments consist of:

Adopt-A-Sister - Find ways to be a blessing to others ministers' wives and ministers' widows. We provide a gift basket or monetary donation to a sister to encourage her Christian walk.

Deliberate Prayer - Prayer requests are collected and sent out to the ministry for corporate prayer.

Outreach - We are always encouraged to share and invite other ministers' wives and ministers' widows to join and fellowship with us.



Standing in the Gap for Others *Helping to Get a Prayer Through*



Years ago, I read a story about a pastor who was awakened in the middle of the night and led to pray for a woman he didn't know and hadn't met. At a conference, a woman shared her testimony. The pastor realized that this was the woman for whom he prayed. The two of them lived states apart. This is just one example of how prayer unleashes the power of God!

From that pastor's experience, I was reminded about the importance of a relationship with God. Since then, I've learned to include scriptures in the prayer. Praying for others has encouraged continuance in listening to those Holy Spirit nudges and obeying the call to pray. When people come to mind, I pray and sometimes I'm led to call them.

Recently, I telephoned a young lady. After the greeting, she started to cry and asked, "How did you know?" meaning know to call. She shared her current situation. The call ended in prayer and a calming spirit came over her as the peace of God was manisfested. In another situation, someone was anxious about an upcoming surgery. After praying, the person said "Thanks for quieting me down."

My experience in praying for others is gratifying, especially when I hear the testimonies. As the song writer says "Don't stop praying, for the Lord is nigh. He'll hear your cry. God has promised and He is true. Don't stop praying, He'll answer you".

Putting Faith to Action, Mrs. Doretha Pettus First Lady, Evening Light Christian Outreach Ministry Inc. United Metropolitan Alliance MWMW

UMA Inspirational Moment



Win the Day: 7 Daily Habits to Help you Stress Less and Accomplish More by Mark Batterson

1. Flip the script!

If you want to win the day, you've got to flip the script. How? The Bible is a good starting point. Scripture reveals our Father's "big picture" and the unique role that each one of us plays in it. You are more than a conqueror, and nothing can change that. It is what it is; it is who you are.

There never has been and never will be anyone like you. No one can serve others like you or for you. Jesus doesn't just live in us; Christ lives as us! Start living your life in a way that is worth telling stories about. It's time to flip the script! Think on this: If you want to change your life, start by changing your story.

2. Kiss the Wave

We serve a God who rebukes the wind and the waves: "Peace, be still." But before you rebuke the storm, you need to accept it. You can't move past the pain if you ignore it, hide it, or deny it. You've got to own the past, or the past will own you. Lord, don't move that mountain, but give me the strength to climb it. You've got to kiss the wave that throws you against the Rock of Ages.

3. Eat the Frog

According to Mark Twain, if you ever have to eat a live frog, it's best done first thing in the morning; because you can go through the rest of your day knowing the hardest task is behind you! How you start the day sets the tone for the rest of it. If you want to win the day, you've got to attack the day. It's time to eat the frog!

4. Fly the Kite

Does God delight in our accomplishments? Like a proud parent, our heavenly Father celebrates the little steps of faith. God is great because nothing is too small. It starts with the fourth habit—fly the kite. It's doing little things like they're big things.

5. Cut the Rope

Cutting whatever "rope" that is holding you up doesn't seem safe. The greatest risk is taking no risks. Whatever you don't do today, you are less likely to do tomorrow! Don't put off till tomorrow what you can do today! Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts. (Hebrews 3:15)

6. Wind the Clock

God is in the business of strategically positioning us in the right place at the right time. The sixth habit—wind the clock—stewards time in two ways. It makes the most of every minute, but it also makes the most of every moment. If you don't control your calendar, your calendar will control you. Chronos is all about making good time.

Kairos is about enjoying the journey. It's less about getting to a particular destination in record time and more about who you become along the way. Let's wind both the chronos and the kairos clocks with the sixth habit. Time is measured in minutes; life is measured in moments.

7. Seed the Clouds

Elijah seeded the clouds with a brave prayer. Elijah climbed to the top of Mount Carmel, bowed low to the ground, and prayed with his face between his knees. There are lots of ways to seed the clouds, but none are more powerful than prayer! There are moments when you need to press in and pray through. You need to seed the clouds with contending prayer. Sow today what you want to see tomorrow!

Daily devotional referenced in UMA minutes, February 2021, by Mrs. Pamela Barksdale

HMWWC Inspirational Moment



Evangelist Dale Parran Brown is the First Lady of House of Prayer Church of God in Charles Town, WV, where her husband, Rev. Dr. Paul E. Brown, is the Senior Pastor

Are You a Teacup or a Teapot? Which would you prefer?

Well, there are various types of teacups. Some are made of ceramic, some are fine bone china, and the "better" teacups are porcelain. Teacups can be very dainty, sometimes painted exquisitely with intricate details. Teacups are made for drinking tea and "receiving" what's poured into them. Our lives can be like a spiritual "teacup". How will we otherwise get filled? There are times when we need to be poured into. Most teacups are accompanied by a saucer to catch the overflow. We as women of God can allow that overflow to shower on and benefit others. We may sometimes start out empty after giving out so much in our many roles, but we serve a God who is able to fill us up again and again. So how do we receive? We receive from the Lord and we receive from others. The scriptures says that Paul planted, Appollos watered, and God gave the increase.

Then there are many types of teapots. Some made of steel, some made of cast iron, glass, ceramic, porcelain and even a whistling teapot which many of us may have grown up with. Each type has its specific properties and shapes that make them unique. Each is made different, but each has the same functionality-- which is to pour out. As women of God, we should serve as conduits where we have the ability and take opportunity to pour into the lives of others.

One of many examples of when Jesus "poured" into someone's life is in the story of the woman at the well. Jesus goes to Jacob's well, where supposedly he would go for a drink of water. He meets a Samaritan woman with a waterpot there to draw water, and asks her for water. She recognizes that he was a Jew. The Samaritans and Jews were enemies, but here he is talking with her offering her water. The water he offers her was not the physical H2O. He told her things about herself that she was surprised that he knew. Was he not our example?



2 Corinthians 1:3-4 reads: "Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort. Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God."

We should be reminded that as we comfort others (pour out), there are times when we ourselves need to be comforted (poured into). So in conclusion, I ask again, "Are you a teacup, a teapot, or are you both?" I conclude that we are both.

Holiness Ministers Wives and Widows Council Christmas Fellowship 2019



Seated from left to right: Patricia M. Brown, Elsie Larkins, Gladys Smith, Janice Myles, Inez Elliott

Standing left to right:
Angela White, Dale Brown, Marie White, Vernia
(Penny) Rollins (deceased), April Elliott, Linda Davis,
Monica Brown, Agnes Venson, Beverly Ellerbe

The District of Columbia Association Hosts the Annual Holy Communion Service



The Annual Holy Communion Service was held on Sunday, June 27, 2021, at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Washington DC, under the leadership of Reverend Terry D. Streeter, who delivered the communion message. International President Margaret Brown Payton, Northeast Region Vice President Dr. Cheryl Evans, and DC State President Minister Glenda Harden-Boston shared the podium with greetings and Association news. Several clergy husbands participated in the service, along with the DCAMWMW Ensemble, under the musical direction of Reverend Nolan Williams, Jr. (son of Lady Gloria Williams, President of ICMWMW). It was a call to reflect upon and re-dedicate ourselves for the future of IAMWMW.



Clergy husbands on the program: Bishop Larry L. Branch, Worship Leader; Bishop Alvin Venson, Invocation; Reverend Wayne B. Quick and Bishop John Brown, Scripture. Others included Reverend Christopher L. Nichols, Reverend Eric Barksdale, Elder Alton Pettus, and Reverend Dr. Carey Pointer.

Installations

Lady Gloria Williams Gets Installed as Second-Term President to the ICMWMW





ICMWMW left to right: Yvette Tyree, Glenda Harden-Boston, Patricia C. Brown, Hattie Cotton, Gail Johnson, Gloria J. Williams, Patricia M. Brown, Elsie Larkins, Andrea Logan



Congratulations on the Installation of Reverend Monica Brown (HMWWC) to Deliverance Temple Sanctuary Ministries, Inc.

The BMWWA Installs New President Reverend Joann Talley





BMWWA Front Row: Vanessa Hilliard, Marie Bowe-Quick, Joann Talley, Eunice Turner, Gloria J. Williams, Margaret B. Payton

2nd Row: Theresa Denson, Patricia Jones, Jennifer P. Washington, Talita Grayton, Patricia Smith, Pamela Barksdale, Sherl Streeter

3rd Row: Loretta Pines, Elzonia Smith, Mattie Lawson, Quienzella Lattimore, Patricia F. Brown, Mary Wilson, La'Von Thompson, Sheila Lee

Founder's Day Weekend At a Glance

69th Annual Session

"The Legacy of God's Called Women Moving Foward in Kingdom Assignments" Honoring Mrs. Ruby Marshall

June 10-12, 2021







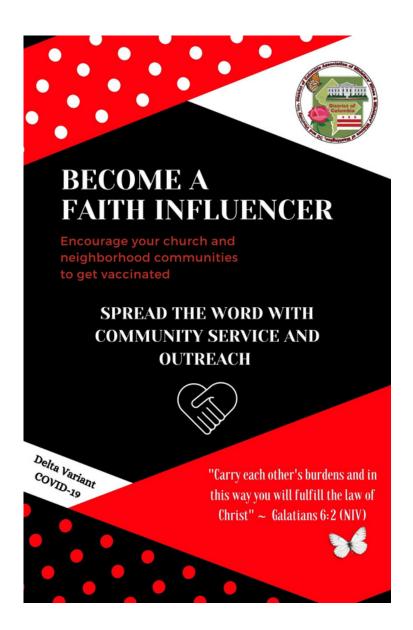








Souvenir Journals are still available and can be obtained for a donation. Email info@dcamwmw.org to submit your request.



If you know of any ministers' wives or ministers' widows within your church organization or statehood who would like to join any one of the four local chapters, please have them contact the State President at info@dcamwmw.org for more information.

If you are interested in submitting content for the newsletter, please contact the editor at willettak.graham@gmail.com.



Coming Soon... A Cookbook Series

Banana Bread
(New Dieter's Cook Book)
Preparation Time: 10 min.
Cooking Time: 45 min.
Low Fat
No Cholesterol

Ingredients:

1 ½ cups all-pupose flour 1 ¼ teaspoons baking powder ½ teaspoon baking soda ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/8 teaspoon salt 2 slightly beaten egg whites 1 cup mashed banana ¾ cup sugar

Instructions:

- 1. In a medium mixing bowl stir together flour, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon, and salt.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl stir together egg whites, banana, sugar, and oil. Stir flour mixture into banana mixture just till moistened.
- 3. Spray a 8x4x2 inch loaf pan with nonstick spray coating. Spread batter in prepared pan. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 45 to 50 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. If baking in a convection oven, bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes.
- 4. Cool bread on a wire rack. For easier slicing, wrap the bread in plastic wrap and store overnight. Makes 1 loaf (16 servings)

Nutrition information per serving: 125 calories, 2 g protein, 22 g carbohydrate, 4 g fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 81 mg sodium, 73 mg potassium

Members of the DCAMWMW make their way into the Leadership Academy...

The District of Columbia Association has a forever place in the history books as members from 3 out of 4 of its locals were selected to participate in *The First Cohort* of the IAMWMW Leadership Academy.

Congratulations Cohortians!!

Rev. Dr. Agnes Venson - HC Mrs. Sherl Streeter - BMWWA, UMA Mrs. Willetta Graham - UMA Rev. Barbie Daughtry - BMWWA

STATE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS UPDATE



Your input is still needed. Please submit your comments TODAY!

Let all things be done decently and in order.

1 Corinthians 14:40 KJV

SAVE THE DATE



80th Annual Convention & Founder's Day

In-Person Gathering December 1 - 4, 2021

Agenda

Wreath Laying
Queen's Coronation
Inductions to the Hall of Honor
website: www.iamwmw.org

HOTEL INFORMATION The Omni Richmond 100 South 12th Street, Richmond, VA 23219 1-804.344.7000

Room Rate
Single/Double \$129
Deadline for Reservations at this Rate
NOVEMBER 15, 2021

