

**POTOMAC RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
OF  
MARYLAND, VIRGINIA AND WASHINGTON, D.C., INC.**

**Rev. James F. Harris, Sr. – Moderator**

**120<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SESSION**  
**July 27 – July 31, 2020**

*Transforming Another Generation: Becoming a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Association*

**“Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.” - Romans 12:2 (NLT)**



**Rev. Reginald R. Farmer - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting)**  
**Rev. Dr. Carolyn Gilmore – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting)**  
**Rev. Freddie L. Curry – 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting)**

**Zoom + Facebook Online**

**MODERATORS  
OF THE  
POTOMAC RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CHURCH</u></b>	<b><u>TENURE</u></b>
Reverend R. B. Ward	Mt. Hope/Oak Grove & Pleasant Grove MBC	1900 – 1920
Reverend E. Thomas Broadus	Zion BC	1921 – 1939
Reverend G. E. Carter	Oak Grove MBC	1939 – 1940
Reverend Claggett Ward	Emmanuel BC	1940 – 1954
Reverend R. Lavelle Tucker	First BC of SW	1954 – 1967
Reverend Rodney Young	Mt. Hope MBC	1967 – 1978
Reverend Louis McCombs	St. Mary's BC	1978 – 1983
Reverend Frank D. Tucker	First BC of DC	1983 – 1987
Reverend Wilborn Gilmore	St. Mark's BC	1987 – 1991
Reverend Jessie B. Williams	Mt. Hope MBC	1991 – 1995
Rev. Dr. C. H. Johnson	Macedonia BC	1995 – 1999
Rev. Dr. Lowell H. Hancock, Sr.	Oak Grove MBC	1999 – 2003
Rev. Dr. John A. Franklin	Greater Morningstar BC	2003 – 2006
Rev. Roderick W. McClanahan	First Missionary BC	2006 – 2010
Rev. Dr. Raymond T. Matthews	St. Mark's BC	2010 – 2014
Rev. Dr. Sterling R. Swann, Jr.	Ritchie BC	2014 – 2018
Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.	New Life MBC	2018 – Present



## **Greetings from Moderator James F. Harris, Sr.**

Even amid the novel coronavirus pandemic and government over-reach in response to powerful, peaceful protests following Mr. George Floyd's murder under the knee of unlawful policing, I'm still excited about what God is doing and preparing to do in our Association. This second year of focusing on "Transforming Another Generation" recognizes PRBA's 120 years of history of churches coming together to transform lives through the work of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Although our plans were disrupted after our last physical meeting in February 2020, I remain optimistic about how God works all things together for our good. During this season of constant change and uncertainty, we can still be sure that our God reigns, knows what we are going through, comforts and strengthens us, and guides our steps according to His word. God has prepared us for such a time as this. Now's the time to become a 21st century association.

In this season, our focus on our three thrusts are even more urgent and important than they were a year ago. Our focus on:

1. Mission has been strengthened by churches going online and reaching unreached people around the world with the good news of Jesus Christ and meeting local needs for food and shelter.
2. Youth have experienced and continue to experience significant disruptions in school life and social life; we need to come alongside them on this new journey and empower their leadership skills.
3. Families are under stress more than ever among layoffs, stay-at-home orders, financial stresses, and parents discovering more about their children as students; families need the church and the solid rock of Jesus more than ever.

Our Social Action Committee is going to launch now at a time when the entire world sees that the racist foundations of the United States and other countries must be defeated and reconciled; the best way to do it is through the powerful presence of our loving God, who already knew that Black lives matter.

Please pray for our great Association as we seek God's face in this work. Churches united for these common focus areas give us an opportunity to partner with each other and discover what God is going to do through us. When you walk with an omnipotent and omniscient God, you cannot help but be excited about how He will use us to transform another generation.

Transforming another generation,

James F. Harris

Rev. James. F. Harris, Sr.  
Moderator, Potomac River Baptist Association

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## 120<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SESSION

Monday, July 27, 2020

### PROGRAM

**Presiding: Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.**

Pastor, New Life Missionary Baptist Church, Indian Head, MD

6:30 PM Corporate Fellowship

7:10 PM Closing Remarks .....Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.

7:15 PM .....PRBA Annual Session Musical

Call to Worship .....Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.

*Moderator of the Potomac River Baptist Association*

Evening Prayer .....Rev. Dr. Sterling R. Swann, Jr.

*President, Wilbur Waters School of Religion*

Introduction of Music .....1<sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator Farmer

Selections..... Pleasant Grove MBC Music Ministry

Offering Appeal.....Moderator

Selections.....Cellist Benjamin Gates

Selections..... True Gospel Tabernacle Music Ministry

Selections.....First Missionary Baptist Music Ministry

Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....Rev. Alberta Prosser

*St. Mark's Baptist Church*

Remarks and Benediction .....Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.

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Tuesday, July 28, 2020

### PROGRAM

6:15 PM Corporate Fellowship

6:30 PM Workshops and President's Messages

Men's Department .....Deacon Holloway Coats

*St. Mark's Baptist Church, Washington, DC*

Women's Department .....Deaconess Bridgette Harris

*New Life Missionary Baptist Church, Indian Head, MD*

7:20 PM Love Offering ..... PRBA Trustees

7:25 PM Closing Remarks

**Presiding: Rev. Dr. Carolyn Gilmore, 2nd Vice Moderator (Acting)**

Pastor, Galatians Baptist Church, Washington, DC

7:30 PM Call to Worship ..... Rev. Dr. Carolyn Gilmore

Evening Prayer .....Rev. Dr. Daryl Washington

*Pastor of St. Mary's Baptist Church of Washington, DC*

Introduction of Preacher..... Pastor William Coates

*Pastor of Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Marbury, MD*

Offering..... PRBA Trustees

Selection .....Emmanuel Baptist Church Music Ministry

Introductory Sermon ..... Rev. Christopher Nichols

*Pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Washington, DC*

Invitation to Christian Discipleship ..... Rev. Christopher Nichols

Remarks..... Rev. Dr. Carolyn Gilmore

Benediction..... Rev. Christopher Nichols

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## 120<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SESSION

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

### PROGRAM

- 6:15 PM Corporate Fellowship
- 6:30 PM Workshops and Presidents' Messages
- Sunday School Department.....Deacon Quinton Jones  
*Ritchie Baptist Church, Upper Marlboro, MD*
- Mission Department.....MIT James F. Harris, Jr.  
*New Life Missionary Baptist Church, Indian Head, MD*
- Nurses/Ushers Department.....Dr. David Gordon  
*CEO, Take Charge of Your Health, LLC*
- 7:20 PM Love Offering..... PRBA Trustees
- 7:25 PM Closing Remarks
- Presiding: Rev. Reginald R. Farmer, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting)**  
Pastor, True Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church, Washington, DC
- 7:30 PM Call to Worship..... Rev. Reginald R. Farmer
- Evening Prayer..... Rev. Larry Robinson  
*Moderator, Mt. Bethel Baptist Association*
- Greetings from National Capital Baptist Convention President  
..... *Rev. Dr. Charles W. McNeill, Jr.*
- Celebrating the First 60 years of PRBA (1900-1959) .....
- Presenters, Sis. Pam Hermans, True Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church  
and MIT James F. Harris, Jr., New Life Missionary Baptist Church*
- Necrologist Report.....Deaconess Denise G. Baker, Pleasant Grove MBC
- Resolution to Name PRBA Scholarship .....Moderator Harris
- In Memory of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator Rev. Dr. Floyd L. Patterson, Sr.  
*Pastor of the Greater St. Paul Baptist Church, Washington, DC*
- Introduction of Moderator.....Rev. Edward Capers, Jr.  
*Interim Pastor, Ritchie Baptist Church, Upper Marlboro, MD*
- Offering ..... PRBA Trustees
- Selection.....Ministry in Song
- Moderator's Annual Address ..... Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.  
*Pastor of New Life Missionary Baptist Church, Indian Head, MD*
- Invitation to Christian Discipleship
- Remarks ..... Rev. Reginald R. Farmer
- Benediction ..... Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.

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Thursday, July 30, 2020

### PROGRAM

- 6:15 PM Corporate Fellowship
- 6:30 PM Scripture .....Sis. Valencia Logan  
Youth Workshop and President's Message .....MIT Ashley Legette  
*First Missionary Baptist Church, Lexington Park, MD*  
Love Offering ..... PRBA Trustees  
Presentation of Scholarship Awards ..... Deacon Silas Alexander  
*First Missionary Baptist Church, Lexington Park, MD*
- 7:25 PM Closing Remarks
- Presiding: Rev. Freddie L. Curry, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting)**  
Associate Minister, Zion Baptist Church, Welcome, MD
- 7:30 PM Call to Worship ..... Rev. Freddie L. Curry  
Evening Prayer ..... Sis. Janice Logan  
*First Missionary Baptist Church, Lexington Park, MD*  
Introduction of Preacher.....MIT Ashley Legette  
*First Missionary Baptist Church, Lexington Park, MD*  
Offering.....PRBA Trustee  
Selection ..... Sis. Charmaine Courtney  
*First Missionary Baptist Church, Lexington Park, MD*  
Youth Sermon .....Min. Nazell E. Alston  
*NE Alston Ministries, Washington DC*  
Invitation to Christian Discipleship  
Remarks.....MIT Ashley Legette  
Benediction.....Min. Nazell E. Alston

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## 120<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SESSION

Friday, July 31, 2020

### PROGRAM

6:15 PM Corporate Fellowship

6:30 PM BUSINESS PERIOD – Moderator James F. Harris, Sr., Presiding  
Reading of Journal

#### **Reports:**

Registrar ..... Sister Brenda Duckett

Chief Depositor ..... Deacon Winfred Pearson

Financial Secretary/Budget & Finance ..... Deacon Maurice Baker

Chief Disburser ..... Trustee Carol R. Carr

Trustee ..... Trustee Earnest Tibbs

Time and Place Committee ..... Trustee Carol R. Carr

Nominating Committee ..... Deaconess Denise G. Baker

Charge to Officers ..... Rev. Roderick W. McClanahan

*Pastor, First Missionary Baptist Church, Lexington Park, MD  
and Former PRBA Moderator, 2006-2010*

Installation Prayer ..... Rev. Dr. Raymond Matthews

*Pastor, St. Mark's Baptist Church, Washington, DC  
and Former PRBA Moderator, 2010-2014*

7:25 PM Closing Remarks

**Presiding: Rev. L. K. Floyd** ..... Pastor, Heart Changers Baptist Church, Silver Spring, MD

7:30 PM Call to Worship ..... Rev. L. K. Floyd

Evening Prayer ..... Bishop Daniel Salley  
*Chaplain, United Ministers Coalition of Southern MD*

Celebrating the Second 60 years of PRBA (1960-2020) .....

*Presenters, Sis. Pam Hermans, True Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church  
and MIT James Harris, Jr, New Life Missionary Baptist Church*

Introduction of Preacher ..... Rev. Reginald Kearney  
*Associate Minister, Zion Baptist Church, Welcome, MD*

Offering ..... PRBA Trustees

Selection ..... Bro. Darius Wheeler  
*Minister of Music, True Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church*

Missionary/Closing Sermon ..... Bishop Carroll A. Baltimore  
*Senior Pastor, Global Missionary, Educator and President of  
Carroll A. Baltimore Outreach International Ministries*

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Remarks/Closing Declaration ..... Moderator James F. Harris, Sr.

Benediction ..... Bishop Carroll A. Baltimore



## **2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**



**Sis. Jazmine King**  
St. Mark's Baptist Church  
Washington, DC



**Bro. Bryce Mason**  
Zion Baptist Church  
Welcome, MD

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## **OFFICERS 2020 - 2021**

(As of 7/27/2020)

Moderator.....	Rev. James F. Harris, Sr.
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator .....	Rev. Carlton Burns, Sr.
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator .....	Rev. Dr. Floyd Patterson, Sr.
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting) .....	Rev. Reginald R. Farmer
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting) .....	Rev. Dr. Carolyn Gilmore
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice Moderator (Acting).....	Rev. Freddie L. Curry
Chief Depositor .....	Deacon Winfred Pearson
Chief Disburser.....	Trustee Carol R. Carr
Financial Secretary .....	Deacon Maurice Baker
Correspondence Secretary .....	Min. Randy Legette
Assistant Correspondence Secretary.....	Rev. Dr. Joanne P. Ward
Budget and Finance Director .....	Deacon Maurice Baker
Dean.....	Sister Sandra Cobey
Assistant Dean.....	Sister Brenda Duckett
Registrar.....	Sister Brenda Duckett
Assistant Registrar.....	Deaconess Wanda Tibbs
Necrologist.....	Deaconess Sharon Jones

## **TRUSTEES**

Chairman.....	Deacon Earnest Tibbs	Member.....	Deacon Rufus Washington
Chairman.....	Deacon Maurice Baker	Member.....	Trustee Carol R. Carr

## **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS**

Rev. William A. Coates  
Rev. Freddie L. Curry  
Deacon Kenneth Eatmon  
Deacon Quinton Jones  
Rev. Reginald Kearney  
Rev. Samuel A. King, Jr.

Rev. Dr. Raymond T. Matthews  
Rev. Alberta Prosser  
Rev. Dr. Sterling R. Swann, Jr.  
Rev. Dr. Joanne P. Ward  
Rev. Gwendolyn M. Warren-Washington  
Deacon Rufus Washington

## **DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS**

Men's Department ..... Rev. Ricky Battle  
Women's Department ..... Deaconess Bridgette Harris  
Sunday School Department ..... Deacon Quinton Jones  
Youth Department ..... MIT Ashley Legette  
Missions Department ..... Rev. James W. Jones, Jr  
Nurses/Ushers Department ..... Sis. Juanita Barksdale

## **COMMITTEES**

### **SCHOLARSHIP**

Chairman..... Deacon Silas Alexander  
Member ..... Sis. Pamela Hermans  
Member ..... Deaconess C. Cecelia Kelton

### **TIME AND PLACE**

Chairwoman.....Trustee Carol R. Carr  
Member .....Rev. Dr. Rick Spruill  
Member ..... Rev. Joyce Johnson

### **NOMINATING**

Chairwoman...Deaconess Denise G. Baker  
Member ..... Rev. Freddie L. Curry  
Member ..... Deacon Farley Banks

### **MUSIC**

Co-Director.....Sister Mary Agee  
Co-Director .....Sister Jane Willis

## **VICE MODERATOR ASSIGNMENTS**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator, Acting– Rev. Reginald R. Farmer:**

Missions & Youth Departments, Scholarship and  
Social Action Committees

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Moderator, Acting – Rev. Dr. Carolyn Gilmore:**

Women's and Nurses/Usher Departments and  
Time & Place Committee

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Moderator, Acting – Rev. Freddie L. Curry:**

Men's & Sunday School Departments and  
Nominating Committee

## **CONTACT INFORMATION, MAILING ADDRESS, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND DONATION INFORMATION**

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Social Media tags: #prba, #prba1900, and #transforminganothergeneration

### **Donations may also be made through:**

- Cash App – \$prba1900
- Givelify App – Download the Givelify App to your mobile device and search for Potomac River Baptist Association in Worship Places to contribute any charitable donation amount of your choice.
- AmazonSmile - Visit [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and select the Potomac River Baptist Association as your charitable organization. 0.5% of your eligible purchases will be donated to PRBA. (AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you are prompted to select a charitable organization from our list of eligible organizations. You can change your selection at any time.



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### PRBA Updated Calendar and Locations 2020-2022

#### 2020

Annual Session .....July 27-31, Online & Facebook  
*National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. Annual Session.....Sept. 7-11, Online*  
PRBA Leadership Conference.....Sep. 19, Pleasant Grove MBC, Marbury, MD  
Executive Board .....Sep. 26, Galatians Baptist Church, WDC  
PRBA Community Outreach..... Oct. 17, PRBA Land, Nanjemoy, MD  
Fall Educational Congress ..... Nov. 21, Zion Baptist Church, Welcome, MD

#### 2021

Executive Board ..... Jan. 9, New Life MBC, Indian Head, MD  
One Day Session.....Feb. 20, Emmanuel Baptist Church, WDC  
Holy Week/Sunrise Services .....Mar. 31 – Apr. 2, 4; Mt. Hope MBC, Nanjemoy  
Spring Educational Congress..... Apr. 10, Antioch Baptist Church, Clinton, MD  
Quarterly Session .....May 15, Ritchie Baptist Church, Upper Marlboro, MD  
Executive Board ..... June 26, Galatians Baptist Church, WDC  
Annual Session ..... July 26 – 30, Mt. Hope MBC, Nanjemoy, MD  
PRBA Leadership Conference.....Sep. 18, True Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church, WDC  
Executive Board .....Sep. 25, Galatians Baptist Church, WDC  
PRBA Community Outreach..... Oct. 16, PRBA Land, Nanjemoy  
Fall Educational Congress ..... Nov. 20, St. Mark's Baptist Church, WDC

#### 2022

Executive Board ..... Jan. 8, New Life MBC, Indian Head  
One Day Session..... Feb. 19, Macedonia Baptist Church, Bryans Road, MD  
Holy Week/Sunrise Services ..... Apr. 13-15, 17; Greater Spiritual Fellowship Community Church  
Spring Educational Congress.....Apr. 23, True Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church, WDC  
Quarterly Session ..... **May 14, Requesting PG Church to Host**  
Executive Board ..... June 25, New Life MBC, Indian Head  
Annual Session ..... **July 25-29, Requesting DC Church to Host**  
PRBA Leadership Conference..... **Sep. 17, Requesting a host church**  
Executive Board .....Sep. 24, Galatians Baptist Church, WDC  
PRBA Community Outreach..... Oct. 15, PRBA Land, Nanjemoy  
Fall Educational Congress ..... **Nov. 19, Requesting PG Church to Host**