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**AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**Laura L. Turner Women's Missionary Society & YPD**

# *Annual Day*

**SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024 @10am**

# **"UBUNTU**

**I AM BECAUSE WE ARE...  
CELEBRATING MY MENTOR,  
MY MOTIVATOR AND ME!"**

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**THEME: "UBUNTU – I AM BECAUSE WE ARE... CELEBRATING MY MENTOR,  
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**WORSHIP LEADER: Sis. Joi Stinson**

### THE PRELUDE

**BRO. PHILLIP SKERRETT, JR.**

### \*THE DOXOLOGY

**#647**

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW; PRAISE HIM ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW;  
PRAISE HIM ABOVE YE HEAVENLY HOST, PRAISE FATHER, SON AND HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader: I was glad when they said to me, " Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem! (Psalm 122:1-2)**

**People: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness (Psalm 84:10).**

**Leader: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good (Psalm 122:9)**

**People: They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God. (Psalm 92:13)**

**Leader: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house, and the place where your glory dwells (Psalm 26:8)**

**People: But the Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him (Habakkuk 2:20)**

**Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Rock, and my redeemer (Psalm 19:14)**

**People: O Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! I will sing of loyalty and of justice to you, O Lord, I will sing. (Psalm 98: 1,4)**

### THE HYMN OF PRAISE

**SIS. KAWANZA SMITH**

**This is My Mission (Sung to the tune of AME Hymn #450 "Blessed Assurance")**

1. Blessed with His goodness, blessed with His love, blessed with His showers, that comes from above,  
Blessed with His sunshine, blessed with His air, I'll go on helping everywhere.

**REFRAIN: This is my mission, this is my prayer helping the needy, everywhere. This is my mission, this is my prayer. Helping the needy, everywhere.**

2. God gives the courage, faith leads the way onward we travel, happy and gay, Thinking of others, willing to share taking God's message, everywhere. **REFRAIN**

3. Remembering others, where're I pray, Looking to Jesus, He is the way, Onward I travel, Him by my side. I'll never falter, He is my guide. **REFRAIN**

### THE INVOCATION

**SIS. CLARISSA CARMICHAEL**

### THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

**BIG BETHEL WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE**



**Leader:** <sup>10</sup> "He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.

**People:** <sup>11</sup> And he gave some, apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists, and some, pastors and teachers;

**ALL:** <sup>12</sup> for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ. KJV

**THE PREFACE TO THE DECALOGUE****(IN THE TUNE OF #258)**

*"From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator's praise arise; let the Redeemer's name be sung, through every land by every tongue."*

**\*THE SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE****Sis. Colette Hughey**

And Jesus, said to him, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the laws and the prophets.

**THE GLORIA PATRI****AME HYMN #627**

*"Glory be to the father, and to the son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."*

**The Welcome To Big Bethel****The Philippian Ministry****THE INTRODUCTION OF THE GUEST SPEAKER****SIS LISA JOHNSON-WHIGHAM, CONNECTIONAL COMMISSION CHAIR OF THE POLITICAL ACTION COMMISSION****THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC****BIG BETHEL WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE****THE MESSAGE****SIS JANITA FERGUSON,  
CONNECTIONAL WMS MEMBER-AT-LARGE****THE UBUNTU CEREMONY****"I AM BECAUSE WE ARE...Celebrating My Mentor, My Motivator and Me—We Speak Their Names"****THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP****REV. MONICA C. JONES, PH.D.  
DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & BIG BETHEL VILLAGE CHAPLAIN****THE WORSHIP IN GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING****THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS****SIS. CHERYL TAYLOR , PRESIDENT  
LAURA L. TURNER WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY****The Remarks Pastor John Foster****THE MISSIONARY BENEDICTION****A.M.E. HYMNAL #652**

***IN THE NAME OF THE TRIUNE GOD, MAY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONS ENTER EVERY HEART,  
MAY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONS ENTER EVERY HEART,  
THIS WE ASK IN JESUS' NAME. AMEN***

**\*\*Visitors may register their attendance online on the Big Bethel Guest Registration Form. Thank You for worshipping with us and feel free to come again!!**



# Big Bethel A.M.E. Sunday School Black History Contest



## Contest Theme:

**Connecting My Blackness, My Family, and My Church**  
**PRIZES, PRIZES, PRIZES...**

First(\$25 Gift Card), Second(\$15 Gift Card) and Third (10 Gift Card) place prizes shall be awarded to the top 3 winners in each children/youth class (Primary, Juniors, and Teens) regardless of category.

For entry form contact Mr. Jolly, at [Joll@comcast.net](mailto:Joll@comcast.net)

or visit the Big Bethel A.M.E. website...

<https://www.bigbethelame.org/>

**Entries Must Be Submitted By: March 23, 2024**

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Fourth Sunday in Lent	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
March 10, 2024	<a href="#">Numbers 21:4-9</a>	<a href="#">Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22</a>	<a href="#">Ephesians 2:1-10</a>	<a href="#">John 3:14-21</a>

♥ **Let us remember our sick and shut-in with our prayers & calls.** 📞

Sis. Patricia Coles (404) 254-4806

Rev. Betty Miley (770) 323-6841

Sis. Elizabeth Parks (Liz) (404) 691-4590

Sis. Brenda Queen (404) 274-0705

Sis. Lillian Taylor (404) 284-6414



# *Ms. Janita Ferguson*

Janita Ferguson is a 4th generation member of First Saint Peter AME Church in Stone Mountain, GA where she is involved in many ministries in the church, and the community. Janita has always had a passion for service to the YPD and, the Women's Missionary Society where Janita

served as YPD local President and as Member-at-Large for the state of Georgia for the Women's Missionary Society.

It was during her service as Member-at-Large of the Sixth Episcopal District Women's Missionary Society that Janita was inspired to develop her "Bridging" project for the District such that we could Bridge the work of the Young Adult Missionaries to the Life Members and their legacy of service. Under Janita's leadership, more than 100 Young Adult Missionaries across the state of Georgia were capped and became excited about the work of missions.

In 2023, at the past Quadrennial, Janita was elected Connectional Member-at-Large of the Women's Missionary Society of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Janita is a 2012 graduate of Tuskegee University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Sales and Marketing.

Janita is an accomplished young woman entrepreneur. In 2013, she launched Jatoure, an online boutique that catered to full-figured women and celebrates women of all shapes and sizes.

Currently, Janita serves as the Associate Director for the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at Clark Atlanta University and her office recruited a record number of undergraduates during her first year in that role. It is at Clark Atlanta University that Janita now has the opportunity to combine her passions for youth and young adult excellence and support for their education and service to the community.

Janita counts herself extremely blessed by God to have the opportunity to impact so many lives in church, community, and business. Janita stands firmly on the mantra: "if God is for you, who can be against you."





# MORRIS BROWN COLLEGE



Join Us!!

THEME:

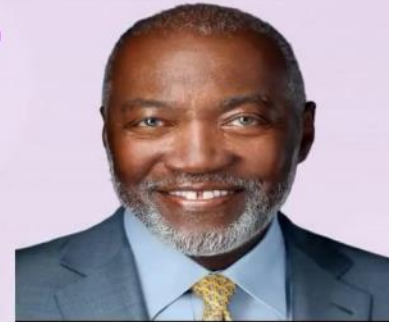
The MBC Renaissance Reset, Retooled & Ready

Therefore, get your minds ready for action by being fully sober, and set your hope completely on the grace that will be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed. 1Peter 3:15 NET

Sunday

MARCH 17, 2024

10 AM



GUEST SPEAKER:

MR. EULA ADAMS '72  
Chief Executive Officer,  
Neuromonics, Inc.,  
Denver, CO



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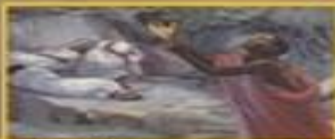


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NORTH ATLANTA DISTRICT

## 7 STATIONS OF THE CROSS



STATION 1: Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36-46)

FEB 18 - Big Bethel (Atlanta)

BAPTISM SERVICE

220 Auburn Ave., N.E. Atlanta, GA 30303  
Rev. John Foster, Ph.D., Senior Pastor  
Dr. Lewis Kola-PROCLAIMER



STATION 2: Pilate Condemns Jesus to Death (Matthew 27:24-26)

FEB 25 - Marietta Chapel

815 1/2 Street, NW, Marietta, GA 30060  
Rev. Mark Harkness-Pastor  
Rev. Joshua Stampley-Gardner-PROCLAIMER



STATION 3: Jesus Accepts the Cross (Matthew 27:27-31)

MAR 3 - Mt. Carmel (Atlanta)

1141 Henry Thomas Dr., Atlanta, GA 30315  
Rev. Reginald Oliver, Jr.-Pastor  
Rev. Bernard Sutton-PROCLAIMER



STATION 4: Simon Helps Jesus Carry the Cross (Mark 15:21)

MAR 10 - St. Luke (Cartersville)

130 Innes St., Cartersville, GA 30120  
Rev. Sharon Adair-Harden-Pastor  
Rev. John Woods-PROCLAIMER



STATION 5: Jesus Speaks to the Woman (Luke 23:27-31)

MAR 17 - Greater Smith Chapel (Atlanta)

186 Myrtle Ave., Atlanta, GA 30307  
Rev. Eric Fladder-Pastor  
Rev. Renata Williams-PROCLAIMER



STATION 6: Jesus is Stripped of His Garments (John 19:23-24)

MAR 24 - Allen Temple (Woodstock)

232 Arnold Mill Rd., Woodstock, GA 30188  
Rev. Dr. Joseph Cousin, Senior Pastor  
To Be Determined-PROCLAIMER



STATION 7: Jesus is Nailed to the Cross (Mark 15:25-32)

APR 2 - Wilkes Chapel

2293 Perry Blvd., NW, Atlanta, GA 31318  
Rev. Eddie Henley - Pastor  
Rev. C. O. Adams-PROCLAIMER

SUNDAYS @ 4PM February 18th - March 28th



SENIORS Join us !

for  
*Chat & Chew*

**B I N G O**

**MARCH**

**WEDNESDAY**

**13**

**1:00-2:00 PM**

**BIG BETHEL FELLOWSHIP HALL**  
Lunch will be served!

To R.S.V.P Contact:  
Sis. Cornelia Jordan  
770-289-6451



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of the

Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

proudly presents its

## 92nd Annual Palm Sunday Concert



featuring

The Morris Brown College Alumni Choir

Under the Directorship of Reverend Alonzo B. Taylor

on

Sunday, March 24, 2024 | 4:00pm - 5:00pm

*Walking in Humility*

Matthew 21:5: Say to the Daughter of Zion, See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Dr. John Foster, Senior Pastor of Big Bethel AME Church

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Livestream on the Big Bethel AME Church Youtube or Facebook Pages



BIG BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

# HOLY WEEK SERVICES



MARCH  
27  
6:30 PM

JAZZ WEEK  
VESPERS

MARCH  
28  
6:30 pm

Maundy Thursday Worship



MARCH  
29  
6:30 pm

7 Last Words  
on the Cross



MARCH  
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*Resurrection Sunday*

6:00AM Sunrise Service  
Rev. John Foster, PH.D

10:00AM Resurrection Service  
BISHOP REGINALD T. JACKSON



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