



## ~What's Happening At The Met~

### May 2024

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**Rev. Allen Page, III ~ Senior Pastor**



FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK



Rev. Allen Page, III

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Each year Bishop and Mrs. Reddick gift to the clergy of the Eighth Episcopal District the Upper Room Daily Meditation - "Disciplines". The content of this month's pastor's message is taken from the meditations from April 22nd and 23rd, 2024. Spring is burgeoning and we are approaching the dog days of summer. Our youth are in the midst of testing periods in school and end of school year activities. Our church is preparing for the Connectional Youth and Young Adult Conference and we here in the 8th Episcopal District will host the Unity Summit later this summer. We are making our move through, yet another year God has blessed us to move, live and have our being. So much of the Christian life is about being on the journey with others and discerning the wise path to take through life. For those of us who profess ourselves to be disciples of God, we must constantly strive to discern the will of God for our daily living. Rarely do we receive explicit instructions along the way; however, in Acts 8:26-28, Philip did. He was told exactly what to do in verse 26. We are often halt between two opinions, and sometimes each is equally good. It is here we can get caught up in space of worrying about which way to go or how to go. Let us all remember what the apostle Paul said in Acts 17:28, "In him we live and move and have our being". I encourage each of us, particularly our youth, as you move out into the summer, with all of its enticements, to live, move and have your being following the will of God - live in the spirit, and by the spirit. Yes, even let the spirit make intercession for you - when you don't know what to do, seek God for direction through prayer and meditation. Young people, this summer, you are going to be encountering numerous people. Philip gives us a beautiful image of what it means to be on a journey with another and to hear the word of God in new ways. Verses 29 through 40 of chapter 8, show us Philip joining the Ethiopian eunuch on his path. Notice and remember he was told by the angel of the Lord what to do, and he allowed himself to be led by the Lord in how he did it. He did not barge in and onto the Ethiopian eunuch's chariot, telling the eunuch what to do - no he let the eunuch lead the way. Philip waited to be invited into the chariot, and then he asked the eunuch what he was reading, and if he understood what he was reading. Even after bringing some clarity, Philip didn't instruct the eunuch on what to do next, but rather allowed the eunuch to discover what God had in store for his future. "Here is water; what is to prevent me from being baptized."

As each of you go forward, I encourage you to pray and meditate to hear and discern the will of God for your advancement; and then let us all focus on how we shall be with one another - shall we talk at one another or be led by God to join one another on the journey of discovery to a bright and new existence with God. God is speaking, shall we hear, not let us only hear, but listen, and then not only listen but understand and be the children of God we are called to be!

Rev. Allen Page, III  
*Senior Pastor*

*As we begin the month of May, we wish each of you A Happy Mother's Day.*



*Honor Your Mother on  
May 12th*

### Important Message from LaRonda Walker Regarding Vacation Bible School



Vacation Bible School (VBS Scheduled for June 19 –21, 2024) is coming soon and your help is needed. If you're interested or want to volunteer for

VBS, there will be an interest meeting via Zoom on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7:00 pm. The Zoom information is as follows: MEMBER ID: 237 669 8589 PASSWORD: GatorsA123 (case sensitive).

I look forward to talking with you via ZOOM on Monday, May 13 @ 7:00 pm. Remember, “we’ve got this with Jesus!”

### VBS REGISTRATION



Vacation Bible School 2024 will be held June 19-21, 2024 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) nightly with the closing ceremonies on Friday, June 21 at 8:00 PM, Our theme is “I’ve Got This With Jesus”,

This is based on the scripture: *Philippians 4:13 (NLT)* “For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.”

You can register on line at MetropolitanCME.org or pick up a registration form in the foyer. For more information see LaRonda Walker.

## LOST & FOUND

Are you aware that Metropolitan has a “Lost and Found” Department? If you misplaced something and think it may be in the Lost & Found check with an usher after worship service. They may be able to reunite you with your lost item. Items left more than six months are subject to being donated to a local shelter.



## INFORMATION ON UPCOMING CONFERENCES/DISTRICT MEETINGS

**May 25, 2024—The Houston District Conference** will be held in Houston, Texas at Metropolitan CME Church. The Appreciation Service for our Elder, Jonathan Jones and wife will be held immediately following District Conference.

**June 9– 12, 2024– Leadership Training Institute (LTI)** will be held in Tyler, Texas at Texas College. Early Registration has begun. Please see Rev. Jerry Smith for more information or to register your child to attend this event.

**July 1-5 CYYAC Conference (Connectional Youth and Young Adult Conference)** Koury Convention Center, Greensborough, North Carolina. The theme is Fully F.R.E.E. in 2024.

**July 17-20 Southeast Texas Region Annual Conference**– Hosted by Douglas Memorial CME Church in Beaumont, Texas. To be held at the Holiday Inn & Suites, 3950 I-20 South, Beaumont, TX 77706.

**August 26 –September 7—The CME Unity Summit and Lay Quadrennial Assembly.** Dallas, TX. Sheraton Dallas Hotel, 500 N. Olive Street, Dallas, Texas 75201. The theme is: Facing Now: Making Good Trouble.

**The Stewardess will celebrate their Connectional Day on Sunday, June 2, 2024 during the 10:30 am Worship Service.**

**Mrs. Julia Jones, Local President**

### DELEGATES TO THE HOUSTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Delegates to the Houston District Conference to be held on May 25, 2024 Metropolitan CME Church were confirmed at the Quarterly Conference held on April 29, presided by Elder Jonathan Jones.

They are:(1) LaToya Johnson; (2) Rita Washington (3) Peggy Robinson; (4) Ramona Bowers (5) Cheryl Foster with Llonda Toney and Elayne Scott serving as alternates.



Please pray for the members listed below. You may request personal contact information by sending an email to [Metrocme@aol.com](mailto:Metrocme@aol.com). To add/remove names on the list, send an email to the same address. Please be sure to include the member's name, address and phone number. Thank you!

*Sister Freddia Bradley - Sister Jeanne Grimes*  
*Sister Gracie Deason - Sister Patrecia Bailey*  
*Sister Willie Frances Greer - Rev. Waldo Murphy*  
*Sister Allison McLemore - Bro. L C. Patterson*  
*Rev. E. Anne Ross - Bro. Darryl Bowers*  
*Sister Ollie Byrd - Sister Annie Melson*  
*Brother Daniel Myles*  
*Sister Brenda Hayter & Family*

*Please pray for The Metropolitan Church Family and the Family and Friends of Bro. Sean O'Neal on his passing.*

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Christian Methodist Episcopal Connectional Prayer Ministry

*Daily* **Prayer Call**

ONE PURPOSE - ONE FOCUS - ONE VOICE

**PRAYER REQUEST**  
 cmeprayers@thecmechurch.org  
 cmeconnectionalprayer@gmail.com

	Pacific	Mountain	Central	Eastern
Call #1	3:30am	4:30am	5:30am	6:30am
Call #2	4:30am	5:30am	6:30am	7:30am
Call #3	5:30am	6:30am	7:30am	8:30am
Call #4	6:30am	7:30am	8:30am	9:30am

**Dial-in# 605-468-8885**  
**Access Code: 616984#**

Rev. Dr. Bonita Collins-Hobbs  
 Coordinator, Prayer Ministry

Rev. Dr. Laci C. Moore, Jr.  
 General Secretary, Evangelism & Missions

Bishop Ricky D. Helton  
 Department Chair

**You are invited to become a member of the Houston District Monthly Prayer Group as they meet to pray on a Conference Call Prayer Line each First Saturday at 7:14 am. **It's open to everyone.** Call in number **605 472-5783**, and your access code **604403**. For more information call Peggy Robinson.**

## CONFIRMED DATES FOR MAY, 2024

1. Bible Study (Each Wednesday) **Mid-Day Bible Study @ Noon & Evening Prayer & Bible Study @ 6:00 & 6:30 PM.**  
 See Meeting ID, Passcodes and Phone numbers listed below
4. **Happy Birthday Mrs. Page**
4. **Stewardess Meeting 10:00 AM**
4. **Houston District Stewardess Workshop**
5. **Weekly "In Person" Adult Church School 9:00 am**  
 Held at the church in the W. E. Lockett Youth Center
5. **Holy Communion Sunday – 10:30 AM**  
 Join us via Facebook Live - Metropolitan CME Church—Restoration Blvd. or Free Conference  
 Call Line 605-475-4821 Access Code 306019# or **Regular "IN PERSON" Weekly Services each Sunday**
6. **Missionary Meeting @ 6:00 PM**  
 Free Conference Call Line—267-807-9495  
 Access Code 342569693#
12. **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**
12. **Last day to donate food for May 2024**
13. **VBS Meeting Via ZOOM 7:00 PM**
18. **Sorting/Bagging & distribution at Blueridge UMC**
25. **District Conference/Elder's Appreciation**
25. **HD Minister Spouses Meeting**
25. **Tuscany Village-2:30 PM-3:30 PM Noon Day Bible Study**
26. **Mission Beyond USA Sunday (Connectional Day)**
27. **MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY**
30. **Happy Birthday Pastor Allen Page**



**Noon Day Bible Study at 12 Noon each Wednesday**  
 Via Zoom—Meeting ID 885-2896-7154  
 Passcode is 8955 or  
 Phone 1-346-248-7799  
 Please have Meeting ID and Passcode handy

**Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study**  
 Via Zoom - Meeting ID: 975 142 7923  
 Passcode 8955 or Phone 1-346-248-7799  
 Led by Peggy Robinson (Prayer) &  
 Rev. Page (Bible Study)

## DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Delegates to the Annual Conference were confirmed at the Quarterly Conference held on April 29, 2024 with Elder Jonathan Jones Presiding. The delegates confirmed are:

- (1) Peggy Robinson
- (2) Elayne Scott
- (3) Rita Washington
- (4) Shandra Smith
- (5) Davida Chatman
- (6) Cheryl Foster
- (7) Tonie Johnson, who will serve as alternate.



<b>Gail Page</b>	<b>May 04</b>
Deborah Allen	May 06
Alanna Begg	May 06
Jackie Cooper	May 07
D'Adrian Cook	May 10
Derrick Mitchell	May 11
Heleace Eason	May 12
Yolanda Foulkes	May 12
Da Miyah Lacey	May 14
Andrea Jones	May 15
Tiffany Williams	May 16
Rev. Dr. Lymell Carter	May 19
Herbert Bradford	May 25
Ruth Linton	May 25
Johntrice Coleman	May 25
Darryl Bowers, Jr.	May 27
Melvin Simien	May 27
<b>Rev. Allen Page, III</b>	<b>May 30</b>

*Special Birthday Wishes*

Our First Lady  
Mrs. Gail Page on May 4

Our Pastor,  
Rev. Allen Page, III on May 30

**Information regarding Food Pantry with  
Blueridge UMC and Tuscany Village Outreach**

Last Day to Donate to Food Pantry at Metropolitan	Bagging/sorting & Distribution at Blueridge
May 12, 2024	May 18, 2024
June 09, 2024	June 15, 2024

Tuscany Village 2750 Miller Ranch Rd  
Pearland, TX 77584—2:30—3:30 PM

May 25, 2024—Noon Day Bible Study Class  
June 22, 2024—Stewardess Ministry

**Trustees on Duty for May**

*Peggy Robinson 832-885-0178*  
*Allen Casey 832-868-0823*

**Black History Moments**

**Charlotte E. Ray**  
(Jan. 13, 1850- Jan. 4, 1911)

An American lawyer, she was the first Black American Female Lawyer in the United States. She graduated from Howard University School of Law in 1872. Ray was also the first female admitted to the District of Columbia Bar, and the first woman admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. She was also involved in the women's suffrage movement and joined the National Association of Colored Women.



**Schedule for May 2024**

**THURSDAY, 5/2, 6:00, MALE CHORUS REHEARSAL**  
7:00 pm—MASS CHOIR REHEARSAL

**May 5, 2024—1st Sunday—MASS CHOIR SINGS**

**THURSDAY, May 9, 6:00, MALE CHORUS REHEARSAL**  
**SATURDAY, May 11, 1 pm—MALE CHORUS REHEARSAL**

**May 12, 2024—2nd Sunday (Mothers Day)**  
**MALE CHORUS SINGS**

Thursday, May 16, 2024 @  
7:00 PM—PRAISE TEAM REHEARSAL

**May 19, 2024—3rd SUNDAY PRAISE TEAM SINGS**

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024  
7:00 PM—MASS CHOIR —REHEARSAL

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2024  
12:00 NOON -YOUTH/CHILDREN—REHEARSAL

**MAY 26, 2024 —4th SUNDAY -YOUTH/CHILDREN SINGS**

Thursday, May 30,  
**6:00 PM MISSIONARY WOMEN REHEARSAL**  
**7:00 PM MASS CHOIR REHEARSAL**

**Note: The Missionary/Women will sing the 2nd Sunday in June (June 9, 2024)**

**The Male Chorus wil sing the 5th Sunday in June (June 30, 2024)**