



# ~What's Happening At The Met~

## August 2018

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Rev. Allen Page, III ~ Senior Pastor



### *From the Pastor's Desk*



Greetings my Brothers and Sisters,

I first want to thank each of you for the support you rendered to Metropolitan during the previous conference year. Thank you also for your service within the kingdom of God, we have accomplished much good, however God's command to each of us is to continue our service. As we embark on a new conference year, we all stand before a fresh invitation from God to serve. In Isaiah 6:1-8, God offers Isaiah a fresh invitation to service. But Isaiah finds his inspiration arrested by regret and shame as he witnesses God's glory and holiness firsthand. Isaiah declared in this text that he was a "man of unclean lips," and therefore not clean enough to be God's messenger. But I am grateful God meets us with His grace. God loves and accepts Isaiah, but Isaiah doesn't perceive this. He needs a tangible act of love to transform his heart and perspective. The text records that a live coal was placed on his lips, and this outward action causes an inner rebirth. The text later records that Isaiah came to the place where he could say "Lord here am I, send me." What will be our response this conference year to the invitation that is before us for service?

Like Isaiah, we all have to struggle with our own self-worth when God approaches with fresh opportunities to engage the world around us. Our guilt and shame can many times become prohibitive factors to doing the dynamic work that God invites us to. This text helps us to see that we all can gain courage and confidence when we recognize God's love and belief in us. We must remember that God has uniquely and wonderfully made us all for good works. Every good work that God has begun in each of us, He will complete! God meets us in our guilt, shame, disappointment, and discouragement, ready to do whatever is needed to cleanse us, and make us ready for the task set before us. God offers a cleansing! A cleansing of the way we have understood our relationship to Him, and the way we have understood our identity, and our place within His kingdom. What risks are you willing to take to discover the new life God has in store for you and our beloved Metropolitan. What new avenues are you willing to take in your relationships toward greater health and wholeness? What are you willing to reprioritize to shift your life into greater alignment with God's will and way? Remember that even seemingly small choices can develop into new pathways toward a more beautiful existence. Metropolitan, we must seize every opportunity to be the people of God we are called to be! I encourage you all to join me, faithfully responding to God's call to service, so we will discover a more rich and fulfilling existence. God bless you all!

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Pastor



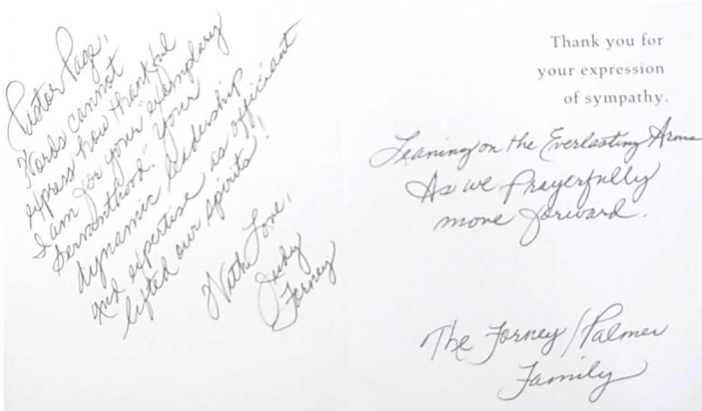
**Congratulations to Kenneth Davis, Jr. recently crowned Rossie T. Hollis representative at the Southeast Texas Region Conference**

*The President, Trustees, Faculty and Graduating Class of Texas A&M University are honored to announce Nedra Yevette Washington is a candidate for the degree of Master of Service at Commencement Exercises Friday, August tenth, Two thousand and eighteen at two o'clock in the afternoon Reed Arena, College Station, Texas*

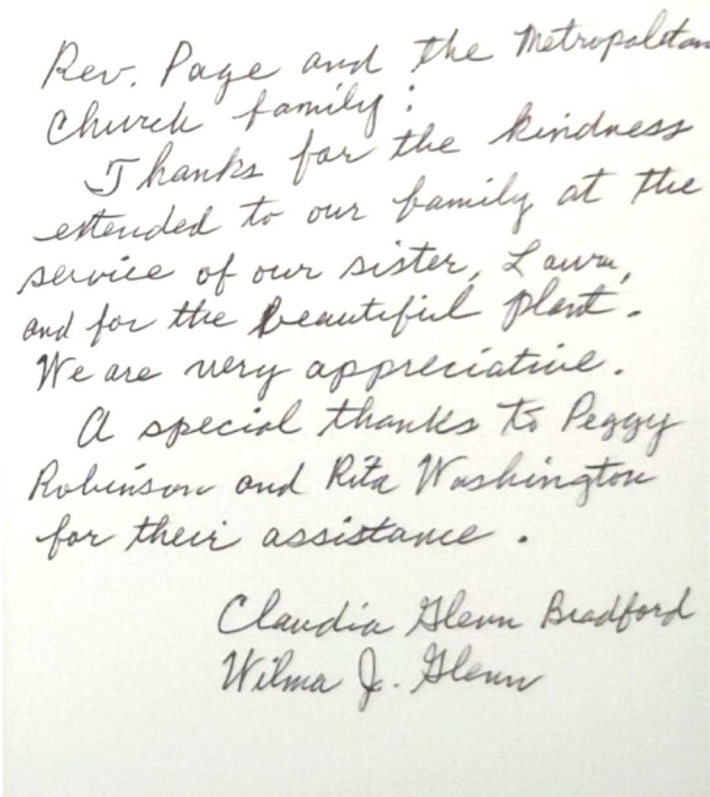
**Congratulations to Nedra Washington**



Thank You Note from Rev. Judy Forney in the loss of her daughter, Shedra Palmer



Thank you note from Wilma Glenn and Claudia Glenn Bradford on the loss of their sister Mrs. Laura Glenn Hicks



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

Please bring Non-perishable items for distribution at Blueridge UMC by **Sunday, August 12. Distribution will be on Saturday, August 18 @ 9:00 am.**



## Food Collection

See the Ushers for more information or to volunteer.

Most needed Items:  
Breakfast Cereal, Dry Rice, Oatmeal, Grits, Beans, Soup, Spaghetti,

Canned Meats, Canned Fruit, Cornbread Mix, Peanut Butter and Jellies .



## Fellowship Meal

## Doing Our Part

Sponsored by  
**The Ministry to Men**

*A Hot Meal Served to the Seniors and the Homeless*

Where: **Metropolitan CME Church**

Time: **11:00AM—1:00PM**

Please go out and share this exciting news, about what the Lord is doing with the Seniors and Homeless in the surrounding communities and your community.

**August 11th & each 2nd Saturday of the month.**

## Tuscany Village Community Outreach Ministry



Saturday, August 25, 2018 @ 2:30 PM  
Noon Day Bible Study  
Ruth Linton, Director

## Trustees on Duty for April

*Errol Windle, Sr. ~ 281-794-1001*

*Leonard Patterson ~ 832-867-7993*

## BLACK HISTORY MOMENTS



**Alexander Lucius Twilight** was an educator, minister, and politician known as the first Black person to earn a bachelor's degree in 1823. Alexander was born in Corinth, Vermont on September 23, 1795, and beginning at the age of 8 worked on a neighbor's farm until 21. Alexander enrolled in Middlebury College in 1821, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1823. Twilight began studying ministry when he moved to Peru, New York after obtaining his degree. He was licensed to preach by The Champlain Presbytery of Plattsburgh. In 1829, he was hired as principal of the Orleans County, Vermont Grammar School in Browington. Needing to create a dormitory for out of town students, Alexander had built Athenian Hall-the first granite public building in Vermont. In 1836, Twilight was elected to the Vermont House of Representatives, becoming the first Black person to be elected to a state legislature. Alexander Twilight died in 1857, but his Athenian Hall now serves as the Orleans County Historical Society and Museum.



Congratulations Bert Simmons on forty two years of service & financial membership in Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. 2018 Conclave New Orleans.

## CALENDARS FOR AUG. & SEPT.

### August 2018

#### *New Conference Year*

- 4 Usher Training 11:00 AM
- 4 Stewardess Meeting 10:00 AM
- 5 **Holy Communion Sunday – 10:45 AM**
- 6 Missionary Meeting @ 6:00 PM
- 6 Steward Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- 6 Trustees Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- 8 Bible Study (Noon and 6:00 PM on Break
- 11 Doing Our Part Ministry @ 11:00 AM
- 12 Deadline for Food Pantry Donations for August
- 13 Church Conference @ 7:00 PM
- 16 Corporate Prayer 6:30 PM
- 16 Blueridge/MCME Food Pantry sorting @ 6:00PM
- 18 Blueridge/MCME Food Pantry Distribution 9 am
- 18 Family & Friends Day (Week-End)
- 19 Family & Friends Day 10:45 AM
- 20 Board of Christian Education @ 6:30 PM
- 25 Texas College Alumni @ 10:00 AM
- 25 Tuscany Village (MTM) @ 2:30 PM (Noon Day Bible Study Class)

### September– 2018

- 1 Stewardess Meeting 10:00 AM
- 2 **Holy Communion Sunday – 10:45 AM**
- 3 **LABOR DAY**
- 3 Missionary Meeting @ 6:00 PM
- 3 Steward Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- 3 Trustees Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- 5 Bible Study (Noon and 6:00 PM
- 8 Doing Our Part Ministry @ 11:00 AM
- 9 GRAND-PARENTS DAY
- 10 Church or Leadership Conference @ 7:00 PM
- 15 Texas College Alumni @ 10:00 AM
- 15 GAMS trip to Painted Churches
- 16 Deadline for Food Pantry Donations for September
- 17 Board of Christian Education @ 6:30 PM
- 20 Corporate Prayer 6:30 PM
- 20 Blueridge/MCME Food Pantry sorting @ 6:00PM
- 22 Blueridge/MCME Food Pantry Distribution 9 am
- 22 Tuscany Village @ 2:30 PM
- 30 5th Sunday Emphasis

### CORPORATE PRAYER

August 16, 2018 at 6:30 PM & Each Third Thursday of the Month @ The Met



**The Women's Missionary Society  
Annual School Supply Drive**

Now thru August 12, 2018 -  
Drop your items off in the foyer of the church

**ITEMS NEEDED**

- Pencils/Colored Pencils
- Folders
- Rulers
- Compasses
- Water Colors
- Flash Cards
- Writing Tablets
- Paper
- Glue
- Pens
- Scissors
- Notebooks
- Color Markers
- Construction Paper
- Erasers
- Sharpener

# Coming in Sept.

Next GAMS Tour...



## The Painted Churches

Schulenburg, TX

Saturday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Sign up in Lobby

# Coming in Oct.

Save the Date!



## HUD is Coming to METROPOLITAN CME

**SAT. OCT. 27<sup>th</sup>**

Free HUD supported Housing Expo for  
First Time Home Buyers & Seniors



## August Birthdays



Kimberly Kelly	August	02
Sheree Washington	August	02
Marquita Wilkerson	August	03
Allen Casey	August	04
Terrell Johnson	August	04
Brenda Hayter	August	05
Pat Howard	August	06
Peggy Robinson	August	06
Jason Smith, Jr.	August	06
Asia Johnson	August	07
Webb Jones	August	08
John McClendon	August	09
Eugene Provost	August	09
Gracie Deason	August	10
Bianca Tonsall	August	10
Victoria Caesar	August	11
Taliyah Cook	August	11
Delois Williams	August	11
James C. Jones	August	12
Janeth McLemore	August	14
Seagie Sweet	August	15

Ollie Byrd	August	16
Albert Edwards	August	16
Katelyn Simon	August	17
Rose Cheers	August	18
Prophet Jeremiah Mbong	August	18
William Robinson	August	20
Steve Woodard	August	20
Mark Broom	August	22
Tremaine Johnson	August	22
Edison Prophet Mbong	August	22
Xerrell Hill	August	24
Shawon J. Jones	August	25
Andrea Melissa Jones	August	26
Ashlon C. Jones	August	26
Gloria Jones	August	26
Lula Johnson	August	28
Keilon Phillips, II	August	29
Lela Malbrough	August	30
Richard Morris	August	30
Brice Wilkerson	August	31