



~What's Happening At The Met~

February 2022

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FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK



Rev. Allen Page, III

Greetings My Brothers and Sisters of Metropolitan,

As we embark on our worship month and consider the circumstances facing our community life, I am reminded of a colloquialism we often shared during my corporate experiences: *"If you can January and February; you can March right on through."* Each new year brings vestiges of excitement and anticipation of what the year will bring. But each new year also brings moments of anxiety and questions that must be answered with each faithful step we take forward. Isaac Watts wrote the hymn, "We're Marching to Zion." The first verse encourages, "Come we that love the Lord, and let your joys be known; join in a song of sweet accord, join in a song of sweet accord; and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne." The song, when sung joyfully, leads us to practices that can help us with our *March* through any year – yes, to help us *March* right on through. The song begins by encouraging us to come, and not individually, but in the unity of "we." All of us must decide whether or not we will come forth when commanded by God. We all have our own unique places from which we must climb to the places God calls. God calls us to a community, (i.e., common unity); a place where we share our similarities and differences respectfully and lovingly. We are also called to let our joys be known – God has given each of us experiences that we can draw joys of endurance, accomplishment and victory. These are nuggets God calls us to share one with another, as we bind our hearts together in Christian love. God calls us to join in song on sweet accord – did you know that we all can be singing the same song, but yet not be on one accord? I believe that communities, like ours, *March* more effectively throughout the year when we are of one mind, heart and spirit. Sure, we all have our unique personalities, but in Christ we are called to strive for common ground, where the grace of God synthesizes our individuality into a wonderful harmonic unity. The Christian must always remember that unity does not mean uniformity. We can be unified, while maintaining the beauty of our unique nature. The first verse of Watts' hymn concludes "and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne." The hymnologist seems to be suggesting that we are not fit to gather around God's throne until certain criteria are met. When we *March* as a community, when we come together, when we let our heart's joys be known, when we sing songs of sweet accord, we acquit ourselves nicely for placement around God's throne. Well, Metropolitan, we *January-ed*, we now must *February*, but the question remains will we *March* through the year? I pray that we all have *January-ed*, and will *February* with the Lord, so we can *March* right on through! God bless you all.



Metropolitan CME Church

Annual Missionary Day
February 20, 2022 - 3:00 AM

ZOOM Meeting ID 870 8113 5060 ; Passcode 8955
Or Phone 1-346-248-7799



*"Rendering Greater Service to
God's People With Love"*

*Let all that you do be done in love.
1 Corinthians 16:14*

Guest Speaker
Rev. Valencia Edner
Senior Pastor Miles Chapel CME Church, Houston, TX

Sis. Demetria Williams, Local President
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Southeast Texas Region of the CME Church

Presiding Elder
Rev. Dr. W. W. Mays

**Quarterly
CONFERENCE**

FEBRUARY 6, 2022 @
4:00 PM

MEETING WILL BE A VIRTUAL CLUSTER CONFERENCE ON ZOOM

Meeting ID 948 2999 9159; Passcode 154403



Thanks to all who gave during our "Follow the Star" End of the Year Fund Raiser. A special thanks to those who gave in memory of someone who is no longer with us. They

are:

Cyrus and Xavier Hill gave in memory of
**Dr. Alfreda Bell &
Dr. Della Bell**

Mark and Gloria Broom gave in memory of
**Mr. Worth Charlie Broom, Sr.
Mrs. Earnestine Stromile Broom
Mr. Henry Green, Sr.
Mrs. Ida Francis Green**

Donations were not included in last issue .



James Thompson Church School Class is planning a Church Wide Garage Sale and Bar-B-Que on March 26,

2022. Members wishing to donate items may contact any member of the church school class. For further information or to participate please contact Kevin Wheeler.



FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY ONLY THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2022.

COMMUNION CUPS WITH WAFERS

Pre-filled and consecrated by the Pastor Allen Page, III, sealed communion cups with wafers are available each Saturday before Communion Services. CDC guidelines are closely followed, no personal contact is required. Simply pull up to the entry near the daycare, open your car trunk or passenger side car door and the number of cups you request are placed in your car. Proper Personal Protective Equipment is required (Mask/Gloves). Questions should be directed to the Stewardess Board President, Mrs. Julia Jones, 832-683-8428.

Distribution date for February is February 12, 2022

Distribution Date for March is March 5, 2022

BLACK HISTORY MOMENTS “Our CME Higher Education Institutions”



Texas College, a Historically Black College providing a liberal arts education for 114 years, exists to help people succeed by assisting them in developing their skills and their self-

confidence, as well as enlarging their perspectives on life. Texas College was founded in 1894 by a group of Christian Methodist Episcopal ministers in Tyler, Texas to educate disenfranchised individuals in East Texas.

Other Higher Education Institutions

Lane College - Jackson, Tennessee
Miles College — Birmingham, Alabama
Paine College—Augusta, Georgia
Phillips School of Theology—Jackson, TN

February 2022 — Confirmed Meetings

- 7 Missionary Meeting @ 6:00 PM
Free Conference Call Line—267-807-9495
Access Code—342569693#
- 9. Bible Study
Mid-Day Bible Study @ 12:00 Noon
Evening Prayer & Bible Study @ 6:00 & 6:30 PM
- 12. Communion Cups with wafers distributed: 10 AM to 1:00 PM
- 13. 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#
Regular Weekly Services each Sunday Morning
- 20 Annual Missionary Day @ 3:00 PM Via ZOOM
Rev. Valencia Edner, Guest Speaker, Pastor of Miles Chapel CME Church, Houston, TX



Mid-Day Bible Study Via Free Conference Call Line each Wednesday at Noon
Dial 701-802-5001 Access 495037#
Wednesday Evening Prayer and Bible Study
Prayer @ 6:00 PM & Bible Study @ 6:30 PM
Free Conference Call Line 605-475-4821
Access Code 306019
or Join Us on ZOOM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9751427923>
Meeting ID: 975 142 7923; Passcode 8955



Join us remotely each Sunday morning at 10:30 AM on Facebook Live for our Sunday Morning Worship Service. Search for Metropolitan CME Church—Restoration Blvd. on Face Book Live or utilize the Free Conference call Line: 605-475-4821, Code 306019

OR

**Visit us for In-person Worship Service
10:30 AM Each Sunday Morning**

Please join the CME Connectional Prayer Line!

Every weekday morning, in our own time zone (and in time zones across the U.S.), praying starts by 6:30 AM. If that's too late for you, join the Eastern Zone people in prayer by dialing in at 5:30; or in those hours are too early for you, join the Mountain Zone or the Pacific Zone people in prayer at 7:30 AM or 8:30 AM. This is the number to call: 605-468-8885; then enter the code – 616984#.

Ash Wednesday, which will be on March 2, 2022 marks the start of the **Lenten Season**. Watch your email for more information.

Motivational Thought from Llonnda Toney...

“We can't help everyone but everyone can help someone.”

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.



February Birthdays



Horace Barron	February 02
Aniyan Richardson	February 02
Tatiana Richardson	February 04
Kelce Thurmond	February 05
Wilma Glenn	February 06
Freddia Bradley	February 08
Helen Collins	February 09
Shirley Stringfield	February 09
Tonidjra Cook	February 10
Carrie Coleman	February 11
Lewis Preston	February 12
Kenneth Davis	February 14
LaToya Johnson	February 14
Claudia Bradford	February 15
Janet Gipson	February 18
David Edward	February 24
Myia Johnson	February 25



Your yearly contribution statements are now available and should have been mailed out or picked up by most of you. Please see any Steward Board member or email Metrocme@aol.com if you have not received your statement.

Spirit Sunday

Get **RED'dy**, Get **RED'dy**, Dust off your favorite RED outfit **and** get ready for Spirit (Go Red) Sunday, on March 20th during the 10:30 AM Worship Service.

The Theme is: "Reflecting, Reviving, Restoring and Rejoicing with Prayerful Hearts".

Each worshiper is encouraged to wear RED and to make a Contribution of \$200.00 above the regular tithes and offering.

Watch your email for more information to come!!

Trustees on Duty for February

Ardyth Guyer 713-409-2508
Kenneth Davis 713-446-2799

Proposed Special Fundraiser

Bro. Rosco Carr, President of the Steward Board proposed the following Special Fundraiser that he calls One Hundred Dollars per Quarter. The proposal would involve all members of Metropolitan giving \$100.00 per quarter. (Four times per year, above and beyond your regular tithes and offering). The quarters would be Jan.—March; April—June; July—September and finally October—December. If at least 50 people agreed to participate we would raise \$20,000.00 by December and even more if we all participated.

Your participation can be confirmed with Brother Carr or any member of the Steward Board or note on your contribution envelope that your donation is for the One Hundred Dollars per Quarter Fundraiser.



Please pray for the members listed below. You may request personal contact information by sending an email to 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 Nan Wiley Hendley
Sister Freddia Bradley
Sister Melba Sparks
Sister Cheryl Foster & Family
Sister Brenda Hayter & Family
Rev. Horace Barron
Sister Patrecia Bailey
Sister Jo Alice Scott
Sister Jackie Cooper
Sis. Sherri and Bro. Daniel Myles
Rev. E. Anne Ross
Rev. Allen Page, III /the family of Mrs. Mamie Page

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