



~What's Happening At The Met~

September 2022

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FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK



Rev. Allen Page, III

Greetings Metropolitan family.

In the first letter of the fall season, I want to encourage you during this time of change to remain steadfast, unmovable and always abounding in the work of the Lord. During the months of July and August we faced some financial challenges and called upon the church to give sacrificially above and beyond the tithe and offering. I want to take this opportunity to thank those of you who responded favorably to the cry for the sacrifice! You added to the fountain of resources, and we were able to continue our progression as a body of Christ effectively and responsibly. In 2 Peter 1:5 the writer of the text states "....add to your faith virtue...." Oswald Chambers in his great *My Utmost for His Highest* wrote "Add means that we have to do something. We are in danger of forgetting that we cannot do what God does, and that God will not do what we can do. We cannot save ourselves - God does that. But God will not give us good habits or character, and He will not force us to walk correctly before Him. We have to do all of that ourselves. We must work out our own salvation which God has worked in us." When we respond obediently to God's call in our lives - we are adding to our faith virtues that help us work out our own salvation. In order to add to our faith virtue, we must get into the habit of doing something, even those hard things that require sacrifice. Otherwise, we are in danger of just "sitting in places waiting to die." God has not called us to death, but rather to life; and even when life in the earth is over, for the Christian we have eternal life as our promised home.

Therefore, I repeat my expression of thanksgiving for those of you who responded to the call to sacrifice. But let me not stop there with my thanks. I appreciate each of you for your varied efforts to support the going concern of Metropolitan CME Church. Month after month, so many of you give in numerous ways to assist us in efforts to remain strong and viable as a congregation of believers - thank you! I cry even more loudly and say again "add to your faith virtue!" Be determined to act faithfully when God calls, never doubt God's intentions for your actions. Do something to assist God's plan and stand back and watch God work a miracle in your life and the lives of those you love. We have to get into the habit of carefully listening to God's command and find ways to heed what God is saying to us. Invoke the power of the Holy Spirit, as an agent of heaven in your quest to do something for God. God has promised the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives to be a comforter and a guide. And when crises come in your life, as they surely will, you will have the reservoir of virtue built to instinctively hear and heed the voice of God, and therefore know what to do. Add to your faith virtue.....

Reverend Allen Page III
Senior Pastor



Monday, September 5, 2022



The Metropolitan CME Church High School Graduates of 2022—Asia Johnson, Lola Morris, Tyra Clemons and Kaitlyn Carter would like to say "Thank You" to the Metropolitan Church Family for the trunks filled with items to help start their lives at their selected colleges and universities.

SAVE THE DATE!

**HEY NEIGHBORS!
METROPOLITAN IS HOLDING A**

GARAGE SALE

**Sat. Oct. 1, 2022
10am to 3pm**

Small Appliances
Furniture
Toys
Men's
Women's &
Kid's Clothes

Vendors \$25 per table
Ms. Ardyth Guyer
713-409-2508.

Donations Contact
Mr. Kevin Wheeler
281-703-2407

Cut-off date: 9/28/2022

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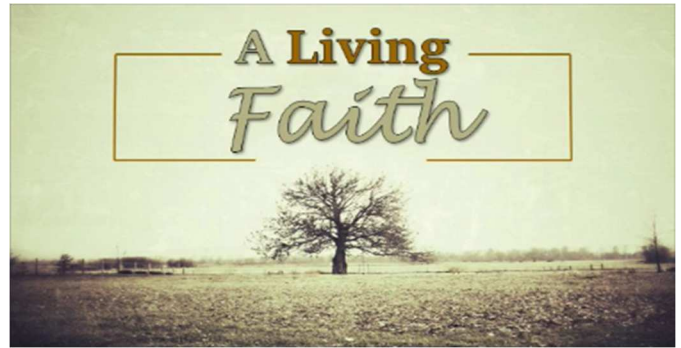
Help us to make our garage sale the best ever! Join us for a fun day of treasure hunting and fellowship. We're still accepting donations. Donate gently used household items, furniture, toys, and appliances!

And, help us get the word out by passing out flyers to family, friends neighbors!



Make plans to celebrate with your Grandparents or Grandparent figures in your life on Sunday, September 11, 2022

Church School Overview of the Fall Quarter



“A LIVING FAITH”

The fall quarter study focuses on faith. The first unit, “What is Faith” uses passages from Hebrews to move participants toward a definition of faith. These lessons engage learners in responsive obedience to God’s love that is revealed in Jesus. This response is an act of faith. The second unit is entitled “Who Understands Faith.” The first two lessons focus on Stephen’s message and martyrdom. The third lesson explores the repercussions for those who treat faith as a commodity. The fourth lesson looks at the faith that guides both Philip the evangelist and the Ethiopian seeker to examine the Scriptures together. The third unit, “What Does Faith Cost” is a four-lesson study of Paul’s faith and ministry. The first lesson examines Paul’s speech before King Agrippa. The second lesson goes with Paul aboard the ship to Rome. The final two lessons focus on Paul’s ongoing ministry even though he is a prisoner.

Classes will resume for our Children and Youth on Sunday, September 4th.

COMING SOON!
Pecans for sale



More information to come!

For more information please contact Ruth Linton, Carolyn Williams or Ardyth Guyer

The Women's Missionary Council celebrates its 104th birthday on September 7, 2022. The mission of the Council is to share the good news, salvation through Jesus Christ with unsaved men, women, and children at home and abroad by using the processes and programs outlined in the Bible, the Book of Discipline, and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Women's Missionary Council



Church Conference will be held on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 PM Via ZOOM. Watch your email for more information.



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 Cheryl Foster & Family
Sister Brenda Hayter & Family
Rev. Horace Barron
Sister Patrecia Bailey
Sister Jackie Cooper & Family
Sis. Sherri /Bro. Daniel Myles & Family
Rev. E. Anne Ross
Sister Seliah Smith and her son Earl Ray
Sister Gwendolyn Douglas and Family
To add or remove names on this list please send email to Metrocme@aol.com.

September 2022 — Confirmed Meetings

04 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 “In-Person” Worship Service in the Sanctuary

05 Labor Day– Holiday

07 Bible Study/Prayer **RESUMES** at 12 Noon & Wednesday Evening Bible Study Prayer @6:00 PM; Bible Study at 6:30 PM

11 Grandparents Day

12 7:00 PM Church Conference via ZOOM-Check your email for meeting ID number and Password

19 Missionary Meeting via Free Conference Call line at 6:30 PM



Wednesday Noon Day Bible Study resumes on September 7, 2022 @ Noon.

Wednesday Evening Prayer and Bible Study resumes on Wednesday, September 7, 2022—Prayer 6:00 PM & Bible Study 6:30 PM

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#.

HOUSTON DISTRICT MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP

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](tel:6054725783). and your access code [604403](tel:604403). For more information call Peggy Robinson.



Stephen McLemore, III	September 01
Annie Ross	September 02
Jules Alexis Glapion, IV	September 03
Lichea Bennett	September 06
Lishon Bennett	September 06
Cora Francis	September 06
Vernon Johnson	September 07
Charles Oliver, III	September 08
Bettina Patterson	September 08
Kendra Williams	September 08
Camry Sims	September 09
Lorenzo Butler	September 13
Tanisha Eanes	September 14
Alice Bowers	September 14
Janese Jackson	September 16
Patsy Offord	September 17
Shandra Smith	September 17
Ramona Bowers	September 18
Bettie Patterson	September 18
Gwendolyn Douglas	September 21
Tony Hall	September 21
Jadyn Garcia	September 21
Patrecia Okoye	September 22
Jay'Vian Mack	September 23
Troy Henderson, Jr.	September 23
Payton Campbell	September 26
Patricia Davis	September 29
Nan Wiley Hendley	September 30

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

Next Tentative Distribution Date
October 1, 2021—10:00 am—12:00 pm
Watch for official notice from Stewardess Board

September Curriculum Delay



A message from CME Church Publisher Dr. Roderick D. Lewis, Sr. and UMI's CEO C. Jeffrey Wright

Many of you have experienced product shipping delays and late orders of UMI products, products of the CME Church and I want to give you an update and an explanation of what is happening and what we are doing to address the issue. But first, I want to thank you for your support of The CME Church during this time of COVID-19.

Did you know that we start the work on quarterly curriculum products 24 months or longer before the quarter begins? But even with that much lead time, **the paper shortage and disruptions in the supply chain have caused printing companies to struggle to find enough paper to fulfill orders, and shippers are struggling to get orders shipped to customers on time.** This and other challenges beyond our control have also affected our product delivery.

The good news is that we have finally located the paper supplies and printing needed to create and deliver the products to you. However, we do not expect to have all the orders shipped before the beginning of September when you need them. **However, downloadable lessons are available immediately at this link: UrbanMinistries.com/September.** You can download these lessons to get you started on time for the quarter.

**September is
Gospel Music
Heritage Month**

Trustees on Duty for Sept.

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