



~What's Happening At The Met~

March 2024

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Rev. Allen Page, III ~ Senior Pastor



This Month's letter is from our own **Carolyn Williams** as she talks about how much she loves Church School formerly known as Sunday School. ~Pastor Page



Rev. Allen Page, III

I am really enjoying Church School/formerly known as Sunday School!!!!

I expect a variety of reactions from you. Kinda depends on where you are in your Christian education. As a child growing up in my home church, St. Mark CME, Longview, Texas, I recall those little cards with white Jesus and his followers on the front and scripture and brief story on the reverse side. Either the teacher would read and explain the meaning or allow one of us to read the story. I'm sure some discussion took place but I can tell you, I was so glad to be in fellowship with my family and friends until I don't remember much of those stories. In addition to the fellowship and bible lesson, we were expected to give a small monetary donation, generally pennies, nickel, dime. St. Mark was one block from Campbell's Potato Chip factory! Oh my, we couldn't wait to walk to that factory and buy a package of potato chips before church started @ 11a. In those days, we'd had breakfast before church, so we weren't hungry, just excited to be able to buy that 'treat'. And you know what, sometimes those chips would be over cooked. In fact, burned. We ate them anyway.

How times have changed! From those little cards to study books with quarterly themes, designed and written by learned Christian educators. I've come to a greater appreciation of the songs that I learned so long ago: hymns, anthems, gospels. I sang these songs for years but really had not experienced the biblical meanings. We're fortunate at Metropolitan to have teachers who prepare and study so that we, students, can learn how to incorporate the teachings of the Old and New Testaments in our everyday lives. Scriptures I've heard from being in worship services, sometimes didn't make much sense to me or maybe I wasn't really paying attention. And yes, I may not have understood the context, preacher/teacher may have used 'big' words and I didn't understand. Also, I might have just tuned out. Well, I'm tuned in now. I'm so glad that my parents followed:

[Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians 6:4 - Train up a child in the way ...](#)

[Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.](#)

We have such great dialogue in our class, offering our life experiences, thereby helping all of us to come closer to Christ to become witnesses for Him. I'm seeking Eternal Life to be with Jesus and one way I know to do that is attending Church School. I prefer in-person class, but you're invited to attend by phone, Zoom or in person. We're truly on a "Battlefield" for Jesus!!

Carolyn Williams

CONGRATULATIONS DANIEL!!!



Daniel Adkins was recently chosen as the **NEW ARTIST OF THE YEAR** at the 2024 Texas Gospel Music Awards. Daniel serves as worship leader at Metropolitan CME Church.



**Set Your Clock Ahead
One Hour Starting
Sunday,
March 10, 2024
(2nd Sunday in March)**

If you want to help with the goodies for Movie Night contact Mrs. Shandra or Rev. Jerry Smith,

Houston District CME Church Presents CYF Convention

MOVIE NIGHT

CANDY.....POPCORN.....DRINK

**FRIDAY
MAR 8TH
7:00 PM**

Doors open at 6:30pm

ARRIVE EARLY TO GET YOUR GOODIES BEFORE THE MOVIE. MOVIE WILL START PROMPTLY AT 7PM.

GOD'S NOT DEAD

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A graphic of a movie theater interior with rows of seats and a large bucket of popcorn in the foreground.

Easter egg hunt will be **Sunday, March 31, 2024** after worship service.

Individually wrapped candy that fits in an Easter egg

You can place your donations in the candy donations box in the foyer.

It's that time for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

On behalf of the Children's Ministry, we are asking for **CANDY and EGG DONATIONS**.

We appreciate your generosity in advance.

Easter candy needed by March 23, 2024

A graphic of a wicker Easter basket filled with colorful eggs, with more eggs scattered around it.

Children **Come join us!** READINGS

Easter Program will be Sunday, March 31, 2024 at 9:00 am

SKITS YOUNG ADULTS YOUTH

Invite family and friends! ADULTS

SPEECHES

A light continental breakfast will be served after the program.

A graphic background for the Easter program featuring a bright sun with rays, green grass, and a small black silhouette of a person.

HOUSTON DISTRICT CME CHURCH PRESENTS

Youth / Young Adult & Church School Convention

Theme

BOLD MOVES

To Enhance Christian Education

**GUEST PRESENTER
TAKEITHA 'TK' CARTER**

9TH MARCH, 2024

8AM Registration

9AM Devotion

A portrait of Takeitha 'TK' Carter, a woman with long dark hair, smiling.

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Easter is fast approaching, and we want ALL of our Children and Youth and Adults to participate in our Annual Easter Program.

We will have our **Easter Program, on Resurrection Sunday, March 31, 2024 at 9:00 am** (during the Church School hour). You'll be in for a treat, so you don't want to miss it!

Speeches/Skit Parts will be passed out after service. LaRonda Walker will be in the foyer after service to give you your part.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Ms. Walker at 832-372-9360 via text/ call or you can send an email at lwalker4dp@hotmail.com.



Noon Day Bible Study at 12 Noon each Wednesday

Via ZOOM Meeting ID 885 2896 7154
Passcode 8955 or Phone 1-346-248-7799

Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study

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

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. The number to call is: 605-468-8885; then enter the code – 616984#.

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.

March 2024— Confirmed Meetings

02 Stewardess Board Meeting 10:00 AM

03. 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” for Sunday Morning Worship.

04 Missionary Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Free Conference Call Line—267-807-9495
Access Code—342569693#

05 Official Board Meeting Via Zoom at 7:00 PM

06 Bible Study

Mid-Day Bible Study @ 12:00 Noon

Evening Prayer & Bible Study @ 6:00 & 6:30 PM

10 Last day to donate food for March

10 Christian Ministry Sunday (Connectional observance)

15-16 Spring Convocation in Dallas, TX

13 Board of Christian Education 7:00 PM

16 Blueridge Food Pantry (Bagging, Sorting & Distribution)

23 SETX WMS Regional Workshop & Luncheon

23 Tuscany Village 2:30 pm (Trustees)

27-29 Houston District Holy Weeks Services at Metropolitan

29 Good Friday

31 HAPPY EASTER



Houston District Holy Week Services will be held at Metropolitan CME Church—8955 South Freeway—Houston, TX 77051. IN PERSON - 7:00 PM Nightly

Outline of Wednesday—Thursday and Friday Services:

March 27, 2024 at 7:00 PM Bible Study

March 28, 2024 at 7:00 PM—Maundy Thursday—Communion Service

March 29, 2024 at 7:00 PM “The Seven Last Words Of Christ On The Cross”



**Official Board Meeting for Metropolitan CME Church
Tuesday, March 5, 2024 At 7:00 PM
Via Zoom (ONLY)**

All Trustees, Stewards, Stewardess and Presidents of Boards and Auxiliaries are asked to be present on the call.



March Birthdays



Lavearn Newsome	March 01
John Wills	March 02
Pauline Davis	March 04
Bertrand Simmons	March 04
Naschell Dixon	March 05
Tonya Rhodes	March 05
Christina Chargois	March 06
Marvin Sparks	March 05
Cailon Bolden	March 06
Kenadee Joyce-Marie Davis	March 07
Joshua Mack	March 08
Karson Edward Davis	March 09
Ella Faye Johnson	March 09
Jazzmin Phillips	March 10
Destiny Wilkerson	March 10
Stephen David McLemore	March 11
McKenzie Scott	March 13
Joe Wilmore	March 16
London Shuler	March 16
Rev. Waldo Murphy	March 20
Jackie McLemore	March 21
Tiffany Barron	March 23
Nikki Myles	March 24
Aaron Terrell Jones	March 28
Samisha Robinson Davis	March 28
Davianna Chatman	March 31

Information regarding Food Pantry with Blueridge UMC and Tuscany Village Outreach

Last Day to Donate to Food Pantry at Metropolitan for current month	Bagging/sorting & Distribution at Blueridge 9:00 am—12:00 pm
March 10, 2024	March 16, 2024
April 14, 2024	April 20, 2024

Please check donations for expiration dates!

Tuscany Village 2750 Miller Ranch Rd
Pearland, TX 77584—2:30—3:30 PM
March 23, 2024—Trustee Ministry
April 27, 2024—Men's Ministry

Trustees on Duty for March

Herbert Bradford 281-785-9041
Albert Greer 713-828`7607



EIGHTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

Spring Convocation

March 15-16, 2024 at
Christian Chapel Temple of Faith CME Church
14120 Noel Street
Dallas, TX 75254
Rev. Dr. Clarence Ford, Pastor

"Save The Date"

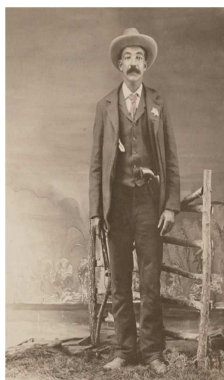
Spirit Sunday will be held April 14, 2024 during 10:30 AM
Worship Service. Each member is asked to represent with a
\$250.00 donation or what ever the Lord has blessed you to give.
Plan now to wear red on that special day.



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 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
Sister Jo Alice Scott - Rev. E. Anne Ross
Sister Ollie Byrd - Sister Annie Melson
Brother Daniel Myles - Bro. Darryl Bowers
Sister Brenda Hayter & Family
Sister Cora Francis & Sister Sally Grant and their families as they mourn the passing of their sister.

Black History Moments



BASS REEVES

JULY 1838-JANUARY 12, 1910

BASS REEVES WAS A RUNAWAY SLAVE,
GUNFIGHTER, FARMER, SCOUT, TRACKER, AND
DEPUTY US MARSHALL. HE SPOKE SEVERAL
LANGUAGES INCLUDING CHEROKEE AND CREEK.
BASS MADE MORE THAN 3,000 ARRESTS IN HIS
LIFETIME, KILLING 14 IN THE LINE OF DUTY,
WITHOUT EVER BEING INJURED. HE IS SAID TO
BE THE MODEL OF THE LONE RANGER
CHARACTER.