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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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The Gazette

THEME:

FILLING THE G-A-P
Re-Connecting the Connected

Philippians 4:13

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."



Rev. Aaron C. Lee Sr.
Moderator, Parent Body



Sister Dedria Jiles
Women's Auxiliary
President



Rev. Dawn Crawford
Church School & BTU
Congress President

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**Inspirational Expressions
From the
Moderator**

To our Bethany family, Pastors, churches, officers and members,

I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the name that is above every other name.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our auxiliaries and officers for a successful and blessed semi annual. The semi annual held at our beautiful campground, Camp Cedar Knoll in Millville, New Jersey, was a complete success. Each presenter and preacher did an awesome job for the Lord.

The semi-annual also presented an opportunity for our Bethany District Choir under the direction of Rev. Darryl Still to render several selections. We then we're able to springboard forward and have our Bethany District Choir in concert on June 29th at New Philippian Baptist Church located at 711 Heston Road, in Glassboro, New Jersey. This choir is still open for membership and will sing again at the Annual Session.

As we move into the second half of the year, we are preparing for our Bethany Annual Session, which will be held at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Salem, New Jersey. As well as our General Baptist State Convention of New Jersey Annual Session, which will be held in the Bethany District, at First Nazarene Baptist Church in Camden, New Jersey.

As you can see this will have us very busy for the second half of the year. I believe that we are up to the task, for Bethany stands second to none.

I am looking forward to continuing to work with you all as we "Reconnect the Connected by Bridging the Gap".

To God be the Glory,
Moderator Aaron C. Lee Sr.

**Inspirational Expressions
From the
Women's Auxiliary President**

Bethany Family, let us continue to focus on the LOVE of JESUS ! Continue to "let go and let God. He will carry us through. Let us continue to support our Moderator, Rev. Aaron Lee and his vision. Remember, the maintenance of Camp Cedar Knoll, is God assigned, for all of us to work together in love fulfilling His purpose. We can depend on God, He promises to never leave us or forsake us. We will never forget the WORD of GOD:

*The grass withereth, the flower fadeth:
but the Word of our GOD shall stand forever. Isaiah 40:8 KJV*

**I am looking forward to seeing you at the Annual Session
Wednesday, September 19, 2018
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Salem, NJ.**

God Bless You!

Yours in Christ,
Sister Dedria Jiles
Women's Auxiliary President

Sister Dedria Jiles
President

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Deaconess Doris Walden
Treasurer

2018 Bethany Bible Participants

Theme:

LOVE CONNECTION
Matthew 22:37-39

Beginner Girls Division

1st Place Winners

Moriah Neube /Gloucester Salem Counties

Payshunce Knight/Burlington County

Beginner Boys Division

1st Place Winner-Christian Johnson/Burlington County

Intermediate Girls Division

1st Place Winner-Jazzlynn Evers/Burlington County

Intermediate Boy's Division

1st Place Winner-Ja'Von Johnson/Burlington County

2nd Place Winner-Nicolas Brown/Camden County

3rd Place Winner-Michard Ruiz/Cape May Cumberland Counties

Junior Laymen Girl's Division

1st Place Winner-Alexys McLean/Cape May Cumberland Counties

2nd Place Winner-Aishah Dorsey/Camden County

3rd Place Winner-Shameria Carr/Burlington County

Junior Laymen Boy's Division

1st Place Winner-Elijah Dorsey/Camden County

2nd Place Winner-Jayson Fields/Cape May Cumberland Counties

3rd Place Winner-Darius Cunningham/Gloucester Salem Counties

4th Place Winner-Darius Paul/Burlington County



Congratulations to the 2018 Bethany Bible Bowl participants! See you next year!



Bro. Elijah Dorsey placed 1st in the State Bible Bowl Competition Junior Laymen's Boys Division. Aishah placed 2nd in the State Junior Laymen's Girls Division. Elijah will be going to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to attend the National Baptist Convention conference to compete in the National Bible Bowl Competition. He was coached by Camden District's finest, Brother William Chandler, for the past 10 years.

Congratulations to Elijah and Aishah Dorsey!!!

We are cheering for you, Elijah!!!

Rev. Dawn Crawford, President

Laymen's Movement

To My Bethany Family & Friends,

The Laymen of Bethany have persevered through a busy quarter. The General Baptist Convention Laymen came together in April for a successful day of street witnessing, which led up to our Semi-Annual Session in Scotch Plains, NJ. Bethany was well represented with a powerful Word from Dr. Cliff Freeman of The Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Camden, NJ entitled, 'One of Them.'

The celebration began with Bro. Elijah Dorsey winning the State Bible Bowl in Scotch Plains. We are delighted to have Bethany Association rising to the top within the convention and we applaud the entire Christian Education Department for assisting the laymen in the preparation of our youth. Because of the hard work of Elijah Dorsey and his coach, Bro. William Chandler, Elijah will represent the state of New Jersey at the National Bible Bowl competition in Oklahoma City, OK! Congratulations Elijah and much success.

On Thursday, May 10th, the Laymen held their Semi-Annual Session. We were grateful to Rev. Maurice Tobin of the Macedonia Baptist Church, Beverly, NJ for preaching an awesome Word and Rev. Darwin Ransome for his thought-provoking exposition of the theme, 'Find the Man, Win the Man, Grow the Man.' Two days later on Saturday, May 12th the Laymen experienced a night of praise at St. Paul Baptist Church, Cinnaminson, featuring Rev. Lewis Crumety of New Philippians, Rev. Darryl Still of Mt. Olive, and the Male Chorus of Christ Baptist Church. Each came in their own way, and each brought the spirit of God to the house.

In Christ,
Bro. Douglas Walden



Find the man
Win the man
Grow the man

Laymen's Annual Recognition Breakfast

Saturday, July 28, 2018 - 9:00 a.m.

Tabernacle Baptist Church
150 E. Second Street, Burlington, NJ
Tickets \$30.00

Bethany Honorees
Rev. Gregory F. Rhett (Pastor)
&
Brother Eugene Morris II (Laymen)

CALLING ALL MEN!!!

You are invited to join us at the
Bethany Annual Session

Laymen's Session will be held
Thursday, September 20, 2018
5:30 p.m.

Bethany Annual Session

BETHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SESSION SCHEDULE September 15 - 20, 2018

Saturday, September 15
Christian Education Day (Camp Cedar Knoll, Millville, NJ)

Sunday, September 16
Women's Auxiliary Queen's March 1:00- 3:00 pm
Ebenezer & New Light Union Service 7:00 p.m.
(Camp Cedar Knoll, Millville, NJ)

Monday, September 17
Nurses & Ushers Session 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 18
Church School & BTU Congress 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 19
Women's Auxiliary 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Riding in the 2nd Chariot 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 20
Laymen's Session 5:00 p.m.
Parent Body Session 7:00 p.m. (Moderator's 3rd Annual Address & Officers Installation)

Annual Session Location

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 437 Grieves Parkway, Salem, NJ

Missionary Directory

The Women's Auxiliary is in the process of preparing a directory for Bethany Baptist Association Missionaries. The information was distributed to your County Presidents.

Please submit all completed forms to:

Deaconess Brenda Gray
701 W. Red Bank Avenue, Apt H18
West Deptford, NJ 08096
(856) 686-2127

or

Email to:

Deaconess Cheryl White
cwhite0556@gmail.com

Congratulations to all BBA Youth on their many achievements and accomplishments in the 2017-2018 school year. Many of our youth have graduated from High Schools all throughout the five counties and we are so very proud of them as they go further in their higher education. Keep up the good work and always put God first in your life.

May God continue to bless you all!

In His Service,

Carol Colston
Director



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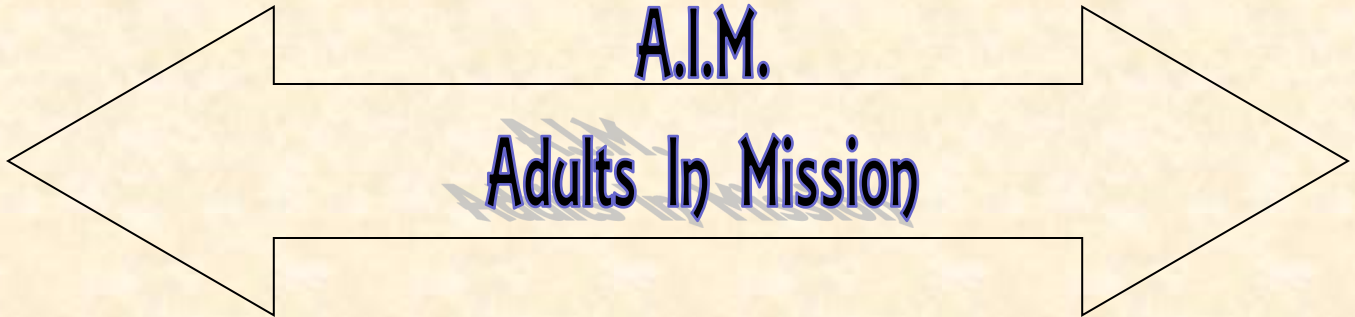
**Bethany Baptist Association
will host
General Baptist Convention
of New Jersey**

October 1 - 4, 2018

First Nazarene Baptist
1500 South 8th Avenue, Camden, N.J. 08104
Rev. Dyheim T. Watson

Gala

October 7, 2018
Adelphia's Ballroom
1750 Clements Bridge Road
Deptford, NJ 08096



Theme:

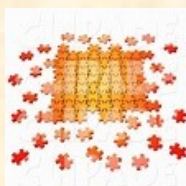


Where Do I Fit?



But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. Ephesians 4:15-16

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. I Corinthians 1:10



The AIM Department's focus is to enable the young adult members of Bethany to have an active role. In conjunction with the YES Department, we strive to ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION.

If you are between the ages of 18-35 and would like to fellowship with other adults, please contact me.

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W. Deptford, NJ 08096

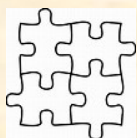
Home: 856-686-2127 / Cell: 609-254-8578

Please join us at the Bethany Annual Session

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Salem, NJ



Permanent Council's Ministry Description

The Permanent Council is composed of ordained ministers of the Association who have the power to pass on matters pertaining to the business of the council. The Officers of the Council are President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who will perform the customary duties of each office.

The Council in conjunction with The Bethany Baptist Association School of Biblical Studies (BBSBS) help educate and prepare candidates for ordination. In conjunction with the applicants' churches, the council, school and ordained pastors of Bethany examine each student and ensure each student is prepared for pastoring. The council also participates in each candidate's ordination celebration.

Upon a request, preferably written, from a pastor or church leaders, the Permanent Council will assist any Bethany Baptist Association churches with disputes, recognitions, and investigations of churches or individuals making applications for membership which are within the purview of the council.

The Council is available, upon request, to assist any vacant Bethany church by supplying qualified preachers for Sunday services and pastoral candidates. The Council will also provide advise and assistance with succession planning to any Bethany church seeking to call a Pastor. The Council will provide all vacant churches with a list of Bethany trained and ordained preachers for worship services and applicants to be considered for the pastorate.

If a Licentiate (unordained minister) is called to Pastor an association church or called as an assistant to the Pastor of a church, or as a missionary under some authorized board or organization; and a request is made by the church or Pastor, the Licentiate shall be deemed eligible to be considered for ordination and the Council will assist said church with the Pastor-Elect's ordination.

Any church that calls a pastor whose ordination is questionable, the church should contact the Permanent Council if it desires assistance in credential verification. All candidates seeking to pastor should be ordained by a credible or accredited Baptist Association. In this regard, if any church calls a minister to pastor that is not ordained, said church should request assistance by the Bethany Baptist Association in the ordination process of their Pastor.

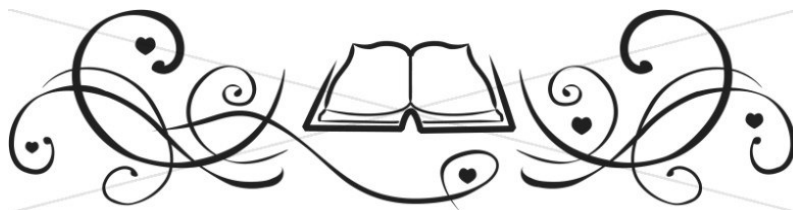
If anyone have any questions or desire the Council's assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached by e-mail at: pastorbmike@me.com or by phone at 856-366-7951.



Permanent Council**BETHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES**

The Bethany Baptist School of Biblical Studies is offering a new and exciting curriculum for the ministerial staff and lay leaders. These courses are designed to help transition your church leadership base to understanding the challenges of stability in the 21st Century. The cultural shifts in our society make it imperative that we develop new methods and, at the same time, solidify biblical doctrine. This new generation is not going to be reached by our present traditions and practices, so we must have informed and trained leaders working in our churches.

The curriculum track will be governed by the following standards: (1) All courses require eight (8) classroom hours (2 each week) for certification; (2) There will be weekly “in-class exercises” but NO FINAL for these courses; (3) Additional reading may be assigned by each **Teaching Facilitator**; (4) Course cost is \$100 per course.

**UPCOMING CLASSES****Principles of Church Growth**

September 3 through September 24, 2018

Discipleship that Teaches and Reaches

October 8 through October 29, 2018

Classes held at

First Baptist Church of Jericho

981 Mail Avenue

Deptford, New Jersey 08096

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW CAMP DIRECTOR

Nicholas Deitz

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Website: campcedarknoll.org

Summer Camp Has Begun.

There is still time to sign up for the upcoming weeks.

Summer camp for children between the ages of 6 to 14.
Summer Camp will run from June 25 until August 24, 2018.

You may also like us on Facebook or find us on the web at www.campcedarknoll.org for updates and more information.



Looking for Volunteers

If you have a passion to serve or have set skills such as cleaning, painting, racking leaves, décor, etc.

We are looking for you!

Camp Cedar Knoll has so much to offer and with some extra hands we could do much more together. Contact us via email and let's get you involved!

Bookings

Summer is here and bookings have begun!

Bethany Baptist has booked their events such as the Bethany BBQ in August amongst many more events. Some dates are still available to host your event so if you have an event and date in mind, please contact us today.

**Retirement Luncheon for
Pastor Johnnie L. Williams
Union Baptist Church, Bordentown, NJ**

Saturday, September 29, 2018

11:30 - 3:00 p.m.

\$75.00

Trenton Country Club

201 Sullivan Way, Trenton, NJ

Sister Jeannette Jackson - Ticket Chairperson 609-585-0327

**Bethany Baptist Association Women's Auxiliary
Celebrates Senior Saints Who Are 90 Years Old Plus**

Saturday, August 25, 2018 - 12:00 noon

St. John Baptist Church

400 N. 30th Street, Camden, NJ 08105

Rev. Dr. Silas M. Townsend, Pastor

Donation \$15.00

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dyheim T. Watson, Senior Pastor

First Nazarene Baptist Church, Camden, NJ

Contact your County Presidents for tickets.

5x7 Photos available for purchase - \$10.00

Deaconess Patricia A. Still, Chairperson

UPCOMING EVENTS



**JOIN US AS WE
GIVE GOD PRAISE**

**BETHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
INVITES YOU TO
JOIN US AS WE COME TOGETHER IN UNITY
PSALM 133:1**

**Bethany Baptist Association
Annual Cookout**

**August 11, 2018
Begins 8:00 a.m.**

**Camp Cedar Knoll
1 Schooner Landing Road, Millville, NJ**



IT'S TIME FOR PRAYER

**BETHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
INVITES YOU TO JOIN IN OUR PRAYER RETREAT**

Saturday, July 14, 2018

9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Pre-Registration \$15.00 (Contact your County President)

Light Continental Breakfast 8:00 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.

Lunch served 12:15 p.m.

**Deaconess Martha Meyers, First Vice President - Chairperson
Sister Deidre Jiles, President
Rev. Aaron Lee, Moderator**

Bethany Baptist Association Church School & BTU Congress of Christian Education Honorary Breakfast

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported our 2018 honorees. Each honoree was well deserving of their recognition. Continue to keep them in prayer.



HONOREES

Sister Louise Gorham-Neblett, Mount Zion Baptist Church, Pleasantville
Sister Eunice R. Mack, Second Baptist Church, Atlantic City
Sister Marian Daniels, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Burlington
Sister Bernice Hazell, St. Paul Baptist Church, Cinnaminson
Sister Ann Gilpin, Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Cape May Court House
Deacon Mercer Hedgeman, Union Baptist Temple, Bridgeton
Rev. James Taylor, Morningstar Baptist Church, Woodstown
Sister Terri Robinson, Emanuel Baptist Church, Glassboro

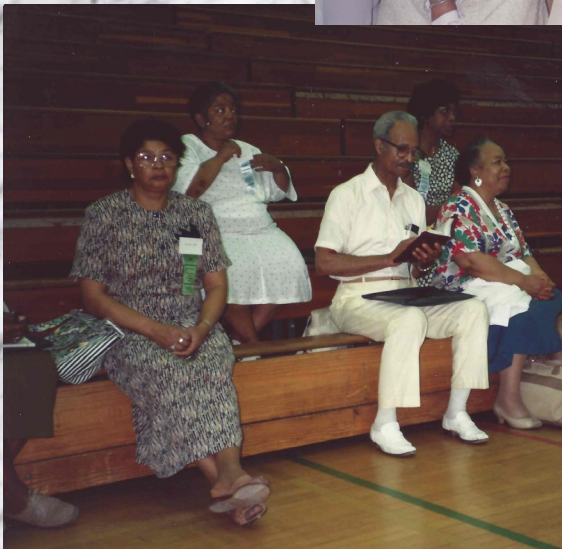
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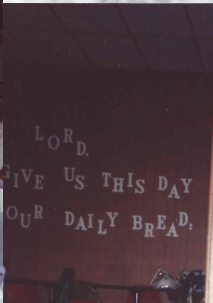
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