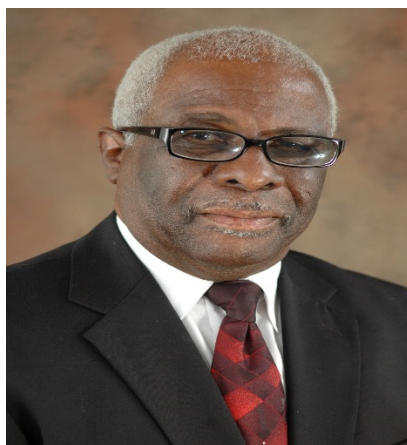


***Progressive Missionary & Educational Baptist
State Convention of Florida, Inc.***

***Dr. Bartholomew Banks, Sr.
President***

Social Justice Hour



Dr. Kenneth C. Holley, Chairman

**Thursday, March 22, 2018
2:00 P.M.**

**Innisbrook Golf Resort & Spa
36750 U.S. Highway 19 North
Palm Harbor, Florida**

***Dr. G. B. Robinson, Vice Chairman
Dr. Walter Williams, Chairman Emeritus***



Reverend Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr., MDIV.

Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr. was born August 1, 1958 in Lake Charles, Louisiana and graduated from Washington High school in 1976. A graduate of the Historically Black Bishop College in Dallas, Texas, he earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion and Philosophy with a minor in Speech Education. He has also received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Union Baptist College and Theological Seminary and a Masters from Payne Theological Seminary. He is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Ministry at Stephen Olford Center at Union University in Memphis, TN.

Reverend Tolbert is a recognized civic leader. He served as a commissioner for the Lake Charles Housing Authority, a representative of District “A” on Lake Charles City Council, and as a member of the board of the Louisiana Economic Development Corporation. Currently, Reverend Tolbert serves on the board of supervisors for the Southern University System and on the Board of Trustees of Florida Memorial University and Morehouse Colleges’ School of Divinity.

A devout man of faith, Reverend Tolbert has dedicated himself to a life of religious servitude. He is the former Pastor the Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church, in Cameron Louisiana and has served as Pastor of the Greater Saint Mary Missionary Baptist Church in Lake Charles, La. for the past 30 years.

Reverend Tolbert has held a number of positions in the faith community including serving as a member of the Board of Trustee’s at Union Baptist College and Theological Seminary in New Orleans, Louisiana, Former President of the Louisiana Inter-Church Conference, Vice-President, North American Baptist Fellowship, Division of the World Baptist Alliance, First Vice President of the Southwest Missionary Baptist Association, President of the Louisiana Home & Foreign Missions Baptist State Convention, and First Vice President and General Secretary of the National Baptist Convention of America International, Inc. Reverend Tolbert also currently serves as President of Greater St. Mary Community Development Foundation, the president & CEO Strategic Faith Leadership Ministries, and as the Coordinator of Disaster Relief - North America for Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention.

Reverend Tolbert's accomplishments reflect his dedication to his faith, education and service. On June 25, 2014, in a landslide victory, he was elected the 15th President of the National Baptist Convention of America International, Inc. With over 3.5 million members worldwide, the National Baptist Convention of America is an organization that seeks to “positively impact and influence the spiritual, educational, social, and economic conditions of all humankind”. Immediately after his election, Rev. Tolbert began leading the NBCA to push “a Christ-centered urban agenda.”

Rev. Tolbert is married to Matilda E. Tolbert and they are the proud parents of two daughters, Candace Latrice and Kayla Monique

Order of Service
Reverend Kenneth C. Holley, Presiding

Musical Prelude

Invocation

Moderator Paul Buster

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”
Dr. Delwynn Williams
Director of Music, PEMSBC of Florida

Greetings

Reverend Brian Brown, Chair
Social Justice Commission NBCA, Inc.

Dr. Gregory B. Robinson, Chairman
Social Justice for Mt. Pilgrim Association

Selection

State of Affairs

Dr. Kenneth C. Holley, Chairman

Worship in Giving

Moderator Otis C. Raines
All Moderators

Introduction of the Speaker

Dr. Bartholomew Banks, Sr.
General President

Selection

Social Justice Message

Dr. Samuel Tolbert, President
National Baptist Convention of America Inter., Inc

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Dr. J. J. Pierce
Third Vice President

Announcements & Presentation of the President

Dr. H. D. Rucker
First Vice President

Final Remarks

Dr. Bartholomew Banks, Sr.
General President

Benediction

Rev. W. D. Sims
Second Vice President

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Words by James Weldon Johnson

Music by: John Rosamond Johnson

**Lift ev'ry voice and sing,
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.**

**Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast'ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered.
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the
slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.**

**God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who hast by Thy might,
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand,
True to our God,
True to our native land**