

WELCOME

WINTER BOARD SESSION



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The President Speaks...

Greetings Progressive Contingency Visitors and Friends!

It is with a heart of gratitude that we give praises to the Almighty God for another year's gathering at this our Annual Winter Board session. I welcome each of you my sisters and brothers who have come to share in Winter Board, 2013!

As we convene in the great city of Orlando, I am reminded that we have come this far by faith, leaning on the sustaining hands of the Lord. Eyes have not seen nor have ears heard what great things God still has in store for Progressive! Let us not be weary in well doing for we shall reap if we faint not!

Special thanks to the Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church family who so graciously accepted to host this 2013 session. Also to the First South Florida Association, and Moderator C. R. Taylor who shared in hosting us this week. We appreciate every effort you made to ensure our stay is a memorable one.

We are approaching the end of another conventional year, but more importantly we are approaching the time we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Let us remember that, "He Is the Reason For The Season!" It is His birthday! It is my prayer that each of you will have a blessed holiday season and a prosperous New Year!

Enjoy this week of worship and fellowship, and have a safe trip back to your various homes.

Rev. Dr. Bartholomew Banks, Sr., President



Senior Women

Senior Women President Wright On The Road With NBCA Presidential Candidate Reverend Samuel Tolbert

Sister Barbara Wright joined Reverend Samuel Tolbert, Presidential Candidate for the National Baptist Convention of America, Incorporated, along with others, as they toured the state of Louisiana.



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Theme:

**“THE CHURCH: CHRIST CENTERED,
MANDATE CULTURED, MINISTRY
COMMISSIONED”**

St. Matthew 16:13-18, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31;
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St. Matthew 28:18-20

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SENIOR WOMEN'S MINISTRY

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Progressive Missionary and Educational Baptist State Convention of
Florida, Incorporated

Dr. Barbara F. Wright, Ministry President

Dr. Bartholomew Banks, Sr. Convention President

Greetings to each of you in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

We praise, glorify and honor our awesome God, who has allowed us to come together in unity and love on this 2013 Winter Board Session of the Progressive Missionary and Educational Baptist State Convention of Florida, Incorporated.

As we reflect on the grace and mercy that God has bestowed upon us over this past year, we are most grateful. We continue to experience the peace that only He can give as we stand firmly on our FAITH. We are provided the opportunity to trust, lean and depend on the One who is able to keep us from falling and present us faultless before the throne of grace, and for this, we are grateful.

We, as Missionaries, must be reminded that we are to remain genuinely conscientious in carrying out the Kingdom's agenda. We are called to accountability to do those things that the Lord has commanded us to do.

Mission is the assigned activity of God's people, the Church, as we proclaim and demonstrate the love of God to the world. We must reach out to others, not only at home, but to the uttermost parts of the world.

It is our charge to seize every opportunity to do the work of the Kingdom, that is, to do the work that accentuates the spread of the Gospel. Our

effort must continue to be centered on the Master's command to "Go"! Although everyone can't go into the foreign fields, we can certainly facilitate the efforts of others by the giving of our means and resources.

As we, "lift the least", let us be totally committed to the task that is set before us as Christian Missionaries. Implementation of this commitment requires dedication, loyalty, and devotion to our Lord with a steadfast unswerving faith.

Recognizing that Mission is a movement, we must remain a dedicated part of this movement. It is our task to be accountable to this Missionary Movement as we go, give, tell and send. We are challenged to move from inspiration to aspiration, participation, and demonstration. In so doing, we fulfill the call to Mission, by faithfully and joyfully following Jesus' spoken mandate to, "Go ye, into all the world."

It is our prayer that this session will be all that God would have it to be and that when we leave this place, we can truly say that "God has smiled on us" and that our call to accountability has been renewed for action, deeds and the work that stands before us.

Lastly, we extend to each of you a joyful holiday season as we celebrate in love, recognizing that, Jesus is truly the reason for the season.

In His Service,
Dr. Barbara F. Wright

PROGRESSIVE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATIONAL BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF FLORIDA, INC.

Sister Barbara F. Wright, Senior Women's Ministry President

Rev. Dr. Bartholomew Banks , Sr., Convention President

ANNUAL DONATION DAY FOR FLORIDA MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

November 26, 2013

Special thanks to all our supporters and contributors!

District Association	President	Moderator	Amount
East Florida & Bethany	Sister Carolyn Burney	Dr. Kelly Brown	\$3,125.00
Equal Rights	Sister Lela Grooms		No report
First South Florida	Sister Regina Lawrence	Dr. C. R. Taylor	\$12,874.00
Greater South Florida	Sister Verdell Bolden	Elder Charlie Reese	\$8000.00
Gulf Coast	Sister Lillie Minor	Rev. Thomas J. Reed	No Report
Kissimmee Valley	Sister Annie Ola Parker	Rev. Kenneth C. Holley	\$3,091.51
Middle FL & Clay County	Sister Constance Butler	Rev. Eddie Henry	\$510.00
Mount Pilgrim	Sister Ola Johnson	Dr. H. L. Daniels	\$6,462.34
New Central	Sister Joy L. Leonard	Rev. Robert Lewis, Sr.	\$850.00
New Gulf Coast	Sister Gloria D. Beamon	Rev. A. L. Young	\$2,355.00
Progressive West FL	Sister Norma J. Hartfield	Dr. Rufus Wood, Jr.	\$2,400.00
Second West	Sister Florida McMillan	Rev. Riley Henderson	\$3,980.00
South FL Progressive	Sister Mamie Rogers	Dr. C. T. Kirkland	\$2013.00
Union Baptist	Sister Lauretha Rittman	Rev. John Gardner	\$1,270.00
Union Foreign	Sister Marsha Tarver	Rev. Fleming Tarver	\$4,669.00
Progressive M&E	Sister Jerri McAllister	Deaconess Council	\$1000.00
Progressive M&E	Sister Bonnie Belford	Women Intermediate	\$500.00
Progressive M&E		State Ushers Ministry	\$500.00
Dr. Stephen J. Thurston		NBCA President	\$500.00
Dr. Samuel C. Tolbert		Greater St. Mary M.B. Church/Lake Charles, LA	\$500.00

GRAND TOTAL
\$56,173.85



“Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.”
(Psalms 112:1)

Sister Gerri McCallister

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

Psalms 112:1 tells us that we have many blessings that God has made available to us such as honor, prosperity, security, freedom from fear – if we fear the Lord and delight in obeying his commands. The Deaconess Council are thankful for all his blessings. We thank him for the privilege of allowing us to gather in Orlando for the 2013 Winter Board Planning Session for the Progressive Missionary & Educational Baptist State Convention of Florida. We bless his name and praise him in the highest!

The Deaconess Summit and Brotherhood Unity Day in August was a great blessing. We praise God for the loving support of the Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church and their (now deceased pastor/Moderator) Reverend Roosevelt Cooper. The Greater South Florida Association and Kissimmee Association and its Moderator, Reverend Kenneth Holley were great hosts. Thanks to all the pastors and members of both associations for receiving us so graciously. Our time was well spent and all were truly blessed in South Bay.

We are thankful for how God’s blessings unfolded again during our area fundraising activities. Again this year, it yielded much for our education and mission effort. Thanks to the vice-presidents and

area coordinators for their steadfast and diligence in following through and ensuring that goals were met. I cannot say thank-you enough to the many dedicated and sincere Deaconess Council members across the state who helped to make it possible for us to give to Florida Memorial University \$1,000.00 for their 57th Annual Donation Day. We praise God also, for allowing seven members of the Deaconess Council to be in attendance this year in Miami for Donation Day.

Thanks be to God our Father for all who has given support to us as we continue our mission to move forward in seeking to serve and make an anointed difference in the lives of others.

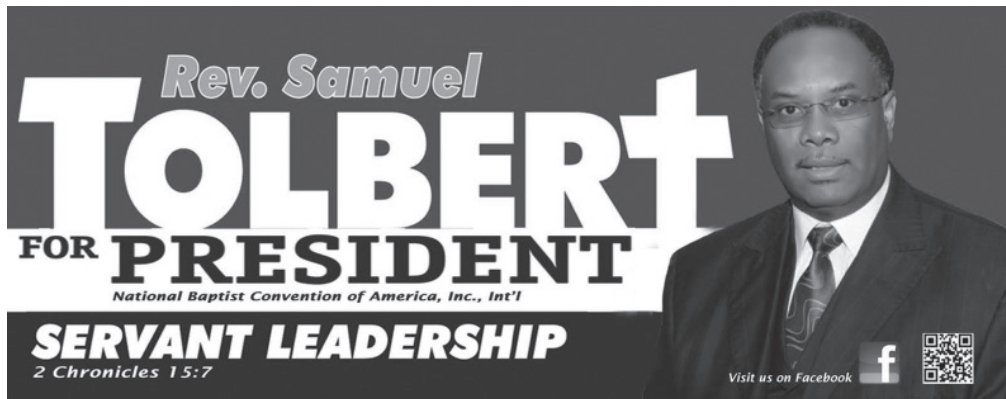
Have a blessed holiday season and may the love of God always abide in you!

Sister Gerri McCallister
State Deaconess Council President

WELCOME to the 2013 Winter Board Session



Dr. Bartholomew Banks & the Progressive Missionary and Educational Baptist State Convention, Incorporated welcomes Rev. Samuel Tolbert, National Baptist Convention of America, Presidential Candidate, to our Winter Board Session!



Women's Intermediate Auxiliary



Sister Bonnie G. Belford

LEADERSHIP RETREAT

As we prepare for a change of leadership, the Women's Intermediate Auxiliary will gather for a Leadership Retreat on Friday and Saturday, December 6-7 at the close of Winter Board. All current State Officers and District Presidents have been invited to attend. For additional information, please contact Ministry Leader Belford at 941-730-3725.

WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP TEA

The WIA of the New Mt. Zion M. B. Church of Lakeland will gather for an end of year Worship Service and Fellowship Tea on Sunday, December 29, 2013, at 4:00 in the afternoon. Dr. Kendrix Gardner is Pastor and Sister Bonnie G.

Belford is Ministry Leader. Dr. Gardner will be the messenger for the special service.

Personal note: Over the past 15 years, I have come to everything I could that all of you invited me to . . . WIA programs, retreats, revivals, etc. I have not invited you to anything at my church. This is a personal appeal that you come and fellowship with me and the WIA of New Mt. Zion for this program as this will be my one and only affair as Ministry Leader there.

See you December 29th!

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Wednesday, December 4

7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

“Welcome Program”

****The President is asking everyone to please be present for this program****

PRESENTED BY:

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Held at

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Reverend Dr. C. R. Taylor, Moderator

8:00 P.M.

Vice President W. D. Sims, Presiding

First South Florida Association in Charge
And
Macedonia M. B. Church, Eatonville, Reverend Dr.
Willie C. Barnes

Devotion
Deacons

Selections
Choir

Scripture

Reverend Dr. Clifton E. Dollison, First MB Winter
Haven

Introduction of Preacher

Reverend Dr. Rollie Murrays, Jr. Bethel, Orlando

Sermon

Reverend Dr. Willie C. Barnes,

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Offertory Appeal

Reverend Rayford Harper, First Baptist W. Tampa

Remarks

President Bartholomew Banks

Benediction

Reverend Dr. Willie C. Barnes

Late Night Service

Reverend O'Hara Black, Chairman

Sermon

Reverend Edward Quarry, Jr. Pastor
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Dundee, FL



2013 Winter Board Session

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Thursday, December 5

10:00 A.M.

INTRODUCTORY WORSHIP SERVICE

Vice President J. J. Pierce, Presiding

Devotion
Deacons

Theme Presentation:

Dr. Frank O'Harroll, Bethel, Winter Haven

Meeting Purpose and Agenda
President Bartholomew Banks, Sr.

Adoption of Agenda

Direction for Enrollment.....Deacon Cleveland
Raymond

SelectionsChoir

Introduction of Preacher ... Moderator Rufus Wood

Selection.....Choir

Sermon.....Reverend Dr. Delwynn Williams
St. John Missionary Baptist Church
Panama City, FL

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Offertory Appeal

Announcements

Remarks

President Bartholomew Banks, Sr.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Reverend Samuel Tolbert
First Vice President NBCA

BenedictionReverend Dr. Delwynn Williams

12:00 NOON

LUNCH

MINISTRIES PLANNING SESSION

2014 CONVENTION PLANNING SESSION

2:00 P.M.

Pastors'/Ministers' Development Conference
Dr. G. I. Bradley, Chairman

Pastors' Enrollment: \$50.00
Ministers' Enrollment: \$15.00



2013 Winter Board Session

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7:00 P.M.

Vice President Kelly Brown, Jr. Presiding

Greater South Florida Missionary Baptist
Association in charge

Reverend Charlie Reese, Moderator
And
First Institutional MB Church, Lake Wales,
Reverend Dr. J. J. Piece, Sr., Pastor

Devotion
Deacons of First Institutional Baptist Church

Selections
Choir

Introduction of Preacher
Moderator Charlie Reese, Greater Union, South
Bay

Scripture
Reverend Lionel F. Camel, Jr. Mt. Calvary, Belle
Glade

Selection
Choir

Sermon
Reverend Dr. J.J. Pierce, Sr., Pastor
First Institutional Baptist Church
Lake Wales, FL

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Offertory Appeal
Moderator Charlie Reese

Remarks
President Banks

Benediction
Moderator Charlie Reese

Late Night Service

Reverend O'Hara Black, Chairman

Sermon
Reverend Charles E. Williams, Jr. Pastor
Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Orlando

Friday, December 6

9:00 A.M.

Vice President H. T. Rucker, Presiding

Devotion

Deacons

Congregational Singing

Introduction of President
Vice Moderator Brain K. Brown

Scripture
Moderator H. L. Daniels

2013 Winter Board Session

Hymn of Preparation
Moderator Rufus Wood, Jr.

Sermon
President Dr. Bartholomew Banks Sr.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship
Moderator C. Redding Taylor

Offertory Appeal
Moderator Aldredge L. Young
Moderator Kenneth C. Holley

Remarks
President Bartholomew Banks, Sr.

**Introduction of Business Session and
2014 Annual Program Development**
Reverend Dr. W. J. Haynes

Announcements and Dismissal

CLOSING OF THE WINTER BOARD SESSION



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Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year



REV. DR. BARTHOLOMEW BANKS, SR. & LADY VANESSA BANKS