



THE Mount Calvary MESSENGER

SMALL ENOUGH TO KNOW YOU, LARGE ENOUGH TO GROW YOU!

MAY

2023

WOMEN'S MONTH

Together, We're Better, Stronger, and Unstoppable!



**"AS IRON SHARPENS IRON, SO A FRIEND SHARPENS A FRIEND."
PROVERBS 27:17 NLT**

WHAT YOU WILL FIND IN THE MESSENGER...

- ◆ Women's Day Message
- ◆ WOW Women's Month Announcements
- ◆ Weekly Power Cells
- ◆ May 2023 Prayer List



A Message from Women of Warfare, W.O.W. Ministry...



In the same way that iron sharpens iron, a person sharpens the character of a friend. (Proverbs 27:17, VOICE)

Glory to God, who reigns high and gives us the divine power to proclaim with authority:
Together We Are Better,
Stronger, and Unstoppable.

The month of May reveals the beauty of Spring, giving us another opportunity to witness the miracles of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Flowers bloom, and birds sing the unhindered praises of the Lord in the early morning hours. We are shedding the heaviness of the winter months and opening ourselves up to the fresh possibilities of staying connected to God.

May is Women's Month at Mt. Calvary A.M.E.! The Women of Warfare (W.O.W.) ministry are Connecting, Communicating, and Celebrating the release of being under the grip of the Covid 19 pandemic. A grip that did not hold us down or disconnect us from attending in-person Worship Service. Reflecting on the words of Marvin Sapp, I never would have made it, never could have made it, without You, I would have lost it all, but now I see You were there for me. Thanks be to God, we made it. We are gifted with God's grace and mercy to resume in-person worship and spread God's word. What a time to Rejoice, knowing that God has us.

Spring offers the W.O.W. ministry an opportunity to honor six women warriors of God who refused to be counted out, no matter the grip of the pandemic. W.O.W. recognizes that many hard-working, Christ-driven, and dedicated women continue to be committed to service, leadership, and involvement in the community for the benefit of others. These women deemed it not robbery to rise above the ashes. Echoing the sentiment of the Apostle Paul, *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."* (Galatians 6:9) *W.O.W. will celebrate six women, five from the ministry and one from the community, during the Women of Excellence Banquet on May 13, 2023. We also want to celebrate and rejoice with you during this season of Women's Month 2023.*

Looking forward to seeing you at the banquet and joining in worship!

Sis. Patricia A. Joyner
Servant Leader for the W.O.W Ministry

ORDER of *Worship*

Welcome

Invocation

Scripture

Selection

Welcome

Tithes, Missionary, and General Offering

This is My Tithe

I acknowledge that God is the giver of every good and perfect gift. I can only reap what I have sown. I cannot out give God no matter how I try, and as I act in obedience to the word of God, I bless my church, myself and my family.

This is the promise of God. Malachi 3:10

Corporate Prayer

Selection

Preached Word of God

Invitation to Accept Christ

Benediction

“You’ve come to Worship, now leave to Serve!”

Mt. Calvary A.M.E. Church Mission and Vision

We are a Christ-Centered church that believes in the full gospel message. We believe in building and equipping disciples and we are committed to reaching our city, state, and world with the Gospel. We want to connect with people and grow an authentic relationship with Jesus. We are a word-based, soul-winning, love-centered church that hopes-

“The Distance Was Worth The Difference?”



2023 Women's Month...

Theme: Together We Are Better,
Stronger, and Unstoppable

Monthly Scripture: In the same way that iron sharpens iron, a person sharpens the character of a friend. (Proverbs 27:17, VOICE)



Women's Month 2023 Schedule:

Join us during the month of May as we have celebrate Women!

Sunday, May 7, 2023, **Communion Sunday and Women's Month Kick-off Service** - Come to Worship wearing All White with bright colored accessories.

Saturday, May 13, 2023, Women of Excellence Banquet - After 5 Attire, Guest Speaker: Rev. Candance Greene, *Gethsemane AME Church, Baltimore, MD*, where the pastor is Rev. Michael Hudson, Sr.

Sunday, May 14, 2023, Mothers Day - Come to Worship wearing your Bright Colored Dresses.

Sunday, May 21, 2023, Come to Worship wearing Camouflage Attire.

Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023 – Annual **Women's Day!!!** Come to Worship wearing our African Attire!!! Speaker: Rev. Bonnie Epps-Burgess
Sacrificial Gift: \$100 for women & men.



The 2nd Episcopal District Women's Prayer (Excerpt)...

Almighty God, we pray that You would strengthen those women who dared to believe and now walk in places of authority. Give them the wisdom to walk and work well where You have planted them. Lord, we ask that you be a hedge of protection around them and a beacon of light for them. Also, remind women that You are with them and have empowered them to make a difference.

Loving God, we ask You to supply all their needs according to Your riches in glory by Christ Jesus. We ask that You hear this prayer and the prayers of our hearts for women everywhere. **In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

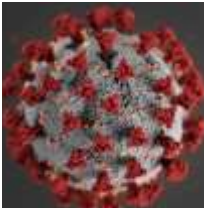


Please join us in our weekly POWER CELLS!

- The Jewel Cromwell Johnson Prayer Line:
 - May 2023 Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday at 6am led by Dynamic Women of God.
 - Phone Conference Call Line: 725-735-9012 (No Passcode)
 - Adult Church School - Sundays at 9:00 am.
 - Beads of Wisdom Bible Study - Wednesdays at noon (prayer line).
 - Church-wide Bible Study - Wednesdays at 7pm (*Face Book Live*).
 - Youth Bible Study every 3rd Tuesday (Zoom) - 6:30 pm
 - Join us every Thursday for Thursday Treats for the Thirsty- Zooming in His Word at 7pm.
-



Happy Birthday Greetings
to all those celebrating a birthday
in the month of May.
From your CCU Leader
Sis. Quiana Johnson
(songbird3379@gmail.com).



Updated COVID Protocols...

Effective May 1, 2023, mandatory masking is no longer required in Mt. Calvary's facilities. If you are experiencing symptoms associated with COVID-19, such as fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, sore throat, fatigue, congestion, or runny nose, please refrain from attending in-person activities until your symptoms have subsided.

If you have tested positive for COVID-19, continue to follow CDC isolation guidelines. We recognize that COVID-19 will continue to be with us; however, we are learning to co-exist with it. Continue to wash your hands or use hand sanitizer often. We will continue to monitor CDC guidance and state and local infection rates and update our protocols as needed.

We Welcome our New Pastor to His New Church...

Mount Calvary AME Church

Welcomes our New Pastor

*Rev. Bobby B. Cox, Jr.
& the First Family*



to their

New Church Family

for the

2023-2024 Annual Conference Year

Celebrating Women's Month...



WOMEN *of Warfare*

Join us For WOMEN'S MONTH

**Together, We're Better,
Stronger, and Unstoppable!**

As iron sharpens iron. So, a friend sharpens a friend.
Proverbs 27:17 (NLT)

SUNDAY May 7 - All White With Bright Colors
WORSHIP May 14 - Bright Colored Dresses
ATTIRE May 21 - Camouflage Attire
FOR MAY May 28 - African Attire

May 13
Women of Excellence Banquet
After 5 Attire

Mount Calvary AME Church | 300 Eudowood Lane, Towson, MD 410-296-9474 | www.mtcalvaryame.org

Rev. Bobby B. Cox, Jr- Pastor | Sis. Patrica Joyner-Ministry Leader

Honoring Women of Excellence Banquet...



HONORING

Women of Excellence Banquet

COME AND CELEBRATE

Saturday | May 13, 2023 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Mount Calvary AME Church Family Life Center
300 Eudowood Lane | Towson MD 21286

TICKET PRICE \$40

DRESS CODE - AFTER 5
VENDORS ON SITE

Contact the church office for tickets
Call 410-296-9474 or email admin@mtcalvaryame.org



Mount Calvary AME Church
300 Eudowood Lane
Rev. Bobby
Pastor: Patricia Joynt
www.mtcalvaryame.org

Guest Preacher
Rev. Candance Greene | Ministerial Staff
Gethsemane AME Church

Opportunities to Give...



Bring the whole tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the Lord Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.
Malachi 3:10

5 Ways to Give

Mount Calvary AME Church



ONLINE www.mtcalvaryame.org
click the give tab.

PHONE 410-296-9474

MAIL-IN Mail your gift:
Mount Calvary AME Church
PO Box 20416 | Towson, MD 21286

IN-PERSON
Drop off your gift at the church office: Mt. Calvary AME Church
349 Eudowood Lane | Towson, MD 21286

SMART DEVICE
Cash App Smcamec

*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
(2 Corinthians 9:7)*

May 2023 Prayer List

Pastor Bob & Rev. Angie Cox
Bro. Bruce & Altrena Ashe
Sis. Carol Baker
Sis. Virgie Brandt
Rev. Bonnie Epps-Burgess
Mother Mabel Gray
Sis. Grace Hicks
Bro. Carlton & Sis. Roxanne
Epps
Sis. Tina Fuller



Rev. Merriel Lucas
Sis. Lynn Newton
Sis. Ann Norman
Rev. Johnny Palmer
Rev. Roslyn Sellman
Sis. Ursula Slade
Bro. Warren Whitworth
Mothers
Nurses
All Ministries

Mount Calvary Celebrates Nurses this Month...

We celebrate Nurses Week every year from May 6 to May 12 to shine a spotlight on the incredible nurses (registered nurses, nurse practitioners, LPNs, and others) across the country that have devoted their lives to the betterment of the lives of others.



Looking Ahead to June ...



- ◆ June 11, 2023 - Annual Christian Education Day
- ◆ June 25, 2023 - Annual Youth Day
- ◆ June 26-30, 2023 - The 38th Biennial Connectional Lay Organization Convention, Chicago, Illinois.



Mount Calvary AME Church
300 Eudowood Lane
Towson, MD 21286
410-296-9474 (phone) 410-296-8710 (fax)
adminasst@mtcalvaryame.org www.mtcalvaryame.org
Rev. Bobby B. Cox, Jr., Pastor
Rev. Angie Crawford-Cox, First Lady

Items for the Messenger must be submitted by the 2nd Friday of each month. Leaders, please add the following address to your email contacts to receive a reminder: mtcalvaryamemessenger@gmail.com.