

111th Annual Session

Florida State Primitive Baptist Convention, Inc.

Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min., General President

**Still Standing
on the
Word of God**

II Timothy 3:16 and II Peter 1:21

Host:

South Florida Progressive Association

Elder Willie J. Williams, D.D., Moderator

April 16 - 20, 2012

Hilton - St. Petersburg Bayfront

333 First Street South

St. Petersburg, FL 33701-4797

From the President's Desk



Greetings Pastors and Conventioneers:

I greet you with the Peace of God, the Joy of Jesus and the Power of the Holy Spirit! I am elated to greet each of you and to welcome you to the 111th Session of the Florida State Primitive Baptist Convention, Inc.

On behalf of the entire Florida State Primitive Baptist Convention Conventioneers, allow me to thank Moderator Dr. Willie J. Williams and the South Florida Progressive District Association for a job well done in the coordination and planning of a Convention that is clearly organized in the spirit of love and excellence. I want to thank God for His hand of favor upon the many individuals who have worked behind the scene to make everything come together for our convenience.

It is my hope and prayer that as you come together this week to fellowship and hear from the Lord; you would come in prayer and expectation. What an awesome opportunity to celebrate the favor of God upon us even as we face the challenge of a unsettling economy. Yet, we must continue to "Stand on the Word of God". I am convinced that this year's theme, "Still Standing on the Word of God" will be instrumental in causing us to view each new day given to us as a day that the Lord has made and we will rejoice in it regardless of our circumstances. It is my prayer that the energies, teachings, and worship experiences continue in your heart and in your spirit long after this Convention concludes.

Finally, Delorise, our children and I, appreciate and extend our best wishes to you for a successful and productive Convention.

F. R. Rush

Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min.
President
Florida State Primitive Baptist Convention, Inc.

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Convention Leadership

GENERAL CONVENTION

Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min. President

WOMEN CONGRESS

Sister Jerrlyne Jackson, Ph.D., President

LAYMEN CONGRESS

Deacon Eugene Lamb, President

CHURCH SCHOOL CONGRESS

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USHERS CONGRESS

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YOUTH CONGRESS

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Board of Education Chairman

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Crawfordville, FL 32303

Board of Evangelism Chairman

Elder M. L. Dawkins, D. D.
753 W. Comstock Avenue
Winter Park, FL 32789



Financial Requirements

GENERAL REGISTRATION

General Registration is \$25.00 per person in all Departments

OTHER INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATIONS

Field Agent - \$100.00 or More

Banquet Ticket - \$25.00 Each

ANNUAL CHURCH REGISTRATION

AA1	\$ 1,400.00	Over 500 Members	10 Delegates
AA2	\$ 1,200.00	Over 400 Members	8 Delegates
AA	\$ 1,000.00	Over 300 Members	6 Delegates
A	\$ 800.00	Over 200 Members	5 Delegates
B	\$ 600.00	Over 100 Members	4 Delegates
C	\$ 400.00	Over 25 Members	3 Delegates

NOTE: Before Church Registration can be certified, the total amount shown in the appropriate church category must be paid.

Convention Highlights

Tuesday, April 17, 2012

Workshops

*Elder Dr.
James Chester*

*Elder
Chester F. Brown, III*

*Sister
Donna Woodward*

“Ligonier Academy”

*“Why The Church Must
Stand On The Word
Without Compromise”*

*“God’s Inspired Word:
Which Version is Right
for You?”*

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

*Elder
Bernard Yates, D. D.*

Elder W. D. Pugh

*Elder
W. J. Williams, D. D.*

Bible Exposition
10:00 A.M.

Memorial Service
12:00 Noon

Introductory Sermon
12:15 P.M.

Elder R. D. Townes

Elder C. Williams

Minister Isaac Lane

Laymen Council
5:30 P.M.

Annual Worship Service
7:30 P.M.

Evangelism Hour
9:30 P.M.

Thursday, April 19, 2012

*Elder
Bernard Yates, D. D.*

Appointed by the President

Elder T. Lane

Bible Exposition
9:30 A.M.

Educational Worship Service
12:00 Noon

Holy Communion and Feet
Washing
7:00 P.M.

Friday, April 20, 2012

*Elder
Bernard Yates, D. D.*

Elder Benjamin Adams

TBA

Bible Exposition
9:30 A.M.

Women Congress Annual Service
12:00 Noon

Scholarship Luncheon
2:00 P.M.

Elder Christopher O’Bryant

Ushers’ Congress Annual Service
6:00 P.M.

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Elder Willie J. Williams, D.D., Moderator

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President, Union # 1
Mother Harriette James
President, Women Congress

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President Union #1



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President



Mother Harriette James
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We welcome the Florida State Primitive Baptist Convention To South Florida and are proud to be your host.

Still Standing on the Word of God Through Teaching & Training

8:00 A.M. — 11:00 A.M. General Registration

Workshop Schedule

9:00 A.M. Opening Session

9:15 A.M. — 10:00 A.M. General Assembly

Pace-setter Address

Elder Mitchell Dawkins, D. Min.
President South Florida Progressive Church School Convention

Directions for Class Study

Dean Minnie Likely

Block I - CLASSES

10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Classes in Study

11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. Lunch

Block II - WORKSHOPS

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. General Assembly Workshops

“Ligonier Academy”

***Elder Dr. James Chester, Presenter
West Palm Beach, FL
Sister Ethel Davis, Facilitator***

“Why The Church Must Stand On The Word Without Compromise”

***Elder Chester F. Brown, III
Tallahassee, FL
Sister Shirley Lewis, Facilitator***

“God’s Inspired Word: Which Version is Right for You?”

***Sister Donnas Woodward, Presenter
Pensacola, FL
Sister Minnie Likely, Facilitator***

3:50 P.M. Remarks, Announcements, Etc.

4:00 P.M. Dismissal

President's Reception

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

***Hosted by:
South Florida Progressive Association***

Elder Willie J. Williams, D. D.
1st Vice President, Presiding

Devotion New Zion Primitive Baptist Church
Tallahassee, Florida

Song of Praise New Zion P. B. Church and
Middle Florida Georgia P. B. Association Choir

Welcome Elder Willie J. Williams, D.D., Host Moderator
South Florida Progressive Association

Greetings National Primitive Baptist, USA
Elder Bernard Yates, D.D., President
Elder Lee Harris, Regional Vice President

Song of Praise New Zion P. B. Church and
Middle Florida Georgia P. B. Association Choir

Greetings Moderators of Florida State Primitive Baptist Convention

Offering Elder Kenneth Washington, 2nd Vice President
New Zion Officers and District Moderators

Elder Harry Cloud - Old West FL; Elder Willie J. Williams, D. D. - South FL

Elder Kenneth Washington - East Coast; Elder Bernard Yates - Mt. Zion West FL/AL

Elder Edward Buckner - North Central FL; Elder Charles Hendley - East FL

Elder R. Gaines - Middle FL-GA

Introduction of President Elder Willie J. Williams, D.D.

Song of Praise New Zion P. B. Church and
Middle Florida Georgia P. B. Association Choir

President's Address Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min.
President Florida State Primitive Baptist Convention

Invitation to Discipleship

Presentations

President's Award

Moses Award

Lillian J. Brantley Award

Closing Remarks & Benediction Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min.

General Convention Schedule

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

8:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. General Registration

8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. Church School Study Period

9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Devotion

Deacon Eugene Lamb, Laymen Congress President

General Convention Call to Order

Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min., President

Convention Fellowship

10:00 A.M. - 10:40 A.M.

Bible Exposition

Elder Bernard Yates, D. D., Bible Expositor

10:45 A.M.

President's Forum

Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min., President

11:00 A.M. Official Reports (Handouts)

1. Executive Committee and Trustees
2. Board of Education
3. Necrology
4. Miracle Hill Board
5. Treasurer
6. Resolutions from Associations
7. Camp Commission
8. Other Handouts

12:00 Noon

Memorial Service

Elder W. D. Pugh, *Pastor*

St. Paul P. B. Church

Haines City, FL

Alternate: Elder A. Ware, *Pastor*

New Shiloh P.B. Church

St. Petersburg, FL

Reading of the Necrology Report

Elder Harry Cloud, Secretary

12:15 P.M.

Introductory Sermon

Elder Willie J. Williams, D. D., *Pastor*

Greater Mt. Pilgrim P. B. Church, Bradenton, FL

Alternate: Elder J. E. Haughbrook, *Pastor*

Mt. Carmel P. B. Church, Jacksonville, FL

1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Lunch

2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

General Registration

3:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Financial Secretary's Report
3. Board of Evangelism
4. Camp Commission
5. Board of Education
6. Committee Appointments
7. Association Pre-Registration Reports
 - a. Mt. Zion
 - b. East Coast
 - c. North Central Florida
 - d. East Florida
 - e. Old West Florida
 - f. South Florida
 - g. Middle Florida– Georgia

General Business Session
Elder Clinton H. Smith
Elder Al Ware
Elder M. L. Dawkins, D. D.
Deacon W. J. Jiles
Elder Robert Whittaker

Elder Bernard Yates, D. D.
Elder Kenneth Washington
Elder Isaiah Ellis
Elder Charles Hendley
Elder Harry Cloud
Elder Willie J. Williams, D. D.
Elder R. R. Gaines, D. D.

5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Laymen Council Annual Service
Elder R. D. Townes, *Pastor*
St. John P. B. Church, Medulla, FL
Officers, Choir, and Ushers in Charge
Alternate: Elder Mitchell Dawkins, D. D., *Pastor*
New Warner Chapel P. B. Church
Winter Park, FL

7:30 P.M.

Annual Worship Service
Elder C. Williams, *Pastor*
New Mt. Olive P. B. Church
St. Petersburg, FL
Officers, Choir, and Ushers in Charge
Alternate: Elder Vincent Montgomery, *Pastor*
Mt. Pleasant P. B. Church
Fort Meade, FL

9:30 P.M.

Evangelistic Service
Minister Isaac Lane, *Associate Minister*
New Salem P.B. Church
Tampa, FL

Alternate: Elder John Smith, *Pastor*
Mt. Sinai P. B. Church
Lakeland, FL

General Convention Schedule

Thursday, April 19, 2012

8:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. General Registration

8:00 A.M.- 9:30 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M.- 12:00 Noon General Session

Devotion Service Laymen Congress

Bible Exposition Elder Bernard Yates, D. D., Bible Expositor

Minutes

Completion of All Reports

Finance Board

Financial Secretary

12:00 Noon **Educational Worship Service**
President's Choice

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

2:00 P.M.- 3:30 P.M. Lunch

3:30 P.M.- 5:30 P.M. General Session

1. Discussion on President's Recommendations

2. Resolutions

3. Available Reports

7:00 P.M. **Holy Communion and Feet Washing Rites**
Elder T. Lane, *Pastor*
New Salem P. B. Church
Tampa, FL
Officers, Choirs, and Ushers in Charge
Alternate: Elder V. J. Donaldson, *Pastor*
St. Mary P. B. Church
Haines City, FL

1. Offering

2. Sermon

3. Administration of the Second and Third Ordinances of Christ's Church

***Holy Communion and Feet Washing Rites Service
Conducted by State President, Moderators, and Elders.
(All Elders wear White Communion Robes).***

General Convention Schedule

Friday, April 20, 2012

8:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. General Registration

8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M. - 9:50 A.M. General Convention
Devotion Laymen Congress

10:00 A.M. - 10:40 A.M. Bible Exposition Elder Bernard Yates, D. D., Bible Expositor

11:00 A.M. General Convention Business Session

1. Minutes
2. Board of Finance
3. Financial Secretary
4. Committee Reports
 - A. Program and Divine Worship
 - B. Time and Place
 - C. Public Policy
5. Election of Officers
6. Installation of Officers

12:00 Noon

Women Congress Annual Service

Elder Benjamin Adams, *Pastor*
St. John P. B. Church
Clearwater, FL
Officers, Choir, and Ushers in Charge
Alternate: Elder A. Tyson, *Pastor*
Shiloh P. B. Church
Sarasota, FL

||| **LILLIAN J. BRANTLEY SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON** |||
& Coronation of Queen

Location TBA
2:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

6:00 P.M.

Ushers Congress Annual Service

Elder Christopher O'Bryant, *Pastor*
Zion Hill P. B. Church
Lakeland, FL
Alternate: Elder Bruce Sanders, *Pastor*
St. James P. B. Church
Mulberry, FL

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Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min., General President

Auxiliary Schedules

Church School Congress
Laymen Congress
Usher Congress
Women Congress
Women Congress Auxiliaries

Church School Congress

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012

President James Chester, Presiding

8:00 A.M.	1. Opening Exercises	General Assembly President Chester
	Selection	
	Church School Creed	
	Invocation	
	Scripture	
	Selection	
	2. Appointment of Committees	
	3. Directions for Study	Dean Minnie Likely
8:10 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.		Class Study Period
9:05 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.		General Assembly
	1. Class Reviews Classes: 1, 2, 3 & 4	
	2. Closing Remarks	President Chester
	3. Closing Song	<i>God Bless Our Church School</i>

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012

Vice President Izeal Battle, Presiding

8:00 A.M.	1. Opening Exercises	General Assembly Vice President Battle
	Selection	
	Church School Creed	
	Invocation	
	Scripture	
	Selection	
	2. Directions for Study	Dean Minnie Likely
8:10 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.		Class Study Period
9:10 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.		General Assembly
	1. Class Reviews Classes: 5, 6, 7	
	2. Closing Remarks	Vice President Battle
	3. Closing Song	<i>God Bless Our Church School</i>

Church School Congress

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012

President James Chester, Presiding

8:00 A.M. - 8:20 A.M.

General Assembly

1. Opening Exercise

Selection
Church School Creed
Invocation
Scripture
Selection

2. Overview of Week's Study

Dea. Izeal Battle

8:20 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.

Business Session

1. Election of Officers
2. Committee Reports
3. Registrar's Report
4. Solicitors Reports
5. Stewardship Reports
6. Reading of Minutes
7. Closing Exercises

Closing Song

God Bless Our Church School

Closing Prayer & Benediction

2012 CLASSES

1. Primitive Baptist Church Doctrine and Polity - *Elder Alvin Ford, Instructor*
2. Christian Mentoring - *Elder Ester Watson, Instructor*
3. Church School Administration - *Deacon Ernest Proctor, Instructor*
4. Church Decorum - *Elder Edward Hayes, Instructor*
5. Biblical Counseling / Christian Ethics - *Elder Mitchell Dawkins, Instructor*
6. Why We Must Evangelize - *Sister Willow Britt, Instructor*
7. Apologetics - *Minister Kelon Duke, Instructor*

Church School Congress

Church School Courses Descriptions

1. ***Primitive Baptist Church Doctrine & Polity*** - *Instructor: Elder Alvin Ford*
Location:
This course covers the history and doctrine of the Primitive Baptist Church. It is designed to further acquaint the Primitive Baptist membership with the practices and operations of the church from a biblical and historical view, thereby developing more continuity in the faith.
2. ***Christian Mentoring*** - *Instructor: Elder Ester Watson; Location:*
This class explores a variety of areas with which the church must address today as it assist Christian caregivers in their efforts to understand their roles as leaders within the church and community. Issues such as development, training,, and conflict resolution are examined using Apostle Paul and Timothy as examples.
3. ***Church School Administration*** - *Instructor: Deacon Ernest Proctor; Location:*
Covers all aspects of the ministry of bring children, youth, and adults to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, enriching their lives, and preparing them to serve Christ; makes clear the traditional purpose and function of the Primitive Baptist Church School Ministry and its vital place in the church.
4. ***Church Decorum*** - *Instructor: Elder Edward Hayes; Location:*
Emphasis is placed on proper execution of Parliamentary Procedures when conducting meetings and proper behavior for Christians in the House of God.
5. ***Biblical Counseling and Christian Ethics*** - *Instructor: Elder Mitchell Dawkins, D.D.*
Location:
For the Christian, ethics must be rooted in the absolutes of God's Word. This class will examine the moral question of abortion, capital punishment, human sexuality, and how the church is expected to respond on these critical issues as a means of reaching the masses.
6. ***Why We Must Evangelize*** - *Instructor: Sister Willow Britt; Location:*
Emphasis is given to the need for the Church to assume its Gods given responsibility to tell the world about Jesus. The why, the who, and the how in preparing for evangelism will be expected.
7. ***Apologetics*** - *Instructor: Minister Kelon Duke; Location:*
The goal of this course is to lead Christians in developing a better understanding as to what Christian Apologetics is and is not, how Christians are to go about fulfilling the mandate of defending bible truths, and the relevance of Apologetics in today's society.

Church School Congress

God Bless Our Church School

(Tune of God Bless America)

God bless our Church School
Help it to grow
Stand beside it
And Guide it
That the knowledge of God we might know.

Bless our teachers
The superintendent
And the students that they teach.

God bless our Church School
That souls we might reach,

God bless our Church School
That souls we might reach.

Laymen Congress

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012

4:00 P.M.

Devotional Services

4:15 P.M.

Call to Order and Opening

President Eugene Lamb

1. Appointment of Committees
2. Report of Churches
3. Report of Associations

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012

5:30 P.M.

LAYMEN SERMON

Devotion

St. John Deacons

Selection

St. John Choir

Scripture

Introduction of Speaker

Elder Mitchell Dawkins, D. D.

Selection

St. John Choir

Sermon

Elder R. D. Townes

Invitation To Discipleship

Elder Mitchell Dawkins, D. D.

Offering

St. John Deacons and Laymen

Remarks

Deacon Eugene Lamb, President

Elder F. R. Rush, D. Min., General President

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012

5:30 P.M.

Reading of Minutes

Report of Churches

Committee Reports

Report of Advisor

Reports

President's Address / Brothers and Deacons Workshop

Final Business

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012

Committee Reports

Election of Officers

5:00 P.M.

Reading of Minutes

Report of Churches

Ushers Congress

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012

4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.	Official Cabinet Meeting <i>[All Ushers Welcome]</i>
5:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.	Usher Rehearsal
5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.	General President's Reception
7:30 P.M.	President's Keynote Address

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012

Black Suits, White Blouses/Shirts, Black Tie, Gloves and Badge

All Ushers Should Be Ready To Serve At All Times

8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. **Attend Church School**

10:45 A.M. - 11:50 A.M. Ushers Congress First Session

President John Ingram, Presiding

1. Opening Fellowship and Greetings from the President
2. Acknowledgements and Welcome for First Time Attendees
3. Read Friday 2011 Meeting Minutes along with
One Day Session (January 2012)
4. Old and New Business
5. Appointment of Committees
 - Program Committee
 - Workshop Committee
 - Necrology Committee
 - Recommendation Committee
 - Sick and Shut-in
6. Prayer/Dismissal

12:00 Noon **Memorial Service**

12:15 P.M. **Introductory Sermon**

1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. **Lunch**

3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Ushers' Congress Afternoon Session

1. Devotion
2. Unfinished Business
3. Exploring the Convention Theme: Sister Alfreida Davis
4. Workshop: **Unity** Psalms 133:1
 - a. Uniform
 - b. Doorkeeper
 - c. Worship Service
 - d. Offering
5. Usher Rehearsal
6. Prayer/Dismissal

Ushers Congress

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012

Attire: Navy Blue Suits, White Blouses/Shirts, Navy Blue Tie, Gloves and Badges

All Ushers Should Be Ready To Serve At All Times

8:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

Attend Church School

9:30 A.M. - 10:45 A.M.

General Convention

11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Ushers Congress Second Session

President John Ingram, Presiding

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| 1. Devotion | 5. President's Annual Address |
| 2. Reading of Tuesday & Wednesday Minutes | 6. Love Offering |
| 3. Old & New Business | 7. Prayer/Dismissal |
| 4. Introduction of the President | |

12:00 Noon

General President's Hour

1:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Auxiliary Luncheon President's Appreciation
Fellowship & Gift Exchange

4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Ushers Congress Afternoon Session

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| 1. Devotion | |
| 2. Continuation of Business | |
| 3. Committee Reports | |
| A. Program Committee | B. Workshop Committee |
| C. Necrology Committee | D. Recommendation Committee |
| E. Sick and Shut-In | |
| 4. Election of Officers | |
| 5. Prayer/Dismissal | |

7:00 P.M.

Annual Holy Communion Services

All Ushers in White, (Men in White Suits and Black Shirts), Badges and Gloves.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012

Attire: All Ushers in White (Men in Light Blue Shirts), White Tie, Gloves and Badges

All Ushers Should Be Ready To Serve At All Times

8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.

Attend Church School

9:30 A.M. - 10:45 P.M.

General Convention

11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Ushers Congress Third Session

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| 1. Devotion | 4. Open Discussion |
| 2. Unfinished Business | 5. Closing Prayer |
| 3. Reading of the last Meeting (Thursday's) Minutes | |

12:00 Noon

Women Congress Annual Worship Service

2:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Annual Lillian J. Brantley Scholarship Luncheon

6:00 P.M.

Ushers Annual Worship Service

All Ushers in Navy Blue Suits with White Shirts/Blouses, Navy Blue Tie, Gloves and Badges.

Women Congress

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012

4:30 P.M. Pick up Pre-Registration Packets
On-Site Registration

7:00 P.M. **Welcome Program**

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012

8:00 A.M. Pick up Pre-Registration Packets
On-Site Registration

9:15 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Pre-Convention Workshops

3:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M. State Choir Rehearsal

4:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M. General Convention Cabinet Meeting

4:30 P.M. - 5:15 P.M. Women's Congress Cabinet Meeting

5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. General President's Reception

7:30 P.M. General President's Keynote Address

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012

8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. Registration

8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. Attend Church School Congress Session

9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. Meeting with General Convention for Opening Session

10:45 A.M. - 11:50 A.M. **FIRST SESSION OF WOMEN'S CONGRESS**
Sister Jerrlyne Jackson, President – Presiding

Call to Order

Report of Necrology Committee – Mother Christine Simmons, Chairman

Reading of Cabinet Minutes – Mother Lillie Pease, Recording Secretary

Exploration of Theme (15 mins.)-Sister Julia Duke, New Jerusalem-Miami-East FL

Alternate- Sister Barbara Nickerson, Mt. Olive-Miami-East FL

Committee Assignments

Recognition of First-Time Women's Congress Attendees

Introduction of Queen Contestants

Announcements and Adjournment for Joint Memorial and

Introductory Service

12:00 Noon Joint Memorial Service and Introductory Service

1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. Lunch
Orientation for First-Time Congress Attendees

Women Congress

2:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

SECOND SESSION OF WOMEN'S CONGRESS

Sister Jerrlyne Jackson, President – Presiding

Call to Order - Sister Barbara Nickerson, *2nd Vice President*

Greetings from District Presidents

Adjournment for Auxiliary and Committee Meetings

3:15 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Auxiliary Meetings

4:40 P.M. - 5:40 P.M.

Committee Meetings

7:00 P.M.

Annual Worship Service

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012

8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.

Attend Church School Congress Session

9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Meet with General Convention for
Devotion and Bible Exposition

10:10 A.M. – 11:50 A.M.

THIRD SESSION OF WOMEN'S CONGRESS

Sister Jerrlyne Jackson, President – Presiding

***Note: All Queen Contest money must be reported to Women's
Congress Financial Team at 10:30 A.M. today.***

Call to Order

Reading of Minutes

Committee Reports

\$25 March and Offering for Scholarship

Adjournment for General President's Hour

12:00 Noon

General President's Hour

2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Lunch and Auxiliary Time

7:00 P.M.

Annual Holy Communion and Feet Washing Services

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012

Note: All Women should be dressed in ALL White with Auxiliary Corsage.

7:00 A.M.

Emma R. Tyler Prayer/Fellowship Breakfast

*Committee in Charge: Sister Juanita Hamilton, Chairman; Sister Ellen Adams, Sister Lavern Ash,
Mother Barbara Baker, Sister Brenda Farmer, Sister Clara Floyd-Gaymon, Mother Mary Hayes,
Mother Lee Etta Proctor*

Women Congress

8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. Attend Church School Congress Session

9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Meet with General Convention for
Devotion and Bible Exposition

10:10 A.M. - 11:50 A.M. **CLOSING SESSION OF WOMEN'S CONGRESS**
Sister Jerrlyne Jackson, President – Presiding

Call to Order - Sister Shirley Lewis, Vice President
Women's Congress President's Annual Address
Committee Reports
Financial Report and Summary
Reading of Minutes
Election /Installation of Officers

12:00 Noon **WOMEN'S CONGRESS ANNUAL WORSHIP SERVICE**
Elder Benjamin Adams, *Pastor*
St. John P. B. Church - Clearwater, FL
Officers, Choir, and Ushers in Charge
Alternate: Elder A. Tyson, *Pastor*
Shiloh P. B. Church - Sarasota, FL

2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. **Annual Lillian J. Brantley Scholarship Luncheon &
Queen Coronation**

Committee in Charge: *Mother Nellie Johnson, Chairman; Mothers Nathalee Barnes, Ethel Davis, Christal Powell; Sisters Carol Jenkins, Gwendolyn Lewis, Minnie Likely, Sandra Ming*

Queen Contestants

Ministers' Wives and Widows-**Mother Doretha Pugh** –*St. Paul, Haines City (South FL)*

Deaconesses /Mothers-**Mother Minnie Crump**-*St. Mary-Call St., Tallahassee-(Middle FL/GA)*

Women of the Church – **Sister Gussie Bragg** – *Friendship, Cocoa (North Central FL)*

Matrons – **Sister Sarah Banner** – *Bethlehem, Milton (Mt Zion WFL/AL)*

Choir – **Mother Sharon Polite**-*Greater St. Mark, Tallahassee- (Old West FL)*

4:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M. Relaxation

6:00 P.M. Ushers' Congress Annual Service of Worship

Women Congress Auxiliaries

All auxiliaries are scheduled to meet on Wednesday at 3:15 P.M. and Thursday at 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. No time is allotted for Auxiliary meetings on Friday.

MINISTERS' WIVES AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

1. Opening Fellowship and Greetings from
President Thompson and Vice President Jefferson
2. Acknowledgments /Welcome First-Time Attendees
3. Business Session
 - A. Special Effort
 - B. Queen Report—Mother Doretha Pugh, St. Paul, Haines City (So FL)
 - C. Report of Sick Members
4. Study Period – Mother Ann Chester, Instructor

Thursday, April 19, 2012

**Attire – Black with White Corsage; Evening: All White for Communion
Lunch and Meeting (Arranged by Local Association)**

Business – Report of Committees
Unity Tea Reports
Election of Officers

Friday, April 22, 2011

Attire – White with White Corsage

7:00 A.M. - Emma R Tyler Prayer/Fellowship Breakfast

2:00 P.M. - Lillian Brantley Scholarship Luncheon

[Each Minister's Wife/Widow is asked to support the auxiliary by contributing \$10.00 for the group's annual special effort and Queen Contestant].

DEACONESSES AND MOTHERS

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

1. Opening Prayer – Devotional Team
2. Greetings from President Barnes
3. Welcome of First-Time Members
4. Business Session
 - a. Program Review
 - b. Host Association – Communion Supplies
 - c. Introduction of Queen Contestant
5. President's Address
6. Remarks and Adjournment

Thursday, April 19, 2012

Attire: Daytime – All White with Purple Corsage

Evening – White Uniforms with White Nurses Caps

2:00 P.M. - Luncheon and Sharing Time
Election of Officers

6:00 P.M. - Set-up for Communion

Friday, April 20, 2012

Attire: All White with Purple Corsage

7:00 A.M. - Emma R. Tyler Prayer/Fellowship Breakfast

2:00 P.M. - Lillian Brantley Scholarship Luncheon

Women Congress Auxiliaries

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

1. Opening Fellowship and Greetings from President Simmons
2. Acknowledgments/Introduction of Officers and First-Time Attendees
3. Business Session
4. Study Period – Sister Connie Davis, Instructor

Thursday, April 19, 2012

[Attire: Navy with Pink Corsage; Evening: All White for Communion]

Luncheon Meeting - Auxiliary will arrange lunch.

1. Greetings by Vice President Hamilton
2. Queen Contestant for 2013
3. Election of Officers
4. Study Period – Sister Connie Davis, Instructor
5. Special Sister Gift Exchange
6. Closing Fellowship

Friday, April 20, 2012

[Attire: All White with Pink Corsage]

7:00 A.M. - Emma R. Tyler Prayer/Fellowship Breakfast

2:00 P.M. - Lillian Brantley Scholarship Luncheon

MATRONS

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

1. Theme Song – “Climbing Jacob’s Ladder”
2. Prayer
3. Greetings from President Glover
4. Introductions
5. Appointment of Committees
 - a. Program
 - b. Recommendations
6. New Business
7. Solo and Scripture
8. Speaker - Sister Gwendolyn Lewis
8. Remarks and Acknowledgments
10. Closing Prayer

Thursday, April 19, 2012

[Attire: Royal Blue or District Uniform with White Corsage]

2:00 P.M. - **Luncheon Meeting**

Vice President Farmer, Presiding

Theme Song and Prayer

President Glover’s Address

Completion of Unfinished Business

Election of Officers

Closing Prayer

Friday, April 20, 2012

[Attire: All White with Matron’s Corsage]

7:00 A.M. – Emma R. Tyler Prayer/Fellowship Breakfast

2:00 P.M. - Lillian Brantley Scholarship Luncheon

Women Congress Auxiliaries

STATE CHOIR

Tuesday, April 17, 2012

3:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

Open to *anyone* who enjoys singing.

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

1. Devotion - Appointee
2. Welcome - President Twanna Jackson
3. Introduction of New Members
4. Report of Sick Members
5. Song Study - Sister Ruby Britt
6. Rehearsal (Anyone who enjoys singing)
7. Tickets for Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, April 19, 2012

[Attire: Navy Blue Suits, White Blouse, or Navy Dress with White Corsage]

1. Devotion
2. Continuation of Business
3. Report from Queen Contestant
4. Report of Sick Members
5. Study Period - "What Can We Do To Make The Choir Grow?"
7. Chat Period - "Why We Sing and The Things We Do In Our Home Churches"
6. Election of Officers, Dismissal

Friday, April 20, 2012

[Attire: All White with White Corsage and Navy Blue Ribbon]

7:00 A.M. – Emma R. Tyler Prayer/Fellowship Breakfast

2:00 P.M. – Lillian Brantley Scholarship Luncheon

Women's Congress Past Presidents

***Mother Mary P. Allen, Tallahassee (Middle FL/GA) – 1923-1963**

***Mother Lillian J. Brantley, Miami (East Coast) – 1963-1998**

Mother Carrie S. Judge, Orlando (South FL) – 1998-2001

***Mother Elizabeth Ash, Fort Meade (South FL) – 2001-2007**

Sister Jerrlyne A. Jackson, Ph.D., Tallahassee (Old West FL) – 2007- Present

Research is underway to determine presidents for 1901-1923

**Deceased*

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Auxiliary Directory

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Church School

Elder James Chester, D. Min.	1730 Echo Lake Drive West Palm Beach, FL 33407	President
Deacon Izeal Battle	325 Burnett Road Cocoa, FL 32926	Vice President
Sister Minnie Likely	316 Avenue B Port St. Joe, FL 32456	Dean
Sister Ethel Davis	2011 E. Broad Street Tampa, FL 33610	Recording Secretary
Sister Shirley Lewis	410 E. Lee Street Pensacola, FL 32503	Assistant Recording Secretary
Sister Olivia Harvey	1170 Rehinkle Road Crawfordville, FL 32327	Registrar
Sister Ruby Britt	3782 Catalina Drive Cocoa, FL 32926	Pianist
Sister Ruby Allen	143 Sopchoppy Highway Sopchoppy, FL 32329	Recording Secretary Emeritus

Church School Solicitors

Sister Jackie Johnson	East Florida
Sister Lillie Pease	Middle Florida- Georgia
Sister Lee Etta Proctor	Old West Florida
Sister Earnestine Glover	South Florida
Sister Louise Sheffield	Mount Zion West Florida South Alabama
Sister Louise Franklin	North Central Florida
Sister Essie A. Williams	East Coast

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Deaconess & Mothers

Mother Nathalee Barnes	25 San Bonita Court Havana, FL 32333	President
Mother Christine Simmons	3740 Wood Circle Cocoa, FL 32926	Vice President
Mother Dorothy Henry	8763 Lenella Lane Tallahassee FL 32309	Recording Secretary
Mother Mae F. Williams	3000 Pasco Street Tallahassee, FL 32305	Assistant Recording Secretary
Mother Ethel Davis	2011 E Broad Street Tampa, FL 33610	Financial Secretary

Laymen Congress

Deacon Eugene Lamb	158 Hayward Road Midway, FL 32343	President
Deacon Gregory Floyd	191610 West Oakmont Drive Hialeah, FL 33015	Vice President
Deacon David Watson	P O Box 205 Midway, FL 32343	Recording Secretary
Deacon Sylvester Green	P O Box 1249 Quincy, FL 32353	Assistant Recording Secretary
TBA		Financial Secretary
Deacon Ernest Proctor	2501 Holmes Street Tallahassee, FL 32310	Treasurer
Deacon Danny Nathan		Devotion Chairman
Deacon Wilford Jiles	4557 Thomasville Road Tallahassee, FL 32309	Advisor

Matrons

Sister Earnestine Glover	2838 Maple Avenue Sarasota, FL 34234	President
Sister Brenda Farmer	106 Apollo Street Port St. Joe, FL 32506	Vice President
Sister Mary Flintroy	624 Carondalay Drive Pensacola, FL 32506	Recording Secretary
Sister Carol Jenkins	1201 25th Street East Bradenton, FL 32408	Financial Secretary
Sister Annie Larry	207 Avenue F Port St. Joe, FL 32456	Assistant Financial Secretary

Ministers' Wives & Widows

Mother Ethel Thompson	4551 Centerville Road Tallahassee, FL 32309	President
Mother Beverly Jefferson	35 Percel Lane Crawfordville, FL 32327	Vice President
Mother Sharon A. Wilson	2714 S, 10th Street Fort Pierce, FL 34982	Recording Secretary
Mother Sharon Snelling	10454 Merribrook Lane Tallahassee, FL 32312	Financial Secretary
Mother Ann Chester	1730 Echo Lake Drive West Palm Beach, FL 33407	Instructor
Mother Mary Rivers	2821 Palmadelia Avenue Sarasota, FL 34234	President Emeritus

Nurses Guild

Mother Lillie Nichols	2516 North Howard Avenue Tampa, FL 33607	President
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State Choir

Sister Twanna Jackson	4519 Johnboy Lane Tallahassee, FL 32303	President
Sister Sharon Polite	220 Steven Drive Midway, FL 32343	Vice President
Sister Annie Eutsay	122 N Cleveland St #10B Quincy, FL 32351	Secretary
Sister Ruby Britt	3782 Catalina Drive Cocoa, FL 32926	Musician
Sister Lurlean Blackmon	6312 Antietam Drive Pensacola, FL 32503	Assistant Musician

Ushers Congress

Brother John Ingram	P O Box 236803 Cocoa, FL 32923	President Vice President
Sister Rutha Williams	7220 Hartman Street Cocoa FL 32927	Recording Secretary
Mother Jacquelyn Wilson	7849 Powder Horn Circle Largo FL 33773	Assistant Recording Secretary
Sister Vivian Brown	2725 Anzio Court Unit 203 West Palm Beach, FL 33410	Financial Secretary
Sister Alice Linton	1005 Sykes Drive Tallahassee FL 32305	Chaplin
Brother Julius Britt, Sr.	3782 Catalina Drive Cocoa, FL 32926	Head Usher

Women Congress

Sister Jerrlyne Jackson, Ph, D.	3113 Brookridge Drive Tallahassee FL 32305	President
Sister Shirley Lewis	410 East Lee Street Pensacola, FL 32503	Vice President
Sister Barbara Nickerson	14201 Polk Street Miami, FL 33176	2nd Vice President
Mother Lillie Pease	315 Sierra Road Havana, FL 32333	Recording Secretary
Sister Willow Britt	3921 Grapehill Street Cocoa, FL 32926	Assistant Recording Secretary
Sister Katie Frye	49 Cordova Road Quincy, FL 32352	Financial Secretary
Sister Lavern Ash	7119 East Bank Drive Tampa, FL 33617	Assistant Financial Secretary
Sister Bobbie Rich	5108 Persimmon Hollow Road Milton, FL 32583	Financial Coordinator
Mother Carrie Judge	1602 Debut Lane Winter Garden, FL 34787	President Emeritus

Women of the Church

Mother Bettye Simmons	P O Box 174 Whigham, GA 39897	President
Sister Juanita Hamilton	120 East River Road Palatka, FL 32131	Vice President
Sister Louvenia Jones	730 McNair Road Havana, FL 32333	Secretary
Sister Gussie Braggs	3811 Kennedy Circle Cocoa, FL 32926	Advisor
Sister Connie Davis	804 Brent Drive Tallahassee, FL 32305	Instructor



Future Convention Host

Middle Florida/Georgia Association — 2013

East Coast Association — 2014

Memorial Services Outline

Scripture: John 14:1-6; Revelation 21:6

THE ROLL CALL OF THE DEPARTED SAINTS AND THE LIGHTING OF CANDLES:

(One for each saint as name is called)

The Litany

Leader: O Father of life and giver of light, look with favor upon thy creatures here assembled:

Congregation: *And grant us thy blessing:*

Leader: O thou, who has led man through the ages of his existence upon earth by thy spirit:

Congregation: *Grant us thy continued guidance:*

Leader: Thou who dost generate love and goodness in our hearts, and the desire for fellowship one with the other in life's living:

Congregation: *Increase thy spirit in us.*

Leader: Thou who hast called our brothers and sisters from their tasks to the reward of noble thoughts and deeds:

Congregation: *Deepen our memory of them, we pray:*

Leader: Thou who art the light of the new heaven, the new earth, the new Jerusalem, the Alpha and Omega and beginning and the end of all creation:

Congregation: *Grant a final resting place with thee to all whom thou hast called and finally to ourselves.*

Leader: The Lord be with you:

Congregation: *And with thy spirit. Amen.*

Words of Tribute: (Ten Minutes)

Order of Service for Saints Departed

Leader:

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord. He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

Invocation:

O eternal God and master of all things, grant us the deep consciousness of thy presence that the spirit of Christianity may forever direct our thinking, guide and control our hearts and activities so that we may eternally be disciples of thine and render unselfish service to mankind.

Most gracious father, sometimes we who bemoan the parting of loved ones are pained by heartaches, and scorned by some as they were: sometimes, we come to mountains in our lives that are hard to climb as our loved ones did: However, we realize that we promised as they promised to keep on climbing for we are assured that you will help us to stand and have the courage to run all the way. Most merciful Father, lead us gently home so that we may join our departed loved ones in the mansion you have prepared for us all. Amen.

HYMN:

“Servant of God, Well Done”

Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy master’s joy.

The voice at midnight came;
He started up to hear;
A mortal arrow pierced his frame;
He fell, but felt no fear.

Soldier of Christ, well done;
Praise be thy new employ;
And while eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Saviour’s joy.

THE CLOSING HYMN:

“Shall We Gather At The River?”

Shall we gather at the river,
Where bright angel-feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, We'll gather at the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river—
Gather with the saints at the river
That flows by the throne of God.

BENEDICTION AND BLESSING:

The Grace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, be with the spirits of our departed saints. And now, may the peace of God which passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge of God and of His Son, Jesus Christ; the blessing of God Almighty, The Father, Jesus Christ, The Son, and The Holy Ghost, The Comforter: be among us and remain with us eternally. Amen.

“Still Standing on the Word of God”

II Timothy 3:16 and II Peter 1:21

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