

Celebrating 20 Years for His Glory!

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness" Psalm 29:2 "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and

power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being." Revelation 4:11

Dear Worshipper:

This year we will celebrate twenty years of existence as an Auxiliary of National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. Twenty years ago, at the Annual Session in 1996, in Denver, Colorado, the first session was held under the leadership of Dr. Ronald E. Terry of Georgia. We are grateful for his vision and leadership over the years. Dr. Terry continues to share his gifts and support to the music of the Convention for which we are grateful.

We will come to support the great vision and work of our President, Dr. Jerry Young. So as we move into the next twenty years, we will move prayerfully and strategically with excited anticipation of the fruit of all that God is leading us to do. Worship is responding to God with all that we are, and with all that we have; that is also stewardship. So it follows that a worshipper must be a good steward, and a good steward must be a worshipper. To that end as an Auxiliary, we want to expand our reach throughout the constituency of our Convention as a worship resource to our churches in every aspect of worship arts ministry. It is our desire to use our time, talent and treasure to assist our churches in any way possible.

This week we come to Kansas City, Missouri, the largest city in Missouri, to celebrate our past, but also to continue to look to our future, a future as a denomination of Baptists reaching the world for Christ, our Savior. Our worship visibility throughout our constituency, this nation and the world is key to that happening. We invite you to stop by our sessions at some point this week and join us in the celebration. We will have classes, seminars, and workshops geared for the 21st Century church music and worship arts ministries. Each evening our public worship celebrations will bring glory to the Most High King! We will have great preaching and some of our nation's greatest church music artists worshipping with us each evening.

This session we also remember the life of our former registrar, Sis. Twymeni Purchase, of El Paso, Texas, who went home to be with the Lord this past February. Sis. Purchase was a founding member of this Auxiliary and her service to this Auxiliary will long be remembered. We continue to lift her husband, Steve, and the rest of her family in prayer.

Finally, we have been planning for your arrival and pray God's richest blessings on you as you grow in Him this 20th Anniversary Celebration...all for His glory!

Blessings!

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