

Greetings Sisters,

What a Joy to experience the miracle of Spring, greenery popping up through the soil and the sounds of songbirds early in the morning. Only God can make it all come together at its proper time, in its proper season. What a mighty God we serve! As we enter the season of Spring, my prayer is that We, the Women of the National Baptist Convention will Spring into Service. Let us offer a more excellent service to our God who has given us His best, His Son.

During this season we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We can rest in knowing that He is alive and we can live life more abundantly.

We will celebrate mothers on Mother's Day. We thank God for Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Cousins, Foster Mothers, Children and Youth Leaders and all of those with big hearts of compassion that foster our children with love.

On Monday, May 14, 2018 is our National Baptist Day of Prayer. You should have received all program directives by email. The information is also available by visiting the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. website. Please continue to pray throughout the season, remembering our Convention, the leadership, constituents and the world. The effectual fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much. James 5:16

Memorial Day will fall on May 28, 2018. This is a time that we traditionally reflect on those who have served our country as well as family members who have transitioned from earth to Glory. We thank God for their lives and service.

June brings us to a time to remember fathers. Let us remember our men on Father's Day with honor. We salute fathers, grandfathers, uncles, cousins and men who have served God and their family.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the Congress of Christian Education June 18-22, 2018 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. During this week, Monday, June 18th @4 p.m. The Woman's Auxiliary will meet. The place will be announced. Final Plans for our Annual Session in Minneapolis will take place. Please go to the Convention's website for housing information.

Congratulations are in order to all graduates and proud relatives of graduates. Happy Birthday to all sisters celebrating birthdays during the Spring.

This Is Our Season! "We're Envisioning the Future Exceptionally as We Lead Disciples for Christ."

With Sisterly Love, Sister Smith