August 6, 2015

Greetings!

We are approaching the 135th Convention Session and the 114th Annual Session of the Woman’s Auxiliary to be held in Memphis, Tennessee. As with other gatherings, we believe this session will provide much spiritual enhancement to inspire us for greater work when we return to our various places of assignment.

A bird’s eye view is presented to assist you in planning.

General Information

Headquarter Hotel for Women and YPD: is the Hilton Memphis, 18 miles from the Convention Center. I feel certain that there will be some transportation to get us from the Hotel to the Convention Center.

General Session for the Women is in the Memphis Cook Convention Center, Hall A & B. The Parent Body will meet in the Main Hall. All YPD Sessions will be held in Ballroom E at the Convention Center.

Registration

Please observe the deadline for preregistration as listed on the form. Send the form along with your check to the Baptist World Center, Nashville, Tennessee. Make sure that the form is completed with accurate and readable information. Make checks payable to: The Woman’s Auxiliary NBC, USA, Inc., otherwise, we will not get credit. Send Banquet and Breakfast money to the Woman’s Auxiliary in Houston, Texas.

Pre-registration pack can be picked up at the registration Booth for the women, beginning on Monday morning. If you sent your registration to the Nashville Office, please bring proof of registration to receive bags.

On-Site Registration will take place beginning Monday at the registration area, located in the Memphis Cook Convention Center. Anything pertaining to registration should be directed to Sister Nellie Suggs at 908 698 2020 or nellie.suggs@verizon.net Hours are listed below:

- Monday: 8am – 7pm | Tuesday: 8am – 7pm | Wednesday: 8am-5 pm | Thursday: 9am – 5 pm
- Friday: 9am – 12 pm

Transportation

As previously stated, we are 18 plus miles from the Convention Center, but some transportation will be provided. The Host Committee will be on site at the Airport beginning on Saturday and earlier if necessary. Transportation contact: Dr. Carlton Greer and Dr. Roosevelt Joyner (1 901 626 8873). Although there is no set fee please remembers to be courteous to all drivers.

Sunday Worship

You may attend any church of your choice (See the listing in your program). We have been invited to worship with Pastor James Adams and the Congregation of the St Stephen Baptist Church. Transportation and a light snack will be provided. However, we do understand that some of you will be worshipping with families and friends. Whatever the case, have a great day.
Monday

The Board Meeting (Woman’s Auxiliary) will be held on Monday at 3:00 P. M at the Hilton Hotel: Room TBA. In case of a change, you can check signage or the Convention at a glance sheet.

The Musical will be held at 7 P. M. on Monday at the Memphis Cook Convention Center. The admission is $20.00.

Fashion Share
National Coordinator Paula S. Davis announces the 19th Fashion Share Outreach Ministry Monday, September 7, 2015 at 10:00 A.M and ending around 2:00 P. M. We are being hosted by the St. Stephen Baptist Church, 4245 Singleton Parkway, Memphis, TN 38128. You may contact Sis. Davis by e-mail at dpaula@att.net, or by phone at (248) 253-9252, or (586) 504-9916.

Transportation will be provided for President Gatewood’s Officers, special invited guest, State & District Presidents from the Woman’s Auxiliary Hotel which is the Hilton Memphis.

Please abide by the time schedule (August 17, 2015) for submitting gift cards and money and clothing donations.

Clothing donations should be sent to Fashion Share Outreach, c/o Sister Paulette Moore at the St. Stephen Ch. Please send only new clothing. Ship boxes to arrive by August 17, 2015. Include new packages of underwear, in all sizes up to size 12 (or larger): Children’s clothing and underwear in various sizes are also welcomed. Please send only new garments. No after-five or formal wear. The women we serve are in transition.

Monetary donations, made out to Paula Davis, should be sent to 162 Vista South, Auburn Hills, MI 48326 by August 17, 2015 and she will purchase clothing items for anyone unable to attend or send clothing.

Regional clothing size assignments (skirts, blouses, slacks, sweaters, pajamas, slips, bras, blazers, etc.)

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Tuesday

The District and Local President’s Breakfast will be held September 8, 2015 at 6:30 A. M. at the Hilton Memphis Hotel. The tickets are $40.00 and can be obtained by mailing your order and money to the Houston Office. The color will be white with red roses. For additional information, contact Sister Dorothy Smith at (313) 839-8028 or Sister Merceil Burkhalter at (612) 529-3593. Tickets will be available for purchase and pick up possibly on Sunday evening in the Hotel and near the Convention registration booth on Monday. Only Ticket Agents will handle the tickets.

Opening Session of the Convention with the Parent Body ~ Tuesday morning at 9:00 A. M. in the Memphis Cook Convention Center in the Main Hall ~ The women are expected to be present.

The Opening Session for the Woman’s Auxiliary will be 2:30 P. M., Convention Center – Halls A & B
Health's Extensions – Health Unit

*The President’s (Dr. Jerry Young) Education Banquet* will be held Tuesday, September 8, 2015. Information can be found on the [Memphis Host Committee](#) page of the Convention website.

**Wednesday**

**President’s Session** ~ Wednesday morning will open at 8:40 – 8:50 A. M.: Quite Time with God, followed by Praise and Worship

No particular color has been suggested by the President. However, white has been suggested by many state Presidents with your individual Region colors or your Convention colors. President simply wants you there and on time. Remember, your presence is more important to her than color. We will begin on time and close in a timely fashion.

**2:30 P.M. Session** - Presentation - Health Committee Reflections ~ Sister Louise Boyd and Committee

**Women in White:** If you plan to participate in the friendly competition, you **must** report all money before 5:00 P. M. on Tuesday September 8th to the Finance / Registration area of the women. Sister Nellie Suggs will assist you in this matter.

**There will be no Session for the women on Wednesday Night.**

**Thursday**

**Join the Parent Body** - Thursday morning at 9:00 A. M. in Convention Center Main Hall for President Young’s message.

**2:00 P. M. ~ Reflections:** MMBB; Deaconess; The Young People; Minister’s Wives & Widows & Bread for the World.

**Banquet:** Doors will open at 4:45 P. M. **The tickets are $50.00.** Send your order along with money to the Houston Office. The Past Presidents will present a Queen on this night. Tickets available on Sunday evening for purchase & pick up at the Hotel and will continue until all the tickets are sold or until the event.

**Friday (Closing Session)**

If all reports have been made prior to this session, there will be no Friday Session. You may be dismissed and join the Parent Body until the evening joint closing session.

**7:00 P. M. ~ Joint Closing Session with the Parent Body ~ Baptism and the Observance of the Lord’s Supper.**

Until we meet, as always, remain positive and prayerful.

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Your sister in service,

*Hugh Dell Gatewood*