

# HONORING THE LEGACY

# Rev. Dr. Cameron Madison Alexander 50 YEARS OF PASTORING

Theme: The Year of Jubilee - Celebration of the Man Honoring 50 Years of Excellence
1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2019

## Antioch Baptist Church North

Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, Pastor

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# A Message from the Pastor

My Beloved Antioch North Brothers and Sisters,



Working with Dr. C. M. Alexander, my father and our pastor, was one of the great joys of my life. Watching and listening to him preach and teach about God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost was indescribable. Traveling with him to national and state conventions, assisting him in meetings with some of the great preachers and leaders of our days, developing social service programs, working with him on real estate acquisitions and development deals, creating events and most of all working with him to assist in the administration of our historic, beloved, Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led and Mission-bound Antioch Baptist Church North gave me experiences beyond my dreams.

Dr. C. M. Alexander came to Atlanta with Momma, Eric, Greg, Maria and I on vacation and was asked by Rev. H.M. Alexander, his father and pastor, to preach at Antioch. Though on vacation, Daddy could not resist the opportunity to preach about Jesus nor could he resist the will of his earthly father or heavenly Father. So, in 1969 he preached, "There's a Man in Town". He was referring to Jesus, but Antioch knew they had found their pastor; he had come to town. With the beautiful and charming Barbara J. Alexander at his side, a 49 year plus love story began for Antioch Baptist Church North.

Dr. Alexander's unique preaching gave us sermons like: "Prayer Meeting at Sister Mary's House", "What to Do When You Don't Know What to Do", and "Joy Comes in the Morning". His unequaled administrative abilities gave us a second and third service, Watchnight Services, and The Four Pillars: Fellowship, Evangelism, Doctrine and Stewardship. His spiritual wisdom led to more than 150 sons of Antioch to become licensed, ordained, and pastoring ministers around the country. His spiritual way of eulogizing our loved-ones was proof that he was Holy Spirit-led. — he had a unique ability bring a joy to families and highlight precious memories during times of bereavement. Our church's infrastructure was significantly impacted by Pastor Alexander's visionary leadership. He taught us the blessings in giving through tithes and offerings. As a result, our 400-seat sanctuary grew to a 1300 seat sanctuary which included administrative buildings, and paved parking lots and resource buildings spanning multiple blocks around the church.

Through the monthly prayer breakfasts with the men and women, he inspired so many of us to be better Christians, spouses, parents, and leaders. An untold amount of businesses and ministries were started because of the inspiring messages at the prayer breakfasts. Our church family grew closer through the fellowship of the breakfasts, retreats, workshops and training designed and delivered by our Pastor.

In as much as God built the brick and mortar church under Pastor Alexander's leadership, God also built the missions of the living church through Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. Our former pastor's vision to serve the "least of these" through programs such as Project Re-Direction, Matthew's Place, Ananias's House, Luke's Place, and Ruth's Place for persons recovering from substance abuse. Additionally, we continue to serve upwards of 500 households per week through the food and clothing banks.

While serving as President of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia for nearly 30 years, Pastor Alexander acquired and developed the Land of Promise, a 273-acre retreat and recovery center, lead the re-development of Bryant Theological Seminary, established the Youth Convention and the rise of all the departments in the Convention.

Thank you to the Pastor's Anniversary Committee who knew and understood our Pastor's desire to celebrate his 50th Anniversary as Pastor of this church. Though plans have not gone as originally planned, we praise God that as we celebrate today, our pastor, Dr. C. M. Alexander has a better vantage point to view the celebration. As we celebrate down here, Dr. C. M. Alexander and Sister Barbara J. Alexander along with family members and church members who have also fought the good fight and finished their courses are celebrating up in heaven. So, today we say HAPPY ANNIVERSARY PASTOR C. M. ALEXANDER; By the way, isn't this a beautiful Sunday morning?

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## WORSHIP SERVICE

#### HONORING THE LEGACY

I like the silent church before the service begins.

By Emerson

| The Call to Worship                         |  |
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| ,   | Pastor and Family, Ministers, Special Guests, oir, Dancers, and Pastoral Anniversary Committee |
| The Morning Hymn #94                        | <i>lear the Cross</i> Congega <b>í</b> on  |
| The Pastoral Tribute From the Music Ministr | y, Combined Choirs, and Dance Ministry   |
| The OccasionShepherding God's F             | People (Acts 20:28)BWT Verse Speakers  |
| Announcements & Recognition of Visitors     | Sis.Ricki Allen  |
| The Wedding Anniversary Recognition         |  |
| The AUMI Observance                         |  |
| Documentary                                 | Dea. Jerome Trimble and Sis. Kim Luttery   |
| Special Tribute                             | Mothers Ministry and Youth Scholarships  |
| Selection                                   | Combi <b>æ</b> d Choir   |
| Tribute to Sister Barbara J. Alexande       | Dr. Margaret Weaver  |
| 50 Years of Service                         | Sis.Ellen Wilborn Sis. Audrey Cooper   |

#### THE LITANY OF PRAISE

MINISTER: Let us stand for our Litany of Praise

MINISTER: We are...

CONGREGATION: Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led, and Mission-bound

MINISTER: We stand on...

**CONGREGATION:** The four pillars; Fellowship, Evangelism, Doctrine, and Stewardship

MINISTER: So, let us...

ALL: Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD He is GOD: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the LORD IS good; HIS mercy is everlasting; and HIS truth endureth to ALL generations.

Psalm 100

THE DOXOLOGY......Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### **The Offertory Prayer**

O Heavenly Father, God of the Universe. You blessed us with a strong and compassionate pastor for 49 years, the Reverend Dr. Cameron Madison Alexander. In obedience to your word, he taught us to love and to cheerfully give. So, today, O Lord, although he's no longer with us, as we celebrate in memory, his 50th Anniversary, help us to remember how he taught us that we cannot match your giving. So, in remembering our pastor, touch our hearts and lead us to give in joy and thanksgiving. Amen!

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| Special Tribue              | The Ushers Ministry                 |
| Instrumental Tribu <b>ė</b> | The Band of Antioch                 |
| Introduction of the Speaker | Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, Pastor   |
| The Hymn #135               | Amazing GraceChoir and Congregation |
| The Anniversary Message     | The Rev. Dr. Jasper Williams, Jr.   |
|                             | Pastor Emeritus, Salem Bible Church |

#### The Invitation to Discipleship

(Please refrain from walking during the Invitation to Discipleship)

"I'm Walking" by: Donnie McClurkin

(Get Something in Your Hands)



# Our Anniversary Speaker

# Rev. Dr. Jasper Williams, Jr.



Jasper Williams, Jr.'s magnetic personality, blended with an explosive delivery style, has drawn audiences worldwide for more than three decades to hear his spirit-filled sermons.

He has emerged as one of the most influential spiritual leaders of this generation. As Pastor Emeritus of Salem Bible Church — "One Ministry in Two Locations" — his priority is expansion through evangelism.

Jasper Williams, Jr. was born in Memphis, Tennessee on July 22, 1943. He was the first of four children born to the late Rev. Jasper Williams, Sr. and Alice Stewart Williams. He was raised in a devout Christian family environment, with strong moral values.

It was these strong and deep rooted values that led him to convert at the tender age of six. Acknowledging his call to the ministry, he began preaching the gospel early in life. He graduated from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, majoring in sociology with a minor in religion.

On Easter Sunday, 1963, at the age of 19, Jasper Williams, Jr. was invited to preach at Salem Baptist Church on Martin Street in Atlanta, Georgia. His plan to return home as the Associate Pastor of his father's church was interrupted when he accepted the call to pastor Salem in November 1963. With God's blessing, Pastor Williams, Jr. has made Salem one of the key churches in the growing Baptist network.

Pastor Williams, Jr. has involved Salem in several notable social action ministries: a free psychological counseling program, a children's day care center, the acquisition of property on which an additional edifice was constructed, and the development of a dual-structured, senior citizen high-rise. Grants were received totaling 5.6 million dollars for Phase I and Phase II of the Alice Williams Towers, in honor of his late mother.

Pastor Williams, Jr. has served on the Board of numerous service organizations. He chaired the Evangelistic Committee's "Late Night Services" under the auspices of the National Baptist Convention USA. Inc., a position he held for 10 years.

He gained notoriety when he relinquished this title to become the "voice of the people". He spoke about the relationship of Christian consciousness to social evils, which is how he became known as "a man with a heart for the people."

In keeping with his mission to be the voice of the people, Pastor Williams' most recent endeavor is as the founder of African American Churches Transforming Society (A.A.C.T.S.), a community based organization envisioned to be help revitalize churches, strengthen families and rebuild communities through churches working in concert with social and governmental agencies.

He is also the recipient of many awards and honors, among which are the Rev. C.L. Franklin Masters Award, the NAACP Award, and the Award of Excellence conferred by the Gospel Music Workshop of America. He holds two honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees – one from Miller University and the other from Temple Bible College and Seminary.

Reverend Jasper W. Williams, Jr. is Pastor Emeritus as Salem Bible Church where his son, Dr. Joseph L. Williams serves as Senior Pastor. His eldest son, Rev. Jasper Williams, III, serves as the pastor of The Church in Duluth, GA.

# Rev. Dr. Cameron Madison Alexander 50 YEAR LEGACY OF A CHARITABLE SERVANT OF THE ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH NORTH - 1969-2019

Today, our pastor, the officers, leaders and members of the Antioch Baptist Church North are excited as we acknowledge the long, distinguished legacy of our deceased, beloved pastor who served 50 years as our religious leader.

Let our minds run back to that hot, first Sunday morning in August 1969. We were anticipating the voting process to fill the vacancy for a new pastor, when Rev. Cameron M. Alexander, who was on vacation, came in as a fill-in before the voting was to be held on Monday night. Upon his entry, he was greeted by the Deacon's Board (now Ministry). Deacon Edward Gordon invited him into the Pastor's Study, which had been redecorated for the incoming pastor. Deacon Gordon asked him as he proceeded to sit in the large chair behind the desk, "How do you think you would like to sit in that chair?" Rev. Alexander's reply was, "I'm sitting in it aren't I."

We all recall his initial sermon, "There's a Man in Town." The rest is history. The voting the following night was unanimous, in favor of Rev. Alexander. The results were reported by the late Deacon Clinton Robinson, chairman of the Deacon's Board, and part-time Secretary, Ellen Magby Wilborn, who remained his part-time secretary until he began to organize his staff in 1971. Due to his administrative prowess, we went from one part-time employee to 25 full-time employees. On the 4th Sunday in October 1969, he was installed as the 6th Pastor of The Antioch Baptist Church North. It was a spirit-filled installation program designed under the leadership of the late Deaconess Sadie Raglin. The installation sermon by the late Rev. Howard Creecy marked the beginning of a great bond between Antioch and Rev. Alexander.

Following his installation, his pastoral work began in earnest, and his legacy brought great things to this church, community, city and nation. He also brought with him a loving family, who stood by his side and made great contributions to the church and community. He wasted no time in restoring a healthy and vibrant church, developing junior deacons, ministers, pastors and church leaders. His first years were very busy pulling things together and getting to know his membership. We all remember the blue bus that was purchased for our transportation.

Rev. Alexander's way of communicating the church's activities was with an answering machine. All church programs and activities for the week were left by the pastor at night to be recorded on the answering machine for members' information. He also dictated letters and other communication on the machine to be typed for his signature for mailing and distribution. He began interviewing candidates for the secretary position, but it was three years before he decided to fill the position. Special programs were typed and put together by the use of an electric typewriter, mimeograph machine and volunteers. Everyone was happy to be a part of working to make everything good for our new pastor.

The church began to grow: baptizing new converts; marrying couples; dedicating babies; celebrating home goings; and caring for the least of these. He saw the need to feed the hungry, so he organized the clothing and food banks that have grown to feeding hundreds of families weekly.

His servant leadership enhanced strong Baptist values that are Bible Based, Christ Centered, Holy Spirit Led and Mission Bound.

He also brought distinguished pastors to his pulpit, the Reverend Doctors Caesar A. W. Clark, E. V. Hill, Jesse Jackson, William Smith, Jasper Williams, Al Sharpton and many others.

During the early 70s, he and his wife provided leadership to purchase parcels of land surrounding the church for further

growth and enhance the English Avenue Community. During his tenure, the membership grew from less than 500 to

16,000. In 1986, he believed the congregation was ready to build a new worship center and he led the congregation to

building the current multi-million dollar worship center and adjoining administrative wing at 540 Kennedy Street, N.W. The Atlanta City Council, due to his devoted leadership to the City of Atlanta, voted to change the name of Kennedy Street

to Cameron M. Alexander Blvd. N. W.

At times when he was at the bank negotiating and the bank officers didn't want to cooperate with his dealings, he wasted

no time in telling them to "go to lunch." The purchase of the Land of Promise was his special project. During his tenure as President of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc., helping addicts to recovery and giving them a

new lease on life was a reward for him and for Mrs. Alexander. (Mrs. A)

Nine missions were established as wings of Antioch. Four are thriving congregations led by sons of the church. Other

ordained sons of the pastor and church are now pastoring churches and were installed personally by the pastor, Rev.

C.M. Alexander.

We all have heard about his life as a saxophonist, his service to the country in the Air Force, his being a proud graduate of

Booker T. Washington High School, his attendance at Florida A &M, graduation from Morehouse College and Morehouse School of Religion, ITC and his ordination as a Baptist preacher by his father, the late Rev. Homer Alexander. Mostly, we

all remember the love of his life, the vivacious Barbara Jackson Alexander and how he would always describe her as his

"match made in heaven," his love of 64 years whom he affectionately called "Honey."

He received a variety of well-deserved major recognitions reflecting his influence on the quality of life for citizens in

Atlanta and all across Georgia and the nation, but the most influential was having two of his sermons accepted into the

American Folk Life Center at the Library of Congress.

So, as we try to capture Rev. C.M. Alexander's life as pastor of Antioch Baptist Church North for the past 50 years, we

can say he was friendly, charitable, comical, stern, positive, imaginative, resourceful, academically inclined, sensitive and,

above all, a dynamic preacher, teacher leader who modeled Christ.

Rev. Alexander has left us with a legacy that was influential, a strong historic leadership and a road map to be great ser-

vants of God, and we give him praise that we had a leader grounded in the Word.

**GOOD BYE MY FRIEND** 

Submitted by: Ellen L. Wilborn, Church Clerk

Audrey S. Cooper – Assistant Clerk

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## THE PASTORATE

by the late Rev. Levi Terrill, Jr.\*

Romans 10:15 states: "And how shall they preach, except they be sent?" as it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things!" This lyrical scripture states eloquently the mode of transportation of the early preachers. Our pastor, cut from the same mold, has served the pastorate well by bringing the good news to us in our sick rooms, during our lonely hours, during moments of despair, and during our times of confusion.

In Psalms 66:9, God is praised for not suffering our feet to be moved. Those who occupy the pastorate must forever be "steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord...." Reverend Alexander has stood in the gap for forty-nine years resisting the wiles of the devil while teaching us to be strong in the Lord. His feet have not moved.

Isaiah 52:7 states: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, thy God reigneth!"

The man who sits in the seat of the pastorate must always bring the good news and keep the peace and lead the way to heaven. Our Pastor has certainly done that! Reverend Alexander's forty-eight years at Antioch North have been years of peace, joy, prosperity, and obedience for those who dwell herein. His sounding of the good news has pointed the way to salvation for thousands. Our pastor has kept his "feet" shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace.

The Pastorate requires strong feet, for the shepherd must lead the flock on the long journey. May the feet of this occupant of Antioch's Pastorate remain strong, steady, straight, and solid. As his strong voice continues to proclaim God's Eternal Truth, may his feet forever remain in the "paths of righteousness."

From today's vantage point, it is extremely difficult to imagine where our beloved Antioch would be if it had not been for the Lord sending one of His best under shepherds to our pulpit at a time when we needed him most. Just like a tree planted by rivers of water, Reverend Alexander has nurtured within the hearts and souls of the Antioch congregational family, a strong belief and persistence that everything having to do with "Church" must be Biblebased, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led and Mission-bound. Having abided by that basic principle, today, Antioch stands tall as a place of refuge, a stalwart and an uncompromising beacon of hope that sheds a true light of promise in Atlanta at the corner of Northside Drive and Cameron M. Alexander Boulevard.

<sup>\*</sup>Updated 2018 by the Antioch Staff

# Did you know?



- 1. Reverend Cameron Madison Alexander was a Saxophone Player before he became a Preacher.
- 2. The young Reverend Alexander was invited as the "Guest Preacher" the Sunday before the Congregation was set to vote on Antioch's next Spiritual Leader. His first sermon was entitled "There is a Man in Town." Now we know that God, in His Infinite Wisdom, had already chosen and brought "The Man" in town to fill the void in His Pulpit here at Antioch.
- 3. When Reverend Alexander arrived in 1969, there were fewer than 500 members. During that time, Antioch grew tremendously! Many of her members traveled great distances each Sunday to hear God's Words from the self-described "Paper Boy" as he proclaimed the Goodness of the Lord.
- 4. In 1990, Antioch's newly-constructed, multi-million-dollar Worship Center and adjoining Administrative Wing were dedicated and coined as "a Rock in a Weary Land." Pastor Alexander had decided that for Antioch to be effective, the Church needed to remain within the community in need of help.
- 5. Reverend Alexander's favorite scripture was John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
- 6. Now 50 years later, that same "Man" our late and great Pastor's presence is "STILL" in town. Although, he's gone on to Glory, we will never forget him.
- 7. Being led by the Holy Spirit each Sunday morning, Pastor Alexander use to ask three resounding questions, "Do you know Him?" "Have you tried Him?" "Has He ever done anything for you?"
- 8. Reverend Alexander and his beloved wife, Barbara, have been married for 64 years. This union has been blessed with 4 children, 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren!
- 9. Over the years, Antioch has been an integral part of the revitalization and/or development of our surrounding community. In 1994, the Bethursday Development Corporation was established as a community development extension of Antioch Baptist Church. This non-profit was named to commemorate the Bethursday Prayer Band which originally founded Antioch and was led by eight former slaves. The corporation has become a major stakeholder and real estate developer in the English Avenue Community.
- 10. Reverend Alexander was educated in the Atlanta Public Schools system and graduated from the historic Booker T. Washington High School. As a teenager, Reverend Alexander's sports interests included running track and playing football. His favorite subject in school was history, particularly slavery and learning about what our ancestors had to endure.
- 11. Reverend Alexander received his Masters of Divinity Degree from Morehouse School of Religion.
- 12. Under Reverend Alexander's leadership, more than seventy-five (75) Ministries and Auxiliaries have been formed to assist our members and the surrounding community.
- 13. Because of Reverend Alexander's vision, compassion and efforts, a number of Outreach Ministries were established to serve the "least of these." Some of these ministries include: Luke's Place, Lydia's House, Matthew's Place and Ruth's Place. Malachi and Miriam Ministries were put in place to assist the needs of our youth.
- 14. The Scholarship Ministry has provided more than \$1,432,761.00 to assist Antioch students and families each year with their educational achievements. The donated funds distributed through the Scholarship Ministry average out to be about 35 students per year, and this total includes high school and memorial/book scholarships.

  15. Prior to Reverend Alexander receiving the call to become Antioch's fifth Pastor, there were thirty (30) Dea-

cons already in place and ready to welcome him into his new position.

- 16. During Reverend Alexander's watch, thirty-seven (37) Deacons were ordained within his 49 years at Antioch.
- 17. Over the years, Antioch has acquired and/or developed over 38 valuable downtown parcels of land. These purchases include a business plaza, an apartment complex and multiple acres from the CSX Railroad, just to name a few.
- 18. Reverend Alexander was very instrumental in helping to elect Atlanta's first African-American Mayor, the Honorable Maynard Jackson, Jr., in 1973.
- 19. Mayor Jackson appointed Reverend Alexander to serve as Chairman of the Atlanta Religious Mobilization Against Crime in 1978.
- 20. Reverend Alexander served as President of the General Missionary Baptist Convention, Inc. (GMBC) for 29 years and was named President Emeritus. While with GMBC, Reverend Alexander also served as Host and the General Chairman for the 1985, 1992 and 2005 National Baptist Convention Annual Sessions, which were held in Atlanta.
- 21. In 1994, he served as Co-Chair for the Reverend Billy Graham's Atlanta Crusade.
- 22. In 1991, through our Pastor's vision, the nationally acclaimed Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. (AUMI) was established as the cornerstone of Antioch's Outreach Ministries. AUMI provides supportive services for men and women suffering from addiction, as well as those who are living with HIV/Aids.
- 23. Because Antioch cares, many low-income and disadvantaged persons continue to receive assistance with referrals for housing. Within the first 2 weeks of July, 2018, the Human Services Ministry reports that 992 bags totaling 34,054 pounds of food were distributed, and 138 meals were served to AUMI Residents and a total of forty-one (41) families received goods through the Antioch Clothing Bank.
- 24. Antioch acquired the 12-story Walton Hotel in downtown Atlanta and transformed it into apartments for the working homeless. In honor of our Pastor, the Walton House was renamed as the Madison House in tribute to Pastor Alexander's work for the poor and disenfranchised within the community.
- 25. In 1993, Reverend Alexander and the Antioch membership hosted South African and Anti-Apartheid Leader, President Nelson Mandela, on his first visit to Atlanta following his release from a South African prison. A 300-voice Antioch choir ministered in Dobbs Stadium at Georgia Tech as part of the ceremony.
- 26. In 1999, Antioch purchased a multi-purpose building at 590 North Avenue. It is affectionately known to Antioch as "The 590." The 590 Building is frequently used for youth and churchwide events.
- 27. Reverend Alexander received the Visions of Excellence Award in 2000 from the Atlanta Business League for the development and implementation of Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. (AUMI). The VISIONS OF EXCELLENCE AWARD recognized an individual within our community who creates a vision to improve the quality of life in Atlanta, and/or its surrounding communities, then uses his or her leadership and influence to realize that vision.
- 28. Because of Pastor Alexander's leadership, Antioch successfully established over nine Mis-











sions and two thriving Congregational Churches (New Horizons Baptist Church and Antioch Loving Spirit Missionary Baptist Church). These congregations have served as a living testimony of Pastor Alexander's commitment to the spread of the Gospel throughout all nations.

- 29. Reverend Alexander was honored by Morehouse College with the "Bennie Award," the highest recognition that the College bestows to its Most Distinguished Alumni.
- 30. A portrait of Reverend Alexander hangs in the Hall of Great Preachers in the Martin Luther King, Jr. International Chapel on the Morehouse College campus. Being in the "Hall of Great Preachers" is just another testament to his greatness and comes as really no surprise to the Antioch membership. During the time when Pastor Alexander was Co-pastor, he would always introduce Reverend Alexander as the "Best Pastor in the World," which is just another testament to his greatness!
- 31. Two of Reverend Alexander's sermons have been placed in The American Folklife Center (AFC) at the Library of Congress. The Library of Congress has, for many decades, documented everyday reactions to major events in history. In their efforts to continue that tradition, the AFC solicited interested persons and groups to partake in the Inauguration 2009 Sermons and Orations Project. Antioch submitted Reverend Alexander's January 18, 2009 sermon, entitled "Who He Is" (Romans 38, Luke 23:46). In his sermon, Reverend Alexander spoke on 3 Miracles: Miracle on the Hudson River, Miracle on Pennsylvania Avenue, and Miracle at Calvary.
- 32. For many years, the Atlanta Business League has recognized business owners, professionals, community and civic leaders in the Atlanta area. Because of his continued community influence and trailblazing impact on Atlanta, Reverend Alexander was inducted into the Atlanta Business League Legends Hall of Fame in 2008.
- 33. In December 2010, the Atlanta City Council renamed Kennedy Street to Cameron M. Alexander Boulevard in recognition of Pastor Alexander's historical legacy and influence within the city.
- 34. Reverend Alexander was known to be a jokester; one who loved to laugh and make others laugh as well. He would state from the pulpit on many occasions that "those who do not laugh, stay sick all the time." This statement was just his way of letting the membership know that not all things are bad because "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:13).
- 35. Some of Reverend Alexander's favorite foods included neck bones, ham hocks, and a succulent rabbit smothered in gravy. But of course, we knew, none of these foods, was he allowed to eat. Selah!
- 36. Reverend Alexander's favorite movie was The Magnificent Seven, an old American Western film. This movie is about an oppressed people looking to make a better life for themselves, but like Satan, a greedy industrialist comes to their village, "to steal, kill and destroy" (John 10:10). With their lives in jeopardy, the villagers turn to the "bounty hunter" and his recruited followers for help. As Reverend would say;" by now, you should know where I'm going; One Friday...."
- 37. Pastor Alexander became one of the nation's best-known pastors. He was dubbed as "a pastor's pastor." He mentored, trained and groomed nearly 150 ministers who are affectionately called "Sons of Antioch."
- 38. Over the years, countless numbers of wedding ceremonies were performed here at Antioch. In the early years, during a counseling session, Reverend Alexander would serve couples chilled Red Rock sodas while discussing the importance of having three people in the marriage: Christ, Husband and Wife.











- 39. It was not uncommon for Reverend Alexander to come to the pulpit and deliver what is commonly known as a "Mini Sermon" even when he did not actually preach. He would always leave the congregation with a profound thought to ponder during the week.
- 40. Reverend Alexander served as President of Operation PUSH (now known as Rainbow Coalition) in Georgia.
- 41. He was President and Treasurer, respectively, of the Morehouse School of Religion and was also a Trustee of the Morehouse School of Medicine.
- 42. Based on Reverend Alexander's illustrious ministerial career, he was also awarded Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degrees from the United Theological Seminary in 1978, the Interdenominational Theological Center in 1991 and the Carver Bible College in 2007.
- 43. In January 2010, he was inducted into the International Civil Rights Walk of Fame located at the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site.
- 44. The Georgia General Assembly honored Reverend Alexander with a Resolution in February 2010.
- 45. A profile of Reverend Alexander's "Spiritual Journey" was documented by the Atlanta Interfaith Broadcast (AIB) in April 2010.
- 46. Reverend Alexander was inducted, in September 2010, into the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame.
- 47. He was appointed to the Global Advisory Board for the National Center of Civil and Human Rights.
- 48. Currently, Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. (AUMI), is assisting 134 students attending Atlanta Metropolitan State College with emergency food and clothing.
- 49. On April 7, 2018, the 5th District honored Reverend Alexander with the "Legend Award" for his 29 years of service as the President of the General Missionary Baptist Convention (GMBC) of Georgia, Inc. For over 126 years, the GMBC has provided educational and enrichment programs for thousands of Georgia Baptists.
- 50. Our late Pastor, the Reverend Cameron M. Alexander, was a man of many attributes to name a few: Wise, Intelligent, Sensible, Judicious, Clever, Sharp, Perceptive and so much more. He was a Man of sound mind and he was always thinking of what

was best for Antioch. He never wanted Antioch to be in trouble, so in his infinite wisdom and the leading of the Holy Spirit, Pastor Alexander laid the ground work for a smooth landing, just in case of unseen complications

or tribulations. AND... Now, we are enjoying the fruits of that labor with Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, as our Pastor! *SELAH!* 

My, My, My, What About That!









# A Tribute to Mrs. Barbara J. Alexander



Mrs. Barbara J. Alexander served the Lord "with all humility of mind" (Acts 20:19) alongside her husband, our late pastor, the Rev. Dr. C.M. Alexander. She was never self-seeking but was always a vessel of God, ready to step in wherever needed to advance the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Quiet but resolute, "Mrs. A." as she was affectionately called at Antioch, blazed trails and set high standards in every endeavor to which she was called. If you ever found yourself talking with her husband, her children, her grandchildren and her great-grandchildren, you would know that her first ministry was always her home. She made it a refuge of peace and tranquility, where the trials and tribulations of the world could be laid aside as comfort and love reign.

The members of Lakewood Mission and the AUMI ministries, especially the women of Ruth's Place, found her to be a rare combination of astute business woman, as she always made sure that everything needed was available and all accounts were in order. Mrs. "A" was a compassionate encourager. Non-judgmental, she reached out to the least, the less, and the lost and helped them find the best in themselves and move toward healing and wholeness.

Her business acumen propelled her to the top of the real estate business as the name Barbara J. Alexander Realty, Inc. became the go-to realtor in Atlanta for both residential and commercial properties. When she started the business in 1977, her aim was to apply biblical standards to the world of real estate. Because she remained true to those standards, the business soared as referrals poured in from people wanting honest, ethical, principled dealings. Those same characteristics caused her to be chosen for leadership positions in many civic and religious organizations.

Our late Pastor Alexander would always relate how Mrs. Alexander, President and high-powered executive, could transform into "Honey" in the short drive from the realty agency to their home. She did not stop on the way to pick up fast food, but made delicious home-cooked meals that brought the family together. The late Pastor Alexander, frequently stated that Mrs. "A" was "the quintessence of femininity." The high-stepping majorette who caught his attention at Washington High School over 65 years ago, still took his breath away. Her warm, inviting smile would melt his heart and endear her to everyone who met her.

Following her husband as he was called from pastorate to pastorate, Mrs. Alexander always embraced each congregation with love. Although she's not with us anymore, the love that she exhibited continues to be felt among all of us here at Antioch, in "good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over" (Luke 6:38).

We loved you, Mrs. "A" with an everlasting love; We will always hold you in our hearts!

# Rev. & Mrs. Alexander









































Brian P. Kemp GOVERNOR

31 July 2019

To: The Antioch Baptist Church

#### **GREETINGS:**

I join with the congregation of the Antioch Baptist Church in remembering and acknowledging the work the late Pastor Cameron M. Alexander did for forty-nine years on behalf of the state of Georgia. I commend him for his commitment to his community and faith.

Pastor Alexander influenced the lives of many through his witness, demonstrating both character and compassion. I am confident that the same enthusiasm and dedication that characterized his ministry will continue to mark the Antioch Baptist Church's future service.

May the Antioch Baptist Church and its congregation be blessed with much joy and happiness in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Governor Brian P. Kemp



KEISHA LANCE BOTTOMS MAYOR



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TEL (404) 330-6100

August 4, 2019

#### Greetings:

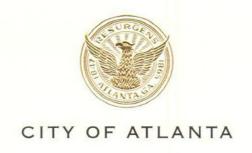
The City of Atlanta is honored to join Antioch Baptist Church North in celebrating Dr. Cameron M. Alexander's life and legacy.

We are eternally grateful for the more than 49 years of inspiring contributions Reverend Alexander made to our great city. His dedication to enriching the lives of others through his generous spirit and charitable efforts has truly made an everlasting impact on the lives of many. Atlanta was fortunate to have benefited from Reverend Alexander's leadership, and we will always remember his lifelong commitment to bettering Atlanta's communities.

On behalf of the people of our great city, we are proud to join you on this special day of remembrance and offer our best wishes to you for a remarkable celebration.

Sincerely,

Keisha Lance Bottoms



MICHAEL JULIAN BOND
COUNCILMEMBER
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July 26, 2019

Family of Dr. Rev. Alexander C/o Antioch Baptist church 540 Cameron M. Alexander Boulevard, NW Atlanta, GA 30318

Dear Antioch Baptist church and the Family of Dr. Rev. Alexander,

On behalf of the City of Atlanta, I would like to acknowledge our late Rev. Dr. Cameron Alexander, on the  $50^{th}$  commencement that would've been pastor at Antioch Baptist Church. I must express our appreciation and admiration for all he has accomplished. Although, we will miss his physical presence his legacy that is being upheld still lives within us.

May the peace which comes from the memories of love shared, comfort you now and in the days ahead. My prayers are with you and your family, as we shall also continue to up hold his spiritual legacy.

Sincerely,

Councilmember Michael Julian Bond

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August 4, 2019

Antioch Baptist Church North 540 Cameron M. Alexander Blvd. NW Atlanta, GA 30318

Dear Congregation of Antioch Baptist Church:

Today we celebrate the life and legacy of the beloved Rev. Dr. Cameron Alexander.

Rev. Dr. Cameron Alexander served honorably as Antioch Baptist Church's Pastor for 49 years. His dedication and love for his church never waivered, and he was deeply committed to each individual who stepped through its doors.

Dr. Alexander fought hard for his community, establishing many programs to address specific challenges, including HIV/AIDS, drug abuse and criminal justice issues. He believed in helping those who needed it most, and his embodiment of faith and activism serve as an inspiration and a reminder for us all.

We will forever remember the legacy that he has left with this church and its congregation.

Sincerely,

**Robb Pitts** 



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July 29th, 2019

To the family of the late Reverend Doctor Cameron Alexander and the entire Antioch family;

It is indeed my honor to write this letter as a show of my gratitude, support and reflection for the life and leadership of Reverend Alexander.

It is exceedingly rare to witness the dedication to performing decades of service in any field, but especially one as challenging as serving as a man of faith. His legacy will be one that inspires others for generations, and that is truly a mark of great accomplishment and impact.

On this, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Reverend Alexander's service, I reflect on my experience of training as a Deacon under his leadership and the privilege of learning to serve God and the community under his mentorship.

I know that I miss him dearly, as do we all, but we celebrate his legacy of service and impact.

Sincerely-

Andre Dickens

Atlanta City Council -

Post 3 At Large



#### NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, U.S.A., INCORPORATED

DR. JERRY YOUNG, PRESIDENT

July 25, 2019

Antioch Baptist Church North 540 Cameron M. Alexander Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30318

Dear Members of Antioch Baptist Church North,

It is with great enthusiasm that I write this letter of support honoring the legacy and life of the late Dr. Cameron Alexander. As you celebrate his 50 years of pastoring, I am compelled to participate in this celebratory event on behalf of the entire National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., Family.

In Matthew 25: 16-23 the word asserts," Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things." Consequently, Webster's dictionary defines the word servant as a person who is devoted to or guided by something. It is conceivable to say that Dr. Cameron Alexander had indeed been guided by his commitment to Christ and His great commission.

Dr. Cameron Alexander was undoubtedly one of the most influential, insightful and invaluable Pastors of our time. He leaves a tremendous legacy of having fathered hundreds of pastors and preachers who are now pastoring major churches throughout this country. On a personal note, when I decided that I would be a candidate for the presidency of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., there were several key principal pastors that I spoke with concerning my decision; Dr. Alexander was one of those pastors. He assured me that I would be the next president of the National Baptist Convention. I asked if he would be able to attend my next rally, but unfortunately he said that he would not be able to attend, but he would have his son Kenneth offer a public endorsement from him of my candidacy. He also made it known that it was only the second time in his life that he had publicly endorsed a candidate for President of our convention.

Please allow me to express my authentic appreciation and profound gratitude in honoring the Legacy and Life of Dr. Cameron Alexander.

Yours in Christ,

Jerry Young

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#### The General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. 155 Joseph E. Lowery Blvd. NW Atlanta, GA





Rev. Dr. Kenneth B. Martin, President

#### Greetings,

The General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. and Rev. Dr. C.M. Alexander are inextricably bound as he served GMBC, Inc. for 29 years as President and for more than 60 years in various capacities, including Dean of the Sunday School and B.T.U. Congress.

President Alexander brought to the Convention a depth of understanding of its history, superior administrative skills and vision for its future. He consolidated the staff, records and operations of the GMBC at the Baptist Headquarters in Atlanta. His forward thinking led to a central treasury and unified budget, which allowed the Convention to be better stewards of its funds and have a greater impact on society. He reorganized the twelve districts so they could function better within the district and in concert with the Convention. His prayers led him to choose the right people at the right time to lead auxiliaries and serve in other capacities throughout the Convention.

Recognizing that Christian education is foundational, President Alexander combined the State Sunday School and B.T.U. Congress into the Congress of Christian Education and bolstered its course offerings to provide practical application in local churches. He championed Bryant Theological Seminary, renaming Baptist Night to Bryant Night and designating that funds raised would go to support Bryant.

Every auxiliary and department was encouraged to progress in ways that would benefit the people. President Alexander instituted the Baptist Youth Convention for ages 13-25. Among too many "firsts" to list, President Alexander appointed the first woman as Historian. Home and foreign missions were extended. Most significantly, what became the Dr. C.M.A. Land of Promise was established on the 273 acres of land President Alexander led the GMBC to purchase in Culloden. There is no way to calculate how many lives were transformed as men and women lived on "The Land" and overcame the ravages of drug and alcohol addiction and were able to return to society and lead productive lives. He also appointed the first Ministry of Ushers Coordinator for the State Convention, establishing education and training for thousands of Ushers throughout the state and nationally.

Above all, Dr. Alexander's love of Jesus Christ and his love of people are what grew the Convention. No policy was ever implemented that was contrary to the Bible. Every program suggestion was measured by whether it would ultimately point to Christ. No one was ever insignificant to Dr. Alexander. If it was your first time at a session or your 100th, you were equally important to him. He could barely move through the hallways because people wanted to "say a word" to the President. His legacy is the personification of love, and we celebrate with the Antioch Baptist Church North a man who was "like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper (Psalm 1:2-3). The tree is still producing fruit in the GMBC, Inc.

Yours in God's service,

Kenneth B, Martin GMBC President.

# Proclamation



#### ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL

#### In Memory of the Legacy of Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander, an Atlanta native, served as the pastor of the

historic Antioch Baptist Church North for 49 years and established Antioch Urban

Ministries in 1990; and,

WHEREAS. Reverend Dr. Alexander received a Bachelor of Arts from Morehouse College, a

Master's in Divinity from the Morehouse School of Religion, and honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees from the United Theological Seminary, Carver Bible College,

and the Morehouse School of Religion; and,

WHEREAS. He has been incredibly involved in several organizations, including serving as treasurer

> and chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Morehouse School of Religion, serving as a lifetime member of the NAACP and the SCLC, and serving as former Vice President of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. He also has served as former Dean for the Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress, an auxiliary of

the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Alexander has received several awards and recognition for his tireless

> work in the community, including the National Religious Award, the C. Harper Ministries Award, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change Social Justice Award, and Alumnus of the Year from the Morehouse College Alumni Association. He also received the prestigious 2000 "Bennie" Award for Service from Morehouse College and the 2009 National Black Alumni Hall of Fame Religion and

Theology Award; and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander has been a catalyst for change in the Atlanta area and has had a remarkable impact both nationally and internationally.

NOW. THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT WE, the members of the Atlanta City Council,

on behalf of the citizens of Atlanta, do hereby honor Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander on this 4th day of August 2019. We thank him for his years of faithful service to the people of our great city.



### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

#### Tribute to Rev. Dr. Cameron M. Alexander

#### Sons of Antioch

As Sons of Antioch, words could never express our appreciation unto the LORD for ordering our steps to sit under the leadership, wisdom, and knowledgeable tutelage of the late Rev. Dr. Cameron M. Alexander. As Joshua was trained by Moses, Samuel by Eli, Elisha by Elijah, and Timothy by Paul, we too believe Pastor Alexander was divinely assigned to train us for this present age. We all were trained to always be Bible-Based, Christ-Centered, Holy Spirit- Led and Mission-bound as the foundation as Ministers. We remember the many sacrifice he made to meet with us on those first and third Thursdays of every month from 7:00 p.m. until he was finish. We realized then and even more so now that he was making sure we were fully equipped in fulfilling "THE CALL". This included giving generous opportunities to preach Noon Day Services daily in the Chapel, the Food Bank weekly, and Sunday Services occasionally.

When we reflect 141 years of our church being established, Antioch has been built on a solid rock foundation. It further expanded upon its foundation 50 years ago when our church allowed the Holy Spirit to lead its membership in "Calling" Rev. Cameron M. Alexander in 1969 as her Pastor by way as a write-in. During his Pastoring tenure, the Holy Spirit gave him unprecedented insight and foresight by assuring that our church would have a solid infrastructure in place. As Rev. Alexander would often quote, "The Church is the biggest business in the world because it cares for the present and eternal life of souls." The nurturing and developing of souls, has been and continues to be the main the focus of Antioch's infrastructure. Through the Gospel of Jesus Christ being preached, tens of thousands have become saved and restored. As Sons of Antioch, we benefited by being further trained to serve the special needs of the people through Luke's Place, Ruth's Place, Matthew's Place, the Madison House, Lakewood Missions, and the Food and Clothing Bank just to name a few. The preaching in Fulton County Jail, at the Salvation Army, visiting the sick plus more gave us, as ministers, opportunities to play a role in helping to restore lives (men, women, youth, and children) according to Matthew 25. In brief, Rev. Alexander made sure we were well rounded and exposed as Ministers for the Kingdom of God.

We will forever be grateful for the investment of time and sacrifice towards us by our beloved Pastor. It is our prayer that as he views from the balcony of Heaven, that he is witnessing a good return on his investment (ROI) in us. We still miss you very much Pastor. We thank you and love you for all you did for us.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

#### The Sons of Antioch

Rev. Darrell M. Arnold, President Rev. Oscar Scott Rev. Bruce Scott Rev. Derrick A. Jackson, Recording Secretary Rev. Herman Cain Rev. Derek McKinney Rev. Carlton Williams, Corresponding Secretary Rev. Donald R. Cloud Rev. John Byrdsell Rev. Dr. Bryan O. Mitchell Rev. Michael Price Rev. Willie Rockward Rev. Lester Duncan Rev. Walter Collins Rev. Raleigh Ragland Rev. Dr. Edward C. London Rev. Jimmy Staples Rev. Harry Holley, Honorary Member

Rev. James Sumpter

## God's Messenger...Proclaiming the Word of the Lord

**Romans 10:14** 

by: The Late Brother Barney Simms

The Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander's life and service would be a fitting biblical note as a human example of Lamentations 3:23. Jeremiah is speaking of the mercies which God bestows upon each of us every morning when he writes, "great is thy faithfulness." Knowing that there are many who do not read the Bible nor attend church, Rev. Alexander has made every effort to emulate the God he serves so faithfully wherever his path has carried him, whether home at Antioch for 49 years as Pastor or traveling throughout the country and abroad during 64 years of preaching.

#### 2 Chronicles 31:21

And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, Rev. Dr. Cameron M. Alexander sought divine direction and followed through to establish ministries that would serve the least, the less, and the lost. Boards became ministries of outreach and in-reach so that every member could use his or her gift in service as well as be ministered to in his or her time of need. The neighborhood, the city, the nation, and the world have been impacted by Rev. Alexander's belief that he was required to fulfill Matt. 25:35-36. Through Antioch Urban Ministries (AUMI) and many other ministries, the hungry have been fed through the Food Bank; the thirsty have had their thirsts—physical and spiritual—quenched; the stranger has found a welcoming congregation as well as Luke's Place, Ruth's Place, and other places of abode and refuge; the naked have been clothed through the Clothing Bank; the sick have been visited, and those in all kinds of prisons—physical jails as well as mental and emotional strongholds—have received support and deliverance.

and in the law, and in the commandments, Rev. Dr. Cameron M. Alexander has taken the mandate in Matt.28-19-20 seriously, exclaiming, "You cannot be casual with God." To that end, everything at Antioch has been done "decently and in order." The messages that are delivered, the classes that are taught, the songs that are sung, the meetings that are presided over, the prayers that are prayed, and the fellowships that are enjoyed all have one aim—to lift up the name of Jesus. Through fellowship, evangelism, doctrine, and stewardship he has led the congregation to worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.

to seek his God, Rev. Dr. Cameron M. Alexander has followed the move of the Holy Spirit. Filled with divine revelation, his sermons have provided for each member of the congregation just what was needed at the given time—assurance, hope, instruction, consolation, reproof, correction—moving everyone along the path of righteousness as he rightly divided the word of truth.

he does it with all his heart, Rev. Alexander's passion for God showing through in every endeavor. He has insisted that in every service, every workshop, every outreach, that Antioch remain Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led, and Mission-bound no matter what the wind of culture was blowing her way.

and prospered. God being with him, Rev. C. M. Alexander has enjoyed the fruit of the spirit experiencing blessings "exceeding abundantly above all that [he] could ask or think, according to the power that worketh in [him]." Perhaps there is no greater example of this prosperity than the over 100 sons of the church that he has trained who have been called to pastor throughout the nation to proclaim with power what thus saith the Lord, impacting an innumerable cloud of witnesses.

Congratulations Pastor Alexander! There is no way we can truly express our gratitude for all that you have done for us as individuals and members of the church of Jesus Christ located here at Antioch.

#### Dear Rev. Kenny,

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" (NIV).

Our pastor, your father, the Rev. Dr. C.M. Alexander, knew God's plans and executed measures to make a smooth transition for our Antioch North Church family. His appointment of you as Co-pastor, as affirmed during our 2013 Church Conference, paved the way for you to work even more closely with him and to gain a first-hand understanding of Antioch from the pastoral perspective. While we know he wasn't planning to leave us when he did, we also know that he was confident that he was leaving Antioch in good hands.

Our consecration services and luncheon were joyous, and we are moving forward, following your vision from God of "hope and a future." In these few short months, we have seen the fruit of your labors.

- Our Facebook live services are viewed by over 1,000 people weekly, and almost 4,000 have checked in to our site.
- Antioch Urban Ministries, under your leadership as Chairman, was recognized as a Community Beacon at the Beloved Benefit sponsored by the Chick-fil-A Foundation
- Our youth are reinvigorated and totally integrated into our services as the junior deacons lead hymns in devotion and even "Do You Know the Man" after communion. The youth ushers serve with pride, youth choir members sing with vigor and conviction, and the youth announcers make people sit up and listen to what is going on in the life of our church.
- Bible Study has grown, and we gained a deeper perspective prior to and after Resurrection Sunday through our personality panels.
- You were elected to the Board of Directors of the Westside Future Fund to assist in its mission of uplifting the Westside of Atlanta, work that you have been engaged in for the community in which the church resides and far beyond for over 30 years.
- At your first National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. Congress of Christian Education as pastor, our member, Rachel Henderson, placed first in the Oratorical Contest.
- At your first GMBC Congress of Christian Education as pastor, following your lead as you gave an unparalleled introduction of the Congress President, one of Antioch's own, Rev. Benjamin E.V. Lett, our entire delegation was fully involved in all aspects of the Congress. Youth Oratorical entrants, coached by our first Oratorical Director, Rachel Henderson, Logan Kirkland placed second in her age group and Michael Henderson placed first in his age group.
- The Divine Nine came together in solidarity of service and blessed our Scholarship Ministry with funds to attend college.

We look forward to continuing to grow in biblical and doctrinal knowledge, evangelistic boldness, committed stewardship and joyful fellowship following you as our pastor as you are led by the Holy Spirit.

We love you, your wife, Sister Lisa, and your entire family, Rev. Kenny!



# Committee Members

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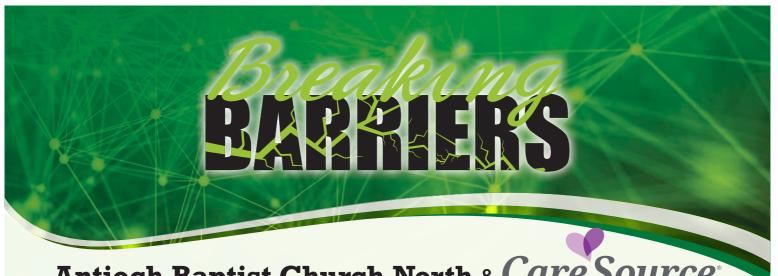
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Sis. Michelle Williams

**Deacon Randy Williams** 

The ABCN 50th Pastoral Committee has put up an Instagram account where we have posted pictures of Rev. Dr. Cameron M. Alexander. LINK: https://www.instagram.com/antiochbcnyouth/
We thank our millennial committee members, Elexis Neal, Shannon Byrdsell, and Nigel Walker.



# Antioch Baptist Church North & Care Source

**Present** 

# Mental Health Awareness Weekend Il Corinthians 4:6,8-9

Please register after each service in the Narthex or on Event Brite. - Seating is Limited

#### Saturday, September 7, 2019-Mental Health Forum

8:00am-1:00pm

#### **Speakers**

Dr. Margaret Weaver, Dr. Lila K. Walker, Dr. Beverly Dorsey, Caudie Grissom, Dr. Adair White-Johnson

Youth Speakers: Brittini Fleming, Richard Hamilton, Alvita Hamilton

#### Sunday, September 8, 2019-Mental Health Awareness Sunday

10:00 am Service

Dr. Shatavia Alexander Thomas, Speaker

All members and friends are asked to wear green to Sunday Service in recognition of Suicide Prevention Month and Mental Health Awareness



Dr. Margaret Weaver



Dr. Lila Walker



Dr. Beverly Dorsey



Caudie Grissom



Dr. Adair White-Johnson



Richard Hamilton





Brittani Fleming



Dr. Shatavia Alexander Thomas

**Antioch Baptist Church North** 

540 Cameron M. Alexander Blvd, Atlanta, GA 30318 Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, Pastor

#### 12TH ANNUAL CMA GOLF CLASSIC

The 12th Annual CMA Golf Classic will be held on August 17, 2019, at Legacy at Lake Lanier Golf Course in Buford, Georgia. Please contact Dea. Benny Williams at the church office, 404-688-5679.

# ATTENTION ANTIOCH! EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:00 A.M. IS SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME AND WE NEED YOUR PRESENCE!

Come share in the fellowship and learn how to become effective witnesses for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! This morning, you missed a powerful lesson, entitled "The Pursuit of Truth," and the Scripture came from Matthew 7:1-6, 15-23. WE MISSED YOU! So, get ready to attend next Sunday, August 4, at 9:00 a.m. The lesson will be "A Trusted and Loyal Friend," and the Scripture is 1 Samuel 18:1-5; 19:1-7. Do not forget the date and meet us for Sunday School PROMPTLY at 9:00 a.m. WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!

## WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

Weekly Prayer meeting and Bible study are held at the church every Wednesday evening. Dinner is served at 5:15 p.m. Bible classes begin at 6:00 p.m. The classes provide instructional and training opportunities to gain deeper insights into the teachings of Jesus Christ. At 7:00 p.m., our Pastor, Reverend K. L. Alexander, will lead the Prayer Meeting and provide guidance and spiritual insight into meaningful ways in which we can strengthen our personal relationships with God!

#### **ORIENTATION CLASSES!**

Members who have joined Antioch in the past month(s) and have not completed the required orientation classes are asked to attend orientation class on Sundays in the Sanctuary during the 9:00 a.m. Sunday School hour. Adults are asked to attend three classes, and youth are asked to attend one class. Contact Sis. Gwen Johnson for further details at 404-527-5784.

#### **TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday School was held today at 9:00 a.m. The lesson was "A Trusted and Loyal Friend," and the scriptures came from 1 Samuel 18:1-5; 19:1-7. The lesson for next week is "Loyalty and Devotion," and the scriptures are Ruth 1:6-11; 14-18. Please join us on next Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Come share in the fellowship and be renewed by the teaching of God's Holy Word!

#### **ANTIOCH YOUNG ADULT CHOIR**

The **Antioch Young Adult Choir** is seeking new participants to join them in making a **Joyful Noise** unto the Lord. Members, ages 18-35, who are interested in becoming a member of this great choir are asked to fill out a digital form by taking a picture of the QR Code on the Young Adult flyer posted in the narthex and downstairs outside of Fellowship Hall. The Coordinator, Sis. Nivek Anderson will be available to answer questions.

## WOMANHOOD FALL RETREAT OCTOBER 11TH – OCTOBER 13, 2019!

WOMEN OF ANTIOCH! The Antioch Womanhood Ministry cordially invites you to the 2019 Womanhood Ministry Fall Retreat! Join us as we travel to Lake Blackshear Resort in Cordele, Georgia (just 21/2 hours away). On our way, we will enjoy a stop at the Shoppes at River Crossing in Macon. The cost for this year's retreat is \$350 per person based on double occupancy and includes transportation, 4 meals, accommodations and retreat materials. There is a \$50 non-refundable deposit due at registration. Three additional payments of \$100 each are due on 8/18/19 and 9/8/19. When submitting payments via the Givelify app, please scroll down to select Other in the THIS DONA-TION IS FOR section and indicate WOMANHOOD MINISTRY FALL RETREAT by adding a memo. Please note, registration will close on Sunday, September 22, 2019. For more information and to register, please stop by the registration table in the narthex after Sunday Worship service or in the rear of Fellowship Hall before or after Wednesday night service.

#### Care & Comfort Ministry Sick & Shut-In List

#### **Members in Hospitals**

Bro. Clinton Stanford - Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta, Rm. 223 North

#### **Members in Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation Centers**

Mother Grace M. Brooks – Atria Mableton Senior Living, Austell, Rm. 119

Sis. Robertine Bryant - PruittHealth of Decatur, Decatur, Rm. 216

Sis. Miriam Crawford - Bonterra Nursing Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. 126

Sis. Dora Dallas – Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. D-23

Mother Annie Harris – Douglasville Nursing & Rehab Ctr, Douglasville, Rm. 222

Sis. Carrie Jones – PruittHealth of Decatur, Decatur, Rm. 203

Bro. Fred Jones, Jr – A. G. Rhodes Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Taylor Wing, Rm. G

Bro. Dallas Tucker - Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. C-19

#### **Worship Service Coordinator**

Bro. Rodney Thompson

#### **Security Chiefs on duty**

Bro. Larry Parks, Bro. Julius Simmons

#### **Trustees on duty**

Sis. Gloria Parham, Bro. John Daniels

#### **Videographer on duty**

**Bro. Michael Williams** 

#### **Members Convalescing at Home**

Sis. Stephanie Flourney **Bro. Daniel Michael Adams** Sis. Zeporia Alexander Sis. Catherine George Sis. Evelyn Battle Sis. Minnie George **Bro. Pleas Sonny Berry** Sis. Andrea Godette Bro. John Paul Blanton Bro. Randall Griffin **Mother Emma Broomes** Sis. Jacqueline Hackney Sis. Jacqueline Brown **Mother Eunice Harrison Bro. Lewis Brown** Rev. Terry Hightower Bro. Eddie Clark Sis. Debra Hodge Bro. Henry Claybrook Sis. Pearla Holmes Sis. Tonya Coles Bro. David Jackson **Mother Pernell Davis** Sis. Elizabeth Johnson Sis. Doris Dennis Mother Gwendolyn Johnson Bro. Antonio English Sis. Denise Jones

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Sis. Ellen Level
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Sis. Dianna Maddox
Sis. Sylvia McClain
Mother Frances Miles
Sis. Annie Moses
Bro. Reggie Nelson
Sis. Linda Peek
Sis. Roberta Petherbridge
Sis. Cynthia Price
Sis. Sharonda Price
Bro. Richard Raglin
Dea. Mark Roberts

Mother Beulah Rosser
Sis. Marian Russell
Bro. Fred Samuels, Jr.
Sis. Candace Scott
Bro. Monroe Scott IV
Mother Willie Cookie Tuggle
Bro. Dewayne Walker
Sis. Vivian Walker
Bro. Thomas Ware
Sis. Margaret Watts
Sis. Mae Weaver
Sis. Annette Webb
Bro. Joe Wilborn
Sis. Sallie Williams
Sis. Lillie Willis

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

3 John 1:2

## Because Antioch Cares...

**TELEPHONE HOPE LINE MINISTRY** offers prayer and confidential support. The phone number is (404) 527-5790.

#### **HUMAN SERVICES MINISTRY**

For the week ending July 27, 2019, 441 bags of food were distributed. A total of 12,755 pounds of food was distributed.

#### **CLOTHING BANK**

Seventy-nine (79) families received goods through the Clothing Bank.

