



September Newsletter

2025-2026 Theme

“Living a Spiritual Legacy

Women Passing the Baton of Faith”

Titus 2:3 & Psalm 145:4

CBDWA MISSION STATEMENT

The Consolidated Baptist District Women's Auxiliary was founded at the First Baptist Church in Frankfort, Kentucky on Friday, July 17, 1959. This Auxiliary welcomes and supports all women from the churches of the District regardless of their positions in the church. Financial and spiritual support is given to the Educational and Missionary Conventions of the Consolidated Baptist District and the General Association of Kentucky Baptist.

The main purpose of this Auxiliary is to encourage spiritual growth among its members and to help each woman to realize that she has a value and worth that can be transformed into a valuable tool while or when doing the Lord's work. As we make this journey, the teachings that we share about God's goodness may not change our situations, but they will change us to handle the challenges.

There are four (4) annual programs conducted to help enhance and encourage the women:

1. Women in White (aka Women in Worship)
2. Prayer Breakfast
3. Young Adult In Gathering
4. Women's Retreat

It is our desire to be the spiritual vessel that uplifts and sustains all the members of the district and state Baptist churches.

We seek your support and your input on this mission.

To God be the glory!

**WHAT SPIRITUAL
LEGACY ARE YOU
LEAVING BEHIND?**

**"One generation shall praise your
works to another, and shall declare
your mighty acts." - Psalm 145:4**



**"Older women likewise are to be
reverent in their behavior, not
malicious gossips nor enslaved to
much wine, teaching what is
good." - Titus 2:3**



**“Living a Spiritual Legacy: Women
Passing the Baton of Faith”**

Consolidated Baptist District Women's Association
2025-2029

Vonita Bennett
CBDWA President

Rev. Reginald Davis
CBDA Moderator

Presidential Pen



Greetings Sisters in Christ,

Our God is a good God! He is worthy to be praised! I am so glad that He is an anchor in times of a storm, that He is a provider in a time of need! I'm glad I can call on Him and talk to Him at any and all times. I urge all to trust in the Lord and lean not unto our own understanding as Proverbs 3:4-5 tells us. As we consider all that is going on in the world today, we must remember that there is nothing new under the sun and that God is in control. Because God is in control, we can have a peace that surpasses all under-

standing as we continue to seek His face and focus on Him.

Some may ask, "how can you smile" during times of hardship. The answer is found in Nehemiah 8:10, the joy of the Lord is my strength". This joy is not determined by earthly circumstances but by a deep, spiritual relationship with our Savior. Emotions and conditions can fluctuate but the joy of the Lord is a constant unchanging source of power and hope. So, I smile and show the world what a mighty God we serve! Be a light in the darkness, continue to shine wherever you are. Let your light so shine that others may see your good works and glorify our Father which is in heaven. *Let one generation commend Your works to the next and proclaim Your mighty acts.*

It is the desire of the CBDWA to be a spiritual vessel that uplifts and encourages spiritual growth by exemplifying our 2025-2026 theme, "Living a Spiritual Legacy-Women Passing the Baton of Faith" based on

Titus 2:3 and Psalm 145:4. A spiritual legacy is one of the most important investments we can make in the lives of others. It takes time, effort, and intentionality but it is worth it. It is the lasting impact of our faith and how we live out our relationship with God. It's often said that our actions speak so loudly that others can't hear what we say, or actions speak louder than words. Let's prioritize living out our faith through our actions so that we honor God and find ways to leave a lasting impact on the next generation. *What spiritual legacy are you leaving behind?*

Join the Consolidated Baptist District Association in "Walking Out the Word" during the Annual Roots & Heritage Parade on Saturday, September 6, 2025 at 8:30am. Wear your CBDA/CBDWA shirt or any shirt proclaiming Jesus and come help us share Jesus in our community.

In His Service!

Vonita Bennett

CBDWA President

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CBDWA Leadership



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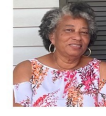
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2025, 2056 CBDWA Board

GABKY & BWMC - What You Always Wanted to Know

The Baptist Women's Missionary Conference (BWMC) is an auxiliary under the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky (GABKY) under the leadership of Rev. Michael Rice. The mission of the General Association is an assembly of approximately five hundred and twenty-five black missionary churches throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. They represent approximately one hundred and seventy-five thousand members of the Christian faith community.

The BWMC has been under the leadership of Sister Agnes Radford, who has been phenomenal. She now passes the torch for leadership and direction of our newly elected President, Rev Pauline Owens. She is making history as the first female minister to head our auxiliary as well as the first member of her home church to hold the same title.

BWMC cabinet consists of the following members:

President, Pauline Owens
 1st Vice President- Rev. Tammra Turner
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President Elect
Pauline Owens
2025-

Former Pres.
Agnes Radford
2021-2025



The BWMC has the following annual programs:

Elora Starks Day of Prayer, January
 Annual Women in White Services, April
 Harvest in Gathering, November
 Annual Women's Conference, September 13, 2025, in Radcliff, KY. Registration is \$40.00 and can be paid on-site the day of the conference. It's an amazing spirit-filled one-day Women's Conference full of inspirational speakers, sermons, lyrical dance, and psalmists. It is truly an event worth the travel for all who have attended in the past.

BWMC also maintains a bible study and uses the Penelope Fisher Handbook for lesson subjects along with the bible for the bible studies, titled "BWMC ONLINE 2025 Missionary Topics" that are aired and headed by our 1st Vice President, Rev. Tammra Turner. BWMC also sponsors the BWMC Scholarships to eligible young people in our districts. Please contact Sis Eva Martin, the unit Leader at Evamartin33@gmail.com for details. You can also contact your district Presidents for applications. Your church must be registered with GABKY and BWMC for eligibility.

2025 Baptist Women's Missionary Convention
MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
"Be Steadfast Unmovable in Jesus"
1 Corinthians 15:57-58
September 13, 2025 9:30 am EST
 St. Stephen Baptist Church
 757 S. Woodland Dr. Radcliff, KY 40160

Mistress of Ceremony
Rev. Tammra Turner

Keynote Speaker
Rev. Jeremiah Jordan

Presenter
Margaret Peoples

Presenter
Rev. Josh Miller

Presenter
Rev. Joe Lewis

Lyrical Dance
Presentation: Faith Curry

Psalmist
Madison Walker & Just Us

Check in Registration from 8:30 AM EST to 9:30 AM EST (Conference Begins at 9:30 EST)
 Registration Contact: Sis. Angela B. Campbell @ 270-823-4009
 Pre-Registration: (Begins February 17 2025) Cost \$40
 Late Registration (After July Annual Session, 2025) Cost \$45

Roots & Heritage Parade Saturday September 6 9:30am



Join us (all CBDA Auxiliaries)

"Walking for the Word"

in the Roots & Heritage Parade

- ♦ Check in at 8:20 am
- ♦ At Elm Tree Lane & Fourth Street
- ♦ Wear your CBDWA or Jesus attire
- ♦ Bring candy for the kiddos
- ♦ Waivers signed at check-in

Happy Labor Day Monday September 1, 2025



Soldier's Prayer

Lord, I ask for courage.
Courage to face and
Conquer my own fears...
Courage to take me where
Others will not go.

I ask for strength...
Strength of body to protect others...
Strength of spirit to lead others.
I ask for dedication...
Dedication to my job, to do it well...
Dedication to my country,
To keep it safe.

Give me, Lord, concern...
For those who trust me
And compassion for those
Who need me, and please Lord...
Through it all be at my side.

BETHSAIDA BAPTIST CHURCH

FALL REVIVAL

Giving God Our Best



TUESDAY
Rev. Henry McMullen
Pastor, St. John Baptist



WEDNESDAY
Rev. Aaron Mansfield
Pastor, Trinity Hill Methodist



THURSDAY
Rev. Nathl Moore, D-Min
Pastor, First African

SEPTEMBER 16, 17, 18, 2025
7:00 PM EACH EVENING

3700 OLD TATES CREEK ROAD - LEXINGTON, KY 40517

FIRST BAPTIST BRACKTOWN

WOMEN'S Conference

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 19TH & 20TH

FREE & OPEN To ALL Women!
BRING ALL YOUR SISTERS!!!

"Lord, Fix My Life!"

1ST PETER 5:10 (NKJV)

Featuring These Dynamic Speakers!!



Rev. Cassandra Gray
Creative Spirits Behavioral Health
Louisville, KY



Sister Jo Ann James
First Baptist Church
Louisville, KY



Rev. Stacey McDonald
McDonald House Ministries
Lexington, KY



Min. Joy McMillon
St. John Baptist Church
Lexington, KY



Min. Yasheta Ross
Hawkinsville Baptist Church
Chattanooga, TN



Rev. Chelena Wall
Green Castle Baptist Church
Louisville, KY

9.

PATRIOT DAY
WE WILL NEVER
FORGET

UPCOMING EVENTS - Mark Your Calendars



**A New Day
Widow's Summit**

Rebuilding Faith.
Renewing by Grace.
Rejoicing in Hope.

**Saturday, October 4,
2025**

8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

Hosted at Bluegrass Care Navigators
located at
1733 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington, KY
40504

Register at
<https://forms.office.com/r/qBKSFE2vz8> or
scan the code.



For more information contact Beverly Bowens @
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 **First African Baptist Church**
The Church In The Community For The Hearts
of the Community

**170th
HOMECOMING
Celebration**

THEME:
A LEGACY OF
FAITH & RESILIENCE



**Morning
Preacher**
Pastor L. Rodney Bennett
Second Baptist May's Lick



Afternoon Preacher
Pastor Claude Commodore
Scott United Methodist

SERVICES
SEPTEMBER 7, 2025
Sunday School 10:30am
Morning Worship 11:30am
Afternoon Service 3:00pm

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
Home of the Birth Cabin of B. G. Charles Young
5005 Raymond Rd., POB 171, May's Lick KY 41055

**Happy
Birthday**

On Behalf of the CBDWA
May this year bring you endless joy,
success, and love. Happy Birthday
to you
August and September
Members and Friends

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**


Wishing you love and joy on your special day
To All August and September
Members and Friends


NAACP
LEXINGTON-FAYETTE #3097


**ANNUAL FLORA D. MITCHELL
FREEDOM FUND BANQUET**

SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20TH

2025

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

DERRICK JOHNSON
NAACP PRESIDENT & CEO

HONORED GUEST

**KY SUPREME COURT
JUSTICE PAMELA R.
GOODWINE**



HILTON DOWNTOWN
369 WEST VINE STREET
LEXINGTON, KY 40507

COCKTAIL ATTIRE
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM
PROGRAM BEGINS AT 6:30PM

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE
INFORMATION AND TO BUY TICKETS

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web!**
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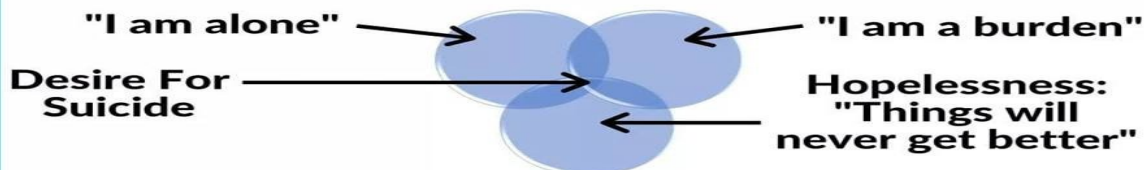
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September Health Note

SEPTEMBER IS SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

- We lose over 800,000 people per year to suicide
- It is the **leading** cause of death for men under 50
- It is the **10th** biggest cause of death worldwide
- Two of the **leading factors** that contribute to suicide is **isolation** and feeling like a **burden**.



- Speaking up when suicidal isn't "attention seeking"
- Having mental health issues **doesn't** make you "weak"
- This month - check in on those around you and listen without judgement.

#SupportSavesLives #StopTheStigma



@RealDepressionProject