

# **NEWSLETTER**

Consolidated Baptist District Women's Auxiliary

# Women In Worship 2024

## **MISSION EFFORT**

How can you help **Jackie's House**?

- Laundry detergent
- Dryer Sheets

Bring your donations to WIW May 3, 2024

### Also REMEMBER

- Church Registration \$50
- Individual donation \$5

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# Macedonia Baptist Church, Cynthiana



Join us as we share with the Consolidated Baptist District Women's Auxiliary (CBDWA) for the "Women in Worship"

Church Registration \$50 Friday, May 3, 2024 7:00 p.m. Offering \$5 (asked of each attendee)

103 East Pearl Street Cynthiana, KY 41031 (859) 234-8473

Rev. Anthony L. Stevenson, Pastor

Our Community Focus and Mission

Jackie's House

"A Sober-Living Home for Women"

Hope for Recovery KY, Inc "Christ-Centered Recovery"

Sis. Anna Allen-Edwards

President



Rev. Reginald Davis

Moderator

<sup>&</sup>quot;And let us consider one another in order to *STIR UP* love and good works" Hebrews 10:24

## **President's Address**



Dear Sisters,

May flowers are springing up and their sweet fragrances fill the air reminding us that every good and perfect gift comes from God. May has many offerings: Women In Worship, the Derby, Graduations, Mother's Day, Mind Your Business Health Fair, and Memorial Day. The RETREAT is full, but we're asking all to come and join us for "Women In Worship" on Friday, May 3, 2024, at 7 p.m.in Macedonia,

Cynthiana. Pastor Anthony Stevenson, Sis. Demita Stevenson and the whole congregation have been working diligently to "Stir It Up!" where we can all worship God in spirit and in truth! Don't forget to have your church register. Our mission project is Jackie's House, and they need laundry detergent and fabric sheets. Please, let's try to bless them! Remember, we don't care what color you wear, we just want you there!

Also, May 18, 2024, beginning at 11 a.m., we will have a MIND YOUR BUSINESS: Heart, Soul, and Body Health Fair at Shiloh Baptist, Lexington where Dr. Joseph Owens is the pastor. Healthcare Coordinator Elma Zachary and her team have pulled out the stops and plan to "Stir It Up!" with a food truck, vendors and healthcare professionals of all ilks there. This free event is open to the public.

Last, if your mother is still here, please honor her this Mother's Day. She was used by God to bring you into this world and for her obedience she deserves honor and respect, whether she is living or not. This Mother's Day, I honor and respect the memory of my mother, Sis. Enestine Kizzar Crooks Allen, who though widowed at 33, did all she could to love and rear her five children and stir up the gifts within us to include love and good works. Stir It Up this May.

Blessings! Sister Anna

### WIW PATRON LIST

Your support means so much to us! Praise the Lord for your prayers, your time and your generous donations.

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# **Reflections of Retreats with Mom**

I remember when my mom took me to my first retreat, we was in Atlanta, Georgia, profound memories shared with mom and today I still attend every year • - Sherry Jackson

My first one was with my mom over 20 years ago? I fell in love with the fellowship and the sweet sister-hood spirit of the event then and love it to this day! My momma actually drug me...even as an adult and I'm glad she did!! Some of our best memories together! *-Eleanor Barbour* 

My mom took me to the very first woman's retreat and I too loved the fellowship and have been attending almost every year since! It became an annual trip for us.

I attended my first retreat with my Mom, my Mom's sisters (my Aunts) my sister, my bestie Sharon Brown Scott and friend Carolyn Bogarty. -Vida Brown

My aunts started bringing me to the retreat. They were faithful in attending the retreat every year. Sadly, but gladly they, Betty Jean Dawson and Pat Jackson, went on to be with the Lord a few years ago. They both were such a light! If you knew my aunt Pat, she always had a pleasant smile and kind words to share. If you knew Betty Jean(aunt Jeannie) you would ALWAYS get a laugh! I remember Atlanta-Dash Gladys Knight's restaurant, chicken and ribs, the



Gaylord Opryland hotel was nice, and the best one I remember was in North Carolina. I remember the banquet crew were shouting and praising God (I'm tearing up right now), and One even accepted Christ. We opened up with the song "anything can happen in here." We've truly had some amazing times- breakthroughs, answered prayers, healing, just hallelujah good times! Thank God for all the ones before who worked really hard to make these these retreats amazing. *-Isabelle Mack* 

Sisters, thank you so much for your heart Retreat Testimonial... Let's seek to bring our daughters to the next retreat...continue the legacy

*Challenge*: Make lasting memories with your daughter or a younger woman. Every older woman seek to find a young woman to mentor and bring along to the 2025 Retreat.

"That they may teach the young women..."
Titus 2:4

Share your best Retreat memories in the June newsletter. Send to Vonita Bennett at vgbnjoy4life@yahoo.com by May 15, 2024.



# **Retreat Transportation:**Bethsaida Church Van



\*\*If others have available transportation space, please let us know. Sherry Jackson, Transportation Coordinator sjackson316@yahoo.com

## **T-shirt Orders!!!**

Be sure your contact lady provided us with your t-shirt size

**Vendors:** RNJ, Paparazzi, Scents from Beverly & more

Health Screening with BTHD

Professional Glam shots Cruse Custom Photography

Registration closed!!! SOLD OUT (Start saving for next year cause we're on the move)

#### CONSOLIDATED BAPTIST DISTRICT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Micean J. Johnikin is a Pediatric Cardiologist, Health Advocate, and Woman of Faith. Dr. Johnikin serves as CEO of Hearts Matter L.L.C., an American Heart Association Training Site based in Lexington, Kentucky. Dr. Johnikin is a third - generation graduate of Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama where she graduated Magna Cum Laude (Bachelor of Arts - Mathematics and Bachelor of Science - Biology). She furthered her education with graduate studies at Stanford University, Stanford, California (Master of Science - Epidemiology) and Howard University College of Medicine, Washington, D.C (Doctor of Medicine). Dr. Johnikin completed post - graduate medical training in Pediatrics (Children's National Medical Center, Washington D.C.) and Pediatric Cardiology (St. Louis Children's Hospital / Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri and Boston Children's Hospital / Harvard School of Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts).

Dr. Johnikin has performed medical research and service both domestic and internationally. Her work includes undergraduate research in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and malaria research in Bamako, Mali (West Africa). Dr. Johnikin presented her fellowship research at the International Heart and Lung Transplantation annual meeting in Prague, Czech Republic. Dr. Johnikin also treated HIV / AIDS patients in Mbabane, Swaziland (Southern Africa), as part of the Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative. She worked as part of the Pediatric Resident team at the Orotta School of Medicine in Asmara, Eritrea (East Africa).

Dr. Johnikin is a local partner in cardiovascular health education, teaching community CPR classes in central Kentucky churches and community groups. She is a proud member of the Lexington (KY) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta. Dr. Johnikin serves as Sunday School teacher and coordinator of the "Unchained" College Ministry at Shiloh Baptist Church in Lexington. In her free time, she enjoys aerobic boxing and half - marathon running

Dr. Johnikin is a devout Woman of Faith and places Christ first in her life. A breast cancer survivor since 2016, Dr. Johnikin ardently believes the words found in Romans 8:28, "All things work together for the good of those who love the Lord". She credits both of her grandmothers, Doris Jackson Will and Lizzie Mae Rivers Johnikin, as role models for being a strong Christian woman. Committed, compassionate and Christ – centered, Dr. Micean Johnikin aims to reflect the love and healing powers of Christ in both her career and her character.

## Micean Johnikin



2024 Women's Retreat Facilitator

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#### PREPARE to VOTE: Primary Election—May 21, 2024 6AM - 6PM

Know where to vote: your polling location or Voting Center
Know when to vote: Review Early Voting Information
Know the candidates: Review Your Sample Ballot

October 7, 2024 - Registration Deadline for General Election November 5, 2024 - General Election Day

#### 2024 Primary Election

President of the United States (9) State Senator (37) US Representatives (23) State Representatives (189)

Commonwealth Attorney (47)
District Judge (4)
Judge of the Court of Appeals (2)
Justice of the Supreme Court (2)

Visit www.GoVote.ky.gov for important information

Primary Election MAY 21, 2024

# CBDWA Events Mark your calendars!!!

Women In Worship - May 3, 2024 Macedonia Baptist, Cynthiana

Mind Your Business Health Fair May 18, 2024 Shiloh Baptist Church

Annual Women's Retreat
June 22, 2024
Blue Licks State Resort

CBDWA Prayer Breakfast
July 13, 2024
Washington Missionary Baptist,
Maysville

#### HISTORIC FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

LOOK WHERE GOD HAS BROUGHT US!

859.361.3827

JULY 28 @ 11:30 am @ 3:00 pm

# SAVE THE DATE

HOMECOMING AND BASKETMEETING

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Monday, May 27, 2024





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Stir Up The Gift! II Timothy 1:6

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# HEALTH NOTE: How a Gratitude Journal Benefits Your Mental Health

Being thankful is good for you



Journaling can be a powerful practice for Black women. When Alice Walker published Gathering Blossoms Under Fire, she included entries covering more than three decades of her life. Salon pointed out how important her voice was and how rare the words of African American women diarists are published.

While most of us don't write like Walker, journaling can be a worthwhile exercise that may improve our mental health. This is especially true when we center our journaling on gratitude. One study reported that when participants with anxiety and

depression tried gratitude practices and self-kindness strategies, finding reasons to be grateful seemed to enhance their well-being. Practicing gratitude can also reduce stress, increase optimism and help you sleep better, according to PositivePsychology.com.

An article published in Berkeley's The Greater Good Science Center magazine suggests setting aside 15 minutes daily, three times weekly for at least two weeks to see whether the practice benefits you. Three of their standout tips include:

- Be specific about what you are grateful for. Was there a particular act of kindness, interaction or conversation for which you are thankful?
- Consider going deeper and explore the reasons you are grateful for a person, place or thing. Adding depth will be more beneficial than a list, that might be more of a surface-level exercise.

See the good things in your life as gifts. When you view things this way, you are less likely to take those gifts for granted.

Looking for a way to get started? To kick-start your practice, check out these gratitude journal prompts.

- List five things you're grateful for at the current time
- Write about something or someone that made you smile today
- Write about a scene for a TV show or movie that resonated with you

The possibilities for expressing gratitude through journaling are endless. Doing this daily activity will help you gain a newfound love for the world around you and your loved ones. Outside of improving your mental health and overall well-being, studies have shown that gratitude can improve your life in a number of ways.