

Join us for Bible Study

on Wednesdays at noon and 6:30pm.

Youth Bible Study also takes place at 6:30pm.

The name of Sunday School has been changed officially to "Church School." Make Church School a part of your personal growth for all ages on Sunday at 930a—1020a

Remember our sick, those shut in or bereaved and those in need of prayer with a card or call! Make it your personal ministry to let them know you care!

If you become ill, let us know immediately or have a friend or relative notify the church.

Sis. Debra Sanders
Sis. Rosetta Curtis
Sis. Clara Smitheal
Sis. Albertine Davis
Sis. Hazel Gee
Sis. Rhonda London
Sis. Kathy Harris
Sis. Juwana Roberts

Rachelle Berliner Tia Greer

Bro. Danny Warren
Sis. Ruby Glenn

Eric Oliver-Johnson
Sis. Barbara Holston
Sis. Alma Simon

Larry & Alexis Johnson
Sis. Hazel Gee
Bro. Les Johns

Provton Torrell

Marcellus Warren

Sis. Reda Jackson

Braxton Terrell

Bro. Roosevelt Gee

The Bowers Family

Sis. Missouri Courtney

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Worship Service | Online at 10:45am Bible Study / Youth Bible Study | Every Wednesday at noon and 6:30pm - watch online

When accessing Carter Metropolitan's YouTube Channel, please use the following handle:

**July 14-Pastor's Appreciation**-more information to follow.

July 21-NAACP Event

**July 24-27** DFW/NW District Annual Conference

**August 2** - Young Adult Lock-In, for more info see Courtney Busby or Britany Course.

**September 1-6**– CME Unity Summit, more info to follow,

**September7**– IMT Class of '66 Annual Finis Eugene Smith Prayer Breakfast. More info to follow.

New Church Email address: cartermetroftw@yahoo.com

Pastor's Email:

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# Carter's Voice

### April, May, June 2024

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Fort Worth District

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Presiding Prelate of
Eighth Episcopal District of
The CME Church



Greetings beloved Carter Metro faith community!

As we come to the end of this conference year, we thank God for each of you who continue to serve, pray, give and love in the ways that Jesus taught us. We are grateful for all things you do both in action and in prayers for this ministry and we give praise to God for the increase and the strength of new and ex-

citing programming that meets the needs of both the faith and greater community!

Please know that I am praying for each of you who are apart of this ministry, and especially for those who continue experiencing grief for the loss of loved ones. Prayers are lifted constantly for those experiencing illness and who are, praise God, recovering! God is a healer!

Thank you for your attendance both in person and online and the way you share generously with this ministry in tithes and offerings, for conference assessment and askings. We have just a bit more to go to cover annual conference delegates. Thank you in advance for meeting that need!

We are thanking God for each of you and the ways in which you work diligently for God and Carter. We are expanding our ministry reach and we are prayerful that each person will join us by bringing every gift and skill God has blessed you with to the work of this ministry... We need you!

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve God and with this living faith community . I am excited about all that God has done, is doing and will do as we live out our vision of love and vibrant ministry! We have grown in number, though we a prayerful that God will send others to join us! God willing our focus for the conference year will be prayer and worship as we implement those things the our vibrant church team has shared with us!

We hope that you will keep fighting the good fight of faith, as we love God others and ourselves ... and as we love without dissension.. give without hesitation and service without reservation!!!

We are Carter Metro! A living Faith Community Boldly loving God others and ourselves: #boldlylivingboldlyloving

....and

Blessings and Love, Dr. Vee

## CELEBRATING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

"Reimagining Children's Worship",

Sis. Yomi Clark and the Carter Youth share with the church each second Sunday what they have learned. Thanks to a grant for our children's ministry we have equipment to enhance our ability to teach our children.



"These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

Deuteronomy 6:6-7:



#### 2024 Graduates







Noah Rhodes

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.

*Matthew 19:14* 





# Happy June, July, August Birthdays

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June	
Jo Ann Lewis	1
D'Andrea Johnson	1
Burl Harris	1
James Berliner, Jr.	2
Ernestine Thomas	7
Alma Simon	8
Ricky Jones	10
Leslie Johns	15
Eric Williams	16
Bishop CK Heath	16
Cynthia Young	17
David Berliner	21
Mariolyn Jackson	24
Irma Cothron	27
Patsy Rose	29
Lorenzo Wiley, Jr.	29
Elizabeth Miles	30
Myles Tate, III	30

July	
Ahmad Johnson	1
Rachelle Berliner	3
Brittany Allen	4
Ann Marie Webb	7
Caroline Tubbs	8
Joe Sodie	9
Mark Hepburn	10
Ethan Ellis	14
O'Shane Nelson	14
D'Corian Collins	18
Emma Freeman	18
Rhonda Greer	19
Kevin Manning	19
Nick Clark	23
Julie Palmer	25
Karen Mathis	28
Tyree O'Neal	28
Michael Woods	28
Donna Green	29
Melvie Clark	31

# August

	2
Thelma Roberso	
Diane Rhodes	2
<b>,</b>	5
Valencia Barrett	6
Royce Holmes	6
Andrea Reed	7
Flaim Moore	7
Hazel Gee	9
Leonard Wattley	<i>10</i>
Jaden Sanford	<i>12</i>
Preston Busby	13
Thurman Miles	14
Margie McAlister	r 15
Layla Johnson	15
Paul Johnson	16
Deborah Sanders	17
Alyssa Brown	19
Jerome Price, III	20
Ollie Epps	22
Joyce Johnson	22
Marcus Foy	25
Annie Smith	25
Diane Smith	26
Albertine Davis	27
Joyce Toney	27
Jerome Price, Jr	
Kenya Sanford	28
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Rev. McDonald Van Williams	
Lakisha Heath	<i>30 31</i>

## ANNUAL MISSIONARY TEA AND STYLE SHOW









On Sunday evening,, April 28, 2024, the Missionary Society sponsored the Annual Spring Tea. Your enthusiastic support was inspiring and a stimulant to all our missionaries. Thank you for your attendance in celebrating this joyous occasion.

We extend sincere gratitude to our special guest Sheron Clemons, for her dynamic "Unspoken Words in Music" performance. We are also grateful to our notable guest speaker, Toni Jones whose motivating message, "God's Love" inspired us all.

A special thanks to the Fashion Show participants. They stylishly and gracefully represented the shows theme, "Dressed to the Tea"

Thanks also, to our magnanimous Leader, Rev. Dr. Vee, for her whole-hearted support and remarkable words of wisdom.

Submitted by Sis. Doris Bess















#### Meet Our Clergy



Rev. Johnnie L. Brinson (1st of 3 articles)

Rev, Johnnie L. Taylor Brinson grew up in Miles Chapel CME Church in Tyler. She has loved the Lord from an early age and lost her mother at 10 years. God helped her through her mom's untimely death during her early years. She is the daughter of Johnnie B. Taylor and Dorothy Fuller Taylor of Tyler Tx. She is the sister of the later Verna J. Langston and Kerry Fuller who lived in Fort Worth their adult years. She is the proud aunt of more than 50 nieces and

nephews around the United States and Germany.

She is the proud wife of Larry D. Brinson, formerly of Greenevers, North Carolina for 31 years. She is the proud mom of Immanuel D. Brinson who is currently an Architecture major at Prairie View A & M.

Growing up @ Miles, Rev. Brinson participated in the CYF, the choir, Usher Board, and Junior Class Leader. She attended Leadership Institute @ Texas College as a youth as well as National Youth and Young Adult Conferences as a teenager She received her BS degree in Biology from Texas Woman's University, Denton, Tx.

She attended Mt. Pilgrim while in college in Denton and after graduation was the Youth Director for several years at Mt. Pilgrim. Rev. Brinson was the Ft. Worth District Childrens Director for many years and the Ft Worth District Young Adult Director for several years Rev. Brinson received her call to preach in 2003. She has served at Mt. Pilgrim, Lane Chapel, Cedar Crest and presently here at Carter.

She is a full connectional minister of the CME Church and received her Master of Divinity from SMU School of Theology in 2017. While at Carter, she has worked mostly with the Food Pantry Ministry. She reaches out to the sick and shut in, has assisted at funerals and shares Godly wisdom with whomever God ministers to her to do so. She worked for U.S. Dept. and U.S. Customs and Border Protection at DFW Airport for 35 years as an Agriculture Inspector, Trainer, Recruiter, Adopt A School Coordinator. She finished her career as a Chaplain for Dept. of Homeland Security taking care of more than 900 employees.

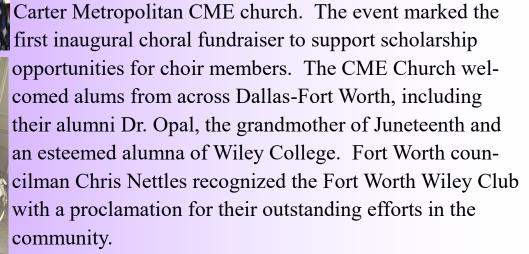
\*\*\* How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! Romans 10:15

## Wiley College Acapella Choir

Submitted by Darlene Rhodes-Chester



On April 7, 2024, the award-winning Wiley University A Cappella Choir visited the Fort Worth area. The choir, led by Bruce Thompson, performed an outstanding performance. The Fort Worth Wiley Club hosted the choir visit led by Club President Darlene Rhodes-Chester and the







# Carter Community Festival







the Love

# "May The 4th Be With You"









In a universe where Wookies roar, light sabers hum and the Force flows, there exists a day where the Dallas/Fort Worth/Northwest Region Christian Ed and Formation got together on May the 4<sup>th</sup> and had its Annual Rainbow Tea.

Many churches in the Episcopal District gathered together to enjoy each other's food and refreshments, decorations and participated in a prequel of the games that will be played at this year's Annual Conference.

Carter's table walked off with tie for first place for best decorated table. District Vice President Juawana Roberts, Sisters Andrea Reed, Patsy Rose and Britney Williams, along with Brother Tony Williams and Young Adults Courtney Busby and Mackenzie Sinclair provided the theme, food and decorations for the event.

May the fourth be with you and May the odds always be in your favor!



#### Tribute to Stewardess and Women Carter By Toy Green

It is an honor and delight for women to have their day each year. I thank all of you who have contributed in my life to make me the woman I am today.

#### A Woman's Church Shoes

When you look at a woman's church shoes
They look clean, fare and well to do.
She struts in her shoes and she lifts her head high
Sporting her big hat and her purse on the side.

Oh, but the sole
Not her pure soul
But the sole of her shoe is completely
Worn down, torn up and upside down.

Simply because women at Carter Metropolitan
Are prayer warriors, tithers, doers, willers
And seekers of the will of God
And know that it takes a village to raise a child.
There is definitely no mistake
That he hand picked you to be in this place.

Women of the church are the backbone
They are the strong guiding force.
Young, old, married, widowed or college bound
They all have a significant part.

From the pulpit to the choir stand
From the greeters smiling and shaking hands.
From the ushers to the stewardesses
From the back of the church to the front
You are the women of this great church.

The bible speaks of a virtuous woman
A woman with high morals, believes the bible
And applies it to her life.
She does not cut corners or make exceptions
Or excuse in appropriate behavior.

Like Titus 3:2-5 says
"That they may teach the young women to be sober"
The women of Carter Metropolitan
Serve as role models who I look up to.
I thank you for correcting me, whether its giving me the eye,
Reporting to my parents or just pulling me discreetly aside.

You see those church shoes are worn daily
They just sparkle on Sunday.
Never judge a shoes by its looks
You never know what route they took.

From the front of the church to the back of the church
Those shoes have gone the extra mile
As they say a woman's work is never done
You just strut and continue to smile.

#### LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE



14 members of Carter Metropolitan traveled to Tyler Texas on June 9-12 to attend the 8th Episcopal District Leadership Training Institute. There were 4 adults, 4 young adults, 4 youth and 2 children in attendance. Proudly, Carter won 1st place for number of attendees. During the close of the Institute Dr. Jeremy Williams spoke with a few of the young adults from Carter and because of her insight into what our youth and young adults would like to see happen at the next institute, Mackenzie Sinclair was ask to become a member of the planning committee for next year. Go Mackenzie!













