



114th Annual Session
of the
New Era Missionary Baptist District Association

Rev. Gregory Nichols, Moderator

July 20, 2022

6:30pm

5th Annual Address
Woman's Missionary Union President
Mrs. Jacqueline Brown

2021-2022 Association Theme:

Parent Body Theme: One District on One Accord

Scripture: Acts 2:1-3

WMU Theme: "Christian Women Working Together on God's Mission on One Accord"

Scripture: Acts 1:14, Acts 2:1-3

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Haven of Rest Missionary Baptist Church
2637 East 28th Street
Kansas City, MO.
Rev. Monseignor Cunningham, Pastor

**New Era Missionary Baptist District Association
Woman's Missionary President's
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**“I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.” Psalm 34:1, 3**

Giving all Praise to our heavenly Father, recognizing Moderator Gregory Nichols and the official Cabinet of the New Era Missionary Baptist District Association, to the New Era District WMU Officers/Chairmen, to the State and District WMU President Emeritus, Sis. Ruthy Sanders, to the Youth Mission Director, Sis. Shavon Brown and her Officers and counselors. To my Pastor, Rev. William F. Snorgrass, my State WMU President, Sis. Onita Omorodion, my Progressive MBC WMU President, Sis. Aldine Tolliver, to all New Era Officers, all State and National Officers, members of New Era District and Christian friends:

“To God Be the Glory for The Things He Has Done.”

One more time, one more time God allowed us to come together, God allowed us to pray together and God allowed us to sing together one more time. The last two years we have been meeting and working together from our homes because of the pandemic. I am so grateful that God allowed us to gather together tonight to support our Youth Mission and WMU work.

Thank You

I have so much to thank God for, as well as those who shared in this journey. I truly appreciate and thank all of the New Era WMU Officers, the Chairmen and our very supportive local WMU Presidents and their members, for the wonderful service they demonstrated and their support this year. We thank the Moderator, the Laymen and all of the churches that supported our WMU programs this year. I thank my husband, Mr. Andy Brown, my mother Mrs Mae Helen Goolsby, my family, my Pastor and church family for your love, encouragement and support.

Special thanks those who participated on the WMU program this evening; to our WMU Officers, my grandchildren (DeAndre Jr, Devin and Deryn) who sang, my sister Ms. Belinda Goolsby who directed them, Bro. Mark Anderson who played for them, and my youngest daughter, Mrs. Deirdre Waldrup who introduced me.

Our WMU Work

“Be ye steadfast and unmovable; always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.” I Corinthians 15:58

This evening, I will only present a few highlights of our Missionary accomplishments from August 2021 – July 2022. You can find our full New Era WMU Year End report including my personal Stewardship on the district website.

Events

Welcome of New Workers

We welcomed our new Youth Mission Director, Sis. Shavon Brown from Southside First Baptist Church. We also welcomed Bro. Marcus Snead from St. Mark Baptist Church, who serves as the Jr. Laymen Leader and 4th Vice President of the New Era District Layman Department. Both are helping to lead in the training of our Youth Mission girls and boys. We also welcomed Second

Baptist Grandview WMU.

New Era District Quarterly Youth Mission/ WMU Virtual Board Meeting

The New Era 1st and 2nd Quarterly Opening Sessions/Youth Meetings were held via zoom. The participation was good. We had representatives from the Sunbeams, Red Circle Girls and Jr. Layman's auxiliaries participate in the program. The WMU held a separate meeting on Monday evening then meet with the Parent Body on Tuesday evening.

WMU Mission Activities

Foreign Mission Support

We continue to support Loving Haiti Philadelphia Baptist Orphanage and Church (LHPB) ministry in Pignon, Haiti. Rev. Francois Romelus is the Director. This year, we have sent a box and a financial donation every month. We thank all of our churches and members for their contributions. Special thanks to Sis. Eunice White for donating one hundred pillow case dresses.

We are currently sponsoring the "Soles for Souls" Shoe Drive. On July 26th, we will accept shoes the churches have collected at Southside First Baptist Church between 11:30am to 1:00pm. The shoes will be used to bless Haiti and others.

In the Fall of 2021, we were blessed to start supporting Missionary Benita Townsend, a missionary in the Philippines. Her bio, picture, and ways to donate will be placed on the WMU webpage to assist with her Education. We have donated over \$600.00 to Missionary Townsend.

Honoring our Senior Saints Birthdays

We are still sending cards and donations to honor our Senior Saints on their birthday. Several of the Senior Saints were honored with personalized Christmas trees from the Mission Action Committee. Their pictures are on the district website.

New Era District WMU Prayer Day Observances

All of our meetings and Prayer Day Observances were via zoom. We held 5 zoom meetings to observe our State Mission, Home Mission, NBC WMU Day of Prayer, World Day of Prayer, and Foreign Mission Prayer Day. The offerings from the Prayer Days were sent to the National Baptist Convention, USA Inc. Boards to support these ministries. The State Mission Prayer Day helps our WMU give support to Western Bible College and the MBSC of MO WMU. Thanks to Dr. Jones and Sis. Brenda Rucker for hosting us.

WMU Mission Activities

During the year we assisted Moderator Nichols in passing out Food Boxes when asked. We donated lunch for those working at United MBC. We also support the Good Samaritan Shoebox Ministry and New Era District WMU Books for Newborns at Truman Medical Center. During the pandemic we continued to send a variety of cards (Get Well, Cheer, Prayer, Encouragement, Birthday and Sympathy) and make calls to our sick and bereaved families. Our district Mission Action Chairman, Sis. Ella McBride compiles our Mission Action counts and submits them to our State WMU. We are looking forward to visiting at the Nursing Homes again.

The Baptist Women Magazine

The women of the New Era WMU were blessed to have an article in the 2021 Fall Convention Issue and the 2022 Summer Issue. Thanks to all of the women who contributed to the issue. The articles are on the district website. Thanks to Sis. Brenda Rucker for her work with the Articles and the district website.

Financial Donations

New Era WMU gave financial donations to City Union Mission to support their Thanksgiving/Christmas dinners, Genesis School, United MBC to help a person in need, and made donations to the CUT Ministry to assist those in Texas and Kentucky.

Memorial/Sick and Shut-ins

The New Era District WMU acknowledges the loss of many WMU workers and family members of New Era District. Please continue to pray for the families who have lost loved ones. The names are listed in our Stewardship Report.

Reflections on the Theme

The 2022 Association Theme is “One District on One Accord” Acts of the Apostles 2:1-3

WMU Theme: “Christian Women Working Together on God’s Mission on One Accord” Scripture Acts of the Apostles 1:14; 2:1-3

Youth Mission Theme: "We are One in Christ" Scripture: I Corinthian 12:12-14.

Our WMU 2021 and 2022 Theme was “Christian Women, Working Together, on God’s Mission, on One Accord”. The supporting scriptures of Acts 1:14; 2:1-3, tells us that there were faithful women who were followers of Jesus Christ that trained with the disciples and served Jesus unto his crucifixion. They were the first to see the Risen Savior and went to tell the disciples the Good News that Jesus had Risen. These women were also in the upper room when the Holy Spirit came giving the believers the power needed to be witnesses as recorded in Acts 1:8. From that moment women have played an important role in helping to spread the Gospel message to all men, women, boys and girls.

From the beginning God created the woman to develop a God-fearing home for their family. As women today, we still help meet the needs of our families as we extend God’s love to other homes while on our missionary journey.

Our WMU pledge says, that we will strive to work together, in unity, to help make our homes a center of Christian light and love for our Lord. Our concern is not just for our homes but we encourage Missionary Education of adults and children in homes all around the world.

I heard at story of a mother who wanted to keep her active child busy, so she could complete a task. Using a picture from a magazine she cut it into several puzzle size pieces. Then she gave her child some tape, the puzzle pieces and asked her to put the picture together. The mother was certain this would keep the child busy until she could finish her tasks.

Within a few minutes the child returned with the completed picture. The mother was very surprised and asked the child how did she put the picture together so fast. The child responded, that she noticed there was a picture of a family on one side of the pieces. She told her mother that once I put the picture of the family together the picture of world on the other side, also came together.

My sisters and brothers, we have been called to help put the pieces of the families and homes together, so we can help put the world back together. Proverbs 22:6 tells us to, “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” The task of Christian development starts in our homes, then to our schools, our communities, our States, the nation and the world.

The Bible reveals that Missions comes from the heart of God. It is God's love in action for the redemption of all humanity. John 3:16, says, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only

begotten son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have every lasting life.”
Love is the key and it makes the difference.

As Missionary women we are united in love for Christ as we work together to meet the **spiritual needs** of mankind as recorded in Matthew 28:19 -20. We are to Baptize and Teach all mankind the Gospel message that Jesus has come to redeem everyone. In the Parable of the Talents, recorded in Matthew 25: 35–40, Jesus gives us the guidelines to carry out the ministry of love to help meet the **physical needs** of our fellowman. This scripture passage tells us we are to, “feed the hungry, and give them meat; give drink to those that are thirsty; provide for the stranger, and take them in; to cloth the naked, visit the sick and those in prison.”

In our Missionary Union, we have many women all around the world in service but we serve as one in the Body of Christ. The Apostle Paul explains in I **Corinthians 12:12-27**, that we are One Body in Christ with many members and each member has to serve in their designated position, so that the entire body can be successful. This is how we are to serve as Christians. If we are to be successful in our ministry we must work together in unity and love as we share the gospel message.

Jesus said, in John 13:34-35, “A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.”

In 1960 Peter Scholte’s, a Catholic priest, and author wrote the hymn, based on John 13:34-35 entitled, “They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love.” The words are:

We Are One in The Spirit; We Are One in The Lord
We Are One in The Spirit, We Are One in The Lord
And We Pray That All Unity May One Day Be Restored
And They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love, By Our Love;

We Will Work With Each Other: We Work Hand in Hand
And Together We Will Spread the News, That God Is in Our Land
And They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love, By Our Love;
Yes, They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love!

Yes, love of Christ compels us to do the things we do. Our Union is like the puzzle pieces in the story of putting the family together to make the world a better place. Each piece is important and needed to fit together so we can be united to complete the tasks in front of us.

Our unity grows as we serve together in love, supporting and encouraging one another. Unity makes us one Spirit. Each of us may have been called to perform different functions in the body for Christ, but we must be Good Stewards of our calling, so that the body can function as Christ commands.

In Jesus’ sermon on the mountain in Matthew 5:13-16, He tells His followers that ye are the light and salt of the world. We are the light to lead mankind to Jesus and the salt to help preserve and prevent the lost from falling further into moral decay. We are to live a righteous life, so that the world can see Jesus in us. If we act and behave like the unsaved person, then how can we help them or the body of Christ. Jesus is depending on the saved to go, reach and teach the unsaved. If we can’t go, then we must financially support and pray for those who can go.

My brothers and sisters, we are truly living in an evil and corrupt time. As Christians, we know it is not normal for children to go to school afraid that they may be a victim of a mass shooting. It is a time when elected leaders refuse to vote to prevent the sale of military style guns and high-capacity magazines to Americans. A time when the police are still viciously killing black men for minor violations. A time when few show love or concern for their neighbors. It is a time when we can see how truly evil and corrupt the world will be when the Christians are no longer in the world.

Now, more than ever, Christ is still calling for men, women, boys and girls to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the uttermost parts of the world.

The Women's Missionary Union of New Era Baptist District Association are united, just as the women who served and followed Jesus to the completion of His earthly Mission. We are united by the words of these old Mission hymns of service and dedication such as, "Lord I want to be a Christian", "If I Can Help Somebody", and Count Me." These songs touch the hearts of the believers and encourages us to work united as we put our love into Action.

The words to Count on Me says, "The Lord has need of workers, to till His field today, so kindly he has led me to walk in wisdoms way; I pray for grace to help me with all my heart to say, O blessed Savior, count on me.

Now gird me for the battle when evil pow'rs oppose, and give me faith and courage to conquer o'er thy foes; I pledge Thee my allegiance, my soul no others know, O blessed Savior, count on me.

I'll bear another's burden along a lonely way, Or teach that burden-bearer with confidence to pray; In service ever loyal, at home or far away, O blessed Savior, count on me,

Count on me, count on me, For loving-hearted service glad and free; Yes, count on me, count on me O blessed Savior, count on me."

Today, we the Women's Missionary Union of New Era Baptist District Association acknowledge that we are Christian Women, Working Together, on God's Mission, on One Accord and in unity we say "O blessed Savior, Count On Me."

Humbly Submitted,

Mrs. Jacqueline Brown, New Era District WMU President
Rev. Gregory Nichols, New Era District Moderator

New Era District Woman's Missionary Union President's Stewardship August 2021– July 2022

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Events

- 08/01/21 NED Senior Saints August Birthday Recognitions
- 08/09/21 NED WMU Executive Meeting via zoom
- 08/13/21 NED WMU sponsored and served lunch for the workers at United MBC

- 09/01/21 NED Senior Saints September Birthday Recognitions
- 09/13/21 NED Youth Mission Counselors Meeting via zoom
- 09/16/21 NED State Prayer Day Observance via zoom Rev. James Jones speaker
- 09/17/21 NED WMU helped pass out Food Boxes with Moderator Nichols
- 09/19/21 NED 2022 Year Book WMU Planning
- 09/24/21 NED 19th Erma Eason Conference -Financial Support for the van only
- 09/21/21 Funeral services of Mr. Faye Ewing Jr Condolence sent
- 09/27/21 Funeral services of Sis. Valerie Jean Young- Pratt - Condolence sent
- 09/30/21 District Jr. Laymen Meeting with Bro. Markus Snead @ 6:00pm.

- 10/01/21 NED Senior Saints October Birthday Recognitions
- 10/02/21 NED 1st Quarterly Youth Meeting via zoom
- 10/02/21 Funeral services of Mr. Cornelius Washington - Condolence sent
- 10/02/21 Funeral services of Sis. Rosie Lee Warren – Condolence sent
- 10/05/21 NED 1st Quarterly WMU Meeting via zoom
- 10/06/21 NED 1st Quarterly Parent Body Meeting via zoom
- 10/07/21 NED Circle Chairman via conference call
- 10/13/21 Funeral services of Sis. Lucy Strickland attended visitation/ Condolence sent
- 10/14/21 – 10/18/21 Missionary Baptist State Convention of Missouri in KCMO virtual meeting.
- 10/14/21 – 10/18/21 State Congress Class Course: 3008 Theology& History of Christianity
- 10/18/21 NED Youth Counselors Meeting via zoom
- 10/18/21 NED 2022 Year Book review
- 10/21/21 NED Prayer Retreat via zoom
- 10/23/21 Funeral services of Sis. Eloise Dukes attended funeral and sent condolence
- 10/28/21 District Jr. Laymen Meeting with Bro. Markus Snead @ 6:00pm.

- 11/01/21 NED Senior Saints November Birthday Recognitions
- 11/02/21 Presentation at Mt. Sinai @ 6:00pm. In person and virtual
- 11/04/21 BWA World Day of Prayer via zoom
- 11/06/21 Funeral Service of Sis. Olga Norene Byrd - Condolence sent
- 11/19/21 Funeral Services of Sis. Ruth Dotson - Condolence sent
- 11/06/21 NED WMU Mission Action in person Meeting @ Greenwood MBC
- 11/18/21 Donations to Support to Good Samaritan Shoebox Ministry
- 11/29/21 NED 2022 Year Book review

- 12/01/21 NED Senior Saints December Birthday Recognitions

12/10/21 NED WMU Foreign Mission Prayer Day via zoom
 12/12 /21 NED Christmas Recognition for our Senior Saints
 12/13/21 NED Youth Directors and Counselors' Meeting via zoom @6:00pm
 12/14 /21 Funeral services of Bro. Stanley Counts Jr - Condolence sent
 12/15/21 Funeral services of Sis. Joslyn Harvey - Condolence sent
 12/22/21 Shipped Christmas Love and Care to Orphanage in Pignon, Haiti
 12/22/21 Funeral services of Sis. Pearlie Mae Williams - Condolence sent
 12/23/21 NED 2022 Year Book review

01/01/22 NED Senior Saints January Birthday Recognitions
 01/06 /22 NED 2022 Year Book review
 01/14/22 NED Laymen Early Morning Service
 01/16/22 NED WMU Executive Meeting via zoom
 01/17/22 NED Director and Youth Counselors Meeting via zoom
 01/22/22 NED Youth Christmas after Christmas Fellowship
 01/24/22 NED Director and Youth Counselors Meeting via zoom
 01/27/22 Funeral services of Mr. James Berry - Condolence sent
 01/31/22 NED Director and Youth Counselors Meeting via zoom

02/01/22 NED Senior Saints February Birthday Recognitions
 02/03/22 Funeral services of Dr./Deacon David Thompson attended services - Condolence sent
 Funeral services of Mr. Vernon White - Condolence sent
 02/05/22 NED Second Quarterly Board Meeting Youth Session zoom
 02/07/22 NED Second Quarterly Board WMU Meeting Auxiliary Session zoom
 02/08/22 NED Second Quarterly Board Parent Body Meeting Auxiliary Session zoom
 02/19/22 NED Laymen Early Morning Service via zoom
 02/21/22 Shipped March Christmas Love and Care to Orphanage in Pignon, Haiti
 02/27/22 NED 2022 Yearbooks available

03/01/22 NED Senior Saints March Birthday Recognitions
 03/04/22 NED Circle Chairman via conference call
 03/10/22 Home Mission Prayer Day Observance zoom
 03/23/22 NED WMU By-Laws Revision Meeting
 03/25/22 Funeral Services for Sis. Alma Taylor @ PMBC attended services
 03/26/22 Mission Action Meeting @ 7:00 via zoom
 03/26/22 Shipped April Love and Care Package to Orphanage in Pignon, Haiti
 03/28/22 NED Youth Directors and Counselors' Meeting via zoom @6:00pm

04/01/22 NED Senior Saints April Birthday Recognitions
 04/01/22 NED Circle Chairman via conference call
 04/04/22 NED WMU School of Missions Conference virtual
 04/09/22 Funeral Services of Mrs. Frannie C. Rose - Condolence sent
 04/07/22 Funeral Services of Mrs. Mildred McCallop - Condolence sent
 04/07/22 NED WMU By-Laws Revision Meeting
 04/15/22 Funeral Services of Mrs. Mattie M. Thomas - Condolence sent
 04/16/22 Funeral Services for Sis. Joyce Beasley@ PMBC attended services
 04/28/22 Shipped May Love and Care Package to Orphanage in Pignon, Haiti

05/01/22 NED Senior Saints May Birthday Recognitions
 05/05/22 NED WMU By-Laws Revision Meeting
 05/06/22 Funeral Services of Mrs. Lillie Hollinshed - Condolence sent
 05/06/22 NED Circle Chairman via conference call

05/07/22 Funeral Services for Rev. Hinton "Sam" Shockley - Condolence sent
05/09/22 National Baptist Day of Prayer Conference via zoom
05/13/22 Funeral Services for Sis. Janice Winston attended services -condolence sent
05/16/22 NED Youth Directors and Counselors' Meeting via zoom
05/23/22 Funeral Services for Sis. Belinda Fay Patton condolence sent
05/24/22 By-Law Committee Meeting via zoom 6:00 pm
05/27/22 Shipped June Love and Care Package to Orphanage in Pignon, Haiti

06/01/22 NED Senior Saints June Birthday Recognitions
06/03/22 NED Circle Chairman via conference call
06/03/22 Donation to MissionGo for Missionary Benita Townsend's Tuition
06/06/22 – 06/10/2022 NED Congress of Christian Education virtual 6031 Christian Educ
06/13/22 District Officers meeting @ 7:00pm with the Moderator
06/15/22 Funeral Services for Dea. Donald Gaines attended services -condolence sent
06/16/22 NED WMU Year End Executive Meeting zoom
06/24/22 Funeral Services for Mr. James C. Bradley -condolence sent
06/26/22 Sunbeam Promotion for Progressive Missionary Baptist Church
06/29/22 Shipped July Love and Care Package to Orphanage in Pignon, Haiti
06/30/22 NED WMU By-Laws Revision Meeting

07/01/22 NED Senior Saints July Birthday Recognition
07/16/22 Funeral Services of Sis. Ozella Harrison – condolence sent
07/18/22 – 07/21/22 NED Annual Session Haven of Rest BC