# SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

MAY 28, 2017, 7:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

# Graduates/Retirees



Antioch Baptist Church North Rev. C. M. Alexander, Pastor • Rev. K. L. Alexander, Co-Pastor

BIBLE-BASED • CHRIST-CENTERED • HOLY SPIRIT-LED • MISSION-BOUND FELLOWSHIP • EVANGELISM • DOCTRINE • STEWARDSHIP

# A Congratulatory Message From the Pastor

My Brothers and Sisters,



The admonition in 2 Timothy 2:15 to "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" is generally only applied to conversations about Sunday School and Christian Education offerings. When Timothy wrote these words, there was no separation between "Sunday" school and public or secular education.

In the United States, the earliest colleges and universities founded were established to provide religious education and train preachers. Harvard College, the oldest institution of higher learning in the United States, was established in 1636. As carved in Harvard's cornerstone, its purpose was to advance learning, "dreading to leave an illiterate Ministery to the Churches."

Howard University had similar beginnings two centuries later in 1866, after the Civil War. Archives in the Library of Congress record that a missionary meeting, a religious society in Washington decided to "establish a theological seminary for the education of African-American clergymen."

No matter what level you have completed--kindergarten, elementary school, middle school, high school, college, and graduate school—do not separate your "school learning" from your "church learning." You are each called to minister to your peers by letting the light of God's love shine through you wherever you are.

I, as your pastor, and the entire Antioch Baptist Church North family congratulate you for having spent time in preparation and study in order to successfully be promoted or graduated to another level. Our retirees have been able to persevere through many years of discipline while applying their knowledge in the workplace. All of your accomplishments have come through the grace of God.

Therefore, God is calling you to another level of service. Each of you has been promoted or graduated to a higher calling in Jesus Christ as you continue your education or pursue your career. Serve as beacons of light where God has placed you. Retirees, you have retired from your workplace, but not from God's work! We are excited to see how God is going to further use your gifts in His service.

Congratulations and best wishes to each of our honorees. It is my prayer that God will continue to shower each of you with His continued rich blessings.

Yours in God's service,

Reverend C<del>. M</del>. Alexander

Pastor

The Call to Worship
The DevotionDeacons Ministry
The Processional (11:00 AM)Pomp and CircumstanceElgar
(Pastor, Ministers, Graduates, Retirees, Scholarship Ministry, Scholarship Advisory Board)
The Morning Hymn #1
7:45 AM - Antioch North Anthem Choir and Vessels of Praise Dance Ministry
11:00 AM - Adult Choir, Youth Choir, and Youth Dance Ministry
The Announcements & Recognition of Visitors
2017 Graduates/Retirees Recognition
Purpose of Celebration
Presentation/Thanks to Pastor AlexanderBro. & Sis. Donavon Kirkland
Reflections: 2017 High School Graduates — Topic: "Why My Faith Matters, 2017"
The Graduating High School PresentersChelsi Lester, Isiah Hammond, Justice Riley
Presentation of Graduates & RetireesThe Scholarship Ministry
(Kindergarten, Elementary, Middle, High School, College, Post Graduates, Retirees)
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 genera-
tions. Psalm100
DoxologyPraise 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
Lord Jesus, as we prepare to share our blessings, we pray that our offertory gifts, both our tithes
and our offerings, will be a manifestation of that which is in our hearts. We are thankful, Dear
Lord, that we have received and therefore, we will give. We pray this prayer in the name of our
Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen!
The Tithes & The OfferingsDeacons' and Ushers' Ministries
Sermon Hymn
The 7:45 a.m. SermonRev. C. M. Alexander
The Introduction of the 11:00 a.m. SpeakerSis. JaKayla Woolridge
Valedictorian, Clark-Atlanta University

Valedictorian, Clark-Atlanta University The 11:00 a.m. Speaker......Rev. Dr. Bryan O. Mitchell Interim Dean & Associate Professor of Biology

Division of Science, Mathematics and Health Professions Atlanta Metropolitan State College

The Invitation to Discipleship

(Please refrain from walking during the Invitation to Discipleship)

The Recessional......Graduates & Retirees

# GRADUATES/RETIREES

RECOGNITION

### Kindergarten

Sahana E. Gladney Jayden Hudgins

### **Elementary School**

Isaiah DeVaughn
Daija A. Duncan
Cameron Gray
Mayven J. Miller
Taylor Pitts
Joshua J. Scott
Malcolm X. Stepheny

### **Middle School**

Patrick C. Daniel Donovan N. Garner Durante M. Murphy Azzaria K. Smith Darryl N. Speed

### **High School**

Michael Arora Morgan Daniel Camden Dukes Donatella Garner Justin Grundy Isaiah Hammond Kaylon Hood Celena P. Jackson Kennedi E. Jackson Chelsi S. Lester Kolby E. Morton Jazzmyn Parker Bethani Price Justice J. Riley Austin Woolridge

### **Bachelor Degrees 2017**

Shannon G. Byrdsell Louisiana State University BA Communication Sciences & Speech Disorders

Nevin Harton, Jr. Mercer University BA Psychology, Chemistry

Marcus Lee, Jr. Savannah State BS Global Logistics & International Studies

April Martin Georgia State University BA Social Work

Jade McCracken University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff BA Mass Communication

Julian Moore
University of Georgia
BS Electrical & Electronics Engineering

Elexis C. Neal Tuskegee University BS Animal Science Cherish L. Riley Savannah College of Art/Design BA BFA Fashion Marketing

Donovan A. Thomas University of Miami BS Music Engineering Tech

Nigel D. Walker Vanderbilt University BS Science of Engineering

Adrianne E. Williams Howard University BA Sports Management

Julius Q. Wilson Alabama State University BS Marketing

JaKayla M. Woolridge Valedictorian, Clark-Atlanta University BA Early Childhood Education

### **Masters & Doctor of Philosophy Degrees 2017**

Michael Evans Savannah College of Art/Design MA Luxury Fashion-Management

Gwendolyn Spikes Central Michigan MS Administration Leadership

Melanie Cain Gallo Chicago School of Professional Psychology PhD Business Psychology

Wanda J. Harding Piedmont College MA Mathematics Education

Chervell Twyman Mercer University MS Family Therapy

### **Retirees 2017**

Pamella Harris Colvin Ali, Tax Examiner Internal Revenue Service – 29yrs.

Clarence Anderson, Clerk United States Postal Service – 38yrs.

Joseph Beasley, Human Resources Minister ABCN Human Services Ministry – 35yrs.

Eddie L. Clark, Operation Manager City of Atlanta Parks Department – 34yrs.

Arnold A. Curtis, Energy Analyst GA Power Company – 36yrs.

Carol B. Evans, Principal APS School System – 33yrs.

Rita Hector, Guidance Counselor Newton County Schools - 39yrs.

# THE SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY

Antioch Baptist Church North • Rev. C. M. Alexander, Pastor • Rev. K. L. Alexander, Co-Pastor

### **SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY BOARD MEMBERS**

Sis. Wendolyn Harding, Chairperson

Sis. Barbara, Cardell, Secretary

Sis. Ora Gilmore

Sis. Vernestine Murphy

Sis. Angel Taylor

Rev. Oscar Scott, Ill, Ministerial Liaison

Dea. Vernon Woods

### **SCHOLARSHIP ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS**

Dea. Jerome Trimble, Chairperson

Dr. Stephanie Smith-Green, Co-Chairperson

Sis. Gerri Peek, Treasurer

Bro. Charles Allen

Rev. Herman Cain

Sis. Redelle Doyle

Sis. Joyie Gibson

Sis. Cheryl Twyman



# Because Autioch Cares...

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

### **HUMAN SERVICES MINISTRY**

For the week ending May 20, 2017, 706 bags of food were distributed. A total of 23,293 pounds of food was distributed, and 138 meals were served to AUMI residents.

### **CLOTHING BANK**

Forty-two (42) families received goods through the Clothing Bank.

### **BOOK SIGNING**

Valencia Seay will be doing a book signing for her book, From Herndon Homes to the State Capitol, on June 4th, after both services in Burden's Rest.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

2017 VBS, The Faith Run...On Course with God - OH YES, YES, YES! WE LOVE TO GO TO THE VBS! Join us Vacation Bible School with Antioch Baptist Church North, on June 5-9, 2017, at 590 North Ave, Atlanta, GA, 30318, "The 590 Building". Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m. nightly and classes will begin at 6:00 p.m. Join as we lace up our running shoes, lay aside every weight, and complete the Faith Run. For more information, please call the church office at 404-688-5679.

### THE 63/48 PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY **CELEBRATION/PASTOR'S BBQ**

We'll kick off this great time of celebration with our annual barbeque on Saturday, June 10, at 12:00 Noon, at the 590 Building. A host of activities that will surely please the Antioch Family will be available for all ages. Members and friends are invited to share in the fellowship and partake of the delicious barbecue and other scrumptious goodies. For further information, please contact the church office at 404-688-5679.

### **IN MEMORY**

The flowers in the bapistry have been donated in memory of the birth of the late Deac, P. D. Harris, Sr. His light, love & laughter continue to inspire & motivate his family: Mother B. J. Harris, widow; Pamella (Ghulam) Ali & P. D. Harris, II, children; P. D.



(Kaleva) Harris III. Pamella Giselle Colvin. Glenn Colvin II, Jeleysa Harris, grandchildren; & greatgrand daughters Kanaiya Colvin & Kayla Harris.

### **Worship Service Coordinator**

7:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Bro. Lindsey Cottingham

**Security Chiefs on duty** 

7:45 a.m. - Bro. Lee Baker, 11:00 a.m. - Bro. Keith Jones **Trustees on duty** 

7:45 a.m. - Bro. Michael Williams

**Health Professional on duty** 

7:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Sis. Felicia Jackson

**Videographer on duty** 

Bro. Michael Williams

### ATTENTION WOMEN OF ANTIOCH!

The final group study session on Fervent by Priscilla Shier, will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2017, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Please register today in the narthex after both services. For further information, please contact the church office at 404-688-5679.

### **WOMANHOOD LLC MINISTRY**

The Womanhood LLC Ministry is pleased to announce our Annual Sundress and Sandals Soirée Fellowship Event to be held at Brawner Event Hall located at 3180 Atlanta Road, Smyrna, Georgia, on Friday, June 23, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Women of Antioch, please make plans to wear your favorite summer dress and sandals as we fellowship with one another and learn more about the Womanhood Ministry. The donation for this event is only \$15.00, and you are encouraged to RSVP with your donation after each worship service beginning Sunday, April 30th.

### SISTERS BY CHOICE BREAST CANCER WALK **KICK-OFF**

The Sisters by Choice 13th Annual Pink Ribbon Walk will be held on Saturday, July 15, 2017, in Piedmont Park. Sisters provides over 800 annual mammograms and breast exams for uninsured, unemployed and homeless women. Your \$30.00 early bird registration fee for the 5k will help insure that women have access to care. This 5k Walk event is for the entire family! The Womanhood Ministry will kick off registration with a Pink Ribbon reception on the plaza on Sunday, June 11th, and will be available for registration in the Narthex after each service throughout the month of June.

# NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN

The National Museum of African American History and Culture is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history, and culture. The Antioch Family is invited to join our Youth as we travel to Washington, DC, to visit this wonderful museum and learn more about our history. Trip dates are July 24-27. Other visits include a tour of the Frederick Douglass Historic Site, fun time at the Museum, game night, and other fun activities. The cost for the trip is \$360. Detailed information is available following the 7:45 a.m. Worship service in the Narthex, or you can contact Shawn Oates, Homerzelle Gentry, or Benny Williams through the church office at 404-688-5679.

## Statement of Purpose



### Congratulations To Our Graduates and Retirees

Since its inception, the Antioch Scholarship Ministry was charged and challenged by Pastor C. M. Alexander to affect and impact the post secondary education opportunities for the youth of Antioch. In its early years, the Ministry focused on awarding limited scholarships to high school graduates as an incentive to graduation.

However, the Ministry soon realized that too many of Antioch's high school seniors did not take advantage of the scholarships because they were not prepared, informed, or ready to maneuver the intricacies of the college application process successfully. As a result, the Ministry realigned its focus to identify and include middle school students and their parents; informing them (students and parents) on the value and rewards of a post secondary education.

This early engagement and focused attention on the college application process have been a source of inspiration and excitement for both students and parents as the Antioch Scholarships have helped to change lives.

During this academic year between August 2016, and January 2017, the Antioch Church Family has been blessed assist 43 students in their post-secondary education endeavors with expenditures totaling \$26,100. The recipients included 19 high schools graduating seniors and 24 college sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

Through your continuous and generous giving, the Antioch Scholarship Ministry will continue to support the higher educational aspirations of our young people. Jesus Christ teaches us "The Way" and Education gives us instructions on "The How." Working together in concert through our gifts of time, talent, and treasure, our investments in the youth of Antioch today will pay high dividends tomorrow in the future prosperity of our Church Family.

We thank God for the vision of Pastor Alexander and the leadership of Co-Pastor Kenneth Alexander in supporting the goals of the Antioch Scholarship Ministry. We also thank God for the caring and concerned Antioch Church Family for investing in the foundation of our youth so they can have every possible benefit of home, school and the Church.

# WHY CELEBRATE? "WE CARE!" I Peter 5:7

Sister Wendolyn Harding and the Scholarship Ministry

# Care & Comfort Ministry Sick & Shut-In Lists

### **Members in Hospitals**

Sis. Sallie Williams - Grady Hospital, 5B-Rm. 31

**Members in Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation Centers** 

Bro. Daniel Michael Adams – Nursecare of Buckhead, Atlanta, Rm. 526

Sis. Alice Arline – Brightmoor Senior Living, Griffin, Rm. 310

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

Mother Virginia Hall - Christian City Rehab Ctr, Union City, Rm. 412-A

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

Mother Bettye Harris - Nursecare of Buckhead, Atlanta, Rm. 205

Mother Mary Hood - Signature Healthcare of Buckhead, Atlanta, Rm. 408-B

Bro. Noah Respress – Virginia Gardens Assisted Living, Fort Valley, Rm. 7094

Sis. Catherine Smith - Brightmoor Senior Living Rehab, Griffin, Rm. 204

Bro. Dallas Tucker - Sadie G. Mays Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. C-9

### **Members Convalescing at Home**

Sis. Barbara J. Alexander
Sis. Zeporia Alexander
Sis. Evelyn Battle
Mother Emma Broomes
Bro. Robert Brown
Bro. Henry Claybrook
Sis. Miriam Crawford
Sis. Doris Dennis

Sis. Margaret Edinburgh Sis. Catherine George

Sis. Minnie George

Sis. Niaciene George

Bro. Randall Griffin Bro. Melvin Harris Sis. Pearla Holmes Bro. Roy Houston Bro. Donald Hutson

Sis. Elizabeth Johnson

Mother Gwendolyn Johnson

**Bro. Rufus Kelly** 

Bro. Phillip Lyde

Sis. Sylvia McClain Bro. Henri McTerry

Mother Effie Nalls

Sis. Cynthia Price

Bro. Richard Raglin

Dea. Mark Roberts Bro. Fred Samuels, Jr.

Sis. Candace Scott

Sis. Lucille Spears

Sis. Jessie Stafford

Mother Willie "Cookie" Tuggle

Sis. Vivian Walker

Sis. Mae Weaver

Sis. Annette Webb

Sis. Phyllis West

Bro. Joshua Williams

Mother Lenora 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

### **TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The lesson for today is "Seeing The Big Picture," and the scripture is Jonah 4:1-11. The lesson for next Sunday is "Without A Doubt," and the scripture is Judges 4:1-10. Please join us and be renewed by the teaching of God's Word.

# WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

Weekly Prayer Meeting and Bible Study is held at the Church every Wednesday evening. For your convenience, dinner is served at 5pm and Bible classes begin at 6:15pm. These classes provide instructional and training opportunities to gain deeper insights into the teachings of Jesus Christ. At 7pm, Pastor Alexander will lead the Prayer Meeting and provide guidance and spiritual insights into meaningful ways in which we can strengthen our personal relationships with God.

