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Celebrating the 68th National Ushers' Convention







NACOGU President - Joseph S.

NACOG Presiding Elder -Rev. Clifton

THEME: "A Future With Hope" - Jeremiah 29:11

Greetings Fellow Ushers and Supporters,

National Association Church of God Ushers experienced a wonderful Year 2023!

The Community Church of God, Ypsilanti, MI, and the Michigan State Ushers hosted our first return in-person convention after a three-year hiatus due to the Global Pandemic. We are still praising God and thanking Pastor Portia Davis-Mann for the warm, generous hospitality and love she and her congregation extended to us. Special thanks to Sister Angela Hardison, President of the Michigan State Ushers who spearheaded and led the effort!

With no host church for 2024, we have decided to celebrate with a virtual convention business meeting, Saturday, May 18th via Zoom/conference call. Sunday May 19th we will broadcast a ninety-minute virtual service on YouTube NACOG TV Channel.

Virtual Business Mtg. Sat., May 18th - 3:00pm EST, 2:00pm CST & 12:00noon PST YouTube Convention, Sun., May 19th - 5:00pm EST, 4:00pm CST & 2:00pm PST

Our Convention Speaker: Reverend Cynthia Thomas, Pastor Langley Avenue Church of God, Chicago, IL 60637

At the May 18th Zoom/Conference Call Business meeting, we will be electing a President and Vice-President. Again, due to the pandemic, these respective positions served in a "hold status" (2019-2024). We will be voting for these officers during our Zoom business meeting. Details for participation in the election will be provided on the NACOGU website: www.nacogushers.org. Please check it out! We will be utilizing our website to highlight events occurring in the ushers' ministries across the U.S. We urge you to submit activities your local/state/national ushers wish to highlight to www.nacogushers.org.

Again, as we strive to "pass the mantle" in all aspects of our ministries, we extend heartfelt thanks to Create@Inthelabmedia.com Team for allowing God to use their expertise, time, talents and guidance to NACOG Ushers!

God Bless,

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Psalm 84:10 (KJV)

¹⁰ For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.



National Association of the Church of God Ushers Officers

Joseph S. Scarborough – President Elizabeth Cheeseman-Martin – Vice President

Louvenia Effinger-Evans - Treasurer Gloria Dillard – Assistant Treasurer

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Vacant – Registrar Esther Deans – Advisor

Donna M. Ravenell – Convention Manager Elizabeth K. Gaddis – Floor Coordinator

Vacant – Pioneers Scholarship Fund – Coord. Bessie Smith – Community Missions Project – Coord.

Christina Stringfellow – Executive Assistant – (not a Constitution or By-Laws position)

Sub-Committees

<u>Finance</u>	<u>Nominating</u>
Louvenia E. Evans (Chair) – Windsor Mill, MD	Rose Duncan (Chair) – Jamaica, NY
Gloria Dillard - Southfield, MI	Mary Ann Nesbit – Atlanta, GA
George Hillman – Hazel Crest, IL	Diane Patterson, Anderson, IN
Vacant	Diane Smith – North Wales, PA
Vacant	Vacant
<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Communion</u>
Vacant – (Chair)	Sheila Granger (Chair) – Lathrup Village, MI
Denise Godbolt – Paterson, NJ	Reba Cooper – Anderson, IN
Vacant	Meriam Don Grant – Toledo, OH
Juanita H. Johnson (Advisor) – Brooklyn, NY	Sanrel Jackson-Short – Tampa, FL
Marelyn Murdaugh – Orangeburg, SC	Eva James Yeo – Chicago, IL

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