

Women's Emphasis Month

Sunday
May
31

WOMEN'S DAY

"Strength of a Woman"

Proverbs 31:25

Guest Preacher

DR. ANTOINETTE G. ALVARADO
GRACE CHURCH INTERNATIONAL
CO-PASTOR



Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

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Welcome To

Bethel A.M.E. Church

“The City Hall of Sweet Auburn”

Worship Times:
10:00 am Traditional
2:00 pm Contemporary

220 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, GA 30303
T: 404.827.9707



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Pastor Jay and
Leading Lady Michelle Burks Augustine

Ambassador Andrew Young

Cordially invites you to attend

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DAY OF ACTION



JUNE 11, 2026



10:30 A.M.



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ATLANTA, GA 30318**

This is an Urgent Call for United Action.

Come share what your organization is doing in this battle.
Discover how we can better collaborate and support
ongoing work. Find out how to get involved.
Help build a coalition action plan.

The People Must Respond.

**ALL WHO SUPPORT THIS PURPOSE
ARE WELCOME**

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Dr. Antoinette G. Alvarado

Dr. Antoinette G. Alvarado is the Co-Pastor of Grace Church International and President of Targeted Living Coaching & Consulting, LLC. Dr. Toni as she is affectionately called, is a dynamic preacher, teacher, and workshop presenter, serving in national and international conferences. She is the author of *Run and Not Be Weary: The Pursuit of Purpose and Destiny*, *Stoking the Fire of Your Dreams*, *Harmonize Your Life: A Journey Toward Self-Care*, Co-Author of *Let's Stay Together: Relationship Strategies for Successful Marriages* with her husband Dr. Johnathan E. Alvarado and *Tending to Your Garden: Moving Through Grief with Intentional Self-Care and Soul-Care Book & Guided Reflection Journal*.

Dr. Alvarado has studied at various seminaries and universities and has been awarded several earned degrees and professional certificates to include Master of Divinity Degree (2003) Church of God Theological Seminary; Doctor of Ministry Degree (2008) Regent University School of Divinity; The Master of Theology (2009) Columbia Theological Seminary; and Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies (2013) University of Georgia. Certified Coach & Coach Trainer through Life forming Leadership Coaching (2005), Certified Health and Wellness Coach by the American Fitness Professional Association (2021) and Christian Theological Seminary Compelling Preaching Initiative (2024).



She has served as an adjunct professor and guest lecturer in several colleges and universities such as Beulah Heights University, Regent University, Howard University School of Divinity, Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Spelman College Bonner Scholars Program, and the Black Women in Ministerial Leadership Program at the Interdenominational Theological Center, in Atlanta, Georgia. She has also written several articles and sermons for such publications and periodicals as *Gospel Today Magazine* and *The African American Pulpit* and participated in many interviews and documentaries on the topics of Coaching and Mentoring Relationships, Leadership, Marriage and Family and Women in Ministry.

Dr. Toni is Founder of the Harmonize Your Life Women's Self-Care Network, the Retreat Leader of the Harmonize Your Life Women's Self-Care Retreat, and the host of the *Harmonize Your Life: Conversations on Self-Care for Women of Color Podcast*. Her Coaching and Speaking Niches are Women in Ministry, Women in Leadership, Work/Life Harmony, Personal and Professional Development, Self-Care, Health and Wellness, and Healthy Relationships Among Women. Dr. Alvarado's community service includes the founding and leadership of My Sister's Keeper Foundation for Women, Inc. 2004-2024. She is an active member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. Chi Tau Omega Chapter in Covington, GA where she served as the Chapter Chaplain and Chair of the Spiritual Oversight Committee for 3 years, and the National Council of Negro Women - Rockdale-Newton Section. She is a Board Member for the Women in Ministry Conference-Atlanta GA under the leadership of Dr. Cynthia L. Hale, Graduate of Leadership Rockdale (2015), Goodwill Ambassador for the State of Georgia (2015) Former Board Member of Gilgal Recovery House for Women (2016-2018), and she was inducted into the Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel Board of Preachers at Morehouse College on April 4, 2019.

The Order of Liturgy
Sunday, May 31, 2026 @ 10:00 AM
Theme: “Strength of A Woman” Proverbs 31:25

The Reverend Jessica Buford, Worship Leader

Worship in Music.....Big Bethel Women’s Choir
Sister Nicole Chapman, Director

The Doxology.....AME Hymn #69.....All Worshipers (standing)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Opening Hymn.....AME Hymn #390 I Am on the Battlefield for My LordSister Tracy Franklin

The Prayer of Invocation.....The Reverend Gwen Senatle
(Prayer chant)

Worship in Music.....Big Bethel Women’s Choir
Sister Chapman, Director

The Responsive Scripture Reading.... Matthew 28:16-20 NRSVUE.....Licentiate Ariel R, Nash

Leader: ¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.

People: ¹⁷**When they saw Him, they worshiped Him, but they doubted.**

Leader: ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

People: ¹⁹**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;**

ALL: ²⁰**And teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”**

The Announcements and Welcome to Big Bethel.....The Reverend Dr. Garland Higgins and
(Everybody, Hug Somebody) Leading Lady Michelle B. Augustine

The Big Bethel Ministry Moment.....Big Bethel Sunday School



Visitors, please register your attendance on the Big Bethel Guest Registration Form by scanning the QR code to the right. Thank you for worshipping with us. You are always welcome!!!!





The Choral Response.....**All Things Come of Thee**..... AME Hymn #644

“All things come of Thee, O Lord; and of Thine own have we given Thee.” Amen

The Introduction of the Preacher.....Dr. Joi Stinson

Worship in Music.....Big Bethel Women’s Choir
Sister Chapman, Director

The Proclaimed Word.....The Reverend Dr. Antoinette G. Alvarado
Co-Pastor, Grace Church International, Rex, GA

The Invitation.....The Reverend Jessica N. Buford

The Remarks and Awards.....Dr. Stinson and Sister Ja’Keilla Rouse

The Doxology.....AME Hymn #69.....All Worshipers (standing)

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The Benediction..... The Reverend Dr. Alvarado

~Sermon Notes~


“...you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church...” Matthew 16:18

Points/Topics:

We are Back!



will resume on
Wednesday, June 3rd

 @ 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.

If you were involved in either of these ministries or would like to be, please consider ideas and suggestions that you may have for future classes. Bring them with you to the meeting on Wednesday!

Women's Bible Study on Zoom

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472518679?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472518679?pwd=NzI0RG1qNmVYY0R5RmY2VzV6ZGtMZz09)
[pwd=NzI0RG1qNmVYY0R5RmY2VzV6ZGtMZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472518679?pwd=NzI0RG1qNmVYY0R5RmY2VzV6ZGtMZz09)

Discipleship Bible Study Hybrid

MEETING ID: 937 9007 9192 PASSCODE: 595084



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Worship in Style



Shades of Green

Worship in shades of green on the first Sunday to bring awareness for Mental Health Month, representing "growing in strength."



Skirts and Scarves

For Mother's Day, worship in unique fashion, showcasing the many ways to style your skirts and scarves, representing "covered in grace."



Denim, Diamonds and Pearls

Let your light shine on third Sunday in your denim, diamonds, and pearls; reflecting on how you've been "refined by the process" of your faith walk.



Red with Gold Accents

It's PENTECOST SUNDAY! "Walk in courage" in your red with gold accents.



Camouflage

You made it to Women's Emphasis Sunday! Worship in the many variations of camouflage, displaying your "survival of the fight!"



WOMEN'S EMPHASIS MONTH 2026

CONTACT & SIGN UP FORM



WOMEN'S EMPHASIS MONTH 2026

Upcoming events.

- APRIL 30** LOVE FEAST
6:30PM
BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH
- MAY 26** \$2 TUESDAY
7:00PM
ZOOM/BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH
- MAY 2** "BEAUTY SHOP TALK"
1:00PM
TRACY FRANKLIN RESIDENCE
- MAY 29** TRINITY HOUSE FELLOWSHIP
6:00PM
TRINITY HOUSE
- MAY 5** \$2 TUESDAY
7:00PM
ZOOM/BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH
- MAY 30** TEA TIME EXPERIENCE
LOCATION/TIME CHANGE
- MAY 12** \$2 TUESDAY
7:00PM
ZOOM/BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH
- MAY 31** WOMEN'S EMPHASIS DAY
10:00AM
WORSHIP SERVICE
- MAY 19** \$2 TUESDAY
7:00PM
ZOOM/BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH
- TASTE OF BIG BETHEL/MOBB
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE

"Strength of a Woman"
Proverbs 31:25

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COME JOIN THE SENIORS MINISTRY FOR A TRIP TO DAHLONEGA WHERE WE WILL PAN FOR GOLD AND OTHER GEMSTONES.



THE BUS WILL LEAVE FROM BIG BETHEL AT 9 AM ON THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH. AFTER OUR MINING EXCURSION, WE'LL HAVE LUNCH AT THE DILLARD HOUSE. OTHER STOPS ARE STILL BEING PLANNED.

THE \$45 COST INCLUDES THE MINING MUSEUM AND GEMSTONE PANNING. THE FAMILY STYLE ALL YOU CAN EAT LUNCH AT DILLARD HOUSE SHOULD BE AROUND \$30 AND IS SEPARATE.

THE DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT IS MAY 31st

PLEASE CONTACT MARTHA THOMAS, 404-783-2290 OR CORNELIA JORDAN 770-289-6451 TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT ON THE BUS.

A Celebration of positive transitions... Graduation 2026

Trinity Community Ministries

June 13, 2026

Big Bethel AME Church
220 Auburn Avenue NE
Atlanta, GA 30303
12 noon - 2pm



Occasion:

We invite you to celebrate the positive transition of restored men empowered to reclaim their lives and return to their families and communities as mentors and leaders. They have made us proud. As a stakeholder, we hope you will join us in celebrating the hard work and dedication that these men have invested in themselves.



Amazing Testimonies

Hear the men share their transformational journeys



Scholarship Presentation

The TCM Scholarship for those enrolled in school



Certificate Presentation

The acknowledgement of an extraordinary effort



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Men of Big Bethel (MOBB)

Presents

The **17th** Annual



"Taste of Big Bethel"

Signature Dishes of the Men of Big Bethel



Sunday, May 31, 2026

After 10am Worship

**Benefiting the Big Bethel
Scholarship Fund**

Some Items on the Taste Menu are:

OXTAILS

RIBS

SOUL LASAGNA

VEGETABLE CURRY

SHRIMP & GRITS

12 years and under \$15

13 years and older \$25

"You'll be able to taste everything."

Thank you in advance for your contribution to the Big Bethel Scholarship Fund.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE MAKE A DONATION.



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God
THROUGH A
Journey
OF
Change

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Annual Recital



SUNDAY **MAY 31, 2026** | AT 3:00 PM



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FAITH IN MOTION. PURPOSE IN PRAISE. TRUST IN HIM ALWAYS.



26th ANNUAL M.O.B.B. GOLF TOURNAMENT



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Sponsorship Opportunities

- Title Sponsor \$1,000
- Beverage Cart Sponsor \$500
- Hole Sponsor \$500

PLAYER REGISTRATION
\$150 - 1 Player
\$550 - 4 Players

FRIDAY
JUNE 12th
9:00am

All proceeds go to
provide scholarships
to our graduating
high school seniors.

Register now!



M.O.B.B. GOLF



BIG BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH
Rev. Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine,
Senior Pastor

Join us for NEW MEMBERS COMPLETION SATURDAY

Date(s) : June 20, 2026

8:45 AM - 1:00PM



Registration

All classes offered with Recognition Service upon completion. You may register by scanning the QR Code or go to Member Resources on the church website and click the Discipleship New Members registration button.

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18 JUNE 2026

FATHER'S + FREEDOM DAY

PREVIEW

WITH

MARCUS JOHNSON

@ BIG BETHEL AME

celebrating fathers +
independence for all



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MEMBERS

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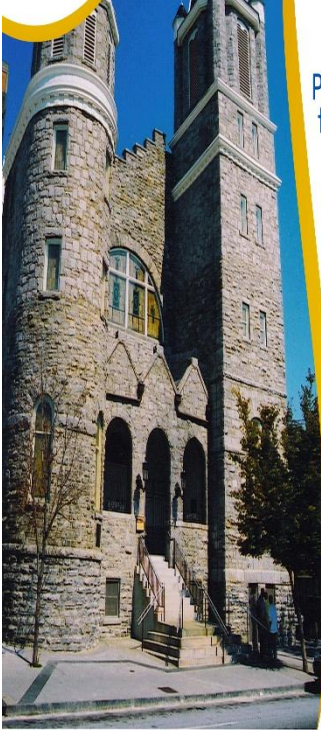
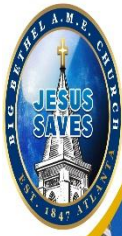
COME OUT FOR AN EVENING OF MUSIC,
FELLOWSHIP, AND CELEBRATION.



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ATTENTION *Big Bethel Members*

Are you missing out on church news & event info?

Perhaps your contact information needs to be updated! Scan the code below or go to the website.



Member Contact Update

www.bigbethelame.org/member-services

Be in the know!!

June EVENTS

MEN'S EMPHASIS MONTH

- 4** LOVE FEAST 6:30PM
- 7** FIRST SUNDAY WORSHIP
- 12** GOLF TOURNAMENT 9AM
- 13** TRINITY GRADUATION 12PM
- 14** SECOND SUNDAY WORSHIP
- 18** MARCUS JOHNSON CONCERT 7PM
- 20** LIM UNDERSERVED EVENT 9AM
- 21** FATHER'S DAY
- 28** MEN'S DAY

PREACHER: REV. PATRICK D. CLAYBORN, PH.D.
PASTOR OF BETHEL AMEC, BALTIMORE



Text alerts are here!

Stay connected with Big Bethel—opt in today.



Text **"JOIN"** to **833-472-3188** and follow the prompts.

MEN OF BIG BETHEL EMPHASIS MONTH



BROTHERHOOD. FAITH. LEADERSHIP. LEGACY.

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| MAY 31 ST | | TASTE OF BIG BETHEL @ 12:00PM |
| JUNE 3 RD | | MEN'S SMALL GROUP (VIRTUAL) @ 6:30PM |
| JUNE 4 TH | | LOVE FEAST @ 6:30PM |
| JUNE 10 TH | | MEN'S SMALL GROUP (VIRTUAL) @ 6:30PM |
| JUNE 12 TH | | MOBB GOLF TOURNAMENT @ 9:00AM CHEROKEE RUN GOLF CLUB |
| JUNE 13 TH | | MEN'S BRUNCH @ 1:00PM ADDRESS: ALEXANDER FARMS SUBDIVISION 2581 ALEXANDER FARMS DR. SW, MARIETTA, GA 30064 |
| JUNE 17 TH | | MEN'S SMALL GROUP (VIRTUAL) @ 6:30PM |
| JUNE 18 TH | | PRE-FATHER'S DAY CONCERT WITH MARCUS JOHNSON @ 7:00PM |
| JUNE 24 TH | | MEN'S SMALL GROUP (VIRTUAL) @ 6:30PM |
| JUNE 26 TH | | TRINITY HOUSE FELLOWSHIP MEAL @ 5:00PM |
| JUNE 27 TH | | BOWLING OUTING @ 1:00PM MIDTOWN BOWL 1936 PIEDMONT CIR NE, ATLANTA, GA 30324 |
| JUNE 28 TH | | MEN'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICE @ 10:00AM |

STRONGER TOGETHER. BUILT FOR KINGDOM IMPACT.



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GUARDING OUR MINDS. BUILDING OUR FUTURE.

INFLUENCERS

THE BATTLE FOR THE MIND IS REAL.

WHAT SHAPES US?

-  WHAT WE SEE
-  WHAT WE HEAR
-  WHAT WE SCROLL
-  WHAT WE PLAY
-  WHO WE FOLLOW

REALITY IS CONSTRUCTED INTERNALLY.

Science tells us the brain doesn't just see the world—it builds it.

Be intentional about what influences you.



ROBLOX

*"Above all else, guard your heart,
for everything you do flows from it."*

PROVERBS 4:23

WE WERE **CREATED** TO **CREATE**.

CREATE.

CODE. DESIGN. BUILD.

EXPRESS.

ANIMATE. EDIT.
TELL STORIES.

WORSHIP.

CONNECT. GROW.
SERVE.

INNOVATE.

ROBOTICS. AI.
INVENT.

TOGETHER.

ALL GENERATIONS.
ONE PURPOSE.



JULY
7-9, 2026
5:30PM - 8:00PM

FUN! FOOD! FRIENDS!
FAITH! FUTURE!
FOR ALL AGES!

**REGISTER
TODAY!**



The Reverend Dr.
Jonathan C. "Jay" Augustine
Senior Pastor

The Reverend
Monica C. Jones, PhD
Director of Christian Education

Bro. Khamisi Walters
Church School Superintendent

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Daily Morning Prayer Call (1-605-472-5512 Access Code:772576#)Monday – Saturday 6:00 am
Church School.....8:45 am
Traditional Worship Service.....10:00 am
Contemporary Worship Service (THRIVE Next Shift).....2:00 pm
Big Bethel Village Worship By Phone 202-962-1123 673604#.....3:00pm Sundays
Wednesday Virtual Bible Study (ID: 847 251 8679 Password: adultclass).....12:30 noon and 6:00pm
Love Feast.....In-person on Thursdays before Communion Sunday at 6:30pm
Holy Communion.....First Sundays
Discipleship New Members Class.....8:45 am 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays
Board of Stewards.....1st Tuesdays 6:30 pm
Board of Trustees.....2nd Tuesdays 7:00 pm
Baptism.....As Announced

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE HOURS

Monday.....10:00 am—2:00 pm
Tuesday—Friday.....10:00 am—4:30 pm

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Big Bethel Mass Choir.....Tuesdays @ 7:00pm and Saturday @ 10:00am before 1st & 3rd Sunday
Johnson-Schofield Men’s Choir.....2 Mondays before Second Sunday
Babcock-Young Voices of Unity/Big Bethel Chorale.....Wednesday @ 7:00pm and Saturday @ 10:00am before Third Sunday
Bearden-Scott Youth Choir.....2 Saturdays before Fourth Sunday
Big Bethel Praise Ensemble..... 2 Thursdays @ 7:00 pm and Saturday before Fourth Sunday

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