

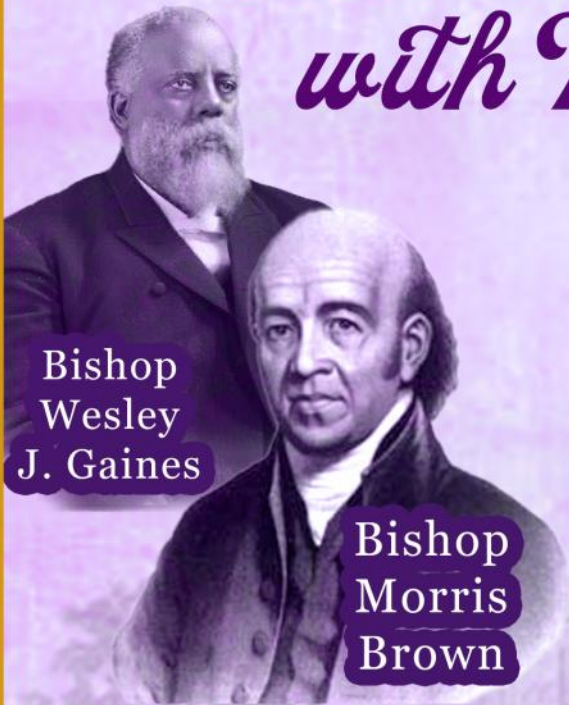
Morris Brown

College Celebration

Sunday
March
15

*“Continuing the Legacy
with New Vitality”*

Matthew 51:6



Guest Speaker
Rev. Dr. Debra L. Haggins
Founding Dean of the School of Religion
Hampton University
Hampton, VA

Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

The Right Reverend Michael L. Mitchell, Presiding Prelate, 6th Episcopal District

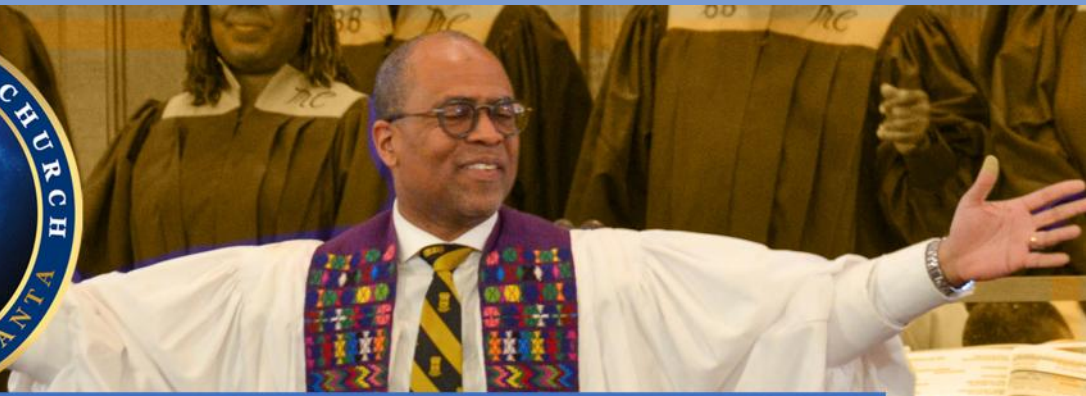
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to
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"The City Hall of Sweet Auburn"



**Pastor Jay and
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**Worship Times:
10:00 am Traditional
2:00 pm Contemporary**



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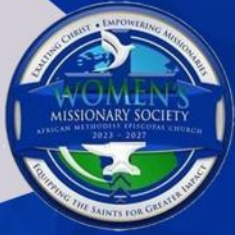
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Big Bethel AME Church



Laura L. Turner Women's Missionary Society & Young People's and Children's Division



Annual Day
Sunday, March 22, 2026

@10am

"Intentional"

1 Corinthians 15:58



Guest Speaker

Mrs. Deana Young McAllister



Supervisor of Missions
Ninth Episcopal District

Mrs. Braunwin Camp, WMS Local President

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The Reverend Dr. Debra Lynn Haggins

The Reverend Dr. Debra Lynn Haggins is one of the most consequential voices in American religious higher education — a trailblazing pastor, accomplished scholar, and visionary leader whose life and work are a testament to faith joined with excellence. In 2008, Hampton University made history when it named her University Chaplain and Pastor of the storied Memorial Church, making her the first woman ever to hold this position in the institution’s distinguished history.

As University Chaplain, Dr. Haggins serves a dual role: spiritual shepherd of the Hampton campus community and Executive Director and Treasurer of the nationally acclaimed Hampton University Ministers’ Conference—Choir Directors’ & Organists’ Guild Workshop — one of the most prestigious convocations of Black clergy and church musicians in the nation, tracing its origins to 1914.



Her academic formation is extraordinary by any measure. Dr. Haggins holds a Bachelor of Science from Paine College (Augusta, GA), a Master of Science in Secondary School Administration and Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies from Old Dominion University (Norfolk, VA), and a Master of Divinity from The Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University (Richmond, VA). In 2017, Hampton University conferred upon her the Doctor of Philosophy in Higher Education Leadership and Management and in 2021 she earned a Doctor of Ministry from Emory University’s Candler School of Theology (Atlanta, GA), with a focus on Biblical Interpretation and Proclamation.



In 2023, Dr. Haggins was appointed Founding Dean of Hampton University’s newly established School of Religion — a historic milestone for the university and for Black theological education in America. Formally installed in November 2024, she now leads an institution dedicated to preparing leaders who will serve the Black church, the academy, and the broader community with wisdom, integrity, and scholarly rigor. In all that she does, the Reverend Dr. Debra Lynn Haggins embodies the conviction that faith and scholarship are not rivals but partners — and that the Black church deserves leaders of the highest formation. Debra Haggins is

the mother of Charles, Steven and Bradley Haggins.



Big Bethel AME Church
The Order of Liturgy
March 15, 2026 10:00 AM
The Reverend Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine
Senior Pastor and Presiding Liturgist

Worship in Music The Big Bethel Praise Ensemble
Brother Cornelius Pettway, 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 #378 Lead Me, Guide Me.....Licentiate Ariel Nash

The Prayer of InvocationThe Reverend Jessica Buford
(Prayer Chant)

The Responsive Scripture Reading.....(Ephesians 5: 8-14, NRSVUE).....The Reverend Shrala Askin

Minister: 8 For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light.

People: 9 For the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

Minister: 10 Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.

People: 11 Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them.

Minister: 12 For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly,

People: 13 but everything exposed by the light becomes visible,

All: 14 for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Worship in Music The Big Bethel Praise Ensemble
Brother Pettway, Director

The Announcements and Welcome to Big Bethel..... Sister Nancy H. Cooke
(**Everybody, Hug Somebody**)

The Big Bethel Women's History Moment.....Big Bethel History & Heritage Ministry

Worship through Creative Expression.....The Signs of Praise Mime Ministry
Brother Jory Young, Director

The Pastor's PerspectiveThe Reverend Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine
Senior Pastor, Big Bethel AME Church

The President of Morris Brown College.....Dr. Kevin James



Food Giveaway

Location:

Big Bethel AME Church Parking Lot

(Big Bethel AME Church/Magnolia Links, Inc. Food Pantry)

Date:

Sunday, March 15, 2026

Time:

**1:00 pm-4:00 pm
or While Supplies Last**

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HELP US FEED OUR NEIGHBORS



TOGETHER, WE CAN HELP OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Every day, members of our community don't have enough to eat. Our unhoused neighbors need food items that they do not have to cook or keep cool.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- Drop off non-perishable food items in Fellowship Hall
- Volunteer to help put together the bags for distribution the 3rd Friday of each month.
- Volunteer to work in the food pantry on the 3rd Sunday of the month



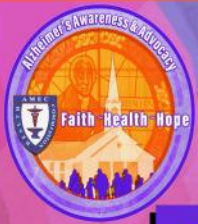
MOST NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:

- Pop top canned items like Sardines, Tuna, and chicken (canned or packets)
- Granola Bars, Shelf-stable milk, fruit cups, individual cereal cups
- Pop tarts
- Peanut butter cracker packs
- Cheese cracker packs
- Trail mix or nuts
- Peanut butter (packs or cups)
- Jerky (beef, turkey or vegan)
- Chips, fruit snacks, apple sauce,
- Bottled Water, juice boxes,
- Wrapped plastic wear
- Personal Care Items



DROP OFF LOCATION:

Fellowship Hall - any Sunday



6th Connectional Purple Sunday

Stewardship of the Mind
Through Alzheimer's Awareness

Sunday, March 15, 2026

1 p.m. PDT; 3 p.m. CDT; 4 p.m. EDT; 11p.m. GMT+2

Join Us and:

- Hear from individuals living with various forms of dementia
- Hear from an Alzheimer's Caregiver
- Learn about GUIDE, a Medicare program for Caregivers
- Get updates on Alzheimer's research and more.
- Hear how Grant A.M.E. Church, Los Angeles, CA has become a dementia friendly congregation.

Bishop Gregory Eason, IHC Commission Chair

Dr. Ouida Collins, IHC Medical Director

Rev. Dr. Ann Marie Bentsi-Addison, IHC Executive Director

Mrs. Roslyn Thibodeaux Goodall, National Partnership Committee Chair

Registration Link

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/YKcJkbhJS06iKq_ZTEeH-w

Email amecihcalz@gmail.com for more information.

WAYS TO WATCH:

- Join from home
- Host a Watch Party at home or church
~Serve brain healthy refreshments
- Partner with a senior member or caregiver who may need help logging on to Zoom

Registration Link



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Laura L. Turner
Women's Missionary Society

YAM Craft & Chat

The Young Adult Missionaries (21-45) of Big Bethel Laura L. Turner WMS will host a Craft & Chat Fellowship following the Annual WMS Sunday Service. Design your own hat and matching bag. Supplies and refreshments will be provided.

Sunday, March 22, 2026
following 10am Worship

\$20pp Registration Link

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Don't miss this opportunity – take the first step toward your future today!

For additional information or inquiries, please contact:
Dr. Opal Walters-Knowlton, Chairperson
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Scan the QR code below to fill out the interest form!



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For questions, email: BCCCLinksHBCUScholarship@gmail.com

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- 35 students traveling from the Pacific Northwest to Atlanta
- Dinner with Bethel members
- HBCU career panel with professionals & entrepreneurs

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Reverend Dr. Higgins



TEEN'S CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY Month

FOOT SOLDIERS: CLASS OF 1964

TUESDAY
MARCH 24,
2026
3:00 pm-4:30
PM
404-613-7000



You are invited to join us for a powerful story. The Story that Changed the World, "Foot Soldiers" movie and discussion, tells the Story of Fearless Young Black Girls on Spelman College Campus Who Became the first WOMEN to rally for Civil Rights! Facilitator: Ms. Wendy Goff & Instructor Dr. Georgianne Thomas

All programs are free and open to the public.

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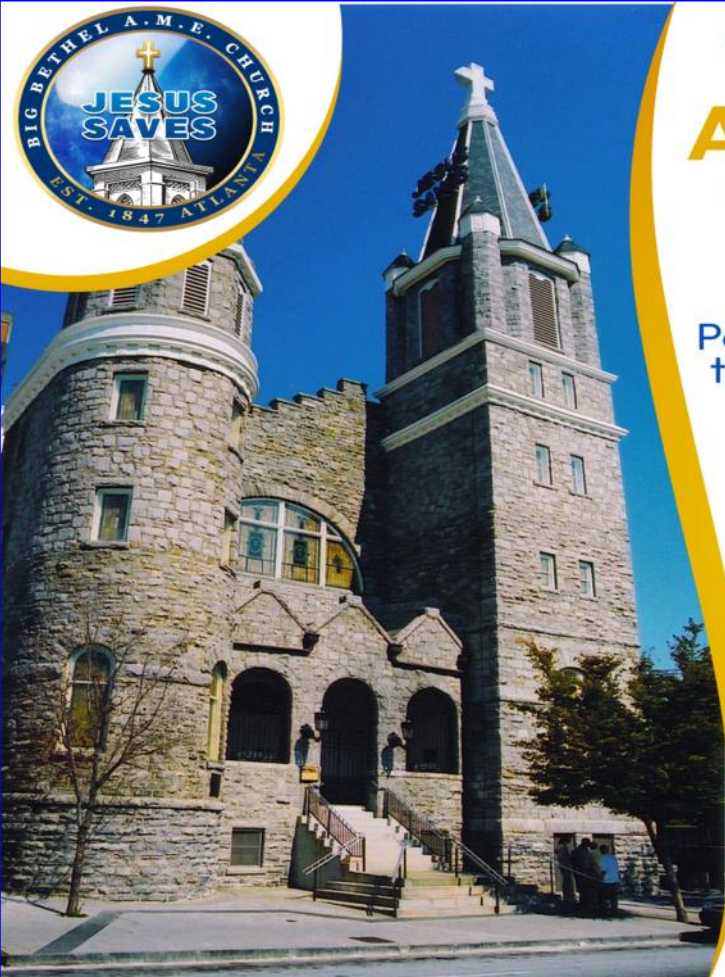
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MAAFA ATLANTA Remembers!

THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF SLAVERY AND THE TRANSATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE

MARCH 25

6PM @ BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH
220 AUBURN AVENUE | ATLANTA
GEORGIA, USA



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GOIZUETA ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESEARCH CENTER



Understanding Alzheimer's:

Prevention, Diagnosis,
and Care Resources

Saturday March 28, 2026

10:00 AM–12:00 PM | Doors open at 9:15 AM

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Free memory screenings and medication reviews

FEATURED PRESENTERS



Isaiah Rolle, DO, PhD
Emory University



Suzette Binford, MD
Emory University



Maureen Burke
Registered
Occupational Therapist,
Emory University

To register, call 678.841.4016 or go to
[UnderstandingALZForum.Eventbrite.com](https://www.understandingalzforum.com)
Questions? Email gadrc.outreach@emory.edu





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Proudly Presents the 94th Annual

Rev. Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine
Senior Pastor

Palm Sunday

CONCERT

MARCH 29, 2026 | 4:00PM

FEATURING

CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY



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March EVENTS

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

- 01** HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 03** STEWARD BOARD MEETING
- 07** STEWARD & TRUSTEE BOARD TRAINING
- 08** SECOND SUNDAY
- 10** TRUSTEE BOARD MEETING
- 14** STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING - 9AM
- 15** MORRIS BROWN SUNDAY
PREACHER: DR. DEBRA HAGGINS, DEAN, SCHOOL OF RELIGION, HAMPTON UNIV.
- 22** WMS SUNDAY
SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR DEANA McALLISTER
- 25** MARCUS GARVEY DAY
- 28** UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMERS - 10AM
- 29** PALM SUNDAY CONCERT - 4PM

April EVENTS

- 03** 7 LAST WORDS EBENEZER @ NOON/BIG BETHEL @ 7PM
- 04** LOVE FEAST 8AM - IN PERSON
- 05** RESURRECTION SUNDAY 10AM
PREACHER: BISHOP MICHAEL L. MITCHELL, PREACHER
- 11** BEAUTY FOR ASHES 9AM
- 12** POST RESURRECTION SUNDAY
- 18** WMS/YPD TEA 11AM
- 19** LAY ANNUAL DAY
SPEAKER: DR. TANYA MATTHEWS OF INTL AFR. AMER. MUSEUM
- 21** AMERICAN SOCIETY ON AGING 11AM
- 23** 100 BLACK WOMEN 5PM
CIVIC POWER SERIES PART 3
- 25** GREEN THE CHURCH & SOCIAL ACTION
- 26** SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY (ENVIRONMENTAL)
SPEAKER: DR. BEN CHAVIS, CEO, NATL NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOC.

May EVENTS

WOMEN'S EMPHASIS MONTH

- 02** LOVE FEAST 8AM - IN PERSON
- 03** HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 10** MOTHER'S DAY
- 17** PASTOR'S APPRECIATION SUNDAY
PREACHER: DR. GLENELL LEE PRUITT, PRES, JARVIS CHRISTIAN UNIV.
- 24** PENTECOST SUNDAY (WEAR RED)
- 25** MEMORIAL DAY
- 28** PASTOR JAY & LADY MICHELLE'S WEDDING ANNIV.
- 28-30** SED PLANNING MEETING
- 31** WOMEN'S EMPHASIS SUNDAY
PREACHER: TBA

EVERY TUESDAY 7PM - BIBLE STUDY/LINE DANCING/ZUMBA

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Daily Morning Prayer Call (1-605-472-5512 Access Code:772576#).....Monday - Saturday, 6:00 - 6:30 am
 Church School.....8:45 am
 Traditional Worship Service10:00 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).....12:00 noon and 6:00pm
 Love Feast.....8:00 am Saturday before First Sunday
 Meeting ID: 913 7919 1719 Passcode: 220 | + 16465588656,,91379191719#,,,,*220# US (New York)
 Holy Communion.....First Sundays
 Discipleship New Members Class.....8:45 am 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays
 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 ChoirWednesday @ 7:00pm and Saturday @ 10:00am before First Sunday
 Johnson-Schofield Men’s Choir..... 2 Saturdays 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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