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Our Children's Learning Center and Banquet

The Children's Learning Center and first-time Banquet was a huge success. On Thursday, July 26th the children walked the "Red Carpet" and displayed their talents. They looked beautiful in their evening attire. On Friday the children 2-6 years old enjoyed story-time and competitive games for fun. Sister Sharon Cherry was the Southeastern Diocese sponsored coordinator. She did an awesome job! A total of 25 children were in attendance.



2018 Theme:

"Better Together: United We Stand"

2018 Children's Convention

The theme for this year's Children's Convention was "Wild About God": Living in Unity with the Creator." The coordinator Sister Angela Hancock Bryant is to be commended for a job well done. Lesson 1 was discussion about the theme and theme scripture: Ephesians 4:11-16. Lesson 2 focused on God's rules. The scripture reference was Exodus 20:1-17. There was discussion around the 10 Commandments. The Children's Convention was a huge success with approximately 55 in attendance and the children were well behaved. The children performed during Saturday evening's Worship Service and rendered three beautiful selections under the direction of Sister Cailyn Beasley.



"Wild About God:
Living in Unity with the Creator"

Let's Celebrate!

Diocese/ Category	Western	PNW	Northcentral	Southwestern	Northern	Southcentral	Southeastern	Eastern
C.C. Carhee Bible Quiz	4 th Place			1 st Place		2 nd Place	4 th Place	3 rd Place
C.P. Jones Music Contest H/S			Mikaela Scruggs Instrumental 2 nd Place	DèJunè Richardson Vocal 3 rd Place	Lauryn Cummings Vocal 2 nd Place	Spencer Castilla Vocal 1 st Place		Charleton Cleveland Instrumental 1 st Place
C.P. Jones Music Contest Coll				Rodney King Instrumental 1 st Place	Alecia Conway Instrumental 2 nd Place			
M.R. Conic Oratorical H/S							Jakia Cox 1 st Place	Dwayne Marcus, Jr. 2 nd Place
KJA Scholarship New Recipients				DèJunè Richardson	Lauren Cummings	Titus Neyland		
KJA Scholarship Renewals	Kalliyah Dunn Lois Winn Courtney Brown			Asha Thomas Keanu Florence	Lauren Winn Phillip Adams	Taylor Neyland Briana Jefferson	John McDonald, Jr.	
KJA Bowling	Golden State 2 nd Place			T Force 3 rd Place			BBT 1 st Place	
Frank Moore H/S Youth of the Year				DèJunè Richardson Winner		Bryan Jefferson, Jr. Runner-up		
M.D. Bingham College Youth of the Year						Caitlyn Beasley Winner	Jakia Cox Runner -up	
O.W. McInnis Scholarship	Elder Arlandis Powell				Lauren Winn			
John Plummer Grant	Zion Temple Sacramento, CA		Greater St. Paul Overland, MO	Second Church Houston, TX	Mt. Zion Toledo, OH Zion Chapel Detroit, MI			
Maude L. Conic Fine Arts				Kourtney Hobbs 1 st Place	June Cashmere 1 st Place Annie Lipsey 2 nd Place	Seth Castilla 2 nd Place Marisol Virgil 3 rd Place Tyler Cox 3 rd place		



The Bible Quiz is always a highlight of the Congress. This year there were five dioceses' that participated out of the eight. We thank Elder Bryan & Sister Alicia Jefferson for their teamwork as coordinators for making the Bible Quiz such an awesome experience for our young people. The Bible Quiz was well organized and questions were asked that were thought provoking and fun for all that participated. There were questions asked of the audience also that made it fun for EVERYBODY!

The 2018 Rainer B. Wilson Banquet is another highlight of the Congress. Many look forward to the fellowship and entertainment that takes place during this event. This year's theme was "A Salute to Excellence: Unmasking the Future". Dr. Rainer B. Wilson was honored on this evening along with our graduates and Parent Body special awardees. Thank you to Sister Tiandra Bland and her team for another job well done!



2018 Operation Giveback community service was at the Atlanta Food Bank on Thursday, July 26, 2018 from 9 – 12noon. There was participation from 20 youth and young adults for this event. Each person worked as a puller, recycler, sorter or packer of food items and household supplies. Food and supplies were packed and will be distributed to local churches or community shelters in the Atlanta area. A little over 10,000 lbs. of food and supplies was boxed to go out to those in need. Thank you to the coordinator Sister Jasmine Hooker and those that assisted her.

The 2018 Youth Convention theme this year was "The Matrix Live." It was well attended, with an awesome level of participation. The youth actively participated in entertaining challenges and great QA sessions with Bishop H. Vonzell Castilla. Thomas Anderson showcased his talents in stepping. De'June' Richardson performed in "spoken word" and Jada Ryan Gilbert AKA J. Ryan performed an original song. The Matrix after hours began at 9PM with a "Just Dance Battle", Spades and other games. Overall the activities were well received. The VIDEO competition was also judged by those in attendance.



The Young Adult Ministries featured service was on Friday evening, July 27, 2018 during the Congress. "Catching Fire: A Contemporary Concert of Praise and Worship". The evening event was a FREE CONCERT open to the public! Featured guests included Kevin Lemons & Higher Calling, Jekalyn Carr and our own Geoffrey Golden. It was an awesome time of praise experienced by all in attendance!

COCHUSA Family Day was an awesome success! Time between 12:30 and 6:00p.m. was unscheduled convention time for families to take to the streets of Atlanta, GA and "Make Memories."

Some of the sites were World of Coca Cola, The Aquarium, The King Center Historical District, Lego Land, Family dining at well-known restaurants.

Our convention delegates took advantage of this time to spend time with family and friends away from the convention site.

Many already can't wait until next year when we converge on the Chicago, IL area.

2019 Theme Information

Theme:
"Better Together:
United We Grow"

Theme Verse:
Acts 2:44 – 47

Bible Quiz Chapters:
1 Corinthians 12 – 16

Theme Song:
Deeper, Deeper HF# 372



**The 2018 Congress Choir
under the direction of Brother Reginald Golden**

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