



NATIONAL BAPTIST LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT

# NEWS LETTER

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## It's Done, It's Finished, It's a Testament The John L Webb House



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Hot Springs, AR -- Cheryl Batts, the president and founder of P.H.O.E.B.E., the Uzuri Project and contributing author of the book *John Lee Webb-The Man and His Legacy* announced through her Facebook post that the restoration project of the John L. Webb House, 403 Pleasant, Hot Springs, AR was complete. To be precise, she stated, "July 2019 ALL DONE!"

The above picture is an aerial view of the completed project and restored house. This is truly a testament to the faith in God by Batts and her team. On a task that seemed impossible, God has demonstrated his grace, mercy and faithfulness to the team's belief and hard work. Many believed that Batts and her team were crazy. Many people couldn't see the vision that God gave them. Many people believed that the investment and undertaking wasn't worth it.

Many believed the task and dollars necessary was insurmountable. But Batts, her team and supporters were determined and undeterred.

In Batts' post, she set out to thank all those who prayed for her, encouraged her and made major financial contributions including the City of Hot Springs, CBDG and Historic Preservation Restoration Grant/Arkansas Department of Heritage. Also Batts says the Foundation & Piers held them up throughout the project. A special thank you went out to Linda Bump Uzdrowski and the Uzdrowski Brothers Contractors.



Cheryl Batts

Back in 2017, the National Baptist Laymen pledged to contribute \$1,000.00 a year to show their support for the effort to restore the home of the first laymen president. John L. Webb served as the laymen president from 1923 to 1946.

## Reeves and Sullivan Name Laymen Institute Classes for Annual Session

Southeast Region

John Glover  
Vice President  
Northeast Region

Thad Jones  
Vice President  
Midwest Region

Jerry Williams  
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Logan Quates  
2nd Vice President

Kanye Rawlings  
3rd Vice President

Terrence Clark  
4th Vice President

Cash Lee Muldrew  
Chaplin

## Calendar of Events

Richmond CA -- The laymen's Christian Education department team of Vice President I.V. Reeves and Supervisor Sullivan Stallworth, Jr. has selected the classes and teachers for the Laymen's Institute to be held during the annual session of the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc. It will be held September 2 - 6, 2019 in the city of New Orleans, LA.



Sullivan  
Stallworth

The classes are:

1. Dr. Harold Simmons - Biblical Leadership - "Lead Like Jesus" (this class is for State Presidents)
2. Brother Sam Moore - How to set up an "Angel Tree" Ministry in the Local Church
3. Sister Natika Washington - Biblical Women in the Midst of Outrageous Justice
4. Brother Emerson Turner - How to Establish a Prison Ministry
5. Dr. Sandra Jones - Biblical Woman's Role in the Laymen's Ministry
6. Dr. Thad Jones - Spiritual Leadership "Principles of Excellence for Every Believer" (this class is for District and Local Presidents)
7. Brother Tommie Williams Jr. - Five Steps to Financial Security God's Way
8. Brother Robert Kelley - Devotion - What Is It and How to Do It?



I V Reeves

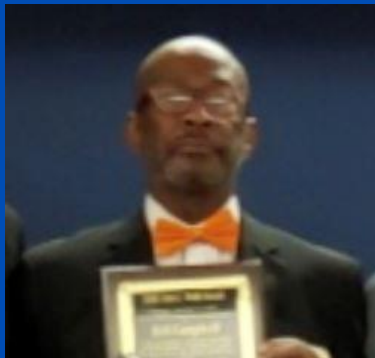
The classes will be held Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning and Friday morning.

September 2 - 6, 2019  
National Baptist Convention  
New Orleans, LA

October 11 - 13, 2019  
Walter Cade, Jr.  
Southeast Workshop  
Chesapeake, VA

October 25 - 27, 2019  
Walter Cade, Jr.  
Midwest Workshop  
Ft. Wayne, IN

Bill Campbell, TX  
Layman of the Year



## Ben McDay Named EUMBA Laymen President



Ben McDay

Columbus, OH -- Ben McDay has been appointed the Eastern Union Missionary Baptist Association (EUMBA) Laymen Auxiliary President. McDay along with other body and auxiliary officers were installed Saturday, August 9, 2019 at the annual EUMBA banquet held at the Boat House (Confluence Park) Restaurant, downtown Columbus, OH.

McDay is a long time member of Shiloh Baptist Church (Columbus, OH) where he serves as a deacon. His pastor is Dr. Otha Gilyard (Ohio Baptist General Convention State President). He has many years of experience at the district, state and national level.

McDay's responsibilities will include representing the Eastern District at the state and national levels. Cyril Thornton, the new state laymen president had this to say about McDay's appointment. *"I share the excitement with former EUMBA laymen auxiliary presidents in the persons of Deacon Rodney Sanders (Greater 12 Baptist Church, Columbus) and Deacon John B. Ramsey (2nd Baptist Church, Columbus), as we look forward to how Brother McDay will be guided by the Spirit of Christ."*

Ben was instrumental in the family shelter ministry when Ohio hosted the convention in Cincinnati in 2017. He brought the message at the shelter. He has been active for many years in serving in the junior laymen ministry and the Young Davids as they are called in his state convention.

## Nasir Groee Wins the Eastern Union Missionary Baptist Association Annual Junior Laymen Bible Bowl

Columbus, OH -- This past March 16, 2019 the Eastern Union Missionary Baptist Association (EUMBA) held its annual Junior Laymen Bible Bowl. It was held at the Mt. Period Missionary Baptist

Don Walker, AL  
2018 - 2019 King



Keilan White, California State  
2019 - 2020

Church, Columbus, OH. where Rev. Ronald E. Elmore is pastor.



Eastern is one of the districts that make up the Ohio Baptist General Convention. The district moderator is Rev. Vincent Golden.

Name	Place	Church
Nasir Groee	1st	Family Baptist Church
Michael Hopkins	2nd	Family Baptist Church
Emmanuel Rone	3rd	Family Baptist Church
Michael Davis	Runner Up	Shiloh Baptist Church
Tyle Davis	Runner Up	Shiloh Baptist Church
Marzhawn Hopkins	Runner Up	Family Baptist Church
Azyiah Taylor	Runner Up	Family Baptist Church
Mikequez Davis	Runner Up	Shiloh Baptist Church

### Cyril Thornton Presents a Model Report on His Return from The Baltimore Congress



Cyril Thornton

Columbus, OH -- Cyril Thornton is the newly appointed state laymen president of the Ohio General Baptist Convention. He has been involved in the laymen's work for a number of years and got acquainted with many of the national laymen officers in September 2017 when the National Baptist Convention was held in Cincinnati, OH.

On Thornton's return from Baltimore, MD where the Congress was

National Bible Bowl Champion



held, he reported back to the convention and association parent-body leadership that could serve as model to other messengers that attend district, state and national meetings on behalf of their church or conventions.

Below is Thornton's report.

OHIO BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION  
LAYMEN MOVEMENT  
NATIONAL BAPTIST CONGRESS  
OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT



Date: June 25, 2019

To: Dr. Otha Gilyard, Ohio Baptist General Convention, State President

Pastor Vincent Golden, Eastern Union Missionary Baptist Association, Moderator

Subject: Nation Baptist Congress of Christian Education Report

Greetings Pastor Gilyard and Pastor Golden:

The content of this communication will consist of my report in regards to the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education session that took place June 17-21, 2019 in Baltimore, MD.

As this was my first experience at this great inspiring and spiritual event. I attended the Congress events with my main focus on the Allen Jordan Senior & Junior Laymen Seminal sessions. I received my certificate for the 8101 - The Biblical Role of Laymen in the Church from the Christian Education Department Sunday School

Publishing Board.

I received great and informative information from Bro. Thad Jones who was the instructor of the class. I also had communications with him in regards to how and continue to build up our Laymen's Movement in our Eastern District and State of Ohio. I first meet Bro. Jones in Cincinnati Oh, during the National Baptist Convention in 2017.

I also had a chance to meet Dr. Harold Simmons. He also gave me great information and looking forward to attending and being of service during our Annual Ohio Baptist General Convention that will take place July 21-26, 2019 in Columbus Ohio. I also have great conversations with Bro. Willie Burke who is the current Nation Baptist Convention Laymen's Movement president. I met Bro. Burke at the 9 States Workshop this past October 2018 in Dearborn, MI.

As a whole this was a great session of the National Baptist Convention Congress Session. I look forward to attending future Nation Baptist Convention Sessions and using what I learn and asking God to help me uplift and build the Laymen's Movement in the Eastern District and State of Ohio.

This is my report.

May God Bless You,

Cyril Thornton

**Criminal Justice Commission to Host 5th Annual Luncheon**



## NATIONAL BAPTIST CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

**HAROLD & DORIS  
SIMMONS**  
National Commissioners  
**ROBERT POPE**  
General Secretary

### FIFTH ANNUAL LUNCHEON

"Envisioning the future ministry of criminal justice exceptionally" (Micah 6:8; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

LUNCHEON SPEAKER

REV. DR. JOHN A. REED VICE PRESIDENT, WESTERN REGION  
National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

SENIOR PASTOR Fairview Missionary Baptist Church Oklahoma City, OK



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FELLOWSHIP

**TUESDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**  
**SHERATON HOTEL NEW ORLEANS**  
500 CANAL STREET, NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130  
**10 am—1 pm**

**\$25 Donation**

### National Laymen Prayer Call - Every Tuesday

Rocky Mount, NC -- Anthony Hagans who serves in the Evangelism Ministry as the chairman of the Prayer Walk Ministry has begun a National Laymen prayer call.



Anthony Hagans

He will be hosting the call every Tuesday.

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time

7:00 p.m. Central Time

6:00 p.m. Mountain Time

5:00 p.m. Pacific Time

The call in number is:

605-475-4000 Access Code: 452054#

### September Calendar of Events

September 2 - 6 National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.

New Orleans, LA



## Goals & Mission

To enlist and coordinate the man power of the local congregation for an effective performance of essential Christian activities.

To cultivate the Christian life of laymen through study, worship, fellowship and service.

To enlist unchurched men for fellowship in and service through the church and to bring unsaved men into vital relations with God in Christ through personal commitment to Him.

To inspire men to support the total program of the Church in the local congregation, the community, the denomination and the world.

To Cooperate with the pastor, officers, and other organizations in developing and stimulating the work of the Church in the local congregation.

To Promote boys' work in the local congregation.



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