Distinguished Keynote Speakers to Speak at 109th National Baptist Congress Session

The 109th annual National Baptist Congress (NBC) will take place the week of June 21–26, 2015 in Atlanta, GA, at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel. The Congress will feature an outstanding list of keynote speakers.

On Wednesday, June 24, 2015, the official opening of the Congress, Dr. T. B. Boyd III President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of both the Congress and its sponsoring institution—the R.H. Boyd Publishing Corporation—will deliver the keynote address at 10:00 a.m. His State of the Congress address will follow his opening address at 10:00 a.m. His keynote address at 10:00 a.m. His State of the Congress address will follow the “Annual March for Jesus Parade.”

Boyd, who has headed the organization since 1979, recently announced, with the company’s board of directors, the appointment of Ms. LaDonna Boyd, his oldest daughter, to the position of Chief Operating Officer (COO). Under his leadership, the Congress has grown to include the Youth Congress ministry, the addition of seminars and workshops, and expansion of drill, dance, and mime ministries. Three years ago, under his leadership, the Congress began partnership with organizations such as AARP and the African American Network Against Alzheimer’s to address major issues affecting the black family, such as caregiving and Alzheimer’s disease. Through common partnership with these organizations, the Congress has focused attention on these issues the past two years through the presentation of Garrett Davis’ play, Mama’s Girls. This year, his play Forget Me Not will be featured on Thursday, June 25, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Imperial Ballroom. The play calls attention to Alzheimer’s disease and how to minister to families impacted by it.

Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m., the featured keynote speaker is Dr. William Flippin. Flippin is the host pastor and servant-leader of Greater Piney Grove Baptist Church. In August 2014, he led his congregation into their new 2500-seat worship center. A graduate of Candler School of Theology at Emory University, Flippin has lectured and preached throughout the United States and the world. His organization, Raising Leaders, is dedicated to developing Christian leaders in the Atlanta area and throughout the nation.

Friday morning at 10:00 a.m., the featured keynote speaker will be Dr. Bernard Yates. Yates serves as the current president of the National Primitive Baptist Convention and also as senior pastor of the Zion Hope Primitive Baptist Church in Pensacola, FL. The keynote speakers for Sunday June 21 and Thursday June 25 will be announced in the April section of this newspaper. Also, expect full articles on the entire speaker and artist line-up in the upcoming issues of this paper.

Congress Offers Special Evening Classes

The National Baptist Congress is slated to offer its first group of special evening classes during the evening hours. These evening classes are especially designed for people who cannot attend Congress during the day. They are Women’s Empowerment and Leadership and Youth Leadership Empowerment. These classes will be offered only on Wednesday and Thursday June 24–25, 2015 from 5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m., respectively, at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel.

A total of fifty classes will be offered in five schools of study: School of Personal and Spiritual Growth (PSG), School of Biblical Studies (BS), School of Christian Teaching Methodology (CTM), School of Missionary Education (MEC), School of Ministry (SM), and the Youth Congress (YC). Classes will begin on Wednesday, June 24 and extend through Friday, June 26, the exception being the two new evening courses. Congress classes are taught by a highly credentialed faculty, where more than 90 percent of its members have graduate degrees in their respective fields of study. Furthermore, each faculty member is required to attend a faculty workshop on the Monday (June 22) before the Congress session begins to receive further training and provide teaching plans and syllabi. This orientation session also provides opportunities to update faculty concerning recent improvements in teaching methodology and any changes in Congress programming.

The Youth Congress (YC) course offerings include classes for youth, drill, praise dance, and mime teams, and Youth Congress Activities (YCA) classes. Youth classes are offered Wednesday–Friday June 24–26, 2015, from 1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Special housing arrangements have been made for Drill and Dance Team participants.

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A Letter from the 2015 Atlanta Host Pastor: Dr. William E. Flippin, Sr.

Greetings my dear brothers and sisters,

In approximately four months, many of you will be visiting the wonderful city of Atlanta, Georgia for the 109th annual session of the National Baptist Congress. In recent years, Congress has proven to be the ideal mobile school of Christian teaching. Being a native of Nashville, Tennessee, I have witnessed firsthand how the R.H. Boyd Publishing Company has made a significant mark in Christendom, primarily in the African-American church community. Hats off to Dr. T. B. Boyd III, president and CEO; Dr. David Groves, director of publications; and Dr. Nehemiah Davis, NMBCA President, for a job well done.

Many years ago, Ray Charles made famous the song, “Georgia On My Mind.” This has become the official song of the state of Georgia. The Atlanta Host Committee is working diligently to make certain that after you leave Atlanta in June, Georgia will stay on your mind. We are expecting a record number of delegates. Atlanta is the place to be!

Dr. Jasper Williams will chair our late-night services, and you will be blessed by the great preachers and choirs who will be preaching and singing. Our musical on Monday night will feature some well-known recording stars as we showcase “The Stars of Georgia.”

Use some of your free time to visit The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change (The King Center), the new National Center for Civil and Human Rights museum, the Georgia Aquarium, and of course, the HBCUs in the city (Morehouse, Spelman, Clark Atlanta, Interdenominational Theological Center, and many others).

We hope to greet each of you personally while you are in our city. May God bless and keep you always.

Raising Leaders,
Dr. William E. Flippin, Sr.
The Greater Piney Grove Baptist Church

Congress Theme: Transforming Others by the Spirit of God
Scripture References: Romans 8:4–5; 12:1–2
Drill and Dance teams are urged to book their hotel accommodations for the 2015 Congress to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, June 21–26, 2015. In addition to rooms at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis, an allotment of rooms has been secured for Drill and Dance teams registering.

All teams are required to book room accommodations at any of the hotels listed below in order to participate in Congress activities and to receive awards. Every effort has been made to keep hotel rates low. The registration fee for each Drill or Dance team member is $20. Please contact hotels directly for additional information. Ask for the National Baptist Congress rate. Your cooperation is needed to keep our Congress the best in the country.

**Fairfield Inn & Suites**
54 Peachtree St. SW
Atlanta, GA 30303
Phone: 678-702-8600
Room rate: $115

**Comfort Suites Atlanta**
5087 Clark Howell Hwy
Atlanta, GA 30349
Phone: 404-209-7299
Room Rate: $79

**Embassy Suites**
4700 Southport Rd.
Atlanta, GA 30337
Phone: 404-767-1988
Room Rate: $109

**Embassy Suites Atlanta**
2815 Akers Mill Rd. SE
Atlanta, GA 30339
Phone: 770-984-9300
Room Rate: $119

**Homewood Suites**
97th 10th St. NW
Atlanta, GA 30309
Phone: 404-524-4076
Room Rate: $150

Drill and Dance Team Hotel Booking Information

Drill Team: Attention

Greetings to all our returning drill teams, and a special greeting to those teams that will be joining the 2015 National Baptist Congress for the first time.

It is with great pleasure that I take this opportunity to express how wonderful of a time we had last year at the 108th National Baptist Congress in Dallas, Texas. We have an outstanding Congress, and our drill teams play such an important part in helping to maintain its greatness. I congratulate each team for a job well done, and I look forward to seeing everyone in the summer.

This year’s Congress will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, on June 21–26. I ask that all drill teams take advantage of the online registration to avoid long lines at the on-site registration booth. Also keep in mind that the Congress has reserved specific hotels for the drill and dance teams. It is important that all teams utilize the hotels within the Congress housing block in order to receive certificates and trophies for their performances.

As a reminder, all teams, regardless if they are a senior or junior team, must have at least ten members to make presentations before the judges. Teams with less than ten members will be scheduled to make presentations before the parent body.

Any team attending our Congress for the first time, regardless of how many years the team has been in existence, will be classified as a first-year team. We ask all first-year teams to perform straight drills in which extra points will be provided.

I would also like to add that, although this is a competition, I encourage you all not to lose sight of our mission as Christians, which is to share the message of Jesus and glorify God with our gifts. Again, we hope to have the greatest Congress ever. Continue to pray for our Congress as I will be praying for all of the teams.

Be blessed,

Mr. Oscar Alexis
Drill Team Coordinator

Dancing for the Lord at the 2015 Congress

The time is almost here for us to gather again! The National Baptist Congress, “A School of Methods for Christian Training,” has always endeavored to uphold the highest level of value and integrity in Christian ministry. The Congress has always been on the cutting edge, leading the way and setting examples for the community to follow. For that reason, the ministry of dance has become an integral part of the Congress.

For more than ten years, I have been honored to serve as the Dance Ministry Coordinator. I have embraced the Congress’ mission to elevate this ministry to a higher level. Therefore, I will continue to do all that I can to serve in the spirit of excellence and facilitate the ongoing vision of the Congress in order to make this the most purposeful and meaningful experience possible.

The ministry of dance is emerging in our churches at a new level. We must realize that we are not just dancers. We are ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I believe that it is our responsibility to know all we can about the ministry to which God has called us so that we may render Him our best service. To know that we are part of something that is so much bigger than we are is exciting. As we go back to our churches, the anointing we will have received during our time together at the Congress will bestow a new anointing upon those God sends us to minister to.

This year, we will have an excellent staff of instructors who will bring years of wisdom and experience as well as new insight to the dance ministry. We as a team are excited about the overall direction of the educational aspect of what we will be bringing to the ministry during the Congress. Let us all endeavor to learn and to grow in our gifts and callings for the sake of the Kingdom.

It is vitally important for all dance leaders to attend the Faculty Orientation. This will be a time of gathering important information for your group. Each group will be taught the same material appropriate for their ages. We are asking those of you who have several team members of different ages to encourage them to go to their respective classes. We will then all be together for a time of learning the choreography to be presented on the last night of the Congress.

We are also encouraging as many of you as possible to pre-register as early as possible. Sign up to be a part of the choreography clinics. The clinics will be held Wednesday–Friday mornings. They are designed to be a time of constructive learning. The purpose is to encourage, educate, and learn from each other. Let us all strive to be better and to learn all we can in order to bring all the glory to God alone. We have a limited amount of time for the clinics, so please get your groups registered early.

This is just a brief overview of the many things to look forward to this year. Please come with an expectant heart, ready to receive from the heart of God. This will be a time of increased vision. God wants to equip you and release you into your destiny and purpose like never before. What an exciting time to come to the Congress. God is on the move! You have been chosen to be a part of the Kingdom of God for such a time as this!

Dr. Pamela Hardy
Dance Ministry Coordinator
The 109th Annual Session of the
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“A School of Methods for Christian Training”

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COURSE OF STUDY
ATLANTA MARRIOTT MARQUIS, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
THEME: TRANSFORMING OTHERS BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD
(ROMANS 8:4–5; 12:1–2)

MORNING CLASSES MEET WEDNESDAY–FRIDAY, 7:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m.

SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES (CODE: BS)
Wednesday–Friday • June 24–26, 2015
7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

This school examines biblical records. It investigates the author, date, place written, purpose of the book, and the major theme and emphasis of each book.

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT STUDIES

No. BS1015 Survey of the Old & New Testaments
This course examines the sixty-six books of the Bible.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Rev. Terrance Johnson

No. BS1080 Studies of the Gospel of Mark
This course examines the content of the second Gospel account and studies Jesus as the Son of Man and the nearness of the Kingdom of God.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Bernard Williams

SCHOOL OF PERSONAL AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH (CODE: PNG)
Wednesday–Friday • June 24–26, 2015
7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

This school provides courses designed to help improve one’s relationship with God and to develop one’s spirituality.

No. PSG1100 Spiritual Renewal for Christian Men
This course examines the role of men and their relationship with God. It will study how men connect with God, specific male characteristics in the Holy Scriptures as role models, and examples for improving one’s devotion to God.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Robert Byrhe

No. PSG1302 Christians in Spiritual Warfare
This course offers the means to cope with the spiritual warfare and the different strategies that plague us in life. It offers sound resources that help us combat these daily issues and problems.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Quinton Smith

No. PSG1304 Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts
This course provides a study of spiritual gifts and their evidence in the lives of Christians.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Matthew Alia

YOUTH CLASSES
June 24–26, 2015
WEDNESDAY 1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.
THURSDAY 8:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

No. PSG1400 Marriage God’s Style
This course provides a critical examination and comparison of society’s new types of marriages (e.g., alternative marriages, long-distance marriages) and the impact they have on society, as compared to God’s plan for the institution of marriage.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. T. L. & Mrs. Ruth Brown

No. PSG1600 Personal Evangelism
This course presents a foundational study in evangelism that focuses on the importance and effective approach to daily evangelism.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. A. Charles Bowle

No. PSG1701 Understanding the Holy Spirit
This course examines how the Holy Spirit is involved in the lives of God’s people.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Eugene English

No. PSG1751 Why Am I Baptist?
This course examines Baptist theology and polity. It traces its development to the present. It also includes a study of the articles of faith, as well as a study of its historical practices.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Gregory Moss

No. PSG1900 Christian Womanhood
This course examines and offers solutions to the issues that women encounter today, such as abuse, single parenting, health risks, etc.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Ms. Pat Kelly

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN TEACHING METHODOLOGY (CODE: CTM)
Wednesday–Friday • June 24–26, 2015
7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

This school concentrates on helping teachers develop new strategies and methods for teaching students.

No. CTM2101 Teaching Pre-schoolers and Older Elementary Children
The focus of this course is to provide a practical approach to teaching and communicating effectively with this age group. The course investigates the skill levels, capabilities, and limitations of this age group and provides creative teaching methods for maximum comprehension in the classroom. Contemporary teaching/learning methods will be discussed, and instruction will be given in lesson planning.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Mrs. LaToosa Phillips

No. CTM2121 Teaching Youth Ages 12–17
This course provides a critical examination and comparison of society’s new types of marriages (e.g., alternative marriages, long-distance marriages) and the impact they have on society, as compared to God’s plan for the institution of marriage.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Anthony E. Sherry

No. SMS401 Ministry of the Deacons
This course is an overview of the role and spiritual development of the deaconess.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES
June 25–26, 2015
1:30 p.m.–4:20 p.m.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONARY EDUCATION (CODE: MEC)
Wednesday–Friday • June 24–26, 2015
7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

This school is designed to provide you and your church with the tools necessary to implement missions programs and to expand your missions organizations.

No. MEC2500 Women’s Missionary Auxiliary Department 1
This course provides training for women in missionary work.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Sis. Pearl Ducree

No. MEC2501 Women’s Missionary Auxiliary Department 2
This course provides training for women in missionary work.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Ms. Yoesel Livingston

No. MEC2563 Brotherhood and Christian Men Department
This course provides training for men in missionary work.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Mr. Roswell Smith

SCHOOL OF MINISTRY (CODE: SM)
Wednesday–Friday • June 24–26, 2015
7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. & 1:20 p.m.–4:20 p.m.

This school is designed to train church leaders and workers in the area of their leadership responsibilities at their local church, district, or state level.

DIACONATE MINISTRY
No. SMS400 Diacnostic Ministry in the Modern Church
This course discusses the role of the diacnostic as a successful and fruitful partnership between pastor and congregation.
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Anthony E. Sherry

No. SMS461 The Ministry of the Deacons
This course is an overview of the role and spiritual development of the deaconesses.
MINISTERS' WIVES MINISTRY
No. 3SM351 Spouses of Pastors and Ministers
This course is a study designed to give encouragement in the midst of the unrelenting expectations placed on the minister's spouse and family.
Time: 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Mrs. Ruth Brown

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION MINISTRY
No. 5SM526 The Development of the Baptist Training Union Discipleship Ministry
This course provides a practical, strategic guidance through step-by-step planning techniques for the local church.
Time: 1:20 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructors: Mr. William & Mrs. Frankie Haynes

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY
No. 5SM550 Developing a Comprehensive Christian Education Ministry
This course will discuss the purpose of Christian education today, including how to structure an educational ministry, effectively concepts for equipping leaders and developing disciples, and more.
Time: 1:50 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Richard Philipp

No. 5SM551 The Principles of Teaching Effective Christian Education
The focus is the role of the teacher, pupil, and curriculum in the methodology of the teaching-learning experience. It discusses approaches to improving teaching in the church and to develop teacher training programs.
Time: 1:50 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
Location: Suite 7
Instructor: Dr. Robert Blythe

EVANGELISM MINISTRY
No. 5SM600 The Principles of Evangelism
This course is a study of practical principles that are critical to evangelizing witnesses.
Time: 1:20 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Bernard Williams

CHURCH ADMINISTRATION MINISTRY
No. 5SM800 Christian Leadership and Development
This course will examine the fundamental tools that are necessary to become an effective leader. Special emphasis is placed on the biblical paradigm of leadership.
Time: 1:50 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
Location: TBA

NURSES' MINISTRY
No. 5SM2200 Effective Church Nursing
This course studies ethical principles that will assist the Church in administering safe health practices in his or her duties while serving the local church.
Time: 1:20 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Mrs. Lois Mikson

MINISTERS' MINISTRY
No. 5SM3300 Principles of Successful Preaching
This course is a study of basic preaching principles and exposition that will help sharpen the skills of the preacher.
Time: 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Gerald Dew

No. 5SM3306 The Work of an Associate Minister
An in-depth look at the ramifications of the call into ministry and a study guide for the newly called ministry.
Time: 1:50 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Rev. Bernard Williams

No. 5SM3320 Pastoral Care
For both new and experienced pastors, this course will provide ministry help, including time management, dealing with stress, dealing with difficult church members, etc.
Time: 1:20 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Dr. Eugene English

YOUTH CONGRESS ACTIVITIES (CODE - YCA)
Time: 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Location: TBA
Instructor: Ms. Freda Johnson & Ms. Precious Graham

YOUTH CONGRESS CLASS SCHEDULE
CODE: YCA
Wednesday - Friday June 3-5, 2015
1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Thursday - Friday June 26-27, 2015
8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Must be enrolled in a Youth Congress class in order to participate in a Youth Activity.

Location: TBA
Instructor: Ms. Tia Ferrer

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**COURSE CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS**

Course registration may be changed or canceled until the cut-off date of May 15, 2015. After the cut-off date, all class cancellations requested by messengers will receive an eighty (80%) percent refund of the applicable registration fee, which will be sent via mail after the current session of the National Baptist Congress has concluded. All class changes requested by messengers will be charged a processing fee of $12.00. If the Congress must cancel a class, messengers will be notified and may select another class upon the return of the textbook or other course materials for the canceled class. Cancellations or no-shows will not be honored after 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 24, 2015. Badges: A replacement fee of $5.00 will be charged per name badge.

**LIABILITY**

I, on behalf of myself and/or my minor child (if applicable), agree to assume all risks, including but not limited to falls, injuries, and death, and agree to release and hold harmless the National Baptist Congress “A School of Methods for Christian Training” and its founder, trustees, officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, and any successors and assigns (collectively Congress) from any and all claims of any nature which may result from my and/or my minor child’s attendance at, participation in, and/or travel to or from the Congress and/or its related activities, which include but are not limited to classes, seminars, lectures, meetings, events, parades, movies, arts and crafts, summits, off-site events, and religious events. I also agree to indemnify and hold the Congress harmless from any and all liability caused to me and/or my minor child while attending, participating in, and/or traveling to or from the Congress and/or its related Activities, whether due to the Congress’ carelessness or negligence. To the extent I am signing this document on behalf of a minor child, I understand and agree that this release also applies to any and all liabilities relating to the failure to timely meet/pick up the minor child upon the conclusion of the Congress Activities. I recognize and acknowledge the risks associated with my and/or my minor child’s attendance at the Congress, including the Activities.

**AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING**

For documentation and promotional purposes, the Congress events may be audio- and videorecorded. By attending the events, you consent to being filmed and recorded for documentation and promotional purposes. You release Congress of any liabilities connected with these recordings and waive all rights to any claims for payment or royalties with regard to the resulting material.

By signing this document, I agree that I am over the age of eighteen, have read the document carefully, and I have had all questions answered before signing and before granting the waivers and consents contained herein. I acknowledge that this is a legal document, and I will be bound by my agreement to its terms. To the extent I am signing this on behalf of a minor child, I have the authority as a parent or legal guardian, not a chaperone, to provide consent on the minor child’s behalf to participate in the National Baptist Congress, including any and all activities and recordings. I understand that my and/or my minor child’s participation in the Congress’ activities will be denied if this form is not signed.
As we set our clocks forward, let our thoughts move forward to the beautiful days of spring—a season where the weather is warm and colorful flowers bloom. This is also a perfect time to let our thoughts concentrate on another week of learning and fellowship at our annual National Baptist Congress. The session will be held the week of June 21–26, 2015, in the fabulous city of Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. William Flippin and the Greater Piney Grove Baptist Church are the hosts. Our hosts, as well as our Congress staff, have something special in store for all attendees.

As coordinator of the First Lady’s Fashion Show, I am gearing up for the three-day fashion extravaganza that will be an experience that is second to none. I am seeking both male and female models, ranging from children to adults, to participate in the fashion show. This will allow Atlanta to see all of the latest fashions from around the continental United States, provided by our wonderful vendors.

Vendors, now is the time for you to shop all of the markets and select those special outfits, hats, jewels, handbags, and accessories, as well as children’s and teen’s apparel for our models to wear on the runway to promote all of your quality products. Why wait? Start planning now to attend our 109th annual National Baptist Congress at the beautiful downtown Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel and convention center. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Mrs. Yvette Boyd | Union Review

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10, KJV
Special Evening Classes
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participants (see p. 3 for more information). Youth Congress Activity classes take place on Thursday and Friday from 1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

Drill and Dance teams under the direction of Mr. Oscar Alexis and Dr. Pamela Hardy, respectively, will report to their class sessions according to special schedules set by their directors. Additionally, all Youth classes must break to attend the General Assembly sessions. Youth also participate in the “Praise and Laughs” program, which will be offered Wednesday night, June 24 at 6:30 p.m. Special guests for this event will be announced in the next issue of the Union Review. Their events will culminate in a special “Youth Night” presentation on Friday, June 26 in the Imperial Ballroom. Along with great oratory, drill, praise dance, and mime performances, Bible Trivia contests and Congress graduation ceremonies will also be presented.