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## Greeting From Our President

My Dear Sisters,

During this season of Lent we are reminded of our need for spiritual growth and renewal. Winter is over and life begins to grow again. Lent is forty days long, not counting Sundays, which climax during Holy Week as we celebrate the passion of Christ. We are reminded that we live in a world of pain and suffering.

We examine our hearts and move outward to respond to the call to help bring social justice into our world. And always, we are led on the journey by Jesus Christ, His powerful teachings, example, and sacramental presence in our lives.

Self-denial means my life becomes more about Jesus and less about me. Psalm 51:10 states "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me". I encourage you to give up something in an act of kindness to someone else.

This Sisterhood ministry will soon celebrate 10 years of service to those in need. Galatians 6:9 states "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up".

Thank you for your continued commitment to reach members of our church and community. Many have been blessed and lives have been changed. Women are being empowered through this ministry of Sisterhood.

Remember, we are on this earth with a purpose. God has ordered our steps so that His Plan and Purpose will be fulfilled.

Thank you for touching the lives of others through genuine love for others. May each of us continue to make a positive and eternal difference in the lives of those we are called to serve.

Be Blessed my Sisters,

Robin H. Jackson



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Sisterhood President

## Ezella Rumph Jackson Scholarship

The Brookland Baptist Sisterhood is currently accepting applications for its 2019 Ezella Rumph Jackson Scholarship. This academic monetary scholarship will be awarded to a well-deserving female student at the Sisterhood Members Empowerment Luncheon on Saturday, June 1, 2019. Minimum scholarship requirements are as follows:

- The applicant must be a female currently enrolled in college as a rising sophomore, junior or senior.
- The recipient will be awarded this scholarship only once.

More detailed information about the scholarship and criteria are listed on the scholarship application. **The deadline to submit the completed application is Saturday, May 18, 2019.** To obtain an application and for more information, contact Sheila Littlejohn Myers at [slittlejohn2140@gmail.com](mailto:slittlejohn2140@gmail.com) or call (864)-838-8108 or Jean Tate at [jeangtate@yahoo.com](mailto:jeangtate@yahoo.com) or call (803) 240-9253. You may also download the application at [www.brooklandbaptist.org](http://www.brooklandbaptist.org) from the Sisterhood Ministry section.

*Brookland Baptist Sisterhood: "Where Sisters Embrace Sisters"*

# Community Service Initiatives

The Community Service Committee is off to a great start this year. We are currently collecting Easter baskets and toiletries for Sistercare, collecting leisure reading books for Burton Pack Elementary School and rededicating ourselves to providing more of our time and talents to the John B. Adams Senior Citizens Center. Every Saturday, until April 16, 2019, committee members will be at the Sisterhood House, 821 Craft Street across from the West campus parking lot, from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00p.m. to collect the Easter baskets. Our goal this year is to collect 200 baskets for boys and girls between the ages of 2-11. If we accomplish this goal, we will be helping to service all of the counties that Sister care services. So, we are again asking the Sisterhood to help up accomplish this goal.



Burton Pack Elementary School is requesting reading books for grades four to five. This is an ongoing project, that will continue until the close of school in May. If you can purchase a book or two, it would be so greatly appreciated. Finally, we will be spending more time with the seniors on Tuesdays at the Lakewood Empowerment Center by participating in some of their activities along with helping the cafeteria staff serve them lunch. As always, we thank you for all of your support and prayers. For more information, please contact our chairperson, Donna Moses.

## Sister On The Move



Mary Goff

Mary Goff is an Independent Travel Consultant and Owner of Joyful Destinations, a travel company that specializes in Groups, Luxury and International Travel. Mary also recently launched a women's travel group called "Seasoned Ladies Who Love to Travel". Mary is an Air Force Veteran and a retired Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Mary has 32 years of Federal Service and has worked in several leadership positions. She has traveled extensively and has lived for 5 years overseas in Saipan, the Northern Mariana Islands. Mary's first International trip was to Riyadh, Saudia Arabia where she worked and lived for 5 months. Mary has also traveled to Bali, Australia, Singapore, Palau, Guam, Hawaii, Thailand, Japan, Paris, Barcelona, and traveled throughout Europe and the Caribbean on Mediterranean and Caribbean cruises. Mary is a natural organizer, is detailed oriented and has several years of event planning experience including corporate travel, family reunions, church retreats and personal vacations. Mary loves to travel, explore different cultures and learn new things. She is a foodie and loves to eat food that is native to the city or country that she is visiting. She has been married to McKeith Jr who will be off to college in 2020. Mary can be reached at [mary@joyfuldestinations.com](mailto:mary@joyfuldestinations.com), Seasoned Ladies Who Love to Travel (facebook) or website at [joyfuldestinations.com](http://joyfuldestinations.com) for information on upcoming events.

## Sisterhood Directory

The Sisterhood is compiling a women's business directory as part of our commemoration of the Sisterhood's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Don't miss your chance to be included and promote your business! The extended deadline to purchase an ad is April 6, 2019.



Cover Ad with photo and brief bio - \$250  
Full Page Ad - \$150  
1/2 page Ad - \$100  
1/4 Page Ad - \$50  
Business Card Size Ad - \$25

Women entrepreneurs and business women are invited to advertise in this Inaugural Sisterhood Business Directory which will be distributed in locations that include Brookland Baptist West and Northeast campuses, New Laurel Street Baptist Church and other strategic locations throughout the Midlands. The target date for publication is June 2019. If interested and for more information, please email [brooklandsisterhooddirectory@gmail.com](mailto:brooklandsisterhooddirectory@gmail.com) or contact a member of the Programs committee.

**APRIL 26 - 28, 2019****Brookland Baptist Sisterhood Retreat**

Let's travel close to home and visit the beautiful sunsets of North Myrtle Beach in 2019! Enjoy all that Myrtle Beach has to offer! (Shopping, great restaurants, great shows, & more!) Tanger Outlets on Highway 17 are less than one mile from our conference held at the oceanfront Hilton property.

**Conference Rate:**

Saturday's workshop at the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort, Saturday group lunch at House of Blues, and conference t-shirt! Note: Transportation is not included to lunch location.

**1- REGISTRATION RATE:** \$150 per person.

**Balance due no later than April 10th!**

**2- HOTEL RATE:** Call 800-876-0010 NOW to reserve!

We have a limited number of rooms available.

**Group Name:** Sisterhood 2019, **Cut-off Date:** April 10, 2019

Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort located off Hwy 17N

10000 Beach Club Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

Oceanview Room (Hilton): \$187/night + taxes fees and additional \$17.99 resort fee.

Rate includes daily breakfast buffet for 2. **GROUP CODE is BSC!**

**Payment Options**

**IN-PERSON:** Payments will be accepted at monthly Sisterhood meetings.

**ONLINE:** Pay online at <https://www.cstourstravel.com> (Click "To Make a Reservation, click here!" then find Sisterhood Retreat 2019 under Client Services. \*INCLUDE T-SHIRT SIZE IN NOTES AREA")

**MAIL TO:** P.O. Box 534 Ballentine, SC 29002

For questions about online payments, please call C&S Tours at 803-780-4460



*Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort*

**Beach, Fun & Worship with Sisters!****Breakfast Served at Monthly Meetings:**

A full breakfast is served at each of our monthly meetings. The cost is \$7 per person. Payment can be made at the door (cash and checks only). Our next monthly meeting will be Saturday, May 4, 2019 at the Brookland Banquet and Conference Center from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.





## Brookland Baptist Church

### Pastoral Staff

Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr., Senior Pastor  
 Reverend James A. Jamison, Assistant Pastor  
 Reverend Charles B. Jackson, Jr., Executive Pastor  
 Reverend Dr. Chris Leevy Johnson, Northeast Campus Pastor

### Sisterhood Executive Committee

Robin H. Jackson, President  
 Cynthia Legette Davis, Vice President  
 Jean Tate, Secretary  
 Carla Brown, Assistant Secretary  
 Margaret Moore, Treasurer  
 Candace C. Shiver, Resident Attorney  
 Marilyn Jamison, Parliamentarian  
 Chaplain: Reverend Betty Brown  
 Members At Large: Sandra Best, Norma Irvin, Donna Moses,  
 Sheila Littlejohn Myers, Nena Staley and Rosie Washington

### Newsletter Staff

Pamela Felder & Public Relations Committee

## Sisters, Do You Want to Make A Difference?



If you answered yes, then we encourage you to become a member of the Brookland Baptist Sisterhood. Our mission is to edify, educate and facilitate the spiritual growth and maturity of women. Our purpose is to provide ongoing opportunities for spiritual and emotional growth, promote family stability and relationships and support community service among women. If you want to make a difference and meet the following criteria: 1) Are a female 18 years or older, 2) Are committed to and agree with the mission and objectives of the Sisterhood and 3) Pay the annual membership fee of \$15, we look forward to embracing you at our next Sisterhood event or meeting. You may join online or at the Sisterhood member meetings throughout the year. For more information, email [sisterhood@brooklandbaptist.org](mailto:sisterhood@brooklandbaptist.org), or visit us online at [www.brooklandbaptist.org](http://www.brooklandbaptist.org) under "ministries."

## Upcoming Sisterhood Events

**April 6: Members Meeting, BBC Banquet & Conference Center, 9 – 11 a.m.**

**April 6 - 16: Easter Basket Drive for Sistercare**

**April 26 - 28: Sisterhood Retreat, Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort, 10000 Beach Club Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC**

**May 4: Members Meeting, BBC Banquet & Conference Center, 9 – 11 a.m.**

**June 1: Sisterhood Empowerment Luncheon & 10 Year Anniversary Celebration - 11 a.m.**

*Sisterhood  
Social Connections*

The Sisterhood of Brookland Baptist is able to communicate using various mediums. Once you join the Sisterhood, you will be able to stay abreast of upcoming events via email and Facebook. Access to the Sisterhood page is only available to paid members and features only Brookland Sisterhood-related business.

## Put Your Gifts to Work on a Sisterhood Committee

**Public Relations/Marketing:** Promotes the Sisterhood to members of Brookland Baptist Church and the community.

**Chairperson:** Cynthia Legette Davis; **Northeast Campus Liaison:** Sandra Best

**Programs:** Plans and implements all programs and activities for the Sisterhood except those planned and implemented by the Special Projects Committee. **Chairperson:** TBD

**Special Projects:** Plans events and activities beyond the annual events planned and implemented by the Programs Committee. **Chairperson:** Carla Brown

**Community Service:** Develops and promotes active participation in community service projects. **Chairperson:** Donna Moses

**Membership:** Manages all membership initiatives. **Chairperson:** Rosie Washington

**Hospitality/Volunteer:** Coordinates refreshments for meetings and workshops. Recruits and coordinates volunteers for events. **Chairperson:** Sheila Littlejohn Myers

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