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Greeting From Our President

My Dear Sisters,

2019 commemorates 10 years of service of the Brookland Baptist Sisterhood Ministry. I am humbled to serve as President of the most outstanding ministry or service organization of which I have ever been a member. God is going to receive greater glory as we continue to serve our church and community.

One of the measures of a virtuous woman is not determined by what she does for herself, but how far is her reach to serve other women, particularly the underserved. As we look back through the years, we have been dedicated and persistent in serving those in need, from the church to the school house, from the special women shelters, to the students desiring to fulfill their education.

We are women of marvelous strength, dauntless courage, unwavering faith, and relentless commitment. We all know that God has a purpose and a will for our lives. This holds true to our sisters of yesterday, today, and tomorrow. "And we know that in all things God works together for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28).

I encourage you to think of where God has brought us, think of where you are now, and think of what the future of this Sisterhood may hold if we continue to love one another. For we are the Brookland Baptist Sisterhood, "Where Sisters Embrace Sisters."

Happy 10th Anniversary,

Robin H. Jackson



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Sisterhood President

We Want to Embrace You!

Sisters, in the spirit of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we continue to enroll new and renewing members in our Sisterhood ministry for 2019 "Where Sisters Embrace Sisters!" The cost is \$15 and will cover the entire year through December 31, 2019. You can join by completing Enrollment Form online by accessing the Sisterhood web page under "ministries" at www.brooklandbaptist.org or by completing a membership enrollment form when you attend any of the Sisterhood programs, monthly meetings or enriching events held throughout the year. You may also contact our membership chairperson, Rosie Washington Rosiew1701@hotmail.com. We encourage you to join and bring a sister with you. All sisters are welcome!

Brookland Baptist Sisterhood: "Where Sisters Embrace Sisters"

Sisterhood 2019 Retreat Recap

The 2019 Sisterhood Retreat to North Myrtle Beach was held April 26th through the 28th and was a great success! The event began Friday night with dinner out followed by a team-building fun challenge at Riddles Escape Room. On Saturday, Reverend Sheryl Williams gave a powerful presentation entitled "The Pathway to Wholeness," followed by



lunch at The House of Blues and relaxation time. The ladies concluded the Retreat with Sunday morning worship at Barefoot Church.



Hospitality Update

Hospitality volunteers are embracing sisters by recognizing members' birthdays, acknowledging sick and shut-in members, as well as supporting bereaved families on a monthly basis. Members of the Sisterhood Ministry are encouraged to share their month and day of birth. We want to celebrate you! Also, please remember to let us know if you or another sister experience a challenge so that we can be supportive. Our goal is to celebrate and support according to the Sisterhood mission and purpose.

Hospitality volunteers worked diligently with the Executive Committee to prepare for the 10-Year Celebration. Volunteers are proud sponsors of a rose and cala lilies garden at the Sisterhood House. A second garden on the front lawn, sponsored by volunteers, boasts yellow lantana, purple allium, purple heart and Catalina white linen wishbone flowers. Indoors also adorns a facelift with new window treatments and wall art. We look forward to additional improvements at the Sisterhood House on an ongoing basis. We look forward to every opportunity to celebrate! Join us as we share with others and celebrate Sisterhood. Contact Dr. Sheila Littlejohn Myers at slittlejohn2140@gmail.com.



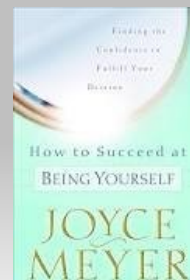
Visit Sisterhood Online Gift Shop

Check out our online gift shop available through CafePress at www.cafepress.com/brooklandbaptistsisterhood. Our shop includes Sisterhood t-shirts, caps, bags, drinkware, buttons, magnets, stationery, and more! All major credit cards are accepted including Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express and check cards. CafePress guarantees 100% secure ordering. A 30-day money-back guarantee applies to all purchases. You may place your orders online or by phone at 1-877-809-1659. Once processed, orders will be shipped directly to you at the street address you provide. Most orders ship within 24 hours.

Enjoy shopping in the Sisterhood Online Gift Shop for yourself or for gifts for other sisters!

JOYCE MEYER
NY Times Bestselling Author**Let God Fight Your Battles**Being Peaceful in the Storm

You are cordially invited to join the Sisterhood Book Club, for Part I of a two-part series, featuring books by Joyce Meyer. Our first book is entitled *Let God Fight Your Battles*. Based on her bestselling book, *The Battle Belongs to the Lord*, Joyce Meyer delivers practical advice and Biblical wisdom to help you triumph over any obstacle you face. By learning to lean on God's power, you'll be able to leave your fear behind and develop a life-changing sense of confidence. This compact edition is perfect for taking God's assurance with you everywhere you go. Be encouraged that no situation is beyond repair and start living a life of joy and peace when you LET GOD FIGHT YOUR BATTLES. The book is available for purchase at Wal-Mart stores, Target, Barnes and Noble, Books-A-Million, Apple iBooks, Google Play, and Kindle.



The Book Club will meet on Friday, June 28th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at *The Grand on Main*, 1621 Main Street, Columbia, SC. Attendees must RSVP no later than June 14th via email at browncarla96@gmail.com.

Part II's discussion, covering the book, *How to Succeed at Being Yourself*, will be held in September {Date/Location is TBD}. This book can found on Amazon.com as well as Barnes and Noble.

Sister On The Move

Norma Lynn Brown is from Hartsville and the daughter of O'Neal and the late Bertha Lee Lynn. She is a graduate of Winthrop College with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing/ Fashion and a Masters in Business Education. She recently retired after teaching, 35 years of Entrepreneurship and Marketing. In addition to teaching she was also a DECA Advisor/Coach and coached over 360 Regional winners, over 160 state winners and over 20 International Gold Winners. She is a National Board Certified Teacher and Certified Global Career Counselor and served as the Dean of the School of Business at Dutch Fork High School. She is also a YESCarolina certified teacher and is a consultant that trains and coaches teachers. She was teacher of the year at Irmo and Dutch Fork High and SC Marketing and YESCarolina Teacher of the Year. She was also a Marketing consultant for family business Motherland and is currently the Marketing Consultant for family owned engineering firm Banneker Engineering. She now conducts Entrepreneurship/Shark Tank Camps and has an Entrepreneurship Club for students in grades 5-12 and ages 18-25. She also owns her non-profit Lynn Brown Inspires and Be Inspired, LLC. She is a 30-year member of Brookland Baptist, the director of the Young Women of Excellence and participates in several other ministries. She loves God and believes God has a plan, purpose and gift inside of every child. Favorite scripture: Proverbs 3:5-6 and motto: "If I can help someone along the way, then my living will not be in vain".



Norma Brown

Community Service

The community service committee had another successful year. We collected Easter baskets and toiletries for the women of Sistercare, and donated books to Burton Pack Elementary. With the help of so many giving and generous people, we collected over 120 Easter baskets and were able to put smiles on a lot of children's faces. Toiletries were delivered to Sistercare before Mother's Day and we were able to fill their empty shelves. The staff was very appreciative! We delivered books to Burton Pack Elementary to give to the kids so they would have books to read over the summer. We also spent time with the seniors at the Lakeview Senior Citizen's Center on Tuesdays from 10am-2pm, serving lunch and helping with activities. Our time with the seniors was very uplifting and inspiring!

As you can see, we are a very busy group of women working hard to meet the needs of others. However, none of this would be possible without the help of everyone who continuously gives and helps without hesitation. We, the Community Service Committee, thank each of you for your unwavering support, willingness, and contributions and for always stepping up to give back to meet the need of others. As we take a break for the summer, we eagerly await getting back to work in August to continue to serve and work in our purpose of helping others.

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, August 3, 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

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Norma Irvin, Donna Moses, Sheila Littlejohn Myers, Nena
Staley and Rosie Washington

Newsletter Staff

Pamela Felder, Angela Jackson & 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, or visit us online at www.brooklandbaptist.org under "ministries."

Upcoming Sisterhood Events

June 1: Sisterhood Empowerment Luncheon & 10 Year Anniversary Celebration, BBC B&CC - 11 a.m.

June 28: Sisterhood Book Club Outing, The Grand on Main, 1621 Main Street, Columbia, SC - 7 - 10 p.m.

July: Summer Break - No Members Meeting

August 3: Members Meeting, BBC Banquet & Conference Center, 9 – 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

For more information about the Brookland Baptist Sisterhood, email sisterhood@brooklandbaptist.org.