

# **Brookland Baptist**

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The Brookland Baptist Sisterhood Connection is a bi-monthly outreach publication sponsored by the Sisterhood ministry for the members and friends of Brookland Baptist Church. The deadline to submit ideas and suggestions for the next issue is Friday, January 17, 2019 via email at sisterhood @brooklandbaptist.org.

## **Greeting From Our President**

My Dear Sisters,

The 2019-year ends, and 2020 begins with new ideas and excitement for the Sisterhood Ministry. A special thank you is extended to the chairperson and committees for your continued dedication and support.

We look forward to reaching out to our sisters through our annual Membership Drive in January. Our focus will be to encourage millennials to become actively involved as members of the Sisterhood. We need your gifts and talents as we move forward, and for the future of our next generation.

Sisterhood President

I am also excited to welcome the Brookland Baptist Girl Scouts who will be providing activities for young children of our members during the Sisterhood's monthly meetings. Girl Scout awards and badges will be earned for participation in this service.

During this season we will be celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. The message of Christmas draws our attention to a stable? What a place to give birth to the Messiah! The smells and sounds of a barnyard were our Savior's first human experience. Perhaps He cried as many babies. If so, they would have been the first of many tears.

Yet from His very first moments, Jesus was "God with us" (Matthew 1:23), and He knew what it meant to be human. Because of His love for you and me. Jesus became fully human. He understands our pain and sorrow. May the Light that entered the world that night cast its brilliance into the deepest corners of our souls this Christmas, giving us the peace on Earth of which the angels spoke so long ago.

I wish Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy will fill your life in every way this Christmas and beyond.

Wishing you joy during this season, Robin H. Jackson

## **Sisterhood Book Club Live Chat**

Sisters are encouraged to join the Sisterhood Book Club for a live Book Chat on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. The featured book to be discussed is "How to Succeed at Being Yourself" by Joyce Myer. The book can be found on Amazon.com or Barnes and Noble. You may join the live chat by dialing 712-770-8055 and enter code #670497.



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Brookland Baptist Sisterhood: "Where Sisters Embrace Sisters'

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## **Community Service Update**

Tis' the season to give and be a blessing to someone else. The Community Service committee offers opportunities for Sisters to bless others. First, we encourage you to volunteer at the Brookland Senior Citizens Center from 9am-2pm on Tuesdays. You may assist us by donating school supplies for the students of Burton Pack Elementary. The requested supplies are drawing paper, colored pencils, pencil packs, markers, journals, crayons, and books. Another way to bless others is to contribute to our ongoing toiletries drive for SisterCare. If you would like to donate any items, please contact Donna Moses at 803-467-8770. Our next meeting will be January 13, 2020 and we welcome new members.

## **Sisterhood Musical Outing**



The Special Projects Committee invites you to join us for an inspiring evening of culture to see the show Ranky Tanky. The show will be held Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Harbison Little Theater.

Ranky Tanky is a Charleston based musical ensemble that specializes in jazz-influenced arrangements. This Grammy-nominated quintet's name is derived from the tradition of the Gullah culture, slave descendants from the Georgia and South Carolina coast. Group ticket sales are \$18 per person. Tickets for students, seniors, and military are \$15 each. For more information, contact Carla Brown at browncarla96@gmail.com.

## **Sisterhood Membership Drive 2020**

In the spirit of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we will have our Annual Brookland Baptist Sisterhood Membership Drive on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We will enroll new and renewing members after our Brookland Baptist Church worship services on our West and Northeast campuses. Several of our events include members meetings, community service opportunities, connecting with other Sisters, and our annual Empowerment Luncheon. If you are 18 or older, we encourage you to come join us and to bring a sister with you - a friend, co-worker, neighbor, family member, etc., and join our ministry "Where Sisters Embrace Sisters!" The annual cost is \$15.00 and will cover the entire year through December 31, 2020. If you prefer, you can complete your Membership Enrollment Form on line by accessing the Sisterhood web page under 'ministries' at <u>www.brooklandbaptist.org</u>. You may also contact Rosie Washington, Membership Chair at Rosiew1701@hotmail.com.

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### **Sisterhood Newsletter Editor**



Angela Jackson

Angela Jackson will become the new editor of the Sisterhood newsletter for 2020. A native of North Charleston, Angela is a clinical therapist specializing in adults with substance use disorders and provides therapy for at-risk youth and families. Angela looks forward to extending her passion for encouraging and empowering others according to the mission of the Sisterhood; "To edify, educate and facilitate the spiritual growth and maturity of women."

Angela has been a member of Brookland since 2015 and sings with the praise team. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, singing and spending time with her family. Angela and her husband, Reverend Alex Jackson, are parents to Laina, 16 and Cameron, 14.

## Sisterhood Christmas Social

Sisters enjoyed a wonderful time of fun, food and fellowship at the Sisterhood Christmas Social on Thursday, December 12, 2019. Nearly 100 sisters were adorned in their Ugly Holiday Sweaters and actively participated in an array of activities at the Ascot Subdivision Club House in Irmo, SC. There were plenty of games, jubilant expressions and dancing topped off with a delicious meal. Highlights of the evening were the awarding of prizes for the Best Christmas Dessert and Most Unique Christmas Hat. In the spirit of giving, Sisters also donated drawing materials such as colored pencils, markers, crayons, drawing paper, journals, pencil packs, achievement stickers and any other books to students of



Burton-Pack Elementary School.





Special thanks to the Program Committee for hosting another spectacular Christmas Social.





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#### **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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<u>Newsletter Staff</u> 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 <u>www.brooklandbaptist.org</u> under "ministries."

### **Upcoming Sisterhood Events**

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

January 18: Sisterhood Outing, Ranky Tanky Musical, Harbison Little Theater, 7:30 p.m.

January 19 & 26: Sisterhood Membership Drive, West & Northeast, After Worship Services

January 25: Sisterhood Live Book Chat. Dial 712-770-8055, and enter code #670497

February 1: Members Meeting, BBC Banquet & Conference Center, 9 – 11 a.m.

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: Dorothy Ham Programs: Plans and implements all programs and activities for the Sisterhood except those planned and implemented by the Special Projects Committee. Chairperson: Jackie Griffiin 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.