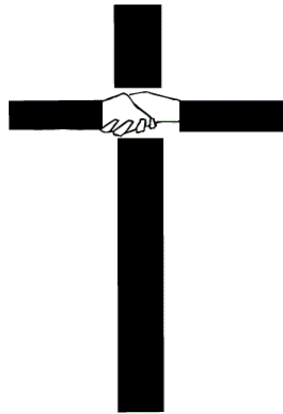


THE 2007 HISTORIAN'S REPORT
DEACONS' CONFERENCE OF RICHMOND AND VICINITY



National Theme: "GROWING, SHARING, AND SERVING" Romans 15:1

**Conference Theme: "GROWING, SHARING AND SERVING IN CHRISTIAN LOVE
THROUGH MINISTRIES"**

HOST CHURCH:

**CEDAR STREET BAPTIST CHURCH OF GOD
2301 CEDAR STREET
RICHMOND, VA 23223**

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**DEACON TERESA G. H. MASON, SAINT PAUL'S BAPTIST CHURCH, PRESIDENT
DEACON THOMAS H. EPPS, JR., EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH, HISTORIAN**



Deacons' Conference of Richmond and Vicinity

Since 1902

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Message from the President...

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise the Lord. Hallelujah.

Year 2007 marks "105 Years: Partners with Pastors for a Greater Ministry."

We continue to pray and seek God's purpose and plans for this organization. God has placed people in the positions and provided the resources to complete His work at this appointed time. Mindful of our 2007 Theme: "Growing, Sharing and Serving in Christian Love through Ministries," we were able by God's grace to complete the assignments set before us (as reported on the following pages).

Above the regular tasks, TOGETHER we completed the following: Mission Statement, Bylaws (revised), Celebrated 105 Years, Honored Past Presidents, Welcome Packets, and 2007 Membership Directory.

Ephesians 4:16b... So when each separate part works as it should, the whole body grows and builds itself up in love.

I thank God for each member and whatever role you serve in this organization. However small or large (you may think) your role, it is important because God has placed you here at this appointed time. May all that is done be to glorify God.

With Jesus' Joy,

Teresa G. H. Mason

Deacon Teresa G. H. Mason, President

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HISTORY OF THE DEACONS' CONFERENCE 1902 TO 2007

The Deacons' Conference of Richmond and Vicinity was organized in 1902, at the First African Baptist Church, with Deacon W. R. Minor of the Second Baptist Church, as its first president. He served in this office for twenty-nine years and was succeeded by Deacon Paul Carrington of Mount Olive Baptist Church (Bells Road); Deacon James S. Christian, Fourth Baptist Church; Deacon Grover O. Chiles, Springfield Baptist Church, Glen Allen; Deacon Robert O. Bracey, Jr., Saint Peter Baptist Church, Glen Allen; Deacon James H. Taylor Jr., First Baptist Church (Southside); Deacon William W. Manning, Fifth Street Baptist Church; Deacon Charles D. Carter, Westwood Baptist Church; Deacon James H. Taylor Jr., First Baptist Church (Southside); Deacon Grace R. Williams, Mount Tabor Baptist Church; Deacon William A. Hudgins, Quioccasin Baptist Church; Deacon Wilton L. Washington, Second Baptist Church; Deacon Harold Neal, Sharon Baptist Church; Deacon Donald M. Holman, Bethesda Full Gospel Baptist Church; and the current president, Deacon Teresa G. H. Mason, Saint Paul's Baptist Church.

The Conference has a rich history steeped in the glorious heritage of the Black Church. The Conference was a predominantly male organization until the late 70's. In the Richmond community many churches had clear vision through divine guidance and ordained female deacons. These women joined the conference and have become active members. Deacon Rebecca T. Madison of Mount Carmel Baptist Church was the first female deacon to join the Deacons Conference. On December 19, 1998, the first woman elected president was Deacon Grace R. Williams, Mount Tabor Baptist Church. On December 19, 2005, the second woman president, Deacon Teresa G. H. Mason (Saint Paul's Baptist Church) was installed at the Fourth Baptist Church. In 2007, Deacon Mason completed her second year as president and elected to serve another term.

God is in charge and the conference is steadily moving forward, setting new purposes and objectives including supporting community causes and involvement in solving community problems. As we embark on future years of service, we give God all the Glory, Honor and Praise and rededicate ourselves to be one in Christ, caring for each other and the world.

CITY WIDE DEACONS & DEACONESS DAY AND MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Deacons' Conference of Richmond and Vicinity and Women's Auxiliary Annual City Wide Deacons & Deaconess Day and Memorial Service was held at Cedar Street Baptist Church of God April 29, 2007 at 4:00 PM. This year, the host church's pastor, Reverend Benjamin W. Robinson, was the preacher of the hour.

A Memorial Tribute was given to our deceased Deacons (8), from April 2006 to March 2007.

Memorialized Deacons:

- Deacon Willie Tisdale, Sr., Grace Institutional Baptist (May 2006)
- Deacon John Woods, Triumphant Baptist (May 2006)
- Deacon Thomas Goodwin, Mosby Memorial Baptist (June 2006)
- Deacon James Artis, Triumphant Baptist (December 2006)

Deacon William H. Tyler, First Baptist [Southside] (December 2006)
Deacon Lafayette Meekins, Jr., Good Shepherd Baptist (January 2007)
Deacon Cloyte B. Moye, Mount Carmel Baptist (February 2007)
Deacon Wendall Highsmith, Fairfield Baptist (March 2007)

Certificates of Recognition were awarded in the following areas.

ENOCH AWARD (7)

- Deacon James E. Tisdale Grace Institutional Baptist Church
- Deacon Garland Lewis Greater Mount Moriah Baptist Church
- Deacon Raymond Jones Saint James Baptist Church (Varina)
- Deacon Cordell V. Boyd Union Baptist Church
- Deacon Myrtle H. Spurlock Union Baptist Church
- Deacon Joseph Highsmith Fairfield Baptist Church
- Deacon Stewart W. Hurte Cedar Street Baptist Church of God

PRISCILLA AND ACQUILA AWARD (5)

- Deacon George P. Armistead Mount Carmel Baptist Church
- Deacon James B. Bagby Ebenezer Baptist Church
- Deacon Colleen V. Ewing Fourth Baptist Church
- Deacon Flossie L. Royal Fountain Baptist Church
- Deacon Lawrence R. Houston Springfield Baptist Church

PRESIDENT'S AWARD (2)

- Deacon Frederick Amy, Sr. First Union Baptist Church (Derwent Road)
- Deacon Mary Ann Mason Mount Vernon Baptist Church

Program Participants (Deacons)

Philip W. Page, Sr. (Worship Leader)
Willie A. Brown (Prayer)
Evangeline C. Brooks (Memorial Litany)
Otelia W. Thomas (Roll Call of Deceased)
Teresa G. H. Mason (Presentations)
Pete Seay (Offertory Prayer)
Frederick Amy, Sr. (Offering)
Lawrence R. Houston (Offering)
Gilbert Tyler (Introduction of the Speaker)

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

The Annual Conference Workshop was held on Saturday, September 22, 2007 at the Cedar Street Baptist Church of God from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM. The registration fee was \$10.00.

The following study sessions were offered:

- “Explore the Theme—Bible Study” – Rev. Ella Blount
- “Sharing Teaching Tools for Bible Study” – Rev. Ella Blount
- “Leading Worship Effectively” – Rev. Joseph Waddy
- “Leading Meaningful Prayer and Praise” – Rev. Joseph Waddy
- “To Serve or Not to Serve: That is the Question” – Dr. Vivian E. Baker

The Annual Conference Workshop schedule consisted of the following: registration, continental breakfast, devotional period, sessions, lunch, and wrap-up. The attendance was 154. The oldest attendant was awarded a gift (deaconess age 96).

SCHOLARSHIP BRUNCH BENEFIT EVENT

The Deacon Robert A. Bracey Jr. Memorial Scholarship Brunch was held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at the Cedar Street Baptist Church of God. Deacon Bracey served periods as Chairman of the Board of Deacons at the St. Peter Baptist Church in Glen Allen, President of the Deacons’ Conference of Richmond and Vicinity, President of the Virginia State Baptists Deacons Convention and Publicity Chairman for the National Baptist Deacons Convention of America, Inc. Deacon Bracey who departed this life on June 23, 1977, led the conference in establishing a scholarship fund for our youth.

Sixteen churches were given certificates for \$25.00 or more donations and forty-four churches were recognized for having at least one deacon to contribute to the scholarship fund.

The 2007 scholarship recipients were Tyrone Cox Hodge, Second Baptist (Southside), Ashley Denise Clanton (Sharon Baptist), Davon Tyrell Morgan (Mt. Tabor Baptist), and MyKeal Antione Trueheart (St. Paul’s Baptist). The alternate was Brittany Charmaine Johnson (Union Baptist Church). Each student was awarded a \$1,000.00 Scholarship.

NATIONAL BAPTIST DEACONS CONVENTION

Members from the Deacons’ Conference of Richmond and Vicinity were strong in attendance to the National Baptist Deacons Convention held in King of Prussia, PA during the week of July 16 – 20, 2007. Twenty-five (25) from the Parent Body pre-registered to NBDC. The Parent Body financially supported the following: State Rally, Local Youth Department (persons attending the national convention), State Youth Department (attending NBDC), Full Page Ad Souvenir Journal, Prayer Breakfast, Presidents’ Banquet, Youth State Rally and sent two delegates to the convention. Two hundred twenty-nine (229) conference members paid National Annual Membership dues.

Parent Body members assigned to committees were Deacons Phillip Page, Winston Rollison, Harold Neal, Teresa G. H. Mason, and James H. Taylor. Deacon Gilbert Tyler was the speaker for the Annual Susie Givens Fellowship Prayer Breakfast. Elected Treasurer for the Jennie E. Hall Bible Class was Deacon Teresa G. H. Mason.

SPIRITUAL ENLIGHTENMENT JOURNEY

The 2007 Spiritual Enlightenment Journey (**SEJ**) of the Deacons' Conference of Richmond and Vicinity was held on Saturday, November 10 at 12:30 PM. The event was hosted by the Diaconate Ministry of the Saint Paul's Baptist Church (South Campus). This event was the showing of the movie "One Night with The King, the story of Queen Esther" by Reverend Tommy Tenney. The purpose of the **SEJ** was to present an opportunity to share together in a *spiritual* atmosphere that will enhance the growth of stewards in their walk, word and witness. The goal was to give the body and others an opportunity to fellowship while sharing in an experience that brought the attendees into a closer relationship with God. This event was *spiritually enlightening*.

THE ANNUAL AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIP BANQUET

The Annual Awards and Fellowship Banquet was held on Saturday, October 27, 2007 at 4:00 PM, Cedar Street Fellowship Hall, 2301 Cedar Street, Richmond, Virginia with Deacon George P. Armistead, III serving as the toastmaster. Celebrating **105 Years: Partners with Pastors for Greater Ministry**. Seven (7) **Past Presidents** were in attendance and honored: Deacons **James H. Taylor, William W. Manning, Grace R. Williams, William Hudgins, Wilton L. Washington, Harold Neal, and Donald M. Holman**. **2007 Deacon of the Year** was awarded to **Deacon Wallace Hurte** (Triumphant Baptist Church).

BYLAWS

The revised and adopted (January 29, 2007) Bylaws, effective February 1, 2007; copies were distributed at the February 26, 2007 monthly meeting.

CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY 2007

A comprehensive directory was prepared and presented to the conference for distribution. This directory provides membership contact information on 366 members and 60 churches. Included was a list of 2007 Officers and Committee Names and Members.

WELCOME PACKETS

The Hospitality Committee prepared "Welcome Packet" for New and Reinstated Members to be presented after receiving the Right Hand of Fellowship. The packet included information to welcome, introduce, inform, direct and miscellaneous handouts to assist new member.

2007 OFFICERS

ELECTED OFFICERS

OFFICER	NAME	CHURCH
President	Teresa G. H. Mason	Saint Paul's Baptist
First Vice President	Phillip W. Page, Sr.	Fourth Baptist
Second Vice President	Juanita B. Armistead	Mount Carmel Baptist
Recording Secretary	Otelia W. Thomas	Fifth Street Baptist
Assistant Recording Secretary	Margery L. Houston	Springfield Baptist
Corresponding Secretary	Catherine S. Mankin	Saint Paul's Baptist
Assistant Corresponding Secretary	Everett Pulliam, Jr.	Sharon Baptist
Financial Secretary	Frederick Amy, Sr.	First Union Baptist (Derwent)
Assistant Financial Secretary No.1	Carolyn W. Slaughter	Fifth Baptist
Assistant Financial Secretary No. 2	Janice D. Waddy	First Baptist (South)
Treasurer	Mary Ann Mason	Mount Vernon Baptist
Assistant Treasurer No. 1	Lawrence R. Houston	Springfield Baptist
Assistant Treasurer No. 2	Julia Hopkins	Pilgrim Journey Baptist

APPOINTED OFFICERS

OFFICER	NAME	CHURCH
Chaplain	Albert L. Williams	Moore Street Baptist
Assistant Chaplain No. 1	Thomas L. Joyner	Swansboro Baptist
Assistant Chaplain No. 2	Wallace L. Hurte	Triumphant Baptist
Substitute Chaplain No. 1	Rufus Bowman	Mount Tabor Baptist
Substitute Chaplain No. 2	Evangeline C. Brooks	First Baptist (South)
Parliamentarian	George P. Armistead	Mount Carmel Baptist
Historian	Thomas H. Epps	Ebenezer Baptist
Four (4) Marshals	James B. Bagby, Jr.	Ebenezer Baptist
	Jane Edmonds	Mount Olivet Baptist
	Barbara C. Washington	Fifth Street Baptist
	Shirley E. Eddleton	Sixth Mount Zion Baptist
Substitute	Thermond L. Thomas	Fifth Street Baptist

Total Number of Officers	25
Elected	13
Appointed	12

APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Number of Appointed Committees 20

Number of Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons 31

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Janice D. Waddy ▪ Carolyn W. Slaughter | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Baptist (Southside) Fifth Baptist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson |
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AUDITING COMMITTEE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Thomas Harding Lacy ▪ Allen Roots, Jr. ▪ Peter L. Seay ▪ Charles D. Stokes, Sr. ▪ Joyce Hopkins Williams | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ebenezer Baptist Fourth Baptist Triumphant Baptist Fourth Baptist Pilgrim Journey Baptist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson Vice Chairperson |
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BANQUET COMMITTEE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Juanita B. Armistead ▪ Lawrence R. Houston ▪ Morristine H. Bowman ▪ Stewart W. Hurte ▪ Catherine S. Mankin ▪ Lillian J. Mitchell | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mount Carmel Baptist Springfield Baptist Mount Tabor Baptist Cedar Street Baptist Saint Paul's Baptist Trinity Baptist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson |
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BUDGET COMMITTEE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Phillip W. Page, Sr. ▪ Mary Ann Mason ▪ Lawrence R. Houston ▪ Frederick Amy, Sr. ▪ Carolyn W. Slaughter ▪ Juanita B. Armistead ▪ Joseph Highsmith ▪ Teresa G. H. Mason | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fourth Baptist Mount Vernon Baptist Springfield Baptist First Union Baptist (Derwent) Fifth Baptist Mount Carmel Baptist Fairfield Baptist Saint Paul's Baptist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson |
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BYLAWS COMMITTEE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ George P. Armistead ▪ Wilton L. Washington ▪ Thomas Harding Lacy ▪ Flossie L. Royal ▪ Morristine H. Bowman ▪ James H. Taylor ▪ Teresa G. H. Mason | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mount Carmel Baptist Second Baptist (West End) Ebenezer Baptist Fountain Baptist Mount Tabor Baptist First Baptist (Southside) Saint Paul's Baptist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson Vice Chairperson Ex-Officio |
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APPOINTED COMMITTEES

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COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Winston Rollison, Sr. | Mount Olivet Baptist | Chairperson |
| Winfred W. Brown, Jr. | Swansboro Baptist | Vice Chairperson |
| Horace L. Anderson | Triumphant Baptist | |
| Beverly C. Yates | Pilgrim Baptist | |
| Harvey Fuel | Morning Star Baptist | |
| Baheejah B. Bashir | Trinity Baptist | |

CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Wallace L. Hurte | Triumphant Baptist | Chairperson |
| Catherine S. Mankin | Saint Paul's Baptist | |
| Winfred W. Brown, Jr. | Swansboro Baptist | |
| Winston Rollison, Sr. | Mount Olivet Baptist | |
| Janice S. Lacy | Ebenezer Baptist | |
| George P. Armistead, III | Mount Carmel Baptist | |
| Bessie J. Taliaferro | Fourth Baptist | |
| Morristine H. Bowman | Mount Tabor Baptist | |
| Juanita B. Armistead | Mount Carmel Baptist | <i>2nd Vice President</i> |
| Phillip W. Page, Sr. | Fourth Baptist | <i>1st Vice Prseident.</i> |
| Teresa G. H. Mason | Saint Paul's Baptist | <i>President</i> |

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

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| Beverly C. Yates | Pilgrim Baptist | Chairperson |
| Marshall M. Ingram | Seven Pines Baptist | Vice Chairperson |
| Carolyn B. Hairston | Second Baptist (West End) | |
| Eloise G. Burke | Saint Paul's Baptist | Asst/Hospitality |
| Colleen V. Ewing | Fourth Baptist | Asst/Hospitality |

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

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| Alfonzo Joyner, Sr. | Sixth Baptist | Chairperson |
| Johnny L. Chavis | Fifth Baptist | Vice Chairperson |
| Richard Carl Dillahunt, Sr. | First Union Baptist (Dill Rd.) | |
| Winston Rollison, St. | Mount Olivet Baptist | |
| Charles D. Stokes, Sr. | Fourth Baptist | |
| Rufus Bowman | Mount Tabor Baptist | |
| Jesse Goodwin | Union Baptist | |
| Ruby J. Wilson | Fourth Baptist | |

APPOINTED COMMITTEES

(Continued)

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

▪ Gilbert Tyler	Cedar Street Baptist	Chairperson
▪ Everett Pulliam, Jr.	Sharon Baptist	Vice Chairperson
▪ Ruby J. Wilson	Fourth Baptist	
▪ Grace T. Howey	Fourth Baptist	
▪ Flossie L. Royal	Fountain Baptist	
▪ Evangeline C. Brooks	First Baptist (Southside)	

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

▪ Gilbert Tyler	Cedar Street Baptist	Chairperson
▪ Christopher C. Jefferson	Trinity Baptist	
▪ Everett Pulliam, Jr.	Sharon Baptist	
▪ Margery L. Houston	Springfield Baptist	

RECRUITING COMMITTEE

▪ Phillip W. Page, Sr.	Fourth Baptist	Chairperson
▪ Joseph Highsmith	Fairfield Baptist	Vice Chairperson
▪ Thomas L. Joyner	Swansboro Baptist	
▪ Thermond L. Thomas	Fifth Street Baptist	

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

▪ Myrtle Spurlock	Union Baptist (Everett St.)	Chairperson
▪ Albert L. Williams	Moore Street Baptist	Vice Chairperson
▪ Janice S. Lacy	Ebenezer Baptist	
▪ Joyce A. Mason	Seven Pines Baptist	
▪ Fennon R. Henderson	Riverview Baptist	
▪ Morristine H. Bowman	Mount Tabor Baptist	
▪ Randolph K. Nelson, Jr.	Shiloh Baptist	

SICK COMMITTEE

▪ Sandra L. Reed	Ebenezer Baptist	Chairperson
▪ Cordell Boyd	Union Baptist (Everett St.)	Vice Chairperson
▪ James E. Brown	Ebenezer Baptist	
▪ Fennon Henderson	Riverview Baptist	
▪ Raymond Jones	St. James Baptist (Varina)	
▪ Dorothy Perry Williams	Grayland Baptist	
▪ Johnny L. Chavis	Fifth Baptist	
▪ Rufus Bowman	Mount Tabor Baptist	
▪ Freddie Hall, Sr.	Saint James Baptist (Varina)	Emeritus

APPOINTED COMMITTEES

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STATISTICIANS COMMITTEE

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| ▪ Thomas H. Epps, Jr. | Ebenezer Baptist | Chairperson |
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WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

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| ▪ Stewart W. Hurte | Cedar Street Baptist | Chairperson |
| ▪ Julian Hopkins | Pilgrim Journey Baptist | Vice Chairperson |
| ▪ Otelia W. Thomas | Fifth Street Baptist | |
| ▪ Irvin Mayo | Shiloh Baptist | |
| ▪ Charlie Peerman, Jr. | Mount Olivet Baptist | |
| ▪ Jerome E. Gordon | Sixth Mount Zion Baptist | |

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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| ▪ Juanita B. Armistead | Mount Carmel Baptist | Chairperson |
| ▪ Evangeline C. Brooks | First Baptist (Southside) | |
| ▪ Ola J. Hawkins | Fourth Baptist | |
| ▪ Norma J. Hudgins | Quioccasin Baptist | |
| ▪ Gloria E. Washington | Westwood Baptist | |
| ▪ Bessie J. Taliaferro | Fourth Baptist | |

CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY COMMITTEE

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| ▪ Janice S. Lacy | Ebenezer Baptist | Chairperson |
| ▪ Margery L. Houston | Springfield Baptist | |

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

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| ▪ Colleen V. Ewing | Fourth Baptist | Chairperson |
| ▪ Richard C. Dillahunt, Sr. | First Union Baptist (Dill Rd.) | Vice Chairperson |
| ▪ Winfred W. Brown, Jr. | Swansboro Baptist | |
| ▪ Eloise G. Burke | St. Paul's Baptist | |

SITE COMMITTEE

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| ▪ Donald M. Holman | Bethesda Full Gospel Bpt. | Chairperson |
| ▪ Harold Neal | Sharon Baptist | |
| ▪ Mary Collins | Great Hope Baptist | |

2007 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE DEACONS' CONFERENCE OF RICHMOND AND VICINITY

Month	Time	Date(s)	Place	
January				
	Joint Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 PM	8 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
	Executive Committee Meeting	7:00 PM	8 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
	Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	29 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
	Welcome Reception	6:00 PM	29 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
February				
	Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	26 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
March				
	Virginia State Baptist Deacons' Convention			
	Annual Fellowship Banquet	3:30 PM	10 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
	Metro Revival		11 th – 15 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
	NBDC Mid-Term Session		23 rd – 24 th	Fort Washington, MD
	Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	26 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
April				
	Scholarship Benefit Event		21 st	
	Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	23 rd	Cedar Street Baptist Church
	City-Wide Deacons & Deaconess Day And Memorial Service		29 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
May				
	Regular Meeting (Scholarships Awards)	7:00 PM	21 st	Cedar Street Baptist Church
June				
	Virginia State Baptist Deacons' Convention Annual Session		22 nd – 23 rd	Richmond, VA
	Regular Meeting (Joint Education))	7:00 PM	24 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
July				
	National Baptist Deacons' Convention Annual Session		15 th – 20 th	Valley Forge, PA
	Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	25 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
September				
	Annual Conference Workshop	8:00 – 3:00 PM	22 nd	Cedar Street Baptist Church
	Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	24 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church

**2007 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE
DEACONS' CONFERENCE OF RICHMOND AND VICINITY**
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Month	Time	Date(s)	Place
October			
DCR&V Annual Fellowship and Awards Banquet	4:00 PM	27 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	29 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
November			
Virginia State Baptist Deacons' Convention Fall Session		17 th	Petersburg, VA (VBCH)
Regular Meeting	7:00 PM	26 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church
December			
No Business Meeting. Joint Celebration: Parent Body, Women's Auxiliary & Youth Department (Reception, Installation of Officers, Holy Communion)	7:00 PM	17 th	Cedar Street Baptist Church

PRESIDENTIAL ASSIGNMENTS

Metro Revival – Cedar Street Baptist Church of God – March 11 to March 15

Winfred W. Brown, Jr.	Swansboro Baptist	Conf. Representative – March 11
Randolph K. Nelson, Jr.	Shiloh Baptist	Prayer - March 14
Janice S. Lacy	Ebenezer Baptist	Scripture - March 13
Albert L. Williams	Moore St. Baptist	Prayer - March 15

Ordination Service – Mount Sinai Baptist Church – March 18, 2007

Wilton Washington	Second Baptist (WE)	Ordination Prayer
Frederick Amy, Sr.	First Union (Derwent)	Right-Hand of Fellowship
Beverly C. Yates	Pilgrim Baptist	Charge to the Deacon
Bessie J. Taliaferro	Fourth Baptist	Charge to the Church
Teresa G. H. Mason	Saint Paul's Baptist	Conference Representative

Revival – Fourth Baptist – September 18, 2007

Chaplains	Prayer & Praise
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Ordination Service – First Union Baptist (Derwent)

Steward W. Hurte	Cedar Street Baptist	Charge to Deacon
MaryAnn Mason	Mount Vernon Baptist	Charge to Church

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Conference Representatives Committee Report

Church	Date	Occasion	Representative (Deacon)
January 2007			
1. Grace Institutional	28 Jan	Officer's Day	Winfred W. Brown
2. Sharon	28 Jan	Ordination	Winston Rollison
3. Great Hope	28 Jan	Honor Service	Mary Collins
February 2007			
No Report			
March 2007			
4. Mt. Sinai	18 Mar	Ordination	Teresa G. H. Mason
5. Fairfield	18 Mar	Officer's Day	Wallace L. Hurte
6. Triumphant (Manson)	23 Mar	Ordination	George P. Armistead, III
April 2007			
7. Triumphant (Manson)	01 Apr	Officer's Day	Winfred W. Brown, Jr.
8. Gravel Hill (South)	15 Apr	Officer's Day	Teresa G. H. Mason
9. Sixth Baptist	15 Apr	Ordination	Thomas L. Joyner
10. Mount Tabor	15 Apr	Ordination	Bessie J. Taliaferro
11. Fountain	22 Apr	Officer's Day	Wallace L. Hurte
12. Mosby Memorial	29 Apr	Officer's Day	Morristine H. Bowman
May 2007			
13. Great Hope	06 May	Officer's Day	Winston Rollison, Sr.
14. Shiloh	06 May	Officer's Day	Janice S. Lacy
15. Mount Vernon	06 May	Officer's Day	Flossie L. Royal
16. Bethlehem (South).	06 May	Church Dedication	William Hudgins
17. Cedar Street	20 May	Officer's Day	Juanita B. Armistead
June 2007			
18. Fourth Baptist	03 June	Officer's Day	Albert W. Williams
19. Sixth Baptist	03 June	Officer's Day	Thomas L. Joyner
20. Pilgrim Baptist	10 June	Ordination	Winston Rollison
21. Triumphant	24 June	Officer's Day	Teresa G. H. Mason
22. Union Baptist	24 June	Officer's Day	Evangeline C. Brooks
July 2007			
23. Greater Brook Road	08 July	Officer's Day	Winston Rollison, Sr.
24. Mosby Memorial	29 July	Ordination	Bessie J. Taliaferro

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Conference Representatives Committee Report (Continued)

Church	Date	Occasion	Representative (Deacon)
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August 2007

25. St. James Baptist	19 August	Ordination	Wallace L. Hurte
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September 2007

26. Riverview Baptist	16 Sept	Officer's Day	Wallace L. Hurte
27. First Union (Dill Rd)	16 Sept	Officer's Day	Winfred W. Brown, Jr.
28. Westwood Baptist	23 Sept	Officer's Day	Catherine S. Mankin
29. Baptist Minister's Conf.	25 Sept	Installation	Teresa G. H. Mason

October 2007

30. Ebenezer Baptist	07 Oct	Officer's Day	Bessie J. Taliaferro
31. Sixth Mount Zion	07 Oct	Ordination	Winston Rollison, Sr.
32. Quioccosin	21 Oct	Officer's Day	Winfred W. Brown, Jr.
33. St. John Baptist	28 Oct	Officer's Day	Janice S. Lacy

November 2007

34. Second Baptist (West)	04 Nov	Officers Day	Teresa G. H. Mason
35. Sharon Baptist	04 Nov	Officers Day	Bessie J. Taliaferro
36. Fifth Baptist	11 Nov	Ordination	Morristine Bowman
37. First Union (Derwent)	18 Nov	Ordination	Flossie L. Royal
38. First Bethel	18 Nov	Officers Day	Wallace L. Hurte

December 2007

No requests received.

Budget Committee Report

(Omitted)

COMMITTEE REPORTS
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Education Committee Report

Date	Presenter(s)	Topic
January 29	Deacon Juanita B. Armistead	Overview of Education Schedule
February 26	Deacon Gloria Washington	Living Sacrifice: Romans 12
March 26	Deacon Bessie J. Taliaferro	Developing a Senior's Help Ministry
April 23	Mr. Calvin Shackelford (Richmond Public Schools)	Disaster Recovery
May 21	Deacon Evangeline Brooks	Where Is Your Heart?
June 25	Deacon Ola Hawkins	The READ Center Program
July 23	Deacon Larry Elliott First Baptist (South)	Recognizing the Signs of Drug Abuse Does your Church have a Drug Ministry?
August	(Vacation)	
September 24	Deacon Juanita Armistead	No Instant Grapes in God's Vineyard
October 29	Deacon Ola Hawkins	A Glimpse of Heaven Spiritual DNA "The Five People You Meet In Heaven"
November 26	Deacon Ola Hawkins	One More Day
December 17	Officer Installation	

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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FINANCIAL REPORT

- ◆ Mission Donations (Scheduled – paid 100% in November)
- ◆ Conference Representatives and Sick Visitation representatives were reimbursed after monthly Reports received
- ◆ Funeral Memorial Donation presented to family after report to conference
- ◆ Conference registered and sent delegates (2) to Virginia State Baptist Deacons Convention and National Baptist Deacons Convention
- ◆ Yearly Honorariums given in December (per 2007 Proposed Budget)
- ◆ Receipts received and deposited in a timely manner.
- ◆ Checks were issued for all disbursements per approved voucher.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Membership Committee Report (Members: New and Reinstatement)

January 2007

1. Earl Jackson (St. Paul's Baptist)
2. Marian Blackwell (Second Baptist)
3. Ethel Armstrong (Second Baptist)
4. Emily Corbin (Second Baptist)

Reinstatement

1. *Richards Jones (Faith Community Baptist)*

February 2007

5. Reva Pryor (Mount Vernon Baptist)
6. Anthony Pryor (Mount Vernon)
7. Jesse R. Evans (Mount Vernon)
8. Roman Hill (Mount Vernon)
9. Cheryl Grant (Mount Vernon)
10. Patricia Gault-Coles (Mount Vernon)
11. Glenda Haggins (Mount Vernon)
12. Dorothy James (Mount Vernon)
13. Harry T. Jones (Second Baptist - West)
14. Melvin L. Johnson (Cedar Street)
15. Janice R. Briggs (Mt. Sinai)
16. Steven L. Atkins (Gravel Hill - Varina)
17. Jeffrey Robinson (St. Paul's)

Reinstatement

2. *William D. Green, Sr. (Mt. Vernon Baptist)*
3. *Albert Ruffin (Mt. Vernon Baptist)*
4. *Karen Brockenbrough (Mt. Vernon Baptist)*

March 2007

18. Kevin Hall (Gravel Hill - Southside)
19. Lorraine Lacy (Gravel Hill - Southside)
20. Matthew Taylor (Gravel Hill - Southside)
21. Robert Carter (Westwood Baptist)

Reinstatement

5. *John E. Bradley (Triumphant Baptist)*
6. *Matthew Coleman (Triumphant Baptist)*

April 2007

22. Linwood B. Puryear (Gravel Hill - Varina)
23. Barbara Puryear (Gravel Hill - Varina)
24. Deacon Centhia Barlow (Fifth Baptist)

Reinstatement

7. *Lucy Parham (Second Baptist - West)*
8. *Elbert Brinson (Fifth Baptist)*

May 2007

No New Members

June 2007

25. Burt Bonner (Second Baptist - Southside)
26. Bernard L. Johnson (Gravel Hill - Varina)

July 2007

27. Stanley Johnson (First Union - Dill Road)

August 2007

Vacation – No Monthly Meeting

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Membership Committee Report (Continued)

September 2007

28. Delores R. Wooldridge (Mosby Memorial)

30. James L. Sampson, Jr. (Mosby Memorial)

29. Mary A. Johnson (Mosby Memorial)

31. Thomas P. Sykes (Mosby Memorial)

October 2007

Reinstatement

9. *Otis V. Owens (Trinity Baptist)*

November 2007

No New Members to Report

December 2007

Joint Session and Installation Service

Memorial Committee Report

Deacon Thomas Goodwin

Departed this Life June 2007

Deacon James Artis

Departed this Life December 12, 2006

Deacon Lafayette Meekins

Departed this Life January 27, 2007

Deacon Cloyte Moye

Departed this Life February 12, 2007

Deacon Wendall Highsmith

Departed this Life March 23, 2007

Deacon Estelle A. Davis

Departed this Life August 22, 2007

Deacon James E. Tisdale

Departed this Life December 21, 2007

Mosby Memorial

Funeralized June 2006

Triumphant Baptist

Funeralized December 15, 2006

Good Shepherd Baptist

Funeralized February 3, 2007

Mount Carmel

Funeralized February 17, 2007

Fairfield Baptist

Funeralized March 2007

Fifth Street Baptist

Funeralized August 28, 2007

Grace Institutional Baptist

Funeralized December 28, 2007

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

We are extremely pleased to report that the Scholarship Brunch was a delight and a blessing. Sixteen (16) churches were awarded certificates for scholarship donations (\$25.00 or more) from their Deacon's Ministry. Forty-four (44) churches were recognized for having at least one deacon contributing to the Scholarship Fund.

We received twenty-one (21) scholarship applications. Each application was thoroughly reviewed by the Committee. The Committee encouraged all applicants to complete all information on the application form.

Scholarship Recipients 2007:

Tyrone Cox Hodge (\$1,000)	Second Baptist Church (South)
Ashley Denise Clanton (\$1,000)	Sharon Baptist Church
Davon Tyrell Morgan (\$1,000)	Mount Tabor Baptist Church
MyKeal Antoine Trueheart (\$1,000)	Saint Paul's Baptist Church

Alternate: Brittany Charmaine Johnson (\$1,000) Union Baptist Church

Sick Committee Report

Deacon Served	Church	Visit Date	Serving Deacon
January 2007			
1. Catherine Mankin	St. Paul's Baptist	17 Jan. 07	Sandra L. Reed
2. James Taylor	First Baptist	25 Jan. 07	James Brown
February 2007			
3. Lesterine Whitehead	Great Hope Baptist	06 Feb. 07	Raymond Jones
4. Hannah Jenkins	Triumphant Baptist	16 Feb. 07	Johnny Chavis
5. Mary Whitaker	Great Hope Baptist	24 Feb. 07	Fennon Henderson
6. Dahlia Briggs	St. Paul's Baptist	24 Feb. 07	Rufus Bowman
7. Catherine Mankin	St. Paul's Baptist	21 Feb. 07	Sandra Reed (phone)
March 2007			
7. Carrie Davis	Sixth Mount Zion	01 Mar. 07	Cordell Boyd
8. John Cosby	Shiloh Baptist	07 Mar. 07	James Brown
9. William Moore	Great Hope	12 Mar. 07	Sandra L. Reed
10. Mary Collins	Great Hope Baptist	25 Mar. 07	Sandra L. Reed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Sick Committee Report (Continued)

Deacon Served	Church	Visit Date	Serving Deacon
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April 2007

No members reported as being sick in April.

May 2007

No members reported as being sick in May.

June 2007

11. Joseph Tyler	First Bethel (Varina)	23 May 07	Sandra L. Reed
12. Joseph Highsmith	Fairfield	28 May 07	Fennon Henderson
13. Algenon Brown	Fourth Baptist	20 June 07	Johnny Chavis
14. Freddie Hall	St. James Baptist	20 June 07	Raymond Jones

July 2007

15. Therman Thomas	Fifth Street Baptist	July 07	Rufus Bowman
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Mid-Year Love Gifts

Addie Mosby	First Baptist SS	30 June 07	Sandra Reed
Garland Lewis	Greater Mt. Moriah	30 June 07	Sandra Reed
James E. Tisdale	Grace Institutional	30 June 07	Sandra Reed

August 2007

16. Catherine Mankin	Saint Paul's Baptist		James Brown
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September 2007

18. James Tisdale	Grace Institutional	08 Sept 07	Cordell Boyd
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October 2007

No members reported as being sick in October.

November 2007

19. Henry Robertson	Saint Paul's Baptist	11 Nov. 07	Raymond Jones
20. Harold Neal	Sharon Baptist		Fennon Henderson

December 2007

No members reported as being sick in December.

Christmas Love Gifts

Addie Mosby	First Baptist (SS)	James Brown
Garland Lewis	Greater Mount Moriah	Dorothy Williams
James E. Tisdale	Grace Institutional	Fennon Henderson
Clarence W. Hamilton	Mount Carmel	Rufus Bowman

SPECIAL REPORTS

Convention Reports

April 23, 2007

**Report from the National Deacons Convention of America, Inc. and Its Auxiliaries:
2007 Mid-Years Session and Annual Youth Day**

Reporter: President Teresa G. H. Mason
Location: Best Western Hotel, 6400 Oxon Hill Road, Oxon Hill, MD 20745
Dates: March 23-24, 2007
Report Date: April 23, 2007
National Theme: Growing, Sharing, and Serving (Romans 15:1)
Host Organization: General Baptist Deacons Association
Host Church: Ft. Foote Baptist Church, Fort Washington, MD

September 24, 2007

**Reports (2) from the National Baptist Deacons Convention of America, Inc. And Its
Auxiliaries 73rd Annual Session**

Reporters: President Teresa G. H. Mason
Deacon Phillip W. Page, Sr., 1st Vice President
Location: Radisson Valley Forge, 1160 First Avenue, King of Prussia, PA 19406
Dates: July 16-20, 2007
Report Date: September 23, 2007
National Theme: Growing, Sharing, and Serving (Romans 15:1)
Host Organization: Pennsylvania State Baptist Deacon's Convention and its
Auxiliaries

October 29, 2007

**Reports (2) from the Virginia State Baptist Deacons Convention, Women's Auxiliary
And Youth Department, Inc., 60th Annual Session**

Reporters: President Teresa G. H. Mason
Deacon Phillip W. Page, Sr., 1st Vice President
Location: St. Paul's Baptist Church, 4247 Creighton Road, Richmond, VA 23223
Dates: June 22-23, 2007
Report Date: October 29, 2007
Theme: Growing, Sharing, and Serving (Romans 15:1)
Host Church: St. Paul's Baptist Church, 4247 Creighton Road, Richmond, VA 23223
Reverend Dr. Lance D. Watson, Senior Pastor

LAST MEETING – December 17, 2007 – JOINT CELEBRATION

No business was conducted at this meeting. This gathering provided a time for servants to come, celebrate, commit, and commune with one another. The celebration began with a reception, prayer and praise, reason for the season, Installation of Officers and Holy Communion. The Parent Body, Women's Auxiliary and Youth Department shared in this Joint Celebration and departed singing "Go Tell It on the Mountain."

To God Be the Glory for what He has done, what He is doing, and what He shall do.

To God Be the Glory!

In all that we do, may God be glorified and His People is edified!