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# President Obama State of the Union: Tax Wealthy, Help Middle Class



Vice President Joe Biden and House Speaker John Boehner applaud President Barack Obama, on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015, during his State of the Union address before a joint session of Congress. (AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite) The Associated Press

(AP) - Refusing to bend to the new Republican Congress, President Barack Obama unveiled Tuesday night an ambitious State of the Union agenda steeped in Democratic priorities, including tax increases on the wealthy, education and child care help for the middle class and a torrent of veto threats for the GOP's own plans.

"We can't put the security of families at risk by taking away their health insurance or unraveling the new rules on Wall Street or refighting past battles on immigration when we've got a system to fix," Obama said in his hour-long address. "And if a bill comes to my desk that tries to do any of these things, I will veto it."

The president sought out more common ground on foreign policy, pledging to work with Congress on a new authorization for military action against the Islamic State group in Iraq and Syria, as well as legislation to guard against cyberattacks. In a rare move away from his own party, Obama also renewed his call for fast-tracking free trade agreements with Asia and Europe, generating more applause from pro-trade Republicans than skeptical Democrats.

The centerpiece of Obama's economic proposals marked a shift away from the focus on austerity and deficit reduction that has dominated his fiscal fights with Republicans. In a direct challenge to GOP economic ideology, Obama called for increasing the capital gains rate on couples making more than \$500,000 annually, to 28 percent.

The president's tax plan would also require estates to pay capital gains taxes on securities at the time they're inherited and slap a fee on the roughly 100 U.S. financial firms with assets of more than \$50 billion.

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## Gov. Greg Abbott Took The Oath Of Office To Become Texas 48th Governor

AP - Texas has a new governor for the first time in 14 years as Gov. Greg Abbott took the oath of office to become the state's 48th governor on the South Lawn of the Texas Capitol Tuesday.

Abbott took the oath on a bible handed down to him by his father and the traditional bible used by Texas governors, which is believed to have been used when Sam Houston was inaugurated as president of the Republic of Texas.

The governor highlighted the success of Texans who overcame struggles and went on to do realize their dreams in the state. Saying, "Where a 13-year-old daughter of immigrants from Mexico worked nights in a drapery factory but never gave up on her dreams. Now Eva Guzman is the first Latina to serve as a Justice on the Texas Supreme Court."

Abbott went on to say there is more that must be done for Texans.

Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick was sworn in by his son, Ryan Patrick, a district judge in Houston. During the ceremony, Patrick



Texas Gov.-elect Greg Abbott, left, greets incoming Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick as they arrive for their inauguration, Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015, in Austin, Texas. (AP Photo/Eric Gay)

paused to take a selfie prior to delivering his inaugural remarks.

A devout born-again Christian, Patrick had been a state senator since 2007. He was inaugurated on the Texas Capitol steps Tuesday by his son Ryan, a state district judge in Houston.

He also cited Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in praising "school choice," or controversial

voucher programs that allow taxpayer money to flow to private and religious schools.

Patrick has also promised deep property and business tax cuts.

The 54-year-old succeeds former Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who had been lieutenant governor since 2003 but lost to Patrick in a bitter Republican primary last March.



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# CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MR. NEWT HOPKINS



School in Centerville where he excelled in athletics and academics. After he graduated from Frederick Douglas he matriculated to Prairie View A&M University where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Education and a Master's Degree in Education.

He started his career as a teacher in Dallas ISD and then took his talents to Prairie View A&M University College of Engineering where he served as a Recruiter. After several years of service at Prairie View he returned to Dallas and went to work with the Fort Worth ISD and culminated his career as an educator with the Wilmer-Hutchins ISD. During his tenure as an educator his students were very successful at many industrial education competitions.

He is preceded in death by his parents Lucy and Arthur Hopkins, four brothers John A. Hopkins, Eglar -Hopkins, Joe Lee Hopkins, Lee Edward Hopkins, and one sister Mary Allen.

Newt departed his earthly home on January 20th, 2015. He leaves to cherish his memories his wife Jessie, daughter Channie, son Newt Delvin, one sister Varma Sandifer, two brothers Oland Hopkins and Harold Hopkins, Sr. and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends



Newt Hopkins was born on July 28th 1944 to Lucy and Arthur Hopkins in Centerville, TX in the community of Pleasant Springs.

He was baptized at New Zion Baptist Church where he received a strong Biblical foundation.

He attended Frederick Douglas High

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## Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated, Kappa Zeta Chapter Announces The 2015 Woman of The Year



Mrs. LoveVell Higgs

The Pink Tee Foundation founder, LoveVell Higgs has been named 2015 Woman of The Year by Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated, Kappa Zeta Chapter, located in Dallas, TX.

For over 50 years the Zeta Phi Beta, Kappa Zeta Chapter has continued its rich legacy and annually recognizes a woman who exemplifies the ideal of Finer Womanhood through their community service. Higgs was chosen due to her

hard work and dedication to The Pink Tee Foundation.

Higgs founded The Pink Tee Foundation in 2012 after losing her job while battling Cancer. She started playing golf several years earlier when living in Atlanta, GA. and quickly became addicted to the game. Often playing with men, Higgs quickly realized the lack of women of color on the golf course. This realization inspired Higgs to start The Pink Tee Foundation.

The Pink Tee Foundation is, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization, that is dedicated to building character and developing leadership abilities that enhance the life skills of disadvantaged girls ages 7-17, through the game of golf. Pink Tee will start its third season this year at Cedar Crest Golf Course in Dallas, Tx. Over the past two years Pink Tee has touched the lives of more than 75 girls through after school programs, free clinics and full golf instruc-

tion at Cedar Crest.

Higgs often states that she started the program "on a prayer and a passion". "I found that my passion can help give young girls opportunities they may otherwise not have. Golf teaches valuable life skills like honesty, integrity and self-confidence. It can also open doors in your professional career. I love seeing the girls eager to learn the game."

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Kappa Zeta

Chapter will present Ms. Higgs with the 2015 Woman of The Year award in Dallas on Sunday February 15th at the Orion Ballroom room. Tickets can be purchased for this event by going to <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/dove-awards-tickets-10420163991>.

To find out how to make a donation to The Pink Tee Foundation or bring the organization to your community log on to [www.pinkteegolf.com](http://www.pinkteegolf.com).

# EDITORIAL PAGE



REV. JOHNNY C. SMITH,  
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Psalm 86 is another marvelous psalm penned by King David. In this petition of David, he is asking the Lord to preserve him from some particular trouble he is experiencing. And like David, we need to really sense the Lord's presence when facing some particular calamity. We need to experience His presence every moment of our existence, and especially during

## "THE PLEA OF A PSALMIST IN TROUBLE" PSALM 86:1-17

the crisis moments of our existence. It is indeed soothing to know that the Lord is always with His children as we struggle from day to day, for Hebrews 13:5b-6 says: "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me." Yes, we will have troubles in this life; listen to another psalmist who encountered trouble as he writes: "O Lord God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee: Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry; For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave" (Psalm 88:1-3).

As we begin this psalm, we find David petitioning for the Lord to hear his prayer as he undergoes trouble (vv. 1-6). His humble plea

begins as follows: "Bow down thine ear, O LORD, hear me: for I am poor and needy. Preserve my soul; for I am holy: O thou my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee. Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee daily" (vv. 1-3). Because of the Lord's love and unusual kindness, we are confident that He will attend to our needy conditions. We should be thankful that the Lord has an abundance of mercy to address our poor and wretched situations. Isn't the Lord good? Yes, He is good all of the time!

Because of the Lord's unusual greatness, David was confident that the Lord would answer his prayer (vv. 7-10). He shows his unwavering reliance on the Lord as he states, "In the day of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou wilt answer me. Among the gods

there is none like unto thee, O Lord; neither are there any works like unto thy works" (vv. 7-8).

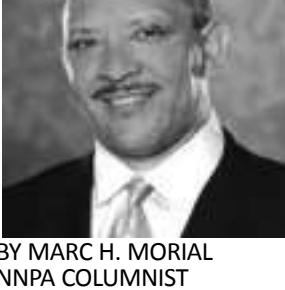
As a result of God's deliverance, David was determined to walk in God's truth and to praise God with an undivided heart (vv. 11-13). David submissively declares "Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name" (v. 11). In verses 14-17, David closes this psalm by asking for God's loving help in view of the calamity he was facing; and when he is delivered, others will recognize that God was responsible for his deliverance as he states in verse 17 "Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me."

May God Bless!



BY COLLEEN WHITE

The fluttering of bird's wings beating against the wind while the sun rests on their backs allows one's spirit to be still. And the pale blue sky with clouds dotting the horizon allows one's mind to be free. The depth of one's soul is deeper than any ocean, and yet man's heart allows him to remain entwined in the bloody thoughts of yesterday.



BY MARC H. MORIAL  
NNPA COLUMNIST

"Courage is rightly esteemed the first of human qualities...because it is the quality which guarantees all others." - Winston Churchill

Just as we welcomed in the New Year with various renditions of Auld Lang Syne and well-wishing cheers, we also met 2015 with solemn reverence as we mourned the loss of three great Americans - former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo; former United States Senator Edward Brooke III and ESPN sportscaster Stuart Scott. Each of these men charted a new course and left an indelible mark on America with their passion, pioneering spirit and principled approach to leaving our nation a better place than they found it.

Cuomo, who passed on New Year's Day at 82 years old, was lionized as a great voice for liberalism, the New Deal and the Great Society from the 1970s through the 1990s, particularly during the Reagan years.

Governor of New York from 1983 through 1994, Cuomo, the son of immigrants whose deep commitment to values was shaped by his Italian American upbringing in Queens, N.Y., was widely celebrated for his stirring speeches and oratorical skills.

## A Little Bit of Faith: In the Brightness of the Sun

Like icebergs that sink mighty ships, icebergs in men's hearts are pulling them deeper into an unknown abyss.

While there were some men who were able to break free from their tormented souls, they paid the highest price. Martin, Malcolm, Gandhi, and those men unknown to history, paid the highest price for divine understanding with their precious and short lives.

While the mountains cry out, and trees shake, while grass withers in the sun, and birds cry in dismay, while lions roar, and sheep pray, while children die, and mothers toss in their beds, while fathers watch their sons break and their daughters quake, while grandpa yells for change, and

grandma raises her hands in defeat, the world keeps spinning,

Just like bird's wings beat against the wind, their hearts are free of the stench and chaos of hate, jealousy, hypocrisy, mediocrity, debauchery, indifference, intolerance, and hopelessness.

While bird's hearts beat in succession, the wind carries them far and wide. Their dream of seeing new horizons, beyond their current existence, helps them to continue their journey. So with the hope of a new day staring them in their eyes, birds lift their wings to fly high and wide along the seas and over, and across the peaks of mountaintops. And with their

beaks piercing the wind, they leave yesterday behind and anxiously push onward to look onto the face of a new day breaking forward to meet them.

With yesterday's pain stretching behind them, the birds keep their eyes fixed on the birth of a better existence.

With this in mind, let's allow our hearts to fly free over the curving land with them. Let's embrace our differences and allow the sweeping stroke of a painter's brush to paint new news and scopes beyond what we can comprehend. And while the future will become less of a mystery, we can then allow our sons and daughters to dance in the brightness of the sun.

## Remembering Cuomo, Brooke and Scott

I had the fortune to be in San Francisco at the Moscone Center during the 1984 Democratic National Convention as a young delegate for Jesse Jackson when Mario Cuomo gave his now very famous speech on the haves and the have-nots - a speech that has as much relevance today as it did 30 years ago. At the time, it moved us, and at present, it is required reading for anyone serious about the future of America.

What I remember most dearly about Edward Brooke, who passed away on January 3 at 95 years old, is that he ran against the current of the times. He was a Republican in an overwhelmingly Democratic state. He was an African-American in the U.S. Senate when it was dominated by Dixiecrats and segregationists of the likes of Richard Russell and Strom Thurmond.

He was also a man who navigated his position as both a history-maker and a senator in a deft and effective way - championing civil rights while at the same time honoring his commitment to the people of Massachusetts. He broke down the barriers and forged a path for many African American elected officials who followed him, including President Barack Obama, who remembered Brooke as being "at the forefront of the battle for civil rights and economic fairness" and who "sought to build consensus and understanding across partisan lines, always working towards practical solutions to our nation's challenges."

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in addition to being a history-making senator from Massachusetts, Sen. Brooke was also a member of and leader in the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. I also recall the first time I had the honor to meet him. I was 14 years old and attended a graduation ceremony at Xavier University where he delivered the commencement address.

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as we talked it. He explained it as we thought it. In short, he made sports very real for people in all communities across the nation. I also believe that Stuart Scott opened the doors for many other African American sportscasters at ESPN and other networks. He demonstrated, much like the late great Howard Cosell, that to be effective you need not be cut from a traditional cloth, but that you could bring the fullness of who you are, your personality and your experiences - and the audience would love it.

Stuart Scott was a stand-out among his peers, but not just for his "remix" of traditional sports-casting with cultural and memorable catch phrases. He was also a stand-out for the life he lived, the love he gave to family and friends, and the fight he fought.

Scott was valiant as a young man in his fight against cancer. Passing away on January 4 at 49 years old, he left a legacy that extends far beyond his years. When he accepted the Jimmy V Award for Perseverance at the 2014 ESPY Awards in July 2014, he said

"When you die, it does not mean that you lose to cancer. You beat cancer by how you live, why you live, and in the manner in which you live." By his own definition, Stuart Scott beat cancer.

Our nation is better off for the contribution of these three men, who each, in his own way, challenged and changed our perceptions, our expectations and our futures by being courageous enough to show us a different way.

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BY BENJAMIN F. CHAVIS, JR.  
NNPA COLUMNIST

One day, when the glory comes it will be ours, it will be ours

Oh, one day, when the war is won

We will be sure, we will be here sure

Oh, glory, glory

Oh, glory, glory

Music, songs, videos and lyrics that emanate from the Black experience continues to awaken the consciousness of millions of people around the world. The recent collaboration between iconic artists

## Common and John Legend are Glorious in 'Selma'

Common and John Legend on theme song for the movie "Selma" is a prime example.

As the two Chicago natives demonstrated, our culture is rich with historical and contemporary accomplishments of artists who have been able to emotionally connect art with the long struggle for Black freedom, justice and equality.

Of course, the Selma-to-Montgomery, Ala. March was part of that struggle. In a few weeks, we will witness the 50th anniversary of that march, which was led by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It was the dramatic event that led to passage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act. The release of the docudrama film "Selma" could not have been scheduled at a better time.

"Selma" was directed by the talented and gifted Ava DuVernay and produced by Oprah Winfrey, Christian Colson, Dede Gardner and Jeremy Kleiner. Oprah Winfrey she be applauded for

using her considerable financial resources to support such an important undertaking.

Hands to the Heavens, no man, no weapon

Formed against, yes glory is destined

Every day women and men become legends  
Sins that go against our skin become blessings

The movement is a rhythm to us

Freedom is like religion to us

Justice is juxtaposition in us

Justice for all just ain't specific enough

One son died, his spirit is revisitin' us

True and living living in us, resistance is us

That's why Rosa sat on the bus

That's why we walked through Ferguson with our hands up

When it go down we woman and man up

They say, "Stay down" and we stand up

Shots, we on the ground,

the camera panned up

King pointed to the mountain top and we ran up

Although the movie was nominated for the Golden Globe Award for Best Motion Picture, it actually won the Golden Globe Award for Best Original Song, "Glory," produced by Common and John Legend. They stood together on the stage at the Golden Globe Awards to receive that much-deserved tribute. It's another example of Hip-hop and pop culture combining to make a real difference on the global stage.

"Glory" is appropriately named. There was a certain transcendent glory that occurred in the final aftermath of March 3, 1965, known as "Bloody Sunday," atop the Edmund Pettus Bridge. Thanks to television, the entire world witnessed Hosea Williams, John Lewis and other peaceful marchers being mercilessly beaten by law enforcement officials for exercising their constitutional

rights.

Both the movie and theme song capture that bravery of that era.

"Glory" just won the Critic's Choice Award for Best Original Song. In his acceptance remarks, Common said, "Thank you Ava DuVernay, for making the first feature film about Dr. King so beautifully.... We knew the spirit and intention of 'Selma,' and of what Dr. King is about. That's love, that's justice, that's freedom. For all people. We created 'Glory' in that spirit."

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## JANUARY

### URBAN LEAGUE CENTERS OFFER FREE TAX SERVICES

Workers who earned less than \$37,000 and filed income taxes last year through the Urban League of Greater Dallas & North Central Texas Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) received over \$500,000 in Earned Income and Child Tax Credits.

The Urban League Community Service Centers, in collaboration with the Internal Revenue Service, will again offer a free basic income tax preparation and counseling program at two Urban League Locations. All participants will have access to electronic tax filing of 1040, 1040A and 1040 EZ Forms. The free service will be held at the following locations:

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January 31, 2015 to April 15, 2015

For more information about this free, tax preparation and counseling program, please call (214) 915-4600.

The Dallas Alumni Chapter is planning a trip to the Choctaw Casino Friday, January 30, 2015.

The Pick up time is 6:00 p.m. and the Return time is 1:30 a.m.

The Bus leaves from Sam's Club on Wheatland Road.

## SMU SIMMONS LUMINARY AWARDS HONOR ADVOCATES FOR EDUCATION

Three education advocates for students from pre-k through college will be honored with the Luminary Award Thursday, Jan. 22, by SMU's Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development.

Michael Sorrell, president of Paul Quinn College; The Luke Waites Center for Dyslexia and Learning Disorders at Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, and Big Brothers Big Sisters will receive the award at 6:30 p.m. at the Martha Proctor Mack Grand Ballroom in SMU's Umphrey Lee Center.

"This year's awards show the power of individuals," says David Chard, Leon Simmons Endowed Dean. "We see mentors give of themselves as they become a consistent presence in the lives of boys and girls who need them. We find teachers and doctors taking extra steps and care to treat children with learning disorders. And lastly, we look to a true leader in higher education who rebuilds confidence and direction in a historically black college. Their work exemplifies what all of us can do to elevate what's important to the development of children and youth."

In his seven years as president of Dallas' Paul Quinn College, Michael Sorrell has brought new recognition, programs and funding to the 142-year-old historically black college. A former Dallas attorney and special assistant to President Bill Clinton's executive staff, Sorrell and the college have accepted awards such as 2012 Historically Black College and Universities Male President of the Year, 2012 Top Liberal Arts HBCUs

in America and 2013 HBCU Best Business Program.

New programs at Paul Quinn College include razing the football field to create a community garden that supports local food banks. With the help of the largest gift in the school's history, \$4.4 million from Trammell S. Crow, construction will soon begin on the college's first new building in 37 years - a residential center.

As Sorrell develops his vision for Paul Quinn, he continues his own education. He is a doctoral student in the University of Pennsylvania's executive doctorate in higher education management program.

The first definition of dyslexia was developed in 1968 at the Luke Waites Center for Dyslexia and Learning at Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas. Waites established in 1965 one of the first programs in the world at Scottish Rite to identify and treat children with learning disorders, particularly dyslexia. Since then, the center's team has demonstrated that, through research, evaluation and treatment, children with dyslexia can learn to read and be successful, despite their learning differences.

The Dyslexia Training Program, a two-year intervention program, was developed at the Waites Center and is used throughout the United States. Medical Director Jeffrey Black and Administrative Director Gladys Kolenovsky direct the Waites Center, which provides diagnostic evaluations and recommendations for hundreds of children with learning disorders each year. The center also provides

training for teachers and learning therapists and sponsors research on the causes and treatment of dyslexia.

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of America was created in 1904 to bring role models into the lives of at-risk children. Today the mentoring program serves 300,000 children in the United States and 12 countries, providing and monitoring one-to-one volunteer mentors who develop positive relationships with children ages 6 to 18. Big Brothers, Big Sisters also sponsors African American, Native American and Hispanic mentoring programs in addition to programs for children of military parents and children of incarcerated parents.

Research shows that children in the program get along better with their families and are less likely to engage in risky behaviors. Participation in Big Brothers, Big Sisters also has a measurable, positive effect on education. Research shows that 87 percent of children in the program maintained or improved in their educational expectations and 84 percent maintained or improved their grades. Participants are more likely to graduate from high school and reach a higher lever of education. Pam Iorio, CEO of Big Brothers, Big Sisters, will accept the award.

The Luminary Award was created in 2009 by the Simmons School to honor individuals and organizations that have shown an extraordinary commitment to improving people's lives through education. The award is given annually to a local, regional and national recipient.

## President Obama State of the Union: Tax Wealthy, Help Middle Class

Much of the \$320 billion in new taxes and fees would be used for measures aimed at helping the middle class, including a \$500 tax credit for some families with two spouses working, expansion of the child care tax credit and a \$60 billion program to make community college free. He also has called for expanding paid leave for workers and moved on his own to lower a mortgage insurance premium rate that could attract new homebuyers.

"We see our neighbors agonize over stagnant wages and lost jobs. We see the hurt caused by canceled health care plans and higher monthly insurance bills," said Iowa Sen. Joni Ernst, who delivered the Republican response.

With an eye on a swirl of foreign policy challenges, Obama defended his decision to return to military action in Iraq and also authorize airstrikes in Syria. He said Congress could "show the world that we are united in this mission" by passing a new resolution formally authorizing the use of force against the Islamic State group.

Obama appeared at ease throughout the address, adlibbing at times and responding to the audience reaction. As he neared the end of his speech, he declared, "I have no more campaigns to run." As Republicans erupted in laughter, Obama retorted, "I know, because I won both of them."

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## 7 Day Weather Forecast for DFW

Thursday, January 22



H-43°

L-34°

Friday, January 23



H-49°

L-33°

Saturday, January 24



H-56°

L-36°

Sunday, January 25



H-62°

L-41°

Monday, January 26



H-60°

L-42°

Tuesday, January 27



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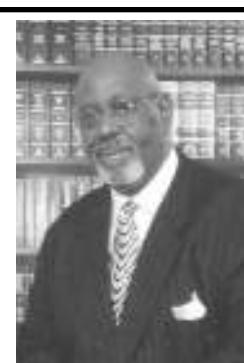
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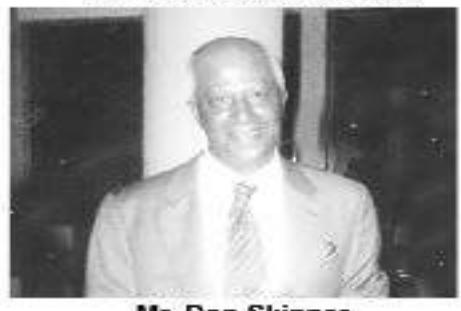
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Dallas, Texas 75203  
214-948-4973

Rev. J. E. Whitaker, Pastor



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**Order of Service**

Sunday School ..... 9:30 AM  
Morning Worship ..... 10:00 AM  
Bible Study, Tuesday Evening ..... 7:00 PM

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Matthew 28:19-20

**Schedule of Service**

Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Brotherhood (1st & 3rd Wed.) ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Senior Mission (1st & 3rd Wed.) ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Adult & Youth Bible Study (Fri.) ..... 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday**

KHVN (770 AM Radio)  
8:00 a.m.  
Bible Class  
8:15 a.m.  
Children Worship  
10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service  
10:10 a.m.

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## MY DAY: OH, MY! A UNITY GALA



Dr. T. L. Brown and his lovely First Lady arriving on the Red Carpet hosted by Ester Davis. Look for more on the 'Ester Davis Show'.



The Honorees greeting State Senator Royce West after the opening of the 84th Legislature in Austin.



Dr. Zan W. Holmes, the "forever pastor" of the City of Dallas and Pastor Emeritus of St. Luke Community UMC was the most befitting guest speaker.

(Photos by Wallace Faggett).

By Dr. Ester Davis  
It was all at the UNITY Gala. A celebration of inclusion and togetherness. A significant "first" for Texas hosted by Dr. and Mrs. T. L. Brown, the recently elected Pastor of New Mount Zion Baptist Church, in Dallas, Texas. The eloquent evening was splendidly introduced by a familiar voice that connects communities. . . that of Dr. Robert Ashley, KHVN Radio. The unity ran loud and clear with the attendance of joy, judges, clergy, party leaders, law firm partners, distinguished out-of-town guests, politicians, chefs, a former beauty queen, seniors, business owners, all in couture attire.

Thank you, Dr. Brown, for this vision. Finally, a gala with a purpose.

## Congratulations To Mrs. Evelyn Foster Hamilton



On January 31, 2015 at the Doubletree Hotel at 12:00 Noon Mrs. Evelyn Foster Hamilton will be honored by Omicron-mu Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. for "fifty" outstanding years of service and leadership to the Sorority.

At press time: Mrs. Hamilton stated her interest in Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Began with her fourth grade teacher, the late Mr. O. Biner Watson a member of alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. she was also influenced by her favorite high School teacher and Choir director, the late Mrs. Mae Frances Wilson, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Evelyn Hamilton attended events for teenage young ladies sponsored by Gamma Omicron Omega Chapter in Tyler, Texas and other cities throughout Texas. As a freshman at Wiley College in Marshall, Texas she was presented as a Nu Omega Chapter Debutante.

Evelyn was initiated in Phi Chapter in 1965. She was known on the campus at Wiley College, as an outstanding and talented Student and leader.

Today, she is married to her Wiley College Sweetheart, Leon Hamilton who is a proud member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. they have one son Leon Edric Hamilton Jr. They are members of St. Luke Community United Methodist Church. Her lovely talented sister, Sandra Foster Brown is also a member of Omicron Mu Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.

The Dallas Metroplex joins members of Omicron Mu Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. as they honor this outstanding member for fifty years of dedicated Service and leadership.

## Be Covered Texas Campaign and 86 Dallas Churches to Hold "Super Sunday" Education Event to Highlight the Importance of Enrolling in Health Insurance

As part of its ongoing efforts to increase Texans' access to health insurance, the Be Covered Texas campaign is working with 86 churches across the Dallas area to host "Super Sunday" outreach events on Sunday, January 18. At the events, Be Covered will provide educational materials about the importance of health insurance and how to enroll before the annual enrollment period closes on February 15. The Super Sunday effort is expected to reach approximately 55,000 congregation members.

Be Covered Texas, a grassroots education and outreach campaign sponsored by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBS), offers free, bilingual resources online ([www.becoveredtx.org](http://www.becoveredtx.org)) and through its statewide network of more than 175 community partners, including 72 partners in Dallas.

"Be Covered Texas continues to work to reach Texans where they live, work, worship and gather to spread the word about enrollment opportunities," said Michelle Riddell, Be Covered Texas campaign chair and BCBS vice president of community investment. "The Super Sunday events allow us to reach a large group of community members with relevant, timely information to help them make an informed decision about protecting their family's health."

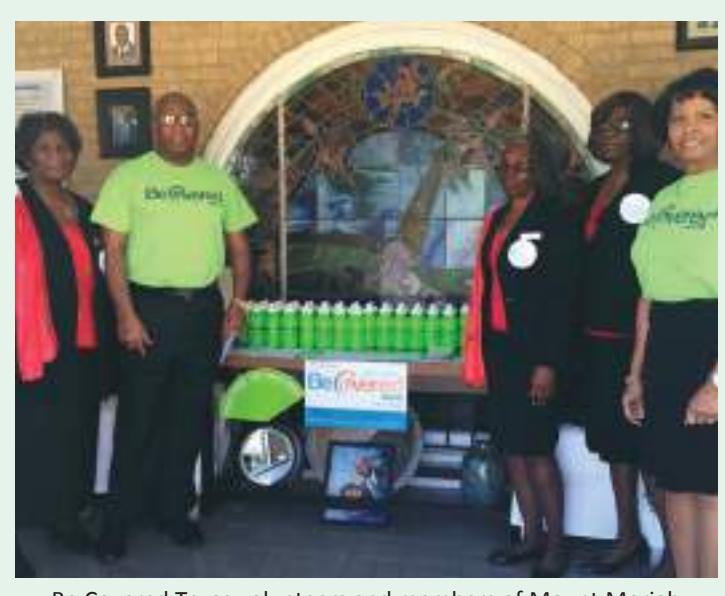
Congregations at 86 metroplex churches are participating in the event, including True Lee Baptist Church, St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church and New Hope Baptist Church.

"By working with Be Covered Texas and participating in the Super Sunday event, we are able to provide our congregation with access to educational materials about the health insurance law, how to enroll and the importance of having health insurance," said Dr. Michael Bowie, pastor, St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church.

"The health of an individual determines the health, vitality, and strength of a nation. As a Be Covered Texas partner we support the efforts in Texas to ensure that all have access to affordable care. On Super Sunday we will join with our faith friends as one voice to help spread the enrollment news," Rev. Ronald E. Jones, senior pastor, New Hope Baptist Church.



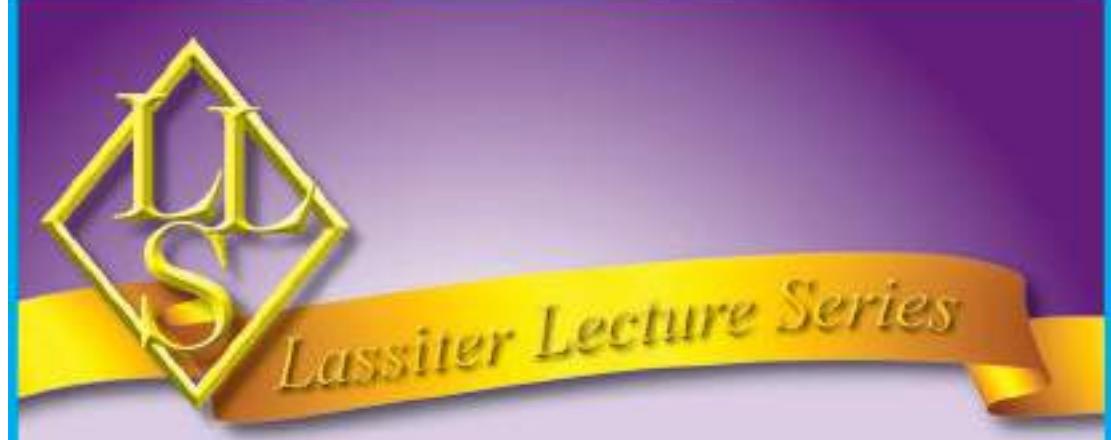
Members from New Hope Baptist Church stand alongside Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins during Be Covered Texas' Super Sunday event in Dallas on January 18. More than 86 Churches participated in the event which reached approximately 55,000 congregation members.



Be Covered Texas volunteers and members of Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church in Dallas participate in Be Covered Texas' Super Sunday event in Dallas on January 18. More than 86 Churches participated in the event which reached approximately 55,000 congregation members.

During the first year of the campaign, Be Covered Texas worked with its community partners to directly reach 3.29 million people across the state through community events, outreach and distribution of educational materials. The campaign also reached 7.7 million through online and social media outreach. A full list of campaign results can be found at [www.becoveredtx.org](http://www.becoveredtx.org).

For more information and to view of the Be Covered Texas resource library, please visit [www.becoveredtx.org](http://www.becoveredtx.org).

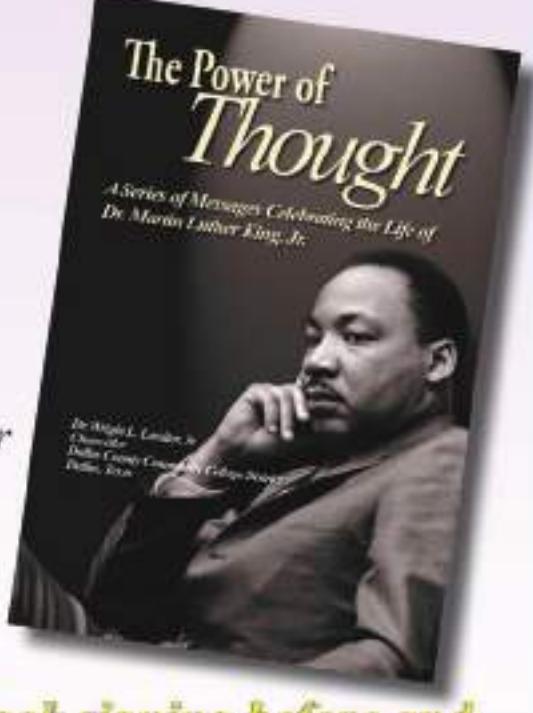


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### Representative Davis Elected to Chair the House Democratic Caucus of the Texas House of Representatives

State Representative Yvonne Davis (D - Dallas) was re-elected Chair of the House Democratic Caucus of the Texas House of Representatives on Thursday, January 15, 2015. Representative Davis' duties as democratic chair for the second straight session will include coordinating legislative strategy as necessary during the 84th Legislative Session and acting as liaison with the Senate Democratic Caucus and other individuals, including the Speaker of the House. She will also be responsible for appointing Caucus committee members and making other appointments as outlined by the House Democratic rules and/or authorized by the Caucus.



Representative Davis of District 111 is currently serving in her 12th term in the Texas House of Representatives. Her Legislative District covers a part of southwest Dallas county which includes the cities of Dallas, DeSoto, Duncanville and Grand Prairie.

For more information contact Representative Davis' District office at (214) 941-3895