

## WANTED: Dead and Alive!

*"Know ye not that so many of us were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." **Romans 6:3-4***

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We are accustomed to seeing wanted posters in our local post office and in other public places. These posters say "Wanted: Dead **or** Alive". Take note that our main thought for today is "Wanted: Dead **and** Alive". That's right; we are wanted dead **and** alive.

The question may come to mind, "how can we be both dead and alive at the same time?" Sounds like a contradictory statement; but, God wants us dead to sin and alive in Christ. In other words, we are living in one sense and dead in another sense.

We have been blessed by the grace of God which led us to repentance. In obedience to His word, we accepted the baptism in Jesus' Name and were filled with the Holy Ghost. Prior to the salvation experience, we were living a life of sin; loving and continuing in that lifestyle. The joy and pleasure of sin caused us to continue to practice that which we enjoyed.

Thank God for repentance which caused us to die to the love of sin. When you die to something, you no longer have a feeling or desire for it. Since Christ died for us, we must die to sin. Since Christ was buried, we are buried with Him in baptism. Since Christ was raised, we are raised to walk in newness

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of life. The certainty of faith assures us that we have died to sin through Christ Jesus. In Christ, there are no undercover or secret agents. As ambassadors, we must live a life that is pleasing to God; knowing that we are living epistles.

Just as mature plants are able to bear fruit; so we who are alive in Christ must also bear fruit in the proper season. Every tree is known by the fruit that it bears. Oftentimes the gardener has to prune various trees so that they will yield good fruit. As Saints of God we go through periods of time when the Master Gardener prunes us; taking away those branches that are not productive. The more He prunes us, the more likely we are to bear fruits of righteousness.

Yes, we are dead to sin and alive in Christ. Now is the time to go forth and bear fruit in Jesus' Name!



**First Lady Maxine and Pastor Naymond Williams, Jr., rejoice during the Crusade Service! More photos inside.**

### From The President's Desk ...



**Pres. Barbara E. Garrison**



Greetings in the Precious Name of Jesus!

What a privilege we have been granted; that of freely coming together without fear of retribution as we gather to worship Jesus Christ. This is a privilege that is non-existent in many countries. Some Christians become targets of violence because of their witness. In some countries, known as hostile areas, the government attempts to provide protection for the Christian population.

Then, there are the restricted areas; countries where the government prevents Christians from obtaining Bibles and other Christian literature. These are the areas where Christians are more likely to be harassed, persecuted or killed. Here is my prayer request; "Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them".

**Hebrews 13:3**

Please pray for the persecuted church; and as you pray, rejoice and be thankful for the privilege and opportunity to worship God

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Vice President's Greetings ...

Praise the Lord everyone and greetings in Jesus' Name!

There are hardly words to express how grateful I am to the Lord for the favor He bestowed upon the IDCMWA during the April Council Session. The windows of heaven were opened and the blessings truly did fall upon us.

We are thankful for our God-inspired President, Dr. Garrison. The IDCMWA has truly been blessed through her leadership and I am honored for the privilege to serve as her assistant.

The support of the entire council, the IDCMWA staff, missionary workers and women as a whole must be commended for a job well done. Where there is unity there is strength; and I can say that our auxiliary is unified.

Let's continue to keep God first, work hard, pray and let Him use us in an even greater way in the coming years of this administration.

Love to you all in Jesus' Name,  
Vice President Joyce Walker



Evangelist Joyce Walker

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any where, any place and any time. If you have not already done so; now is the time for you to stand up and make yourself known as a child of the only True and Living God. According to the scriptures, we are the "salt of the earth". Now is the time for us to season our surroundings by influencing others to do good.

Be blessed and continue to be a blessing to others; in Jesus' Name!

Because He First Loved Me,  
Barbara E. Garrison, President



Be sure to SAVE the following dates:

- Saturday, November 5, 2011 – Annual Cabinet Meeting for IDCMWA staff and all Local Presidents
- Saturday, December 10, 2011 – Annual Widows and Seniors' Christmas Luncheon
- Friday, March 2 and Saturday, March 3, 2012 – Annual State Missionary Convention

~ Locations will be announced after they have been confirmed ~

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# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## Bound for Orlando, Florida

Orlando, Florida; recognized as the family amusement capital of the nation will be the site of our International P.A. of W. Summer Convention. The dates for the convention are July 30, 2011 through August 6, 2011.

**Sessions for the International Missionaries** will be held Monday, August 1 through Wednesday, August 3. These sessions are designed to strengthen women in ministry. The theme selected for this year is "Women United to S.H.O.P. (serve Him on purpose)". The colors remain white with purple and gold accent. You can see President Garrison concerning tickets for the **"Living With Purpose" prayer breakfast** which will be held on Tuesday, August 2 at 7:00 a.m.; ticket cost is \$40.00 per person. Please join us for the **State Roll Call** which is also scheduled for Tuesday at approximately 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, August 3rd between the hours of 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. the ceremony will be held for the **Pentecostal Pearls** as well as awarding of the **Dr. Elma Jean Bowers Scholarship**.



↑ IDCMWA "Get on the Bus" Crusaders praying for a harvest of souls. →



## Work While it is Day!

Do you have a mission that you believe has been ordained and assigned to your hands? As people of God, we all have missions birthed within us by Almighty God. I think you know what I'm talking about. That thing that you have a passion and a burning desire to do in the Kingdom to accomplish His work in the earth; it's kind of a "bucket list" item; something that you absolutely must fulfill before the Lord's return.

If so – for those who are willing to share, we encourage you to submit them for printing in the October edition of our newsletter, Light of Dawn. All submissions should be sent to

[sundayschool13420@hotmail.com](mailto:sundayschool13420@hotmail.com) and must be received on or before September 1, 2011.





# PRAYING

Our Diocesan,  
Bishop Charles E. Davis  
First Lady, Dr. Jessie Davis

Officers and Auxiliary Leaders  
of the Illinois District Council

Pastors and Churches  
of the Illinois District Council

Those in active duty in the U. S. Military

Local and Foreign Missionaries

Hearts of the people in Haiti and  
Senegal, West Africa

### Physical Health/Strength

Mother Hazel Bracy  
First Lady Mary Ellis  
First Lady Carra Salmon  
Evangelist Gussie Southern  
First Lady Mary Thompson  
Mr. Gregory Wright  
Sis. Margaret Wright

*If you are faced with a physical challenge,  
please know that we are joining you  
in prayer. **We believe God!***

### Bereavement

Jointer/Lee Family; Robinson Family  
Wakefield Family

*There is help; there is comfort for all  
who mourn. Let us remember to  
pray for; call and visit our brothers  
and sisters during their time of need.*

Get On  
The Bus!

## CRUSADE UPDATE

### “Get on the Bus”

#### Crusade Update

*(see related photos)*

On Saturday, June 4, 2011, thirty (30) willing workers journeyed to Bethel Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ in Peoria, IL. Pastor, Elder Naymond Williams and First Lady Maxine Williams received us with gladness of heart. Teams of field workers visited neighbors throughout the community surrounding Bethel. As we visited we were able to witness to the goodness of the Lord, as well as extend invitation to come to Bethel – a church where the Bible is taught and practiced. We were able to be a blessing to the church and the community.

Thanks to all who joined us on the second stop of our “*Get on the Bus*” Crusade. Fourteen (14) churches were represented and twelve (12) ministers were in attendance. We are believing God for a harvest of souls as a result of our Christ-centered efforts. The Lord will reward you for your sacrifice towards Kingdom building.



**IDCMWA “Get On The Bus” Crusaders praying for a harvest of souls.**

## ILLINOIS DISTRICT COUNCIL

# Summer Session

### Indiana Avenue Pentecostal Church of God

3520 South Indiana Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60653

**Bishop Charles E. Davis, Host Pastor**  
and  
**Diocesan, 6th Episcopal District**  
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July 6, 2011

### Missionary & Women's Auxiliary

## Today At-A-Glance

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<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Prayer, Praise &amp; Worship</b>
<b>12:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Auxiliary Business Session</b>
<b>2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Seminar: "Failure to Forgive: It Costs Too Much"</b> <b>Evangelist Betty Stephens, Hazel Crest Assembly</b>
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>DINNER</b>
<b>5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.</b>	"Forgive and Be Forgiven" <b>Local President, Evangelist Dorothy Randolph</b> <i>Dixmoor Apostolic House of Prayer</i> <b>Minister Shelly Fowler, Mt. Zion Tabernacle</b>
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Evening Worship Service</b> <b>SPEAKER – Dr. Charles Reid, Pastor</b> <i>Bethesda Worship Center; Des Plaines, IL</i> <b>Music Ministry – IDCMWA Inspirational Choir</b>