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### About our speaker...



5 on the way.

**Michael Merritt Sr.** was born on October 6, 1957. His parents were Jack and Sumiko Merritt. He graduated from Northwest High School in 1976 and attended the University of Missouri – Columbia, later obtaining his degree in Business Administration from the University of Missouri – St. Louis. He married Caroline Booth on November 12<sup>th</sup>, 1983 and will be celebrating 33 years of marriage in November of 2016. They have 2 children, Tiffany (31) and Michael Jr. (29) and 4 grandchildren, Tania, Takara, Howard III, Taylor and number

Bro. Merritt has been a faithful member of the Kinloch Church of God for 34 years serving in many capacities under the leadership of the late Rev. Hughie Ellison. He has served as a young adult Sunday School Teacher, Assistant Treasurer, Treasurer and Trustee Board member. He accepted his calling in 1999, licensed in 2005 and ordained in 2007 with the Church of God, Anderson, Indiana.

Bro. Merritt was welcomed by the congregation of the Kinloch Church of God to serve as Senior Pastor in June, 2014. He is also a graduate of the Metropolitan Christian Bible Institute and currently serves on the Church and Ministry Service Board for the Missouri Ministries of the Church of God. Bro. Merritt and Sis. Caroline loves the Lord and hope to be in His service for years to come.

### 2017 Unity Services

January 29, 2017 – First Church of God – St. Louis, MO April 30, 2017 – Kinloch Church of God – Kinloch, MO July 30, 2017 – Gathering Place Church of God – Fairview Heights, IL October 29, 2017 – Market Avenue COG – East St. Louis, IL



# 2017

### Church of God Women's Convention

Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort

Oct. 26 - Oct. 29, 2017

"... For Such a Time a This." ESTHER 4: 13-14

### **Special Event:**



Stop Hunger Now Pack Meals for the Hungry



### Main Speakers:



Melissa Senseman-Pratt



Mary Ann Martínez-Garcia



Allyson Smith



Cheryl Sanders

### Missionary Speakers:



Audrey Weiger



Emily Clark

### Prayer Breakfast Speakers:



Doris Dale



Alice Dise

### Musical Guest:



Lynda Randle

#### Worship Leader:



Leslie Parker Barne

Go to www.christianwomenconnection.com for more information, to register online or to download the form.



Planning meetings for area youth events are held every fourth Monday of the month at 7:00pm via video conference.

You may contact Min. Brian Burton via email at bmbbmb314@yahoo.com to be included on the distribution for the video conference invitation.

We're asking for all youth, youth leaders and/or representatives from each church to participate.

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The NIYC will take place in Northern Kentucky in the city of Covington, KY which shares a border with Cincinnati, OH, The Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) is the most convenient way to arrive by air. Register now to lock in the current rate at niyc.org/2016. Go to www.niyc.org for additional information.

#### UMBRELLA PRAYER

The Umbrella Prayer Group meets every 3rd Saturday at 10:00am at Beauvais Manor Healthcare & Rehab Center located at 3626 Magnolia (off Grand Ave), St. Louis, MO 63310. All are welcome to come and help encourage the residents.

Group Prayer takes place on Friday evenings at 6:30pm and the First Saturday of the month at 8:00am. The conference dial in number is below:

1-605-475-4700, Access Code 506264#

ATTENTION: T-Mobile and Metro PCS customers must dial 559-546-1400 to avoid a .01 per minute charge. You will be prompted to key in the dial in number and access code.

#### Coordinators:

Sis. Sallie Hatter 618-271-2214 Sis. Janna Sue Stowers 314-388-2464



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## Pastor Anniversary / Appreciation Schedule

April (TBA) Blessed Believers Christian Fellowship
May (first Sun) Riverview
June (first Sun) Market Ave
Aug (first Sun) Edgemont
Sep (third Sun) Kinloch
Oct (first Sun) Community –Black Jack, MO
Oct (fourth Sun) New Cote Brilliante
Nov (first Sun) Gathering Place-Fairview Heights, IL
Nov (sec Sun) World-Wide Fellowship Min
Dec (first Sun) Madison

Visit <u>www.slamaonline.org</u> to find out what's going on in the area and to view archived issues of the SLAMA newsletter. To submit information for newsletter, send an email with attachments to office@slamaonline.org.

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