

# Johns Chapel AME Church

“WE WIN”



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A Monthly Insight into what's happening at JCAME

## On The Edge



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“The Church with  
Unconditional Love”

## We ALL HAVE A REASON TO BE THANKFUL!

*Hotdog Moment By: Pastor Willie White Jr.*

Phil. 4:6

**Be anxious for nothing but in prayer and supplication with thanksgiving.**

A man needed his pants ironed. His wife, as she ironed the pants for him, burned the pants. These pants were brand new pants that he was looking forward to wearing. Her husband started to get mad but stopped to think before reacting and said, “Lord, thank you that my leg wasn’t in those pants. WOW! There is always a reason to give thanks.

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THANKFUL!!!

Hot dog



# Watoto Children's Choir "What a Treat!"

Johns Chapel AME Church and H.O.P.E Ministries Host the Watoto Children's Choir in Concert from Uganda.

In 1998, I had the opportunity to attend a concert which the Watoto Children's Choir performed at First Baptist Church downtown Enterprise. They were just amazing and spellbound the audience with their performance.

After the concert, I spoke with the coordinator for First Baptist about getting the choir to come and perform at Johns Chapel AME Church in 2000, when they return back to the states. The choir tours the United States every two years.

Due to the pandemic, the choir's last visit to the United States was 2019. They were performing at the time in Texas and were told they would be returning back to Uganda immediately. Therefore, their tour was closed. The tour is for six months.

The Watoto Children's Choir is a message to the world of God's unfailing love. They have been performing for over 25 years.

The choir's concerts help to raise money for the Watoto orphanages. The choir consist of children who have lost one or both parents as a result of AIDS.

Many thanks to Johns Chapel AME Church for partnership for this concert, Reverend & Mrs. Willie White, Jr., The Sons of Allen, Brent Golden, Helen Nichols, Debra Brown, Maxie Hazzard, Franklin Simmons, Shelley Harden, and Odessa Jones.



Thank God for our 9 host families. They are as follows: Ms. Geraldine Sanders, Ms. Barbara Fields, Rev. Alfred & Dr. Irma Townsend, Ms. Dianne Simmons Grase & Mr. Bernard Simmons, Mr. & Mrs. Lorenzo Harrison, Mrs. Terri Dody, Bishop Hayden & Pastor Hayden, Peggy Jones and yours truly.

The choir arrived at Johns Chapel on Monday, October 30, 2023. They enjoyed a delicious meal and were picked up by their host families. We thank God for the Watoto Children's Choir's awesome performance - "Better Days There is Hope" concert on Tuesday night, October 31, 6:00 p.m. at Johns Chapel. The choir consisted of 16 children, 10 Ugandans, the team leader, the bus, and truck driver. We thank God for all those who were in attendance and all those who donated for the cause.

I have enjoyed the opportunity to serve as one of the host families from 2000 to 2023.

See you in 2025!

Submitted by,  
Allie Bell-Reddick, H.O.P.E. Ministries

## Thanksgiving Prayer!

God, we thank you for the blessing and joy of family. Thank you for those who are gathered with us today and those who are far away. May we all see the many ways you provide for us, comfort us and protect us. Bless us to be healthy and strong. Amen.

## R.A.Y.A.C. Collegiate Ministry

Richard Allen Young Adult Council of Johns Chapel along with other entities in the church and community continues to build a bridge between students at Enterprise State Community College. Several of these students are away from their loved ones and it feels good for them to know that they are loved and cared for. Each fourth Sunday with the assistance of Santé Fe the students are served a meal after worshipping with the church family. Every Wednesday, Pastor White engages the ESCC students in young adult bible study. Just recently Club Yesepoch, Southeast Alabama Conference Sons of Allen, and JCAME gifted the basketball teams with gift cards as well as some snacks. WE WIN!!



*Johns Chapel WMS and Aflac  
Breast Cancer Awareness Celebration  
"I am more than a Conqueror"*

**Allie Lee Clark Sconiers Women's  
Missionary Society  
2023-2024 Officers**



*Sister Annie Mills*

**OUR SURVIVORS**

*Sister  
Vernetta DeRamus*



This year Johns Chapel Allie Lee Clark Sconiers Women's Missionary Society partnered with Aflac to bring awareness to Breast Cancer and to celebrate the survivors in our church and community. The song lyrics by Hezekiah Walker says it best. He says, "the fight is fixed, I know, I'll win, I won't give in, Cause I'm more than a conqueror!" Every Sunday was a "PINK OUT" Sunday with a grand finale pink fashion show, great fellowship and delicious food prepared by LaShae White-Lane. Thank you Aflac for being our sponsor this year.

Members of the Johns Chapel Women's Missionary Society (WMS) met on October 26 and elected officers, with President Constance Jones presiding. Sister Martha Roseboro, President of the Southeast Conference WMS, conducted the election and installation of officers.

Elected officers for the new conference year are Sisters Margrete Simmons, President; LauReen McDaniel, 2nd Vice President; Ruthie Warren, 3rd Vice President; Odessa Jones, Recording Secretary; Felicia Varner, Assistant Recording Secretary; Mary Jackson, Corresponding Secretary; Nichole Nichols, Treasurer; Sister Patricia White, Promotion and Missionary Education Director; Fernisa "Nikki" Mills, Director of Young People's Division; Marion Griffin, Worship Director. The 1st Vice President will be appointed by the President since there was no candidate for that position.

New members were also on hand--Chiquita Hatcher read the Nominating Committee report in the absence of Sister Geraldine Sanders, Committee Chair; and Sister Barbara Fields, Committee Member.. Our beloved recently deceased member, Debra J. Jones, was also a member of the Nominating Committee. Our newest member, Sister Shelly Harden, was also present to share in the election of officers. President Simmons expressed her appreciation to all and saluted President Jones for a job well done during her eight years as local president. A repast provided by President Jones and President Simmons was enjoyed by all. We cordially invite all ladies of the church to join the WMS as we work on the mission field to help those in need. Monthly meetings are held at 6:00 pm on Monday after the second Sunday.

Submitted By:  
Sister Marge Simmons, WMS President



*1 Thessalonians 5:18  
Give thanks in all  
circumstances for  
this is the will of  
God in Christ  
Jesus for you.*

**Ways to Give Tithes and  
Offerings for Kingdom  
Building**

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# Fall Festival

R.A.Y.A.C. YOU DID IT AGAIN!!



What a grand time we had this year at our annual community fall festival. There was fun had by all. Especially those that had an opportunity to dunk Pastor White.



## Ways to Worship

Virtual, In Person, or Limited Range  
Radio 87.9 FM

Breakfast From Heaven  
Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Sunday School  
Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship  
Sunday at 10:45 a.m.

Weekly Bible Study  
Adults and Youth  
Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.  
In person

Late Night Devotion  
Facebook at 10:00 p.m.

For more details about our services  
and how to join via Zoom, Facebook  
Live, or YouTube,  
please visit our website.  
[www.johnschapelamec.org](http://www.johnschapelamec.org)

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