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NY WIM SPOTLIGHT - Reverend Alicia Bailey

Rev. Alicia Bailey is a bi-vocational professional. She is the Pastor of St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, New York where their motto is "A Church that Cares About You." In addition, she is the Director of HR - Solutions Center - Benefits at NYU Langone Health. Rev. Alicia holds a Master of Divinity degree and a Certificate in Christian Ministry from New York Theological Seminary, a Bachelor's degree in Business administration with a concentration in Human Resources from Pace University, and she has completed all the requirements to be an ordained Itinerant Elder in the AME denomination.

Since 2019 Rev. Alicia, has served as the NY Conference AME Women in Ministry (WIM) Coordinator. Prior to her appointment to St. John AME Church, Rev. Bailey served as the Pastor of James/St. Philip AME Church from June 2010 to June 13, 2015. She has 31 years of Human Resources/Benefits experience.

She has organized and coordinated seminars, retreats, conferences, orientations, and business meetings. She has preached and taught workshops in several places including the AME Institute. She is one of the contributing authors of *"How to Survive When Your Ship is Sinking"* and *"Awesome Women On The Move: Inspirational Daily Journal."* She has been the recipient of many awards such as "Minister of the Year" by the Williamsbridge Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club.

Rev. Alicia is the daughter of Veronica Morris and the late Clayton Nesmith. She has one sister, Tahitia and one brother, Eric. She is married to her soul mate, Randall Bailey and they have a daughter, Adrianna Alicia Bailey. Rev. Alicia enjoys her family members and friends, traveling, listening to music, rapping, comedy shows/films, empowering people, and telling jokes.

Her favorite scripture is Proverbs 3:5-6- *"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."*

Some of your biggest challenges? Not letting the Financial Responsibilities (i.e. assessments) of the AME Church impact the Priority of doing Ministry. If you are not careful, the financial demands can impact your Love for enhancing the Kingdom of God here on this earth.

If you had to give one piece of wisdom, what would it be? *Be Your own person! Do not let the challenges of Ministry steal your joy! Stay Focused and close to your family!*

What does it mean for you to be the Coordinator of the New York Conference? How has that experience furthered your growth as a WIM? I love serving in the Role of NY Annual Conference. I have been able to work with an awesome E-Board that has allowed me to lead in my own creative way. This role gives me opportunity to foster unity and support with the WIM in this conference. We have been able to partner with the Jamaica Annual Conference (part of the 16th Episcopal). This role has allowed me to participate in the planning on the Frist Episcopal District level since all Coordinators are part of the Executive team. This role has afforded me the opportunity to be a supporter and advocate for WIM by promoting WHY WIM is essential. Being active in WIM has furthered my growth because it has allowed me to learn the AME church - in terms of the Do(s) and the Don't(s).

How do you maintain balance between your family and ministry? My family is very supportive of my Ministry. I maintain balance by ensuring that I incorporate family time (that is a Must). I believe strongly in serving and loving God first, my family second and then work (which consists of church and secular). In addition, in terms of attending AME meetings, my family (husband and daughter) travel with me on numerous occasions.

In Memoriam

Rev. Beryl Yvette Days -
March 12, 2023

Evang. Doris Evans -
September 4, 2022

We thank God for their faithful years of dedicated service as Women in Ministry in the African Methodist Episcopal Church



2023 1st District WIM Lenten Journal Writer Shoutout

Evang. Dina Brown-Williams
Rev. Zorina Costello
Rev. Dr. Henrietta Fullard
Rev. Dr. Carla Hunter-Ramsey
Rev. Erika Jones
Rev. Dr. Jo-An Owings

DID YOU KNOW?

Rev. Andrea M. Hargett, PhD believes that it is important to work ecumenically for the uplifting and transforming power of God's people. She has traveled twice to Ghana and Israel, Johannesburg, South Africa, Bahia and San Paulo, Brazil to participate in mission trips and ecumenical dialogue.

NYAME WIM has 16 male associate members. Rev. Dr. Henry A. Belin III was our very first male associate and has been for over 20 years.

Why WIM?

Section 1. Mission. The mission of the AME/WIM is to define, enhance, support and expand the presence of women in ministry in leadership in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church.

Being a part of Women in Ministry is an opportunity to be among sisters and learn from one another and as a means of support. Women in Ministry exists to advocate for women in all aspects of ministry. Being a part lets us know that we are not alone, we can lean, gain insight and mentor one another.

NY AME WIM Mentoring Program. Are you looking for a sister to support you on your ministerial journey? Do you have expertise that can be shared with another sister? NY AME WIM invites you to complete a mentorship interest survey link below. We seek mentors, mentees, and committee members to participate in the WIM Mentoring Program. <https://forms.gle/tu6JhErNWcJrKRV37>

Call for Papers to submit articles to a special edition of the AME Review exclusively for AME Women in Ministry!
All submissions are to address our Quadrennial theme, "Walking in Strength: Iron Sharpens Iron" Proverbs. 27:17
DEADLINE TO RESPOND: MAY 15, 2023 Email submissions to Reverend Kimberly Detherage Esq email: amereview2024@gmail.com

Upcoming News/Events

April 7, 2023 @ 6pm: The Power of A Conference Call- These Bones Can Live! - Rev. Erika Jones
April 20, 2023 @ 7pm: Iron Sharpens Iron: We Are One—Praying Before Annual Conference
April 25, 2023@ 2:30pm: NYAC WIM Worship Service @ First AME Church: Bethel - Rev. Kimberly L. Detherage, Esq., Preacher

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