## **August 24, 2025**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS**

- **1. Pastor Nelson's Vacation:** Pastor Nelson will be on vacation August 18 September 1, 2025. During this time, please contact Rev. Dr. Monica Hargrove for any spiritual needs and Bro. Tommy Baugh, the Preacher's Steward, for all other concerns. Pastor Nelson is soliciting your prayers for himself, Rev. Tina, and Collin, as they travel.
- 2. Charles R. Drew Elementary School Donations: As many of you know, Lomax has an ongoing relationship with Drew Elementary School. In the past few years, Lomax has participated in the school's effort to collect school supplies for their students. The school's administration has asked that donations this summer be made in the form of monetary contributions. Donations can be made through your church envelope and via Lomax's Givelify platform. Thanks for your support in advance. If you have any questions, please contact any member of Lomax's Steward Board.
- **3. Sunday School:** Sunday School is held via Zoom each Sunday. Presently, on 1st and 3rd Sundays, you may also participate in Sunday School in-person from the Boardroom. Sunday School begins at 9:30 am. Following is Zoom participation information:

Join via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89311232668

Meeting ID: 893 1123 2668

Dial-In Information: 301-715-8592 or 1-646-931-3860

Meeting ID: 893 1123 2668

**4. Sunday Worship Service:** Please invite someone who is unchurched to our morning worship service at 11 am. Sunday's bulletin is attached. Virtual worship may be accessed as follows: Lomax's Facebook page at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/lomaxamezionchurch/">https://www.facebook.com/lomaxamezionchurch/</a> or website using the Lomax Live tab at <a href="https://www.lomaxchurchva.com/lomax-live/">https://www.lomaxchurchva.com/lomax-live/</a>.

## 5. Intercessory Prayer:

NOTE: The Intercessory Prayer calls will be suspended on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, and Tuesday, September 2, 2025. Intercessory Prayer will resume on Tuesday, September 9, 2025.

- **6. Bible Study:** We will not have Bible Study during the remainder of the month of August. Please enjoy your "Summer Selah." Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.
- **7. August 2025 S.H.A.R.E.:** The distribution day for August S.H.A.R.E. packages is Saturday, August 23, 2025, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## 8. LAY COUNCIL INFORMATION:

Service -- To honor Sister Jerolene (Jeri) Pincham (a Lay Council Life Member), please consider wearing black & gold attire to her "Viewing and Celebration of Life" on Saturday, August 30, 2025.

"Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised".

~ Proverbs 31:30

Seeking your prayers and support for Children's Outreach and a successful school year at the "Back 2 School Prayer Rally and Ice Cream Social" on Saturday, September 6th, 2025. More information to follow. "For with God nothing shall be impossible." ~ Luke 1:37

Membership -- Reminder that our Membership Drive Continues.... Thank you & Bless you, Sister Byrd

Education -- SAVE THE DATE and participate in the "Connectional Week of Prayer & Fasting from September 2, 2025 thru September 8, 2025". \*See the attached Bishop Thompson Fasting Guide.

Plan to be enlightened by the "State of Your Church Course Curriculum & The Kingdom AGENDA Master Class Series"; sponsored by the AME Zion Church/Department of Church Growth & Development.

\*Flyer is attached.

9. Health Unit: This week's focus is Immunization Awareness. A flyer is attached.

- **10. First Quarterly Mass Meeting:** The First Quarterly Mass Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 23, 2025, located at R. L. Jones AME Zion Church at 9:00 a.m. Stoling will take place at the beginning of the meeting. The address is:1723 Lawrence St. NW, Washington, DC 20018. It is requested that all Missionaries attend the First Mass Meeting in-person. In addition to stoles, the recommended attire for missionaries is white, and dark suits for men. Thanks, Sis. Ruthy Brown, Lomax's WH&OMS President
- **11. Lomax WH&OMS Meeting:** We are calling on Lomax's Missionaries, including each department head for the Life Members Council, YAMs, Supply Bureau, and BUDs, to join us for our first missionary meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 7:00p.m. by Zoom. Thanks in advance! Sis. Ruthy Brown, WH&OMS, President.

Join Via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83879079999

Meeting ID: 838 7907 9999

Dial-In: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 838 7907 9999

- **12. Washington District Fifth Sunday Fellowship:** Varick Memorial AME Zion Church will host the Washington District 5th Sunday Fellowship Worship Service at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 31, 2025, featuring the newly formed Washington District Conference Choir under the direction of Rev. David Deverteuil. The address is 255 Anacostia Ave Washington, DC 20019. A flyer is attached.
- 13. 2025 Mid-Atlantic Episcopal District Leadership Training Institute: This year's MAED LTI will be held October 23-25, 2025, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in North Bethesda, MD. Each person amenable to the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference is expected to register yourself. Other Lomax ministry leaders and members of Lomax are encouraged to register and attend. Please direct registration financial hardships directly to Pastor Nelson. Links to register and to reserve your hotel room are below. A flyer is attached.

LTI Registrations:

https://B3050805485318EF.chmeetings.com/events/49BF02E8B57096E4

Room Reservations:

https://book.passkey.com/e/51092129

- **14. Senior Ministry:** The Lomax Senior Ministry will NOT be meeting on Saturday, August 23rd. Looking forward to sharing with you on Saturday, September 27, 2025.
- **15. Green Valley Community Day 2025:** The Green Valley Community of Arlington proudly invites you to be a part of our annual Green Valley Community Day! This year's theme is "In the Spirit of Unity," and we're excited to bring neighbors, friends, and partners together for a fun-filled day of celebration, connection, and community pride.

Saturday, September 20, 2025

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

John Robinson Town Square (2406 S. Shirlington Rd.) & Dr. Charles R. Drew Community Center (3500 S. 23rd St.) — Arlington, VA

We are currently seeking:

- Entertainers
- Sponsors & Donors
- Vendors (Retail, Non-Profit, Community, Health)
- Volunteers
- Food Vendors

Interested in participating or supporting the event or just have feedback? We'd love to hear from you! Please submit this <u>form</u>\* which contains full details of how to get involved. Let's come together "In the Spirit of Unity" at Green Valley Day — we hope to see you there!

\*Form URL: <a href="https://forms.gle/VUbZYr1L8H5zEmYE8">https://forms.gle/VUbZYr1L8H5zEmYE8</a>

Green Valley Civic Association: https://greenvalleyciv.org

**16. Green Valley Farmers Market:** Organizations that provide services to the Green Valley Community are invited to market those services at Green Valley Farmers Market on Fridays from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at John Robinson Jr. Town Square of Arlington, Virginia through November 7, 2025. Each market will feature and highlight a service provider and sponsor table. A flyer is attached. Please direct inquiries to Portia A. Clark, Market Manager, Green Valley Farmers Market CARE, Inc. <a href="mailto:careinc1996@gmail.com">careinc1996@gmail.com</a>

Apply to be a vendor by using the following

link: https://marketspread.com/market/29370/green-valley-farmers-market/apply/5240/

RSVP by using the following link: <a href="https://forms.gle/J32HNExDLqsunDcc8">https://forms.gle/J32HNExDLqsunDcc8</a>