NOVEMBER 8, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATION

1. **1796 Campaign Sunday:** On November 8th, AME Zion Churches throughout our denomination will observe 1796 Campaign Sunday. **Due to Pastor Nelson's travel, Lomax will observe 1796 Campaign Sunday on Sunday, November 15, 2026. Next Sunday, please come prepared to financially support this campaign.** Through this campaign, our denomination has set as a goal to raise $4.5 million through giving and matching grants. The resources raised will support three campaign pillars and help establish a stronger foundation for our denomination's future. — Pastor Nelson

2. Washington District 2nd Mass Meeting: The Washington District Missionary 2nd Mass Meeting will be held VIRTUALLY and hosted by Metropolitan Wesley AME Zion Church, 1712 N. Capitol NW, Washington, DC 20002, Rev. Dr. Heath L. Cheek, Pastor, November 7th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The meeting Zoom link will be shared once available.

3. Homecoming T-Shirt Sunday: Lomax family and friends, thanks so much for your support in purchasing a Homecoming T-shirt to mark the 160th Anniversary of Lomax AME Zion Church. **Let's end the festivities with a "Homecoming T-shirt Sunday," Sunday, November 22, 2026,** as we give God the glory for a grand celebration of our founders and ancestors, recognized past and current leadership, worshiped with our young adults and youth, shared in a fellowship dinner, and feasted on a spiritual message from Bishop Miller. As we plan to wear our T-shirts, we continue to give a big shoutout and thank you to DaJuan Green for his T-shirt design and assistance in purchasing and distributing the Homecoming T-shirts — Mrs. LaVonne Stewart

4. Sunday School: Please join us Sunday morning for our regular Sunday School sessions at 9:30 am. Participation will be possible in-person and via Zoom. 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

5. Sunday Worship Service: Please invite someone to worship with us this Sunday at 11 am. Sunday's bulletin is attached. Virtual worship may be accessed as follows: Lomax's Facebook **page at:**

https://www.facebook.com/lomaxamezionchurch/ or website using the Lomax Live tab at https://www.lomaxchurchva.com/lomax-live/.

6. Bible Study: Bible Study **will not** take place this Wednesday, November 11th at 7:00 pm.

7. Washington District Thanksgiving Service: The Washington District's Thanksgiving Worship Service will be held on Sunday, November 22, 2026 (instead of the Fifth Sunday Fellowship Service). The Contee AME Zion Church, is the host church, the Rev. Brandon Pennex, Sr., host Pastor. The Washington District Mass Choir will provide the Ministry of Music. The officers and members of Lomax AME Zion Church are encouraged to attend.

8. Senior Ministry: Please join the Lomax Senior Ministry as we prepare to attend the annual "Senior Citizens' Holiday Luncheon" sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc, Zeta Chi Omega Chapter and the Ivy Foundation of Northern Virginia. The luncheon is December 6th, from 1:30- 4:30 pm at Alexandria City High School. The last date to sign up for this event is November 10, 2026. See Sis. Brenda Cox to sign up. — Brenda Cox

9. The 160th Church Anniversary Financial Close-out: As we close out the 160th Church Anniversary, we are encouraging all pledge and sponsorship commitments be paid in full. We are working on the Journal. If you are interested in making a pledge contribution to be included and to receive a journal, please see Sis. Ruthy Brown and make your pledge and contribution by Sunday, November 18, 2026.

10. Intercessory Prayer: **Intercessory Prayer will meet this Tuesday November 10th ,2026 at 6:30 am.** Following is the Zoom information to participate in that session:

Join via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86028580752

Meeting ID: 860 2858 0752

Dial-In Information: 301-715-8592

11. Bureau of Evangelism: The Bureau of Evangelism is seeking individuals with a heart for ministry and a desire to help spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and proclaim the coming Kingdom of God. If you are interested in becoming part of this important ministry, please leave your name with Rev. Wanda Polite. A brief interest meeting will be held immediately following morning worship service on Sunday, November 8, 2026. (Please meet me near the piano.)

We invite you to join us as we share the love of Christ, spread the Gospel, and advance the Kingdom of God! Thank you,

12. <u>Christian Education Elevate/Winter Information</u>: Parents of children and youth, emerging adults, and adults interested in attending this year's AME Zion Church Christian Education Department Winter Meeting, ELEVATE, are asked to contact Wanda Williams or Christina Kemp (Children), Tyrus Pincham (Youth) or Essence Cooper (Emerging Adults) for information. ELEVATE will take place December 27-30, 2026, in Phoenix, Arizona. The theme for this meeting is "Gifted for Greatness." A copy of the presentation is attached. Essence Cooper, Lomax CED Director.

13. <u>Women's Ministry Holiday Outreaches</u>:

- The Women's Ministry will be supporting Thomas Jefferson Middle School for the Thanksgiving Holiday with gift cards between $10 - $50 (in increments of $5) to be provided to families in need. Please give your gift cards to Sis. Brenda Humphrey or Sis. Breanna Roseboro. You may also give through Givelify or your giving envelope. Please note 'Women's Ministry' in the memo section. We will collect donations through November 15th. Lastly, you can scan the QR code in the attached flyer and give directly to the school. (Please note there is an administrative fee associated with that method of giving.)
- Also, the Women's Ministry will be supporting Gunston Middle School for the Christmas Holiday with gift cards of $25 for their Angel Tree Drive to be provided to students in need. Please give your gift cards to Sis. Humphrey or Sis. Breanna Roseboro. We will collect donations through December 13th.
- Further, the Women's Ministry will be supporting Thomas Jefferson and Gunston Middle Schools with black leggings, sweatpants, or joggers (all sizes but mostly L and XL) and underwear (sizes XS through M) for the female students. This is an ongoing collection. Please give donations to Sis. Humphrey.

Thanks for your generous support of these efforts! — Rev. Tina

14. <u>Lay Council Information</u>:

- ***Membership:*** Renew or join for $10.00. Please note Lay Council dues on your envelope or in the Givelify App. Payments can also be given to Sister Denise Pincham, 2nd VP of Lomax Lay Council and Membership Chair. TY!
- ***Education/Interests of the Kingdom:***
    - What's the difference between "988 & 911"? Know which number to call by reviewing the attached FACT SHEET.

- Arlington Historical Society (AHS), the Memorializing the Enslaved (MEA) in Arlington Project and the Center for Local History - Offering a FREE Genealogy Workshop on November 21st, 2026. See attached and posted information to register!

- **Green Valley: The Community Conversation Series**
  - **Dates**: Saturday, October 17 – November 21, 2026
  - **Time**: 10:30 a.m. –12:30 p.m.
  - **Location**: Charles Drew Community Center, 3500 S. 23rd Street, Arlington, VA
  - **Hospitality**: A shared meal and childcare will be provided
  - Help create a shared vision for Green Valley. **Join one conversation or all six.** Register here: Green Valley Community Conversations Registration
- **Arlington System of Care NOW HIRING Parent Representatives. SEE FLYER**

15. <u>Health Ministry Information:</u> This week's health information relates to "**Menopause Matters- Real Talk on Midlife Transitions"**. Please see the attached information.