



Evergreen Notes

Evergreen Association of American Baptist Churches

Meet Rev. Dr. Zina Jacque, Evergreen’s 2018 Annual Meeting Preacher



Zina Jacque has been the lead pastor for the Community Church of Barrington in

Illinois for over a decade. Prior to this call she served on the staffs of multicultural, urban, and suburban churches, as a university chaplain and she has done extensive work in the areas of education, counseling, and support programs.

One of her most blessed endeavors was founding the Pastoral Counseling Center of Trinity Church (Episcopal) in Boston. As the founder and first executive director, Jacque implemented training on the intersection of psychotherapy and

faith for mental health professionals, law enforcement officers and local pastors. The center is now 17 years old and remains a leader in the delivery of direct service hours to underserved communities in the greater Boston area.

...[W]hat is most important to her is this: She is a child of God, formed and filled with God’s love. She believes we are each sent into the world to live out our gifts and talents for the good of the whole and that as Christians, we are meant to be the channel through which all of the families of the earth are blessed.

Plan to attend the Annual Meeting October 12 & 13, Grace Baptist Church,,484 E San Fernando St., San Jose CA. 95112

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Annual Meeting Lodging

Your planning team has arranged with San Jose Marriott, 301 S Market Street, San Jose CA 95113 to provide lodging at the rate of \$184.41(including taxes and fees)/night; October 12 and 13, 2018. Phone # (408) 280-1300

Reservations must be made by Friday September 7, 2018 in order to receive the rate quoted above.

Pray for Churches Seeking Pastors:

Mount Zion Baptist Church, Community Church of Issaquah, Filipino-American Christian Fellowship, Grace Baptist Church—Tacoma, and Burien Community Church

Pastor Gale O'Neil Retires; Arlington Community Church Closes its Doors

On Sunday, August 26, 2018, Rev. Gale O'Neil will retire as pastor of Arlington Community Church meeting at 713 N Talcott St., Arlington WA 98223 and the congregation has decided to close its doors. We are grateful to have had them as a part of Evergreen Association.

Wedgwood Community Church has a number of VHS tapes, but no tape player. So for anyone who has a VHS player and is interested in any of the following titles:
5 Great adventures: David & Goliath, Joshua & Battle of Jericho, Samson & Delilah, Daniel & the Lion's Den, Noah's Ark, Moses, The Nativity, 3 Super Books, 6 Animated Stories from the New Testament, and 3 Quigley's Village

Call Wedgwood Community Church at 206-522-5778 or email Candace at samsdream@comcast.net

Interested in an innovative way to create a Prayer Shawl for your church?

Go online to www.lenorej.com and check out the page on "Fabrics of the Church" for more information.

Thanks to Churches Returning Completed 2017 Annual Reports

To date, the following churches have returned or completed online the 2017 Annual Report. Thank you! Additions to the list are **BOLD***. If your church is not included in the following list or in the box below, please complete and return your report.

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| 1. First Baptist Church—SLC | 12. New Beginnings Christian Fellowship |
| 2. Seattle Chin Baptist Church | 13. Fremont Baptist Church |
| 3. Queen Anne Baptist Church | 14. Oak Lake Baptist Church |
| 4. Lakeshore Avenue Baptist Church | 15. Seattle First Baptist Church |
| 5. Arlington Community Church | 16. Cambridge Drive Community Church |
| 6. Grace Baptist Church—SJ | 17. Panther Lake Community Church* |
| 7. University Baptist Church | 18. Karen Community Church Gtr Seattle* |
| 8. First Baptist Church-Chico | 19. Washington Kachin Baptist Church |
| 9. Seattle Falam Baptist Church | 20. The United Church—Moscow |
| 10. Japanese Baptist Church | |
| 11. First Baptist Church-Mountlake Terrace | |

Consider Attending the Inauguration of COLLEGE MATONDO in Madeline, Haiti on Friday January 25, 2019.

Contact clem@ea-abc.org or call 253-859-2226

Evergreen Bar-Be-Que a Success—Thank You!

The Evergreen Association Black Caucus is grateful to our families and friends for your support of the 13th Annual Barbeque Fundraiser. We had a sunny day, awesome food, grand fellowship and lots of fun!

Association Chair Sandra Stice pulled the winning raffle ticket belonging to Brother Frank Lowe who won the raffle for two Mariners' Game Tickets, seven rows up from first base. Congratulations, Brother Lowe!

One of Marcia Patton's famous apple pies sold at auction for \$120.00! For the first time, Yosh Nakagawa was outbid!

The following proceeds will support the ministries of the Evergreen Association.



Prepaid tickets (paid before the BBQ):	\$1,020
Raffle	535
On-site sales	<u>1,685</u>
TOTAL RAISED	\$3,240

Evergreen Black Caucus will worship with Pastor Leon Jenkins, Rev. John Giles and the Mt. Pilgrim Metropolitan Baptist Church, Oakland CA. Sunday, October 15, 2018. Plan to take an evening flight home if you will join the celebration.

SAVE the DATES

August 14, 2018

2018 Seattle Baptist Union Active Clergy and Spouse Dinner Cruise

Invitations have been sent to pastors and clergy of SBU churches. **RSVP by August 6th, 5 PM**

Only 30 Spaces Remaining at Publication of this Newsletter

2018 American Baptist Men's National Conference

How to be the Hands and Feet of Christ

September 7-9, 2018, Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake WI

June 21-23, 2019—Biennial Mission Summit, Virginia Beach Convention Center, Virginia Beach, VA (Meeting on the East Coast for the first time since 2007!)

Social Media Corner: Sharing Events



*Mindi Welton-Mitchell
Pastor, Queen Anne Baptist
Church and Evergreen
Social Media Specialist*

Many churches have events in September as people return from vacations and summer experiences into the routine of the

school year. Creating a Facebook Event is a great way to share details of what is happening and also to receive RSVP's. You can set it up on your Facebook page, and invite people who have liked the page, but it can also be shared to individual Facebook walls. Those invited can in turn invite others. It is a simple way to get information out.

Be sure to use pictures, and to fill out all the information fields on the event. It is also a good idea to check dates and times before posting, as sometimes the time is listed as a.m. instead of p.m., etc. Under the selection to Share Event, you can also get a link for the event so it can be shared on your website or in print.

Within the Facebook event, you can allow people to post to the event, or to moderate comments (the administrator of the page would then have to approve them before they are posted). The event will also remind people who haven't responded yes or no as the date approaches, and will remind those who said yes before the event occurs.

Facebook Events is a simple and free way of sharing information for your special event.

Blessings,
Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell
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Sharing the Evergreen Way!
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Send events and happenings in your church and community to Mindi at media@ea-abc.org and she will spread the word on the web through multiple media formats. Thanks, Mindi!

Pray Especially for these Sister Churches during the Month of August

**Greater Friendship Baptist Church
Greater New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
Japanese Baptist Church
Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
and**

The members of Arlington Community Church as they disband



EVERGREEN ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES
2018 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION

October 12—14, 2018

Grace Baptist Church

484 East San Fernando Street San Jose CA

Rev. Dr. Lilliana DaValle, Host Pastor

Theme: “Yes, We Will!” Luke 4:18-19

Join Us!

Please submit a separate registration form for each person attending. Checks may be combined for more than one person’s fees. Return completed form(s) with check or money order payable to *Evergreen Association—ABC, 409 Third Avenue S, Suite A, Kent WA 98032*, or register online at <http://www.ea-abc.org/annual-meeting.html>

NAME _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY/STATE/ZIP _____
 TELEPHONE _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS _____
 CHURCH MEMBERSHIP _____

REGISTRATION FEE [Required]	\$15.00	\$15.00
Friday lunch [Panera Box]	\$10.00	_____
Friday Dinner [Mexican]	\$15.00	_____
Saturday lunch [Panera Box]	\$10.00	_____
Saturday [Roasted Chicken]	\$15.00	_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED		\$ _____

___ I need child care for children of these ages: _____
 ___ I have special meal needs (Please let us know if you need vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, etc. Selections.) _____

Limited Scholarships are available. Contact Doug at 253-859-2226.

Note: *Rev. Douglas Avilesbernal will be installed as Executive Minister during evening worship on Saturday, October 14th.*

EVERGREEN WAY TRAINING - February 4–8, 2019

- Designed for all church leaders and
- Essential for every Evergreen pastor

This training/reflection event is underwritten by a Palmer Grant. The five-day training costs only \$250 which covers room/board and resources as well as a travel scholarship for those outside of Western Washington. Pastors can get an ABHMS scholarship to cover the \$250 registration fee.

Camp Burton Retreat Center Vashon Island, Washington

Registration information will be made available as the date nears.

SOS!! Eye Clinic Needs Help & College Matondo Inauguration

Dear Loved Ones,
Greetings. This is our SOS cry
at the eye clinic.

We have much equipment
that needs some technical
expertise to become useful
again. We do not have people
with the skills needed to fix
the broken equipment.
I personally hate to see our
place become like a cemetery
or a junk yard for eye clinic
equipment .

We badly need a person with
some skills who would like to
come and spend some time
trying to fix those that are
still fixable and help us
determine those that need to
be thrown out.

The eye clinic will also
appreciate it if a medical team
could come help us.
Our people are crying for
help.

We thank you.
In Haiti,
Nzunga & Kihomi

*Dear supporters,
The eye clinic needs help. I
know I have told you before
the importance of this
ministry. It has restored site
to thousands. The only clinic
in northern Haiti that treats
everyone that comes despite
their ability to pay. The only
clinic that removes cataracts
from children and
adults. The equipment is old
plus the change from analog
to digital a few years ago
makes getting parts a
problem. Can you help? Do
you know anyone who could
help? Please pray God sends
someone in their hour of need.
**Ps. As an aside, Nzunga
just told me he is need of
hand sanitizer also.**
Blessings,
Denny Shewell – MPT
812-569-1352*

The
inauguration
of COLLEGE
MATONDO
in Madeline,
Haiti will be
on Friday
January 25, 2019. Pastor
Mano is planning to house 20
persons coming for the
celebration.
In Haiti,
Nzunga & Kihomi



Kihomi & Nzunga

HIGHLIGHTING LAYLEADERS

JOE C. JONES

Inducted into the Northwest Ski Hall of Fame

Joe C. Jones grew up in Vallejo CA, participating in school sports in his youth. Recruited by the University of Washington to play fullback on the Jim Owens-led Huskies, Joe help lead the team to back-to-back Rose Bowl wins in 1960 and 1961. After graduating from the UW with a degree in journalism, he worked for IBM and later as station manager for KYAC, Seattle's first black-owned radio station. From that platform, Joe encouraged black youth to participate in non-traditional sports such as tennis and golf, and in a 1965 broadcast mentioned his personal interest in trying skiing—asking if listeners were interested. The station switchboard received 85 enthusiastic calls and Joe went to work.

With YMCA-sponsored buses for transportation, he started the East Madison KYAC Ski School. More than 40 youth participated on weekends at Snoqualmie Summit. Osborn and Ulland provided skis and Webb and Virginia Moffett offered discounts for ski tickets.

Joe teamed up with

proficient black skiers, Paul Cutchlow and Mel Campbell who volunteered to give free instruction, and the first wave of mostly inner-city youth thrived in skiing and the program grew. Joe became a certified instructor and in the late 1960s with Mel Campbell on staff, transitioned the school to a commercial venture called the Mini Max Ski School.

In addition to skiing, Joe also started the University of Washington Black Athletes Alumni Club in 1968. And growing interest from African Americans wanting to participate in skiing and other non-traditional sports, led him to start the Four Seasons Northwest, a club for African American youth and other young people of color. Four Seasons Northwest continues today to promote skiing for disadvantaged minorities and to provide scholarship opportunities for youth to ski. Four Seasons NW became a founding club of the National Brotherhood of Skiers, officially chartered in 1974. The National Brotherhood of Skiers thrives to this day, representing over 60 clubs in 43 cities with a

membership of approximately 3000.

In recognition of Joe's tireless efforts to provide young minorities new opportunities in skiing, the City of Seattle and King County proclaimed July 19, 2003 as Joe Jones Day.

And now, Joe Jones is one of four who will be inducted into the Ancient Skier's Northwest Ski Hall of Fame. The celebration will be at the Ancient Skiers' biennial banquet on October 14, 2018, at the Nile Shrine Golf and Country Club in Mountlake Terrace WA.

Congratulations, Joe Jones, on your induction into the Ancient Skier Northwest Ski Hall of Fame!

Deacon Joe Jones is a member of the New Beginnings Christian Fellowship, Kent WA, where the Rev. Dr. Leslie David Braxton is pastor.

Let us highlight a layperson in your congregation. Send information to the editor at clem@ea-abc.org or mail to 409 Third Ave. S, Ste A, Kent WA 98032.



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Please submit articles by the **20th** of the month prior to expected publication.
You are encouraged to copy and/or reprint information and articles.

Building Bridges, Resourcing Churches & Translating Our Unity



Rev. Douglas Avilesbernal
Executive Minister

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- ◆ **August 18, 2018—Association Board Meeting, SFBC, 9 AM**
- ◆ **October 12-13, 2018
Evergreen Annual Meeting, Grace Baptist Church—
San Jose CA**
- ◆ **February 4-8, 2019 Evergreen Way Training at Camp Burton**
- ◆ **February 8—9, 2019 Leaders’ Retreat; noon on the 8th thru 3 PM on the 9th.**

Executive Committee meets on the second Thursday each month at 6:30 PM, Japanese Baptist Church.

MISSION STATEMENT

Being a culturally diverse people who are one in Christ and who value the liberties of our American Baptist Heritage, the Evergreen Baptist Association will

Build bridges between communities;
Provide resources to **equip member churches** to share Christ and teach God’s word;
and
Translate our unity to the world.