

"FOR THE LORD GOD IS A SUN AND SHIELD: THE LORD WILL GIVE GRACE AND GLORY: NO GOOD THING WILL HE WITHHOLD FROM THEM THAT WALK UPRIGHTLY. PSALM 84:11

#### JANUARY - DECEMBER 2025 STATE CALENDAR

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## A Message of Envouragement for 2025

In the tapestry of human existence, the concept of divine presence has been a source of comfort and strength for countless individuals across cultures and epochs. The belief that God is an ever-present help, available whenever we call upon Him, is a cornerstone of faith for many. This essay explores the profound assurance that God's presence is not confined by time or circumstance, offering solace and guidance at any hour of the day or night.

From the dawn of creation, the omnipresence of God has been a fundamental tenet of many religious traditions. The Psalms, a revered collection of hymns and prayers in the Judeo-Christian tradition, eloquently express this sentiment. Psalm 46:1 declares, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble." This verse encapsulates the unwavering belief that God is always near, ready to provide refuge and strength in times of need. Whether it is the stillness of dawn or the quiet of midnight, God's presence is a constant, unchanging source of support.

The notion of God's perpetual availability is not limited to moments of crisis. It extends to the everyday experiences and challenges that shape our lives. In the hustle and bustle of modern life, where stress and anxiety often loom large, the assurance that we can reach out to God at any moment is profoundly comforting. This belief fosters a sense of peace and resilience, enabling individuals to navigate life's complexities with a steady heart and a clear mind.

Moreover, the accessibility of God's help transcends physical and emotional boundaries. It is not confined to specific places of worship or particular rituals. Instead, it is a deeply personal and intimate connection that can be accessed through prayer, meditation, or even a silent plea from the heart. This universality underscores the inclusive nature of divine assistance, affirming that God's help is available to all, regardless of their circumstances or background.

The stories of countless individuals bear testimony to the transformative power of calling upon God. From the biblical accounts of prophets and saints to the personal anecdotes of everyday believers, the narrative is consistent: God responds to those who seek Him. This response may come in various forms—through a sense of inner peace, a sudden clarity of thought, or the timely intervention of a kind stranger. Regardless of the form it takes, the underlying message is clear: God is always present, always listening, and always ready to help.

In conclusion, the belief that God is an ever-present help whenever we call upon Him is a profound source of comfort and strength. It reassures us that we are never alone, no matter the time of day or night. This divine presence, accessible through faith and prayer, offers a steadfast refuge in the face of life's uncertainties, guiding us with unwavering love and support.

As we navigate through each day of our life, remember, God is with you regardless of whatever the sickness, financial matter, governmental subterfuge or spiritual occurance. It is written, Hebrews 13:5 (NIV), "Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because He has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

May God continue to bless you and your family.

Tr. Bishop Mary L. Lebby Assistant Bishop

Bishop Charlene M. Jamison Jurisdictional Prelate

## JANUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			7 Days of Fasting & Praying Begins	7 Days of Fasting & Praying	7 Days of Fasting & Praying	7 Days of Fasting & Praying
5 • 7 Days of Fasting & Praying	6 • 7 Days of Fasting & Praying	7 • 7 Days of Fasting & Praying Ends	8	9	10	State Deacon's Union Meeting (Time/ Location: TBD)
State Bishop's Day	13	14	15	State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)	17	18
19	Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day     State Missionary Meeting (Time/Location: TBD)	21	22	State YFFU Business     Meeting (Time/ Location: TBD)	24	25
General Complex Rally Day (at home church)	27	28	29	30	31	







BISHOP CHARLENE M. JAMISON
JURISDICTIONAL PRELATE & L.I.T. FACILITATOR

#### FEBRUARY 2025

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				D.I.M. (Departments In Ministry) - Quarterly		
				progress' reports from all State departments submitted to the State		
				Bishop via email by 2PM EST		
23	24	25	26	27	28	
• Mt. Airy: Church Anniversary (Time: TBD)	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom)     Connect w/ Belgrade     at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom)     Connect w/ Fayetteville     at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.		Bishop's Virtual (Zoom)     Connect w/ Mt. Airy at     7:00 – 7:30 PM.	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom)     Connect w/ Raleigh at     7:00 - 7:30 PM.	
	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/Charlotte at 7:35 – 8:05 PM.	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/Lexington at 7:35 – 8:05 PM.		Bishop's Virtual (Zoom)     Connect w/ New Bern at     7:35 – 8:05 PM.	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Wilmington at 7:35 – 8:05 PM.	
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Palm Sunday State Bishop's Day  ADDAYS FAST (DAYS OF LENT) ENDS	14	Happy Birthday Bishop CM Jamison	16	State Trustee Board     Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)     State YFFU Business     Meeting (Time/     Location: TBD)	Good Friday	Wilmington: Pastoral Anniversary (Time: TBD)
20 • Easter Sunday	State Missionary     Meeting (Time/     Location: TBD)	22	23	24	25	State YFFU Event (Time / Location: TBD)
Mt. Airy: Assistant     Pastoral Appreciation     (Time: TBD)     New Bern: Pastoral     Anniversary (Time: TBD)	28	29	30			



#### MAY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	In The Name of Love:     Honoring Tr. Bishop     Mary L. Lebby, Asst.     Bishop (Time/ Location:     TBD)
Belgrade: Pastoral     Anniversary (Time: TBD)	5	6	7	8	9	State Deacon's Union Meeting (Time/ Location: TBD)
State Bishop's Day Mother's Day	12	13	14	State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)  D.I.M. (Departments In Ministry) - Quarterly progress reports from all State departments submitted to the State Bishop via email by 2PM EST	16	NO FUNDRAISING IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2025 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
18	19	20	21	22	25	24
25	26 • Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31
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#### JUNE 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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8 • State Bishop's Day	9	10	11	12 • State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)	13	14
15	2025 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN NASHVILLE, TN BEGINS					
2025 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN NASHVILLE, TN BEGINS	2025 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN NASHVILLE, TN ENDS	24	25	26	27	28
29 • General Pastoral Day	30					

#### JULY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	It's the 4th of July (Independence Day)	Bishop Clary K. Butler, Sr.'s (Chief Overseer's Birthday)
6	7	8	9	State YFFU Business     Meeting (Time/ Location: TBD)	11	12
State Bishop's Day	<ul> <li>Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Belgrade at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.</li> <li>Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/Charlotte at 7:35 - 8:05 PM.</li> </ul>	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Fayetteville at 7:00 - 7:30 PM. Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/Lexington at 7:35 - 8:05 PM.	16	State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)	<ul> <li>Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Mt. Airy at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.</li> <li>Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ New Bern at 7:35 - 8:05 PM.</li> </ul>	19
Wilmington: Church Anniversary (Time: TBD)	State Missionary     Meeting (Time/     Location: TBD)	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Raleigh at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.  Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Wilmington at 7:35 - 8:05 PM.	23	24	Youth Encounter '25 Raleigh, NC	Youth Encounter '25 Raleigh, NC
Youth Encounter '25 Raleigh, NC	28	29	30	31		



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#### AUGUST 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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State Bishop's Day	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)  D.I.M. (Departments In Ministry) - Quarterly progress reports from all State departments submitted to the State Bishop via email by 2PM EST	22	25
Lexington: Church     Anniversary (Time: TBD)	25	26	27	28	29	30
General Pastoral Day						

### SEPTEMBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	Deaconess Patsy     Butler's (First Lady)     Birthday	Belgrade: Assistant     Pastoral Appreciation     (Time: TBD)
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
State Bishop's Day	15	16	17	State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)	19	20
21	22	23	First day for all dates for state and local events to be submitted for the 2026 calendar.	25	26	State Deacon's Union Meeting (Time/ Location: TBD)
28	29	30				
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#### OCTOBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	State Bishop's     Anniversary Program     (Time/ Location: TBD)
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
State Bishop's Day	Columbus Day	14	15	State Trustee Board     Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)	17	18
• Fayetteville: Church Anniversary (Time: TBD)	State Missionary     Meeting (Time/     Location: TBD)	21	Last day for all dates for state and local events to be submitted for the 2026 calendar.	State YFFU Business     Meeting (Time/ Location: TBD)	24	New Bern: Church Anniversary (Time: TBD)
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#### NOVEMBER 2025

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Mt. Airy: Pastoral Anniversary (Time: TBD)	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 • State Bishop's Day	10	11	12	13	14	15
Belgrade: Church Anniversary (Time: TBD)     Wilmington: Assistant Pastoral Appreciation (Time: TBD)	17	18	19	State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)     D.I.M. (Departments In Ministry) - Quarterly progress reports from all State departments submitted to the State Bishop via email by 2PM EST	21	22
23 • Raleigh: Church Anniversary (Time: TBD)	All churches to forward to Nashville, TN – Thanksgiving Support	25	26	Thanksgiving Day	28	29
General Pastoral Day						



#### DECEMBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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7 • Lexington: Pastoral Anniversary (Time: TBD)	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Belgrade at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.  Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/Charlotte at 7:35 - 8:05 PM.	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom)     Connect w/ Fayetteville     at 7:00 – 7:30 PM.      Bishop's Virtual (Zoom)     Connect w/Lexington     at 7:35 – 8:05 PM.	10	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Mt. Airy at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.  Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ New Bern at 7:35 - 8:05 PM.	Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Raleigh at 7:00 - 7:30 PM.  Bishop's Virtual (Zoom) Connect w/ Wilmington at 7:35 - 8:05 PM.  Happy Birthday Tr. Bishop Mary L. Lebby	13 • 12 Days of Christmas
<ul><li>State Bishop's Day</li><li>12 Days of Christmas</li></ul>	<ul><li>15</li><li>12 Days of Christmas</li></ul>	12 Days of Christmas	• 12 Days of Christmas	<ul> <li>12 Days of Christmas</li> <li>State Trustee Board Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)</li> </ul>	12 Days of Christmas	12 Days of Christmas
21 • 12 Days of Christmas	22 • 12 Days of Christmas	23 • 12 Days of Christmas	12 Days of Christmas	25 • Christmas Day	26	27
28	All churches to forward to Nashville, TN – Christmas Support	30	31			

# A Time To... Engage!

In our fast-paced, technology-driven world, staying connected with each other and maintaining dates and times has become more crucial than ever. Human connections are the bedrock of our emotional well-being, providing us with support, understanding, and a sense of belonging. Regular communication with friends, family, and colleagues helps to nurture these relationships, ensuring that we remain emotionally healthy and socially engaged.

Maintaining dates and times is equally important as it fosters reliability and trust. When we honor our commitments, whether it's a meeting, a family gathering, or a simple coffee date, we demonstrate respect for others' time and effort. This reliability strengthens our bonds and builds a reputation of dependability, which is essential in both personal and professional spheres.

Moreover, staying organized with dates and times helps us manage our responsibilities effectively. It reduces stress by preventing last-minute rushes and forgotten appointments, allowing us to allocate our time efficiently. This organization not only enhances productivity but also ensures that we have time for meaningful interactions with our loved ones.

In essence, staying connected and maintaining dates and times are fundamental to strong relationships, building trust, and leading a balanced, fulfilling life. By prioritizing these aspects, we create a supportive network and a structured environment that benefits our overall well-being.

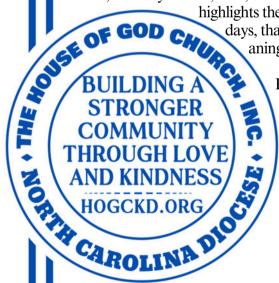
The Bible emphasizes the importance of being a good steward of time, urging believers to use their time wisely and purposefully. Ephesians 5:15-16 advises, "Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil." This passage highlights the need for vigilance and intentionality in our daily lives. Additionally, Psalm 90:12 implores, "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." By recognizing the brevity of life, we are encouraged to prioritize our time on me-

aningful and Godly pursuits, ultimately honoring God through our stewardship.

Remember, make time for God, for He is the one who created time, gives time and subtracts time. Let's stay connected to God, the Church, and each other. When we stay connected, we can do anything but fail.

Commentary by:
Bishop Charlene M. Jamison
Jurisdictional Prelate

"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:" Ecclesiastes 3:1.



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State Elder Melody Fonville, Pastor Mt. Airy, NC



State Elder Brad Rogers, Pastor Charlotte, NC



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