

*“Through Many Dangerous Toils and Snares,  
We have Already Come.”*



April 5, 2024

Dear Wonderful Family:

On Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 1:28 a.m., the State of Maryland was dealt a devastating blow that impacted the nation and the world. With the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge, we must pause in prayer and meditation for the families who lost loved ones but “*Thank God*” for the May Day Call and those first responders! The Lord moves in a mysterious way! I want to express my gratitude for your continued support in being “the wings beneath our coalition.” This is our **30<sup>th</sup> year** working with an unwavering focus on moving our communities in the right direction.

Our next breakfast meeting will convene on **Monday, April 22, 2024**, at St. Margaret’s Catholic Church, 410 Addison Road, South, Capitol Heights, Maryland. We begin at **9:00 a.m.** We will have updates from law enforcement, the fire department, EMS agencies, and State Highway Administration. We are looking forward to hearing from a representative from our Governor’s office and receiving two exciting presentations regarding the future of Landover Mall and a developmental project around the Capitol Heights Metro. I will also provide you with a summary of our Legislative Session.

If you have not registered to vote, you don’t matter. **VOTING** makes a difference! Before you vote, check the record. Remember that we must continue to reach down and lift up. Don’t keep your goodness to yourself because it is more of a blessing to give than to receive.

We will continue to keep each other in prayer, looking up and being thankful. If you have questions or concerns, please give us a call at (301) 858-3148 or email us at: [joanne.benson@senate.state.md.us](mailto:joanne.benson@senate.state.md.us).

With Gratitude,

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