THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

Prayer, Service and Evangelism form the centerpiece of the vows that a woman must take to become a Daughter of the King in our Order. Daughters in the Pittsburgh Assembly are grateful that we can serve our Lord under the blessings of both the Anglican and Episcopal Dioceses of Pittsburgh.

The Pittsburgh Assembly holds two assemblies and three board meetings per year, the latter by conference call. In 2014, we initiated seasonal conference calls to encourage and inform board members between meetings.

The Fall Assembly was hosted by the Joan of Arc Chapter at St. Thomas in the Fields, Gibsonia, on November 1, 2014. Our speaker, the Rev. Canon Daryl Fenton, Director of CMJ, had just returned from a mission to the Holy Land. To our surprise and joy, he brought us greetings and a video from our International Prayer Partners at Christ Church, Jerusalem. He also spoke movingly about sharing Christ's love with people of Jewish faith.

The Spring Assembly, with election of officers, was held on Saturday, April 25, 2015, at Shepherd's Heart Fellowship, Uptown. It was hosted by the Pittsburgh Assembly in common. Our speaker was Dr. Erika Moore, Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at Trinity School for Ministry. She gave us a sample lesson from one of her Old Testament classes using her famed Bible, now permanently open from being so frequently searched. Assembly officers elected for the Triennium of September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2018 are:

President: Jessie Hipolit, Verna Dozier Chapter, Emmanuel Church, North Side

- First Vice President (Events): The Rev. Barbara McMillen, Song of Victory Chapter, St. George's, Waynesburg
- Second Vice President (Membership): Carolyn Booker, Daughter-at-Large, St. Stephens, Wilkinsburg

Secretary: Judith Daniels, Daughter-at-Large, St. James Anglican, Penn Hills

Treasurer: Jan Murtha, Daughters of Advent Chapter, Church of the Advent, Jeanette

Our Fourth Annual Lenten Quiet Day was scheduled at Shepherd's Heart Fellowship for February 21, 2015, the first Saturday after Ash Wednesday. Under the theme of "Heroes and Heroines of the Bible," individual Daughters had prepared meditations and prayers for 12 Old Testament figures. Chapters had prepared edibles and potables. At the last minute, however, winter's arctic blast made driving hazardous, and we had to cancel. Although disappointed, we feel grateful to be almost fully prepared for Quiet Day 2016.

For service projects, two new chapter initiatives in the last year include stuffing backpacks for disadvantaged school children and instituting an Intercessory Prayer Ministry during Sunday services. Other chapter projects, plus a variety of individual community service projects, continue from past years.

Our Pittsburgh Assembly goals for the year have been to stay united in our Order, to serve Christ through our Order, and to bring others to Him.

Respectfully submitted, Gail Simpson President, Pittsburgh Assembly The Order of the Daughters of the King

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