



The National Black
Presbyterian Caucus
45th Biennial Convention

**Seeking Racial Justice
and Equity!
Where Do We Go From Here?**

JUNE 27-29, 2019

**Atlanta Marriott Buckhead Hotel
& Conference Center**
3405 Lenox Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30326

Rev. Dr. Thomas H. Priest Jr., President

But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness
like a never-failing stream. (Amos 5:24 NIV)



March 31, 2019

2019 NBPC Biennial Convention

“Seeking Racial Justice and Equity! Where Do We Go from Here?”

Registration is Now Open!

Peace Sisters and Brothers in Christ, Members, Mission Partners and Friends,

I pray this letter finds you well! The National Black Presbyterian Caucus Board of Directors are excited to announce that registration is now open for the 2019 Biennial Convention to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, June 27 – 29, 2019 at the Atlanta Marriott Buckhead. The theme of the of the 2019 Biennial Convention is “Seeking Racial Justice and Equity! Where Do We Go from Here?” Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. left a wonderful and challenging legacy for us to continue his work to do God’s justice and seek righteousness in all we do. Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. never lost hope in his vision that one day all of God’s children would live in God’s beloved community. Are you willing to continue Dr. King’s work? Are you willing to keep his legacy alive? Come join the NBPC as we work together to receive the baton his legacy passes on to us.

2019 Biennial Convention Registration Details

You may register in one of two (2) ways:

1. You may register on the National Black Presbyterian Caucus homepage at:
<https://nationalnbpc.org/>
2. You may register on the PC(USA) registration site at:
<https://ogaevents.pcusa.org/accounts/login/?next=/register/nbpc-2019/>

Our plenary sessions will focus on how the NBPC navigates its calling in the PC(USA) and society to realize God’s beloved community.

The 2019 Biennial Convention is structured to educate and encourage our chapters and member congregations to fully participate in their governing bodies.

In addition to our business meetings we will discuss the status of 223rd General Assembly Overture 05-09 “On the Challenge of Being Black in the PC(USA)” and hear about the preparations for NBPC’s 2020 General Assembly overture to be submitted in Baltimore, Maryland.

Sisters and brothers the NBPC need your witness and participation to accomplish our mission and purpose in these most difficult times. Let us commit to work together in unity to be the change needed to realize God’s beloved community. We look forward to being with you in Atlanta.

Blessings,

Thomas H. Priest, Jr.
President
NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS

Greetings Sisters and Brothers.

Whether you've attended the conference each year or you haven't attended in some time, don't miss this one! God has promised that he is going to do exceedingly and abundantly beyond what we could ever hope. We are excited about the 2019 National Black Presbyterian Caucus 45th Biennial Convention.

Please look at some of the activities, events and order of business planned for this year's convention. If you are not a member of the National Black Presbyterian Caucus and wish to vote, please complete the Membership Form and send it to the address found on the form. If you would like to register for the conference, become an exhibitor, vendor, purchase an ad or send in a nomination form please use the enclosed forms to do so.

We pray you will join us and many other faithful Presbyterians from around the globe as we come together on one accord to experience the awesome Presence of God during this 45th milestone!

In Christ Service,

2019 NBPC Convention
Planning Committee

>>General Information

Important Deadlines:

Early Registration Deadline- **May 24, 2019**

Hotel Registration - **June 6, 2019**

Nominations of Pioneer & Honoree Awards
must be postmarked by **May 3, 2019**

Sponsor Ads Deadline - **May 29, 2019**

Registration

You may print out a hard copy of the registration form included in this packet or
register on the PC(USA) registration site at:

<https://ogaevents.pcusa.org/accounts/login/?next=/register/nbpc-2019/>

REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fees for the 2019 National Black Presbyterian Caucus Biennial Conference are listed below. This cost does not include hotel accommodations.

NOTE: Registration for the entire event covers costs of conference attendance, parking, Plenary Sessions, Pioneer Luncheon, Honoree Banquet, Breakfast daily, workshop materials, conference bag and souvenir book.

Conference Registration Adults (Early Bird) \$350.00

Late Registration for Adults (after May 24, 2019) \$375.00

On-Site Registration for Adults \$400.00

One Day Registration Adults (Early Bird) \$175.00

One Day Late Registration Adults (after May 24, 2019) \$185.00

Conference Registration Youth (5-17) \$250.00

On-Site Registration Youth (5-17) \$275.00

One Day Registration Youth (5-17) \$125.00

On-Site Registration Youth (5-17) \$150.00

“Individual Event Tickets Only” may be purchased before the Pioneer Luncheon and the Honoree Dinner.

Pioneer Luncheon \$50.00

Honoree Dinner \$75.00

Cancellation Fee before June 6, 2019 **\$50.00**

* **No Refunds** after June 6, 2019

>>Hotel Accommodations

The Atlanta Marriott Buckhead Hotel and Conference Center will host the 2019 National Black Presbyterian Caucus Biennial Convention. Hotel arrangements must be arranged separately.

You may reserve your room by clicking on the link below or by calling the hotel to make a reservation. Book your group rate for **The National Black Presbyterian Caucus Biennial Convention**.

When calling to make your reservation, you must mention The National Black Presbyterian Caucus Biennial Convention to receive the discounted rate. Be sure to make your reservations as early as possible. The Discount block is guaranteed through **June 6, 2019** and our hotel block fills up fast. Don't delay in reserving your room.

ACCOMODATIONS:

The conference rate (per room, per night, single or double occupancy) at the Atlanta Buckhead Marriott, Atlanta, GA is \$135.00 per night (including complimentary breakfast each day) State and city taxes (16.9%, plus \$5.00 per night Georgia state fee. Transportation between the hotel and the airport includes the Marta, Uber or Taxi.

HOTEL AMENTIES:

All rooms include:

- a spacious work desk
- Wi-Fi internet access
- premium cable channels
- coffeemaker
- hair dryer
- and iron/ironing board

LOCATION:

Atlanta Marriott Buckhead Hotel and Conference Center
3405 Lenox Road NE,
Atlanta, Georgia 30326-9250
Telephone 404 261-9250
Fax 404-848-7301

To book your room, click [here](#).

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Judy Murphy (803-315-0410) or email jmurphy135@gmail.com



Wednesday, June 26, 2019

4:00 p.m.

Face to Face Board Meeting (NBPC Board Members Only)

Thursday, June 27, 2019

Complimentary Breakfast daily for registered guest at the hotel restaurant

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Morning Devotion Praise and Worship

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Opening session- NBPC Business Meeting

Agenda

Approval of minutes

President's Report

Welcome from Atlanta Host chapter

Audit report and Treasurer's report Budget

Nominating Committee Report

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Youth Panel Discussion "Young, Black and Presbyterian
Where Do We Go from Here"?

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Plenary I- Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Priest, Jr.
"The Structure and Praxis of Caucusing"

11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Young Adult Volunteer Program
A Year of Service for A Lifetime of Change

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Pioneer Luncheon Speaker Reverend Denise Anderson,
Coordinator, Racial and Intercultural Justice
Compassion, Peace and Justice Racial Equity & Women's
Intercultural Ministries, Presbyterian Mission Agency

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Plenary II- Reverend Aisha Brooks-Lytle
"Being Led by the Spirit- Helping Chapters and
Congregations Rethink Their Mission and Calling"

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Mission Service Project- Adults and Youth
World Café- Presenters



Agenda cont...

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Dinner on your own
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Youth Meet and Greet- Pizza Party
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	Opening Worship- Rev. Dr. Kathryn Threadgill
9:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.	Youth Ice Cream Social
11:00 p.m.	Young Affiliates - Meet Up (21 Somethings)

Friday, June 28, 2019

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Morning Devotion Youth Atlanta Mission Project (Lunch Provided)
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	NBPC Business Meeting
10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Plenary III- Reverend Denise Anderson “Seeking Racial Justice and Equity”
11:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch and Learns

Free Time

2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Youth Buckhead Excursion
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Honoree Banquet Reverend Dr. Diane Givens Moffett
9:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.	Youth Talent Showcase

Saturday, June 29, 2019

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Morning Devotion
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	NBPC Business Meeting
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Closing Worship Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson

2019 National Black Presbyterian Caucus 45th Biennial Convention Speakers



**Reverend Dr. Thomas H.
Priest Jr.**
President, National Black
Presbyterian Caucus



Reverend Dr. Diane Givens Moffett
President and Executive Director of the
Presbyterian Mission Agency



Reverend Aisha Brooks-Lytle
Executive Presbyterian, Presbytery Greater Atlanta



Reverend Denise Anderson
Coordinator, Racial and Intercultural Justice
Compassion, Peace and Justice | Racial Equity & Women's
Intercultural Ministries- Presbyterian Mission Agency



**Reverend Dr. J. Herbert
Nelson, II**
Stated Clerk of the General
Assembly of the Presbyterian
Church (U.S.A.)



Reverend Dr. Kathryn Threadgill
Associate for Vital Congregations,
Presbyterian Mission Agency



**National Black Presbyterian Caucus 45th Biennial Conference
June 27-29, 2019, Atlanta GA**

Theme: Seeking Racial Justice and Equity! Where Do We Go from Here? *Amos 5:24*

To register, you may either PRINT out and complete a hardcopy of this form and mail to:

NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)
National Office: P.O. Box 190006
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33319 954-746-0863

or register online <https://ogaevents.pcusa.org/accounts/login/?next=/register/nbpc-2019/>

Please circle any that apply: ☐ NBPC Member ☐ Ruling Elder ☐ Teaching Elder ☐ PC(USA) Staff ☐ Guest

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____ M.I. _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____ Zip: _____

Home #: () - Cell #: () -

Email: _____

Age Range: ☐ 18-34 ☐ 35-49 ☐ 50-65 ☐ 65 and over

Church Name: _____

Chapter Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Country: _____



**NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**

National Office: P.O. Box 190006
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33319 954-746-0863
www.nationalnbpc.org



Dear Sponsor:

The planning is well underway for the National Black Presbyterian Caucus 45th Biennial Convention which will be held in Atlanta, GA. We invite you to participate and share in this occasion by helping commemorate this milestone and placing an ad in our 45th Year Sapphire Souvenir Book.

It is our hope that every friend, business, and associate of the National Black Presbyterian Caucus will support this endeavor. Please use the ad sheet provided. The deadline to purchase an advertisement is **MIDNIGHT on MAY 29, 2019.**

No cash or credit cards accepted. ALL Checks or Money Orders must be written and mailed to: National Black Presbyterian Caucus, National Office with AD PURCHASE on the memo line. (Only use the address in the heading of this letter for the submission of funds.)

The hard copy or USB drive submissions should be mailed to the address provided on the ad sheet and all email submissions should be sent to the email that is referenced.

We thank you in advance for your support and involvement. Should you have any concerns please contact Rev. Cecelia D. Armstrong at nbpc2019ad@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Rev. Dr. Thomas H. Priest, Jr.
President

Mrs. Judith Murphy
Conference Convener



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ADVERTISING SPACE INSTRUCTIONS

Mail Submissions:

NBPC 2019 Conference
Attn: Rev. Ceceilia D. Armstrong
1314 Secessionville Rd.
Charleston, SC 29412

Electronic Submissions:

Email to nbpc2019ad@gmail.com
Subject: NBPC 2019 Conference

Organization/Person _____

Complete Address _____

Email Address _____

Contact Telephone Number _____

ALL SUBMISSIONS DUE BY MIDNIGHT ON MAY 31, 2019

All submissions must be camera ready. Ads may be submitted as a hard copy, on a USB drive, or electronically at the given addresses. Please do not submit original photos since they are not guaranteed to be returned. No cash or credit cards accepted. ALL checks or money orders must be written and mailed to National Black Presbyterian Caucus National office with AD PURCHASE on the memo line. The hard copy or USB drive submissions should be mailed to the address provided. Electronic submissions should be emailed to the address provided.

Color Back Cover (7x10) \$300	B/W Half Page	\$50
B/W Inside Front Cover \$200	B/W Quarter Page	\$30
B/W Inside Back Cover	\$200 B/W Business Card	\$20
B/W Full Page	\$100 Patron Listing	\$10

For Publication Committee Use Only

Received by: _____ Fee Enclosed: _____ Date Received: _____

Ad Complete: _____ Page Number: _____ Booklet Mailed (\$50+ ads only): _____



National Black Presbyterian Caucus Vendor Form

The National Black Presbyterian Caucus is inviting organizations to participate and share their resources during the 45th Biennial Convention held at The Atlanta Marriot Buckhead Hotel and Conference Center. The convention will take place on June 27th from 29th 2019. Exhibitors will be given 2 exhibitor passes with the booth fee (this does not include meals or registration). If you would like to participate in the convention you must register and pay the full registration amount.

The exhibit hall will consist of tables and two folding chairs only. If additional furniture, electrical, or internet hookups are needed a hotel contact person will be provided after the \$150 registration fee is paid.

Organizations wishing to participate please complete this form along with \$150 check or money order made **payable to National Black Presbyterian Caucus by May 15th.**

By mail:

Destini Hodges
100 Witherspoon Street
Louisville, Kentucky 40202

By e-mail:

nbpcehibithall@gmail.com

1. The undersigned hereby applies for space for the 45th Biennial Convention for the National Black Presbyterian Caucus (Atlanta, GA June 27th to 29th 2019)
2. This form must be completed in its entirety and signed and returned by May 15, 2019 along with a \$150 check or money order. Please make checks payable to National Black Presbyterian Caucus.
3. Additional Electricity and AV items can be purchased as an add-on per setup. Please contact Destini Hodges for additional information.

Organization Name _____

Contact Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Signature _____ Date _____

If you have any questions regarding exhibit space, please e-mail (nbpcehibithall@gmail.com) or call Destini Hodges 502-569-5075.



Exhibitors Guidelines

- Additional Electricity and AV items can be purchased as an add-on per setup. Please contact Destini Hodges for additional information.
- Due to the size of the vendor area, we will be unable to provide rods and drapes. We are providing a table top display area with a 6 ft. table, 2 chairs and a wastebasket. See the fee schedule below for vendors.
- The vendor tables will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.
- All Exhibitors and Vendors may begin set up starting noon on Wednesday June 26. The conference begins when the exhibit areas open and are available to attendees during and after registration.
- All exhibits must be taken down by 10 a.m. on Saturday when the conference concludes.
- Exhibitors will be responsible for transporting, setting up, taking down and clearing out their display materials. Please, do not leave materials to be disposed of by others.
- Once all exhibit spaces are filled, a waiting list will be available in the event spaces open due to cancellations or other changes.



NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

NBPC BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION
YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION



Criteria for Applicant:

1. Should be a current member of NBPC
2. Should be a member of a Presbyterian Church with the session endorsement
3. Should submit an essay (no more than one page) with specifics about why you wish to attend the convention and why you would need financial aid in order to attend the convention

Application:

Consideration will only be given to applicants submitting completed application forms.

For any questions and/or additional information, please contact the NBPC's Scholarship Committee at 919-478-9104.

Completed applications **MUST BE POSTMARKED** or received by email **NO LATER THAN** June 1 of the Biennial Year to the NBPC Scholarship Committee.

Send all youth scholarship applications to submissions@nationalnbpc.org.

NOTE: If using postal mail, please send original application to above address and retain a copy for your records.



NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)
NBPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Applicant's Full Name _____

Home Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

DOB _____ Sex: ☐ M ☐ F

Church _____

Address _____

Chapter _____ Region _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Father _____ Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Mother _____ Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Guardian _____ Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____



Dear NBPC Members:

The Nomination Awards Committee of the National Black Presbyterian Caucus wishes to inform you of nominations which will be held this year.

Pioneer Luncheon Awards:

Lucy Craft Laney (Under 35 years old)
Lucy Craft Laney (Over 35 years old)
Maria Fearing (Under 35 years old)
Maria Fearing (Over 35 years old)

Honoree Dinner Awards:

Drum Major for Justice
Innovation in Ministry
Edler G. Hawkins

YOU MAY NOMINATE ONE PERSON IN EACH OF THE ABOVE CATEGORIES.

Enclosed along with the nomination forms are also descriptions for each of the awards.

Please complete the nomination forms following the instructions given on the forms.

Award nominations must be postmarked by **May 3, 2019.**

Your participation is encouraged and appreciated. Any questions regarding the nominations process should be directed to:

Awards
Rev. Dr. Mary Newbern-Williams
302 S. 74th Street
Omaha, NE 68114
Phone: 402.553.8300

NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
NOMINATION FOR 2019 EDLER G. HAWKINS AWARD

I nominate _____

Your name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone No. _____ Email _____

One EDLER G. HAWKINS AWARD will be granted at the 2019 NBPC Biennial Convention in Atlanta, Georgia.

The person you nominate must agree to have their name placed in nomination. Please submit one page describing your specific reasons for making the nomination; a photo and contact information for the person you are nominating. The nominees will be notified by May 17, 2019 and expected to be present at the Convention.

Nominees are expected to have demonstrated similar character and exceptional, distinguishing achievements reflected in the following biographical sketch of Edler G. Hawkins.

EDLER G. HAWKINS

Edler G. Hawkins was a trailblazer in the truest sense of the word. In 1964, he became the first black person elected to the position of Moderator. This achievement was due to his fierce loyalty to Presbyterianism: a loyalty that prompted him to prove that Blacks are an integral part of the United Presbyterian Church. He sought to establish the fact that Blacks who possessed enough persistence and sheer audacity could successfully ascend to the highest office within the denomination. Because of his performance, he raised the consciousness of the denomination to the existence, the abilities and the inherent rights of its minorities, blacks, as perhaps no other events in the previous history of the Church. He was a stellar role model and a proponent of faith in one's self and holding steadfast to that faith until what one believes is accepted by others; and, therefore, becomes manifest. He looked for no excuses and no rationalizations for conceding even the possibility of second- rate church membership for Blacks. Firmly convinced of who and what we are, he held fast, unruffled by circumstances, unmoved by apparent defeat, until through sheer perseverance he achieved complete vindication in victory. A veritable Rock of Gibraltar - he was firm, quiet, deceptively strong and immovable in purpose. *-Adapted using excerpts from Periscope2*

NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
NOMINATION FOR 2019 DRUM MAJOR FOR JUSTICE AWARD

I nominate _____

Your name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone No. _____ Email _____

One DRUM MAJOR FOR JUSTICE award will be granted at the 2019 NBPC Biennial Convention in Atlanta, Georgia.

The person you nominate must agree to have their name placed in nomination. Please submit one page describing your specific reasons for making the nomination; a photo and contact information for the person you are nominating. The nominees will be notified by May 17, 2019 and expected to be present at the Convention.

Nominees are expected to have demonstrated similar character, exceptional achievements and/or leadership style reflected in the following description:

Drum Major for Justice Award

“...let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!” Amos 5:24 (NIV)

The Drum Major for Justice Award recognizes an individual who has displayed a passionate commitment to the biblical principles of justice by consistently and unselfishly pursuing that utopian reality of “liberty, justice, and equality for all of God’s people.” In the midst of adversity and potential risk, they have displayed admirable courage and strength, never failing to lift a prophetic voice that speaks truth to power.

Their leadership style and basic interactions reflect the Christian ethic found in Micah 6:8 ... *“to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God.”* They have reached out with love and compassion to positively change lives, mend brokenness, repair relationships and inspire hope.

NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
NOMINATION FOR 2019 INNOVATION IN MINISTRY AWARD

I nominate _____

Your name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone No. _____ Email _____

One INNOVATION IN MINISTRY award will be granted at the 2019 NBPC Biennial Convention in Atlanta, Georgia.

The person you nominate must agree to have their name placed in nomination. Please submit one page describing your specific reasons for making the nomination; a photo and contact information for the person you are nominating is required. The nominees will be notified by May 17, 2019 and expected to be present at the Convention.

Nominees are expected to have demonstrated similar character, exceptional achievements and leadership style reflected in the following description:

Innovation in Ministry

The Innovation in Ministry Award acknowledges an individual who approaches ministry with a curious mind, a dedicated heart and visionary eyes. Such a person witnesses to God's amazing grace through ministries that are creative, innovative, fresh and inspiring, while meeting real human needs. Individuals with such gifts are rare. They listen to the voice of the Spirit despite surrounding echoes of "we've never done it this way before." In response to questions of "Why?" their response is a simple "Why Not?" Innovators in ministry lead by example reflecting a caring heart, imagination, persistence and faithfulness to a Savior who continues, "...to make all things new" (Rev. 21:5).

RETURN YOUR NOMINATION(S) BY MAY 3, 2019 (postdated):

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley

C/o Rev. Dr. Mary Newbern-Williams

302 S. 74th Street

Omaha, NE 68114

402.553.8300

Mary.newbernwilliams@gmail.com

NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
NOMINATIONS FOR 2019 PIONEER LUNCHEON

DIRECTIONS: Print legibly the name of each nominee with **whom you have consulted and confirmed their agreement to accept** the honor in this manner. Fill in your information and rationale. Mail in the form.
CRITERIA:

1. The nominees must have either past or current membership in NBPC.
2. The nominees must demonstrate similar character, exceptional achievements and /or leadership style as that of Lucy Craft Laney or Maria Fearing. (See below for more information.)

For the LUCY CRAFT LANEY HONOREE (Under 35)

I nominate _____

For the LUCY CRAFT LANEY HONOREE (Over 35)

I nominate _____

For the MARIA FEARING HONOREE (Under 35)

I nominate _____

For the MARIA FEARING HONOREE (Over 35)

I nominate _____

Your name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone No. _____ Email _____

Lucy Craft Laney (1854-1933)

Lucy Craft Laney was an outstanding educator, who was encouraged by the Board of Missions to establish a school without any financial assistance. In 1883, she organized the school in the basement of Christ Presbyterian Church in Augusta, GA. She recognized the need to teach her students in a variety of skills. In addition to the regular classes, she organized a kindergarten class, a high school sports teams and a nursing class. She invited many cultural artists, including Marian Anderson, to instruct her students. She faced pain, danger and hardship due to rampant racism. She persevered for fifty years as principal, influencing a multitude of young women and men.

NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
NOMINATIONS FOR 2019 PIONEER LUNCHEON

The Lucy Craft Laney Award

The Lucy Craft Laney Award honors individuals who refuse to permit the limiting constraints imposed upon them by others to define their lives. Captivated by a pioneering spirit, they accept new challenges and move in new directions. With a holistic approach toward life, they pursue excellence in all they do, as they seek to enhance the lives of others educationally, culturally, economically and/or politically.

Maria Fearing (1838-1937)

Age was no restriction for Maria Fearing! After the end of slavery, at age 33, she worked her way through the Freedman's Bureau School, learning not only how to read and write, but how to teach as well. Determined to be a missionary, the Presbyterian Church finally commissioned Maria at the age of 56 to the Congo, where for more than 20 years she served as a Presbyterian missionary and established the Pantops Home for Girls in 1915. Although she was encouraged to retire at the age of 78 from the mission field, upon returning to Alabama, she taught at a church school in Selma. Having lived a long and productive life of making a positive difference in the lives of others, she transitioned from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant at age 99.

The Maria Fearing Award

The Maria Fearing Award recognizes individuals who stare insurmountable odds in the face and garner the courage to pursue what seems to be an impossible dream. When faced with a difficult problem or negative predicament, they maintain a positive outlook. Motivated by the curiosity to try new things, they aim for the stars. While others are declaring what they cannot do, they respond by doing it anyway. They overcome major life challenges to achieve their life goals.

Your reason for this nomination

Lucy Craft Laney (Under 35) nominee (If you need more space you may attach a separate sheet.)

Lucy Craft Laney (Over 35) nominee (If you need more space you may attach a separate sheet.)

NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS
NOMINATIONS FOR 2019 PIONEER LUNCHEON

Maria Fearing (Under 35) (If you need more space you may attach a separate sheet.)

Maria Fearing (Over 35) (If you need more space you may attach a separate sheet.)

Your signature _____ Date _____

RETURN YOUR NOMINATION(S) BY MAY 3, 2019 (postdated):

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley
C/o Rev. Dr. Mary Newbern-Williams
302 S. 74th Street
Omaha, NE 68114
402.553.8300
Mary.newbernwilliams@gmail.com



THE NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN IS IN PROGRESS

If we haven't received your membership application and dues,
to be counted in this year's campaign, you have until:

Tuesday, April 30

Enclosed please find the membership application form. This form should be used for the 2019-2020 Individual, Institutional, and Individual Mission Partner Memberships, Contributions and National Chapter and Regional dues.

Please complete the membership form on line at www.nationalnbpc.org or return it with your payment to the National Office:

NBPC Membership
P.O. Box 190006 (3 zeros)
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33319

(Dues and Contributions can also be submitted to your Local Chapter for processing)

REMEMBER, 2019 dues and contributions should be paid no later than **April 30, 2019**. You may duplicate additional forms, if needed. Join NBPC and:

- Help advocate for justice, diversity and African American inclusion in the life of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) at the presbytery, synod, and national levels
- Summon our congregations to develop programs that address the plight of the African American male
- Continue to sponsor young adult volunteers, youth scholarships



NATIONAL BLACK PRESBYTERIAN CAUCUS (NBPC)
2019 APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

www.NationalNBPC.org

"Seeking Racial Justice and Equity! Where Do We Go from Here?"



Check only ONE BOX below for your MEMBERSHIP selection:

Today's Date: _____

- ☐ Individual Membership \$ 50
☐ Affiliate Membership

Includes: Circle of Elders, National, Regional, and Local Dues

- ☐ Young Adult (Ages 18-25 years) \$ 25
☐ Youth (Ages 12-17 years)
☐ College / University / Seminary

Includes: National, Regional, and Local Dues

- ☐ Lifetime Membership \$ 1,000

This is a ONE-TIME Investment when paid in full. | Benefit: Pay ONLY Regional and Chapter dues in the following years.

- ☐ Regional Dues \$ 100
☐ Chapter Dues

Institutional Mission Partner (IMP)	Congregational Size	Institutional Partnership	Enter Amount Below from The Schedule on The Left
<input type="checkbox"/> Church	1 to 75.....	\$100	
<input type="checkbox"/> Presbytery	76 to 150.....	\$150	
<input type="checkbox"/> Synod	151 to 250.....	\$250	
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