

Rev. Dr. Florence Spearing Randolph **Founder of The Bureau of Supply**



Rev. Dr. Florence Randolph was born in 1866 in Charleston, South Carolina and was licensed to preach locally in Jersey City, New Jersey in 1897. Three years later she was ordained a Deacon and in 1903 was ordained an Elder. Rev. Randolph went on to pastor five churches.

For 25 years Rev. Randolph was president of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society (as it was called then) of the New Jersey Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. She was General President for four years. At the Missionary Convention of 1911, she presented her dream for progress in the Missionary Society and the General Conference of 1912 adopted her proposal for the formation of the Bureau of Foreign Supply (as it was called then). The Rev. Florence Spearing Randolph, mother of this mission of benevolence, was its first General Secretary. This is the department through which one is given the opportunity to share in meeting the needs of the poor in our home and overseas missions' areas.

Rev. Randolph received a call to her home eternal, December 28, 1951. She has left us a rich legacy of a life of noble service.

The life and work of the Rev. Florence Spearing Randolph is celebrated during June, July or August. Special services or programs are held in recognition of her efforts to meet the needs of our sisters and brothers at home and overseas. These needs can only be met by your gifts. Your participation and financial support will help to keep the dream of the Rev. Florence Randolph alive and provide the needed support for the operation of the Supply Department.

The *Florence Randolph Day* special offering may be reported through your district or sent directly to:

Mrs. Rosetta Dunham
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Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society
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The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church

FLORENCE RANDOLPH **DAY**



Quadrennial Theme:

"The Great Commission – A Global Outreach: Personal Calling, Personal Transformation, Personal Instruction and Personal Commitment"

Mrs. Sara S. Cherrington, General Secretary, Bureau of Supply
Dr. Sandra L. Gadson, International President

Church:

Pastor:

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

The Focus: Personal Instruction

THE PRELUDE

(The congregation in devout meditation)

THE PROCESSIONAL

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;

People: Give thanks and praises to His name for His personal instructions for my life.

ALL: Thank you Father God for your directions. *Amen*

THE INVOCATION

Our Father in heaven, may your name be honored, may your kingdom come, may your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Show me how you work, GOD; school me in your ways. Take me by the hand; and lead me down the path of truth. You are my Savior and Redeemer. I thank you God for your personal instructions which give me true joy to serve Jesus, my Savior, others and You, Father God. For these, and all blessings, I give you thanks, eternal, loving God, through Jesus Christ I pray. Amen

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

THE HYMN OF PRAISE *“O Master Let Me Walk With Thee”*

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: Dear brothers, what's the use of saying that you have faith and are Christians if you aren't proving it by helping others? Will that kind of faith save anyone?

People: If you have a friend who needs food and clothing, and you say to him, "Well, good-bye and God bless you; stay warm and eat hearty," and then don't give him clothes or food, what good does that do?

Leader: So you see, it isn't enough just to have faith. You must also do good to prove that you have it. Faith that doesn't show itself by good works is no faith at all--it is dead and useless.

People: But someone may well argue, "You say the way to God is by

faith alone, well, I say that good works are important too, for without good works you can't prove whether you have faith or not; but anyone can see that I have faith by the way I act."

Leader: Are there still some among you who hold that "only believing" is enough? Well, remember that the demons believe this too--so strongly that they tremble in terror!

ALL: God instructs us to give. Whatever measure you use to give--large or small--will be used to measure what is given back to you.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 119:33-40, 2 Timothy 3:16

THE GLORIA PATRI

THE MORNING PRAYER

THE CHORAL SELECTION

The Choir

THE MINISTRY OF KINDNESS OFFERING

THE NOTICES/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERING/OFFERTORY

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Historical Presentation on life of Rev. Dr. Florence Randolph

Special Appeal: Deuteronomy 15:10 instructs us to give generously and to do so without a grudging heart. Florence Randolph's Special Day Appeal helps to share in meeting the needs of the poor in our Home and Overseas Conferences. Giving is an act of faith and what we offer makes a difference in this world. But more than that, we believe in the One who is behind our giving.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE MESSENGER

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION *“Father I Stretch My Hands To Thee”*

THE MESSAGE

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE RECESSIONAL

THE MISSIONARY BENEDICTION: *“God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause his face to shine upon us and give us peace.” Amen.*