

Mt Hebron Baptist Church

*Beaux and Debutants*  
for  
*Christ Program*

Through the Good and The Bad...

God Will Be With Us

Romans 8:31

*Sunday*

*May 15, 2022*

*4:45 PM*



## Congratulations to Our 2022 Graduating Seniors

Elijah Frederick Ellis

Enoch Franklin Ellis

Giavonna Monet Hayes

Darrick Arnaz Howard, II

Hailey Deanna Williams

Rachel Alexandria Yankson



## Mount Hebron Baptist Church 2021 Scholarship Recipients

MarcAnthony Josiah Abernathy  
Southern University, Baton Rouge

Shakira Le'Shuana Jones  
Dallas College

Taylor Anjanette Jones  
Langston University

Konner Aleese Lott  
Oklahoma State University

Ezra Dotson Oyetade  
Arizona State University

# Beaux and Debutants for Christ

## Through the Good and the Bad...God Will Be with Us

Congratulations Beaux and Debutantes for Christ of 2022! Everyone of you has fought through some good and bad times to make it to this



very moment. It has been a pleasure for Sharon and I to watch you all grow and mature into the amazing young men and women you have become. We also congratulate your parents, mentors and friends who have stood by you and never lost faith in you as you matriculated through High School, particularly over the past two years.

As you forge ahead toward the next phase of your lives, understand that it is imperative that you continue developing, deepening, and strengthening your relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ. Building a strong relationship with the Lord will help you manage both the good and bad times you will undoubtedly encounter.

We are living in tense and difficult times, facing escalating and destructive cultural and racial wars at home and abroad. Additionally, you are facing a virus that has decimated the economy and lives of individuals worldwide. At least one of these issues will invariably impact you personally or someone you hold dear. Yet, the Apostle Paul, writing Ro-

mans 8:37 about the troubles of his time said, *"In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."* To be more than a conqueror, however, you have to face life's struggles full of confidence that you will overcome. Don't fear the struggles of life!

Your relationship with the Lord will be the most valuable thing you can have. He is real, true and living; you can take Him with you wherever your next steps take you. The power of God is effective across any distance because God isn't limited by location. God is an ever present help. You are more than a conqueror 'through the good and the bad.'

Sharon and I believe in you, and we are praying for you. Now, continue to work hard, rise above adversity, keep God first and go change the world.

**God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love Him.** James 1:12 NLT

*"We must accept finite disappointments but we must never lose infinite hope."* Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

*Pastor Leonard & Sharon Leach*

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## Through the Good and the Bad...God Will Be with Us



Hello students. As I write this, I'm pressed to keep my encouragement simple. So here it is: -

- + Obedience to Christ won't always turn into earthly success
- + Be intentional about resting
- + Want to know what Christ is calling you to
- + Spend time in prayer and in God's word
- + Pray for a solid group of people who aren't all alike to walk with you in life. Older, your age and younger

+ Feel how you feel, but question, do your feelings line up with reality

+ Sometimes you have to change courses, and it's okay

That's it. Y'all be blessed.

Rev. Caleb Berry

# *Beaux and Debutantes* *for Christ*

## Reflections



Mrs. Dorothy Wesley first presented the idea of the Beaux and Debutantes for Christ Program to the Scholarship Ministry in 1978. She had gotten the idea from her home church in Los Angeles, California. In 1979, the Debutantes for Christ began as a program which provided spiritual development for the young ladies of Mt. Hebron, ages 13-19. The young men of the Mount first participated in the program as Beaux for Christ in 1995. For twelve years, the program included competitive awards for Miss/Mr. Congeniality and Volunteer Service. The youth with the highest grade point average, the most volunteer service hours, and the Debutante soliciting the most funds received the Beaux/Debutante for Christ award and reigned for a period of two years. Today, the Beaux and Debutantes for Christ Program generates funds used to support activities of the Scholarship Ministry at Mt. Hebron. The program funds activities such as retreats, career and college seminars, the children's lock-in, college tours, tutoring, cultural activities for the children and youth of Mt. Hebron and scholarships for youth who graduate from high school and enroll in a

college/university or trade school. Today, the Beaux and Debutantes have an opportunity to receive the Dorothy Wesley Scholarship, The Mt. Hebron Baptist Church Scholarship and the Volunteer Service Award. Mt. Hebron's past reigning debutantes are Jackie Young, 1979, Michelle Young, 1980, Yolanda Davis, 1981, Carla Wood, 1982, Tiffany Davis, 1983, Shonna Signater, 1985, Kindralyn Banks, 1987, Tiffanie Coleman, 1989, Tabitha Hayes, 1991, Adrian Signater, 1993, Vangee S. Creft, 1995, and Barbara Clark, 1997.

The Beaux and Debutantes for Christ program has evolved and is now a ministry to high school seniors. The Program continues to provide for the spiritual development of the Beaux and Debutantes and serves as a means of financing scholarly activities for students in kindergarten through high school. The Program includes the participation of any high school senior who commits to the requirements of the Program. High school seniors participating in the Program must complete volunteer service/community service hours, a thirteen week Bible study course, become involved in a church ministry and solicit contributions for Mt. Hebron's scholarship fund. All Beaux and Debutantes who graduate from high school and enroll full-time in a post-secondary institution will receive the Mt. Hebron Baptist Church Scholarship and have an opportunity to receive the Dorothy Wesley Scholarship. The Beau or Debutante who solicits the most funds receives the Mt. Hebron Baptist Church Scholarship plus the Dorothy Wesley Scholarship which is 10% of the overall amount generated by the Program. Beaux and Debutantes who meet the goal of \$1,000.00 receive 20% of the funds personally solicited. All other Beaux and Debutantes receive 10% of the funds they solicit. The program continues to thrive and has provided scholarships to hundreds of youth who have gone to college, graduated, and are now productive members of our society serving where they are planted in the cause of Christ.



## Dorothy Wesley Scholarship Recipients

- 1999 Alana Marie Lyons
- 1999 Robert Lee Hurd, Jr.
- 2000 Jacquelyn Evette Barnett
- 2001 Jonathan Kyle Miller
- 2002 Tiffany Nicole Bride
- 2003 Jasmine Anthea Smutherman
- 2004 Shatise Shamel Prowell
- 2005 Janae Alexandria Bride
- 2006 Kayli Anais Klass
- 2007 Kobrin Wade Brown
- 2008 Lawrence J. Jackson
- 2009 Lauren Nicole Taylor
- 2010 Jacqueline Ronee' Pleasant
- 2011 Jusiah Lynn Prowell
- 2012 Erin Ayan Gaddis
- 2013 Justin Ray Herman
- 2014 Lexi Arielle Wesley
- 2015 Tatiyonna Nashae Hawkins
- 2016 Brianna Renee Natania Buford
- 2017 Caleb Michael Wesley
- 2018 Gracen Maxwell Abu
- 2019 Daunte Craig Gaiter
- 2020 Sarah Marie Pumphrey
- 2021 MarcAnthony Josiah Abernathy



## Dr. Joyce Miller Volunteer Service Award

2007 Jasmine Renee' Pleasant

2008 Danielle LaDon White

2009 Brandie Arielle Butler

2010 Jacqueline Ronee' Pleasant

2011 Dacia YaKira Kings

2012 Frederick Berry, II

2013 D'Andrea Leshae Foreman

2014 Jaalah Raeann Herman

2015 Kayla Shaun Dukes

2016 Taylor Nicole Young

2017 Kenedi Saummone Johnson

2018 Jordyn Whitley

2019 Sacha Braggs

2019 Jaida Clyntara Crowley

2020 Kennedy Rene' Lott

2021 Konner Aleese Lott



# *Beaux and Debutants for Christ*

## 2021 Dorothy Wesley Scholarship Recipient



Beau, MarcAnthony Josiah Abernathy, 2021 Dorothy Wesley Scholarship Recipient  
Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Son of Antoine and Kimberly Abernathy

# *Beaux and Debutants for Christ*

## Programme

Through the Good and Bad, God will Be With Us, Romans 8:31

Entrance of Future Beaux and Debutantes

Entrance of Parents and Debutantes

Invocation

**Jamie Simmons-Whitaker**, 2005 Debutante  
Jarvis Christian College, BA  
Northcentral University, MBA

**C. Grant McKendall**, 2017 Beau  
Texas A&M University-Commerce 2022

Greeting

**Kennedy McKendall**, 2020 Debutante  
Spellman College

Presentation of 2022 Beaux and Debutantes for Christ

Pastor Leonard Leach and Mrs. Sharon Leach

***Beau Elijah Frederick Ellis***

***Beau Enoch Franklin Ellis***

***Debutante Giavonna Monet Hayes***

***Beau Darrick Arnaz Howard, II***

***Debutante Hailey Deanna Williams***

***Debutante Rachel Alexandria Yankson***

Tribute to Beaux and Debutantes  
Mount Hebron Dance Ministry

"For Every Mountain," Kurt Carr

Reflections

**MarcAnthony Josiah Abernathy**,  
2021 Dorothy Wesley Scholarship Award  
Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Expressions of Love

**Antoine and Kimberly Abernathy**,  
Parents of Beau MarcAnthony Josiah Abernathy

# Beaux and Debutantes for Christ

## Programme

Prayer of Dedication

**Rev. Caleb Berry**, Youth Pastor  
Mount Hebron Baptist Church

Tribute

2022 Beaux and Debutantes for Christ  
"Good and Bad," J. Moss

### Presentation of Awards

Mount Hebron Baptist Church Scholarship Award

**Haylea McNeal**, 2018 Debutante, Texas Woman's University, 2022  
**Avis L. Young, II**, 2009 Beau, Dallas College, 2019

Dorothy Wesley Scholarship Award

**Delores Stewart**, Beaux and Debutantes Financial Accounting Team

Dr. Joyce E. Kyle Miller Volunteer Service Award

**Shonna Signater Pumphrey**, BBA, CPA, Debutante Queen, 1985  
Texas A&M University, College Station, 1994

**Sarah Marie Pumphrey**,

Dorothy Wesley Scholarship Award, 2020  
Texas A&M University, College Station

Invitation to Christ

**Rev. Marcus Hines**, Care Team Ministry Leader  
Mount Hebron Baptist Church

### Passing of the Baton Ceremony

Presentation of the Charge

**Giavonna Monet Hayes**, 2022 Debutante

Acceptance of the Charge

**Trinity Hines**, 11<sup>th</sup> Grade, Rising Senior

Recognitions of Former Beaux and Debutantes

**Dr. Joyce E. Kyle Miller**,  
Beaux and Debutante Program Coordinator

Remarks

**Karen Jackson**, Scholarship Chairperson

Photography Session

**Kenneth Brown, Sr.**, Photographer

Audience Please Remain Seated

Remarks/Benediction

**Pastor Leonard O. Leach**, Senior Pastor

Mount Hebron Baptist Church

Recessional

**2022 Beaux and Debutantes for Christ**

Audience, Please Remain Seated



# Beaux and Debutants for Christ

## Elijah Frederick Ellis



“For this child I prayed, and the Lord has granted me my petition that I made to him,” 1 Samuel 1:27. After trying to conceive a child for many years. On October 17, 2003, God finally answered our prayers and blessed us with our first-born son. So, it is with great pride and honor to introduce you to Elijah Frederick Ellis. Elijah is a graduating Senior at Saint Marks School of Texas where he has made his MARK.

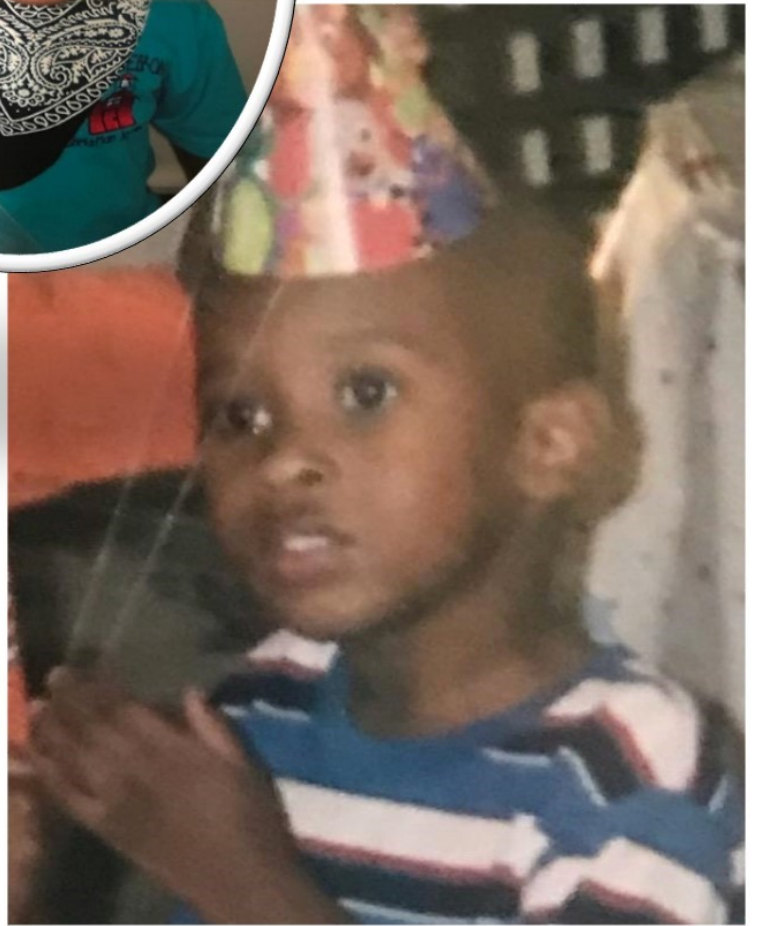
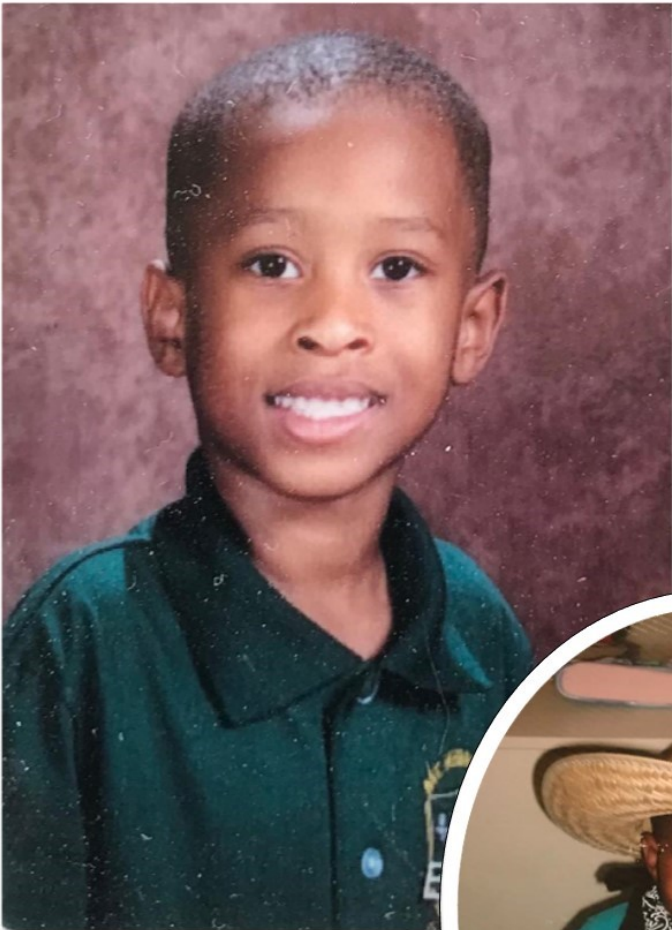
Elijah has grown up at Mount Hebron Baptist Church and he attended the Mount Hebron Christian Academy for five years. He accepted Christ at the age of seven. At Mount Hebron, he has been very active. He served as an usher and he participated in Awana. Elijah was a member of the Bible drill team for five years. During his elementary and middle school years, Elijah participated in many activities including Pee Wee and Upward Bound

football and basketball, the Garland Track Team, The Bow Tie Boys, and Boys Scouts of America. At Saint Mark’s School of Texas, Elijah has been an excellent student and has engaged in many activities and organizations. He is a member of the Honor Society of High School Scholars. Elijah is a student in the Advanced Ceramics Class at his high school and makes beautiful art pieces. Elijah has been a three-sport athlete at Saint Mark’s for four years, but he excelled in football and wrestling. He started playing on the varsity football team as a freshman. He was co-captain of his 2021 football team, all Southern Preparatory Conference (SPC), and received numerous offers to play college football. In his sophomore and senior years, he placed 1st in the state of Texas in his weight division in wrestling in the SPC. He also participated in the Prep National Wrestling Tournament in Maryland during his junior and senior years at Saint Mark’s.

Elijah will attend The United States Military Academy, West Point, after he graduates from Saint Mark’s. Elijah, words cannot express how proud we are of you. Scripture says in Jeremiah 29:11 “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” We look forward to seeing the plans God has for Elijah’s life. We pray that he will continue to use his time, talents, and treasures to glorify God. We encourage Elijah to, always acknowledge God and let God direct his path.

Love and Blessings,

Frederick and Karen Ellis, Father and Mother



# Beaux and Debutants for Christ

## Enoch Franklin Ellis



“For this child I prayed, and the Lord has granted me my petition that I made to him,” 1 Samuel 1:27. After trying to conceive a child for many years, on October 17, 2003, God finally answered our prayers and blessed us with our second son. So, it is with great pride and honor to introduce you to Enoch Franklin Ellis. Enoch is a graduating Senior at Saint Mark's School of Texas where he has been “doing the most.”

Enoch grew up at Mount Hebron Baptist Church and he attended the Mount Hebron Christian Academy for five years. He accepted Christ at the age of seven. At Mount Hebron, he has been very active. He served as an usher, sang in the Youth Choir, and was a member of Awanas and the Bible Drill team.

During his elementary and middle school years, Enoch participated in many activities including Pee Wee and Upward Bound football and basketball, Garland Track Team, and Boys Scouts of America. Currently, he is President of the NAACP Youth Council in Garland, Texas, and a member of The Bow Tie Boys. He always was a leader in every activity or organization that he participated in, and he received numerous leadership awards.

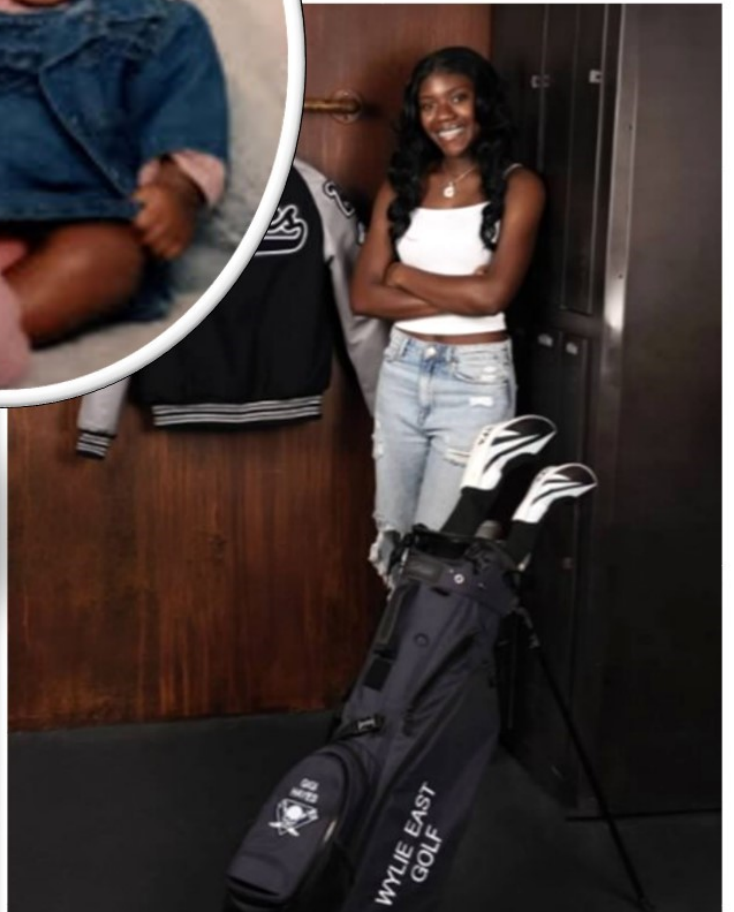
At Saint Mark's School of Texas, Enoch has been an excellent student and has engaged in many activities and organizations. He is a member of the Honor Society of High School Scholars. Enoch has been Class President for the last three years at Saint Mark's. He plays the cello in the Advanced Strings Orchestra at Saint Mark's. Enoch was a three-sport athlete at Saint Mark's, but he excelled in track and field and wrestling. His Sophomore year, Enoch finished 1st place in his weight division in wrestling in the State of Texas in the Southern Preparatory Conference (SPC). He set many records in high school while running hurdlers and has received numerous offers to run track in college.

After graduating from high school, Enoch will attend the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and major in Chemical Engineering.

Enoch, words cannot express how proud we are of you. You came into the world full of wisdom. Our prayer for you is that you do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you; love her and she will watch over you,” Proverbs 4:6-7. We encourage you to always put God first in your life and exercise godly wisdom in everything you do in the future.

Love and Blessings,

Frederick and Karen Ellis, Father and Mother





# Beaux and Debutants for Christ



## Giavonna Monet Hayes

Giavonna “GiGi” Monet Hayes, is the daughter of Dawn Alexander and Gus Hayes and sister to Beaux Monte Hayes (Class of 2013) and Gusbot “Bo” Hayes (Class of 2016). She is a mix of sugar, spice and everything nice with a hint of Cajun sparkle; so, she is sweet but spicy. She has a positive spirit and a giving heart. She understands the importance of servant leadership and is a strong believer that everything given to you is not for you; therefore, it is important to share your knowledge, time and resources with others.

As a young child, GiGi enjoyed dancing, dressing up, shopping, watching her favorite movies, “The Princess and the Frog” and “Good Burger,” video gaming with her brothers, playing baseball and having fun with friends and family. Her interests developed throughout her adolescence and manifested as she became a fashion influencer, tennis player and golfer, as well as participated in numerous community service and education advocacy programs.

She is a graduating senior at Wylie East High School where she has excelled academically, received several Raiders in Service Awards and is a member of the Varsity Girls Golf Team, Parent Teacher Student Association and Diversity Club. Throughout her high school years, she also dedicated much of her time and talents to Tech Theater, Photojournalism and Yearbook activities. In the community, she is an active member of the Garland NAACP Youth Council, the American Heart Association, the Kidney Foundation, March of Dimes and the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA), a non-profit membership association dedicated to

bridging the opportunity gap for black accounting and finance professionals by providing leadership and technical training, as well as networking and career opportunities.

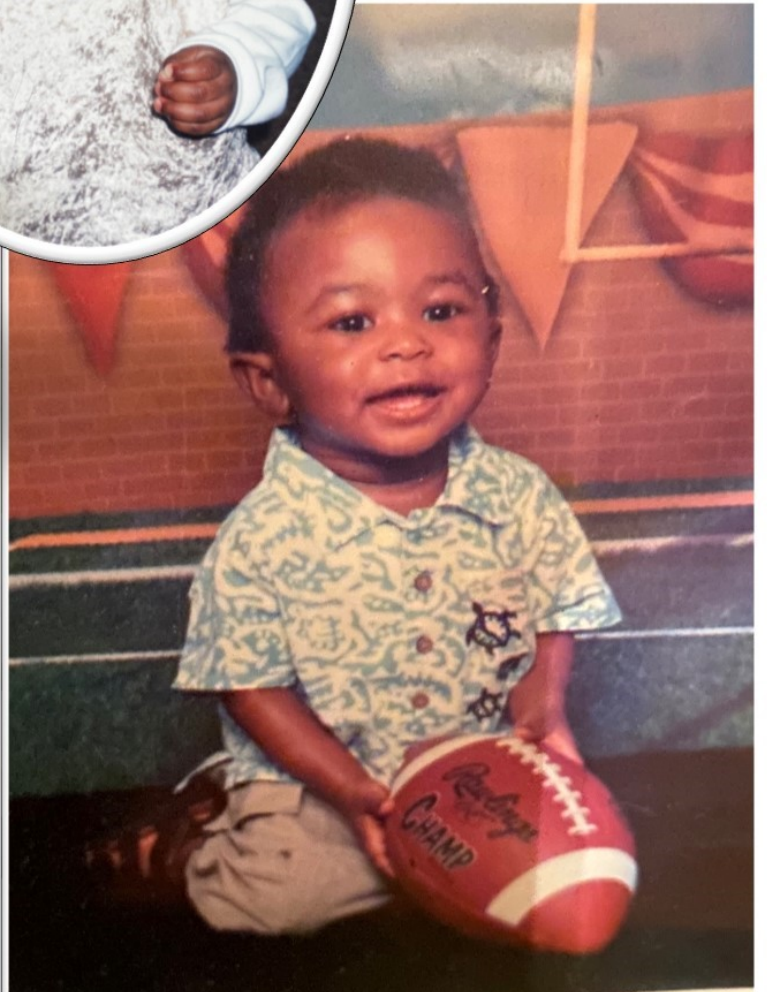
GiGi has faithfully attended Mt. Hebron Missionary Baptist Church for 13 years and actively participated in ministries such as Awana, Praise Dance, Genesis of Praise, True Praise, Pit Stop, Higher Mountain, Angel Tree and Beaux and Debutantes for Christ. She has completed volunteer service by participating in fundraisers such as the Freedom Fund Brunch, March for Babies and the American Heart Walk. She has given back to the youth by helping with the Angel Tree Ministry Program, Back to School rallies and education forums. She has stressed the importance of fitness and protecting our environment through her recycling collection efforts and by volunteering in a Lupus health and fitness fair. GiGi has championed economic empowerment by assisting with voter registration and financial literacy workshops and by promoting the importance of cultural diversity and unity by assisting with the Unity Fest, MLK Day festivities and Black History events.

Being a mentee in the Higher Mountain Mentoring Program and attending college tours offered through Mt. Hebron’s Scholarship Ministry helped GiGi understand the value of exposing youth to the variety of options they have when it comes to pursuing a higher education. Whether it be a Historically Black College and University (HBCU), or a private school with a focus on growing Christian faith and ministry or a public university, it is important to seize the opportunity and invest in oneself through education. So far, she has been offered scholarships to 7 universities for academic achievement. She is currently pursuing leadership-based scholarships and will explore golf options as well. GiGi plans to attend a college or university immediately after high school graduation, and she is interested in obtaining a degree in Accounting and Finance with a minor in Real Estate as her desire is to grow her skillset while promoting change and economic empowerment for today’s youth. With the support of her parents, family, friends and mentors, she is hopeful that her college experience will be the perfect catalyst in helping her reach her goals.

One of her favorite scriptures is Romans 8:31, “...If God is for us, who can ever be against us.”

Love and Blessings,

Gus Hayes and Dawn Alexander, Parents of Giavonna Monet Hayes



# Beaux and Debutants for Christ

## Darrick Arnaz Howard, II



It gives us great pleasure to introduce our only son Darrick Arnaz Howard II. Darrick is a graduating senior at Rockwall Heath High School. He was born July 19th and is the youngest of two children. Growing up, Darrick has always had a mindset of being a leader instead of a follower. This attribute along with his humble spirit, positive attitude and determination has kept him on a successful path.

At the age of nine, Darrick decided to give his life to Christ. We were excited and proud because choosing Christ as his Lord and Savior was the best decision he could ever make. After attending a few classes to gain a better understanding of his commitment, he was baptized. As a member of Mt. Hebron, Darrick has participated in Awana, Genesis of Praise, True Praise and the Angel Tree Ministry. He particularly enjoys giving to Angel Tree because it helps children who are less fortunate. He also attended Kids Across America (KAA) and Stoney Creek summer camps both of which he

describes as a life changing experiences.

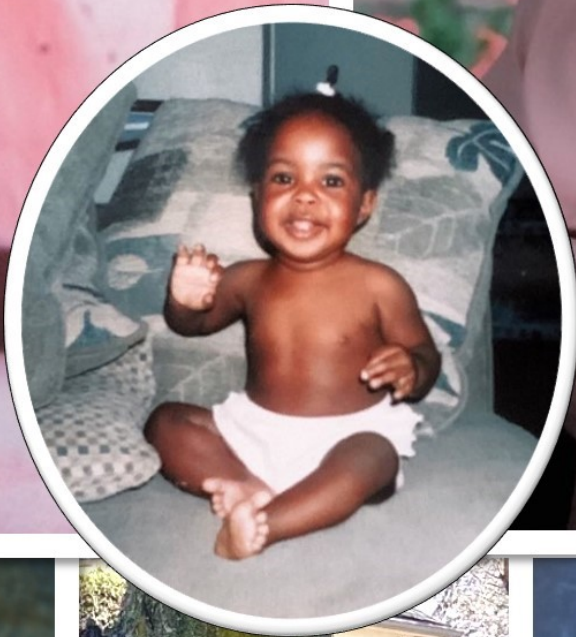
Darrick attended Williams Middle School. He enjoyed playing basketball and football. He also played saxophone in the Honors Band for two years. As he transitioned to Rockwall Heath High School, he realized his true passion was basketball. Darrick was dedicated and worked very hard to earn a spot on the varsity basketball team.

In Darrick's leisure time, he enjoys fishing, basketball, playing his saxophone and spending time with family and friends. His favorite scripture is Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Darrick plans to pursue a degree in Industrial Engineering. Our prayer is that he will continue to be guided by God. We are very proud of the young man he has become and look forward to all the great things God has in store for Darrick as he begins the next chapter in his life.

Love and Blessings,

Darrick and Monica Howard, Parents of Darrick Arnaz Howard, II



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## Hailey Deanna Williams



Hailey was born in Dallas Texas. Her favorite thing to do as a child was dance, and when Hailey was seven, she joined the Praise Dance Ministry.

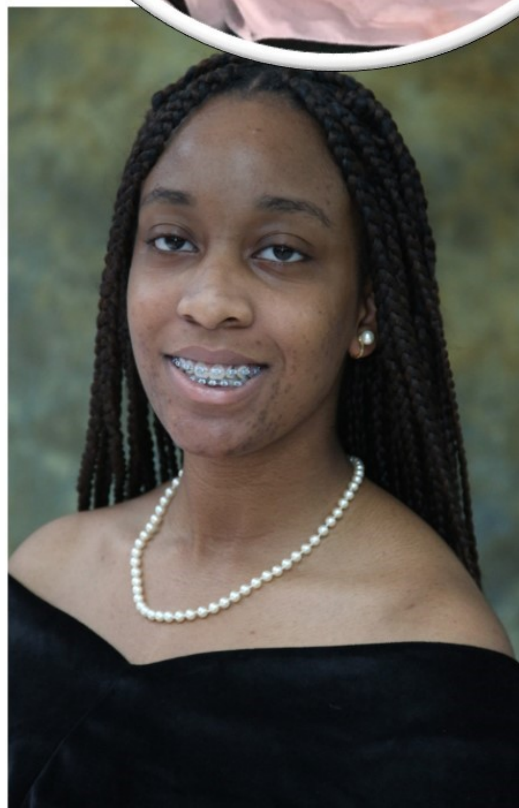
Hailey attended Lister Elementary School and Hudson Middle School. In elementary school, she was trying to figure out how to dress and in middle school, she knew that she had an interest in dentistry. Hailey's favorite thing to do was to read or watch movies in her free time because both of these activities made her feel relaxed. Even as a high school student, Hailey still enjoys reading and watching movies. One of Hailey's favorite foods is cheese pizza from Pizza Hut and lemon pepper wings.

Hailey's goal is to receive her medical degree from Baylor University in pre-dentistry. Hailey wants to open up a dentist office for teenagers and adults. She envisions teenagers shadowing her and completing volunteer service at her dental office. Hailey's dental office will be extremely beneficial to young teens in helping them decide what career they would like to pursue in college. Hailey's middle school thoughts about what she wanted to be crystalized in high school but finding a place where she could observe others doing what she wanted to do was not easy.

Hailey's favorite scripture is Psalm 84:12, "O Lord almighty, blessed is the man who trusts in you." Hailey trusts in God, and we know that God has wonderful plans for her life.

Love and Blessings,

George and Rita Williams, Parents of Hailey Deanna Williams



# Beaux and Debutants for Christ



## Rachel Alexandria Yankson

Rachel Alexandria Yankson was born on April 25, 2004. We were blessed and excited to adopt Rachel into our family 2 days later. About 15 years ago, we joined The Mount, and Rachel was enrolled in the babies' class. By the time Rachel was 3, she was able to recite John 3:16, learned in Vacation Bible School (VBS). Around the age of 6, Rachel accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and was baptized shortly thereafter. Rachel would go on to participate in , True Praise, Dance Ministry, Drama Ministry, and an N.A.A.C.P event. Rachel has also been a Sunday School volunteer helping with the pre-K, kindergartners, and 1st graders. Most recently Rachel has had the opportunity to co-facilitate prayer calls on behalf of the Prayer and Encouragement Ministry.

Rachel is a graduating senior at Sachse High School. As soon as Rachel arrived at Sachse High school, she became very active and joined the Lariats, the school drill team. As a Lariat, Rachel was on the football field every Thursday night performing as well as in local parades. After drill team, Rachel joined the Yearbook staff and continued to be on the football field but in a photo journalist role. Rachel can also be spotted on the sidelines of the basketball court, taking great photos as well as throughout the halls and classrooms of Sachse High School.

When Rachel is not involved in school activities, she volunteers and helps those in need. For several summers, Rachel volunteered by assisting at Friendship House in Carrollton to gain access to food and clothing. Rachel was recognized by the director for her service and dedication. During the spring and summer of 2021, once a month Rachel made sack lunches and distributed them to people under bridges, at traffic lights, in downtown Dallas and Garland. Helping people in need brings Rachel great joy.

We are looking forward to seeing where God leads Rachel in the next chapter of her life, as she pursues an education in Journalism.

Love and Blessings,

Robert Yankson and Felicia Hurd Yankson, Parents of Rachel Alexandria Yankson



## Platinum Plus

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## The Scholarship Ministry

The Scholarship Ministry of the Mt Hebron Missionary Baptist Church was formed by Barbara Davis in 1977 under the pastorship of Rev. W.J. Davis. The first members of this Committee were T.C. Walls, Joyce Miller, and Barbara Davis. The purpose of the Committee was to provide recognition, graduation tokens and scholarships for the high school graduates of the church. Overhearing the Committee's discussion regarding sources of funding, Dorothy Wesley offered the idea of the Beaux and Debutantes for Christ Program as a means of providing the funds. Dorothy first became aware of the program on one of her visits to her home church in Los Angeles, California. She described the program and brought copies of printed programs from Los Angeles. The first Debutantes Program was presented in 1979 at Mount Hebron's 209 East Avenue D location. Funds were solicited by the debutantes, but all youth were the recipients of the scholarships. Eventually, boys became a part of the program. The first beaux were presented in 1995. Dorothy thought that a program requiring the kind of time and energy as the Debutantes program should only be presented every other year, and so the program was presented biennially from 1983 until 1999. Today, the Program is an annual program designed for high school graduating seniors. The growth in membership of The Mount provides a ready pool of workers who annually make this program a reality. Dorothy would be proud. Over the years, as the Scholarship Committee focused on how to increase the number of youth who would pursue a post-secondary education and qualify for the scholarship, an annual retreat, initially designed for the girls, was created. The retreat addressed what the Bible says about premarital sexual relations. Various women of the Mount became a part of this effort. Gwen Clemmons, Joyce Guthrie, Frances Smith, Chris Shane, Willie Bogar, Joyce Miller, Patricia Fenceroy and others. Mt Lebanon and other Baptist encampments were the sites of the first weekend retreats. When the location at 901 Dairy Road was built, the overnight, weekend retreats were held at the facility. The women shared their dating experiences as teenagers with the youth and emphasized the ever presence of temptations and the importance of knowing how to use biblical teachings to yield not to those temptations.

The activities of the Scholarship Ministry were expanded as the church operated without an organized youth ministry; the ministry always focused on spiritual and education-related activities designed to expand the scholarly horizons of the youth. To this end, organized visits to the symphony, ballet performances of the Nutcracker Suite, the theater, the Dallas Museum of Art, the zoo, the South Dallas Cultural Center, the African American Museum of Dallas, the International Cultural Center and the Science Place became important experiences for the girls and boys at Mount Hebron. Continued...



## The Scholarship Ministry, Continued

In recent years, the activities of the Scholarship Ministry have included college tours for all grade levels, Kindergarten through 12th grade, the Spring Break Teen Summit and the Children's Lock-In. Born in 1979, the Scholarship Ministry serves as an example of a youth ministry that emerged from the heart and mind of a single member of Mount Hebron. The creative energies of another member gave rise to the Beaux and Debutantes for Christ Program. Through the combined efforts of countless members of the Mount, this Program continues to fund scholarly activities for all youth of Mount Hebron. Over the years, this program through the members of Mt. Hebron has provided scholarships and encouragement to hundreds of young people. The legacy is to foster a college-going and graduating culture of youth who keep God first, lead others to Christ and encourage the pursuit of education beyond high school.



## Thank You

On behalf of our Senior Pastor, Rev. Leonard O. Leach, the graduating seniors, past, current and future Beaux and Debutantes for Christ participants and their parents, along with the Scholarship Ministry, we sincerely thank each of you who have contributed to the scholarship fund. We recognize it takes a village to raise a child and your support and financial contributions are great examples of your commitment to our youth's success. Without your unselfish gifts to this ministry we would not be able to make the financial investment into the lives of each recipient. Thank you for being villagers who are, "Into What God is Up To"!

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