

Retirement Celebration for Shelia Morton—Thank you!

What a joy it was to see you at the summer conference in Greenville!

I want to thank all of you for your kind words, hugs, congratulations, cards, gifts, and prayers. I was “blown away” by the beautiful card and generous gift from my BEMO family!

Thanks to those of you who could not make my retirement celebration and a very special thank you to those of you who attended at Winslows’—we had an awesome time (even the bus ride coming and going)! I was so touched by the many wonderful stories you shared about me, (and I had my own BEMO stories)--we laughed and cried!

What a tremendous blessing it has been for me to serve as your liaison with passion for 12 years which has been a wonderful journey filled with hard work, laughter, lifelong friendships, sharing each other’s burdens and sealed with lots of love. Now that my journey has come to an end, many of you have already met Brittney Hunter who is well qualified to serve as your new liaison. She will bring new innovative ideas and a new prospective to the organization. I hope that you will extend the same love and kindness to her as you have shown me over the years.

This (over 35-year organization) is very dear to my heart and I am not saying good-bye, but simply so long. You will still see me around at the next summer conference!

I wish this organization much success as it strives to serve the needs of African Americans in communities across North Carolina.

Again, thank you for allowing me to serve as your liaison.

I hope you will enjoy the photos (compliments of Mayor Howard Morgan) who took them at the celebration!

With much love and gratitude,

Shelia Morton

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