

January 19, 2016

Dear Family,

May God's Favor be shining on you all at the beginning of this wonderful New Year. Your Philadelphia family is excited to now share our preliminary plans for the next reunion. Our hope and prayers are that this excitement will be contagious, and more importantly, encourage increased attendance at the 2017 SWEET SIXTEENTH family reunion. Yes, this will be our sixteenth reunion and **30 years** of unifying our family biennially!

Dates: Thursday, July 13th through Sunday, July 16th.

Hotel: Embassy Suites- 9000 Bartram Avenue, Philadelphia PA, 215-365-4500. The \$149.00 (plus tax) per night price includes the following: free shuttle from the airport, free cooked-to-order breakfast daily and free daily afternoon refreshments. The family will be providing free parking at the hotel as well. All rooms are two-room suites with either 1 king, or 2 queen beds; a sofa bed in the living area; refrigerator; & 2 TVs. Reservations should be made specifying the Miller-Payton Family Reunion to insure correct pricing and number count. Reservations can be made beginning July 2016. The sooner, the better.

Picnic: The picnic will be held at the Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park, which is approximately 30 minutes from the hotel. Buses will be provided for those who desire.

Schedule: Our traditional schedule remains pretty much unchanged, with a Welcome Reception on Thursday evening, the Picnic on Friday (w/ a brief Juma'h service), a theme Banquet on Saturday evening, and a Church service Sunday morning. The banquet theme will be The **Great Gatsby!** Not only does it fit well with our 30**years** celebration, but it will prove to be great fun as well, or should we say a "**roaring**" good time.

Before finalizing the registration fee(s), we are considering the elimination of a Sunday brunch, considering that 1. Full breakfast is provided and 2. Many of us will leave early on Sunday. In the interest of keeping costs down (registration more affordable) for all, we may pursue this option, unless there are major objections. Please view this like a poll. Input is welcomed and desired- please. We would like to have all prices finalized in the next month.

Love,

Philly Family

Asim Jones, Pres.

Eboni Miller, Sec.

Kelly Lumpkin & Bernice Miller, Treas.

Charles Miller, Bus. Man.