

A Spotlight on the Current Women on the Staff of PNBC

137 Years and Counting!



Elnora McLean
1970 – 2023



Linda James
1979 – Present



Patricia Diggs
1983 - Present

I Corinthians 15:58 – Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know your labor is not in vain. NRSV

In celebration of Women's History Month, Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. (PNBC) pays tribute to three employees each of whom has served diligently for forty plus years. Their combined years of service is 137 years!

Mrs. Elnora McLean started her tenure with PNBC in 1970. She was a typing instructor working with the Nannie Helen Burroughs School. Her typing skills enabled her to move into a position working with THE WORKER DEVOTIONAL MAGAZINE. This was a tedious job which required a lot of patience and skills. The typewriters were not electric in this era, nor were they equipped with correction tape. The Worker at this time had over **88,000 subscribers**.

Mrs. Mclean, served as a graphic designer, creating stationary, posters, flyers, tickets, for the PNBC Midwinter Board Meeting, Regional Meetings, and also Annual Session. Upon leaving PNBC, full time, she worked remotely as the editor of the Worker Magazine.

Mrs. Linda James began her employment in 1979, as a clerk to assist with the typing of labels and preparing for the shipping of the books to the customers. She and Mrs. McLean were key employees in helping to build and manage the database for The Worker. Ms. James also assisted with managing the subscription orders and manually recording contact and payment information contact. Mrs. James has a servant's heart. She rises to the occasion in whatever areas she is called upon to help. Currently she plays a key role in day to day administrative functions at PNBC Headquarters

Ms. Patricia Diggs began her work with PNBC as a consultant. She was connected to PNBC in 1983 through Dr. Howard Wiley, who worked with her computer business, Minicomp Services Incorporated, specializing in Church Management Software. Dr. C. J. Malloy, General Secretary, was instrumental in computerizing the office tasks of PNBC and a providing a full accounting software package.

Ms. Diggs has become the welcoming face of PNBC membership and conference registrations. She was responsible for the development of a customized registration software package to handle the operations of the Midwinter Board Meeting, Regional Meetings and the Annual Session. She operates with a spirit of joy and professionalism.

PNBC says thank you to these three dedicated women who work behind the scenes often unnoticed and unrecognized. We want to call their names and let them to know we appreciate all they do.