

# LAVONNE D. ELLIS

## President

Lavone D. Ellis serves as President of UBMC's Women's Auxiliary. She has held various leadership positions bringing about transformation and guidance in the Christian community. President Ellis, guided by Proverbs 3:5-6, embraces her role with deep respect and unwavering determination. *"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."*

A consistent monthly mission program, empowerment workshops, and evangelistic efforts are part of President Ellis' impactful vision for the UBMC's Women's Auxiliary. She remains steadfast despite challenges, relying on her enduring faith and strong belief in God's love. Years of dedicated service to others are her legacy.

President Ellis' commitment to the National Baptist Convention (NBC), USA, Inc. became evident when she served as Director of the Children's Kingdom, a Christian education and missions' outreach initiative under the Women's Auxiliary past President, Dr. Walterine Stribling. For many years, President Ellis served in NBC's Eastern Regional Conference, traveling from state to state, organizing the Children's Kingdom. President Ellis currently serves as a member on the Deaconess Committee for NBC's Women's Auxiliary under President, Dr. Cynthia P. Smith.

President Ellis was married for 47 years to the late Raymond Ellis, Sr. She and her late husband were widely recognized throughout the state of Maryland for their work as foster parents to over 20 children, all now thriving youth and young adults. This passion for helping children and youth followed her retirement for several educational and social service agencies in the state of Maryland.

Today, President Ellis is a proud mother of three and grandmother of seven. She values the wisdom and biblical teaching of her favorite scripture, Romans 8:36-29, *"Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."* To God be the glory, for the great things He has done!