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Dear Ladies:

Orders are now being accepted for our 2022-2023 Devotional Book entitled, “**Ascending to the Heavenly Places**” – *Devotions in the Psalms of Ascent as a Prelude for Worship (Psalms 120-134)* written by Deaconess Canon Annette M. Johnson of the Diocese of Mid-America. A note about the author of this devotional is attached. Please keep her in your prayers as she completes the task of writing this devotional.

Please use the attached form to place your orders. The books are available for a donation of \$4.00 per copy. Contributions to help defray the cost of shipping will be appreciated. In an effort to determine the number of books we will need to print, we are requesting that orders be received by **Saturday, June 25, 2022**. Orders received after this date will be filled based on availability. The books will be shipped to you by mid-August.

Yours in Him,

Gale G. Hill

About the author ...

Deaconess Canon Annette M. Johnson was raised an Episcopalian in the Diocese of Texas where she was active in parish and diocesan affairs. She began by singing in church choirs beginning at age six, and in the early 1970's went on to become a member of the Altar Guild, Sunday School teacher and Episcopal Young Churchmen (EYC) sponsor, and parochial President of the Episcopal Church Women (ECW). As a member of the Daughters of the King, a lay order for women, she served as Chapter President, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, and delegate to the National Triennial Convention.

In 1982, she and her husband, also a life-long Episcopalian, made the heart-wrenching decision to leave the Episcopal Church to become Continuing Anglicans and founding members of St. Matthias Anglican Church. Since that time, she has served as Parish Secretary, Vestry member, Altar Guild Directress, as well as Bible Study and Sunday School teacher, and Catechist. While affiliated with the Anglican Diocese of the Southwest, she served as Diocesan Secretary and Standing Committee member. She was also elected as Secretary of the House of Laity for the Anglican Church in America at the unifying synod in Deerfield Beach, Florida in 1991.

On January 31, 1993, Annette was Set Apart to the ancient office and ministry of Deaconess by the Right Reverend William W. Millsaps. In 1995, both Dss. Annette and St. Matthias Church were received into the Reformed Episcopal Church. She served as Diocesan Secretary in the Diocese of Mid-America and Administrative Assistant to The Most Reverend Royal U. Grote, Jr. for over ten years until his passing. Currently, she serves as General Council Secretary for the Reformed Episcopal Church and is a member of several committees both at the Diocesan and National church levels. She was appointed as Head Deaconess for the Anglican Deaconess Association, a professional organization for Deaconesses affiliated with the Federation of Anglican Churches in the Americas (FACA) and the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA). In April 2021, she became the first Lay Canon in the Reformed Episcopal Church when The Most Rev. Ray R. Sutton, Ph.D. appointed her as Canon for Deaconesses.

Dss. Canon Johnson holds a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Education with certifications in both Reading and Language/Learning Disabilities, and a Master of Arts in Religion (M.A.R.) from Cranmer Theological House. Before being Set Apart, she taught in both public and private schools in the field of Special Education specializing in Language/Learning Disabilities. She was a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the national honor society in education, Kappa Delta Pi. In 1977, she was named as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America. She is currently a member of the faculty at Cranmer Theological House in the Deaconess Studies department.

Her husband of fifty-two years is Harry K. Johnson III, a retired database consultant, and pilot who currently manages the U.S. Flight Club at Houston Executive Airport. They have two daughters, Royce Ann and Elizabeth, one outstanding son-in-law, The Very Rev. Canon Jason R. Grote (married to Elizabeth), and two grandchildren. She and her family reside in Katy, Texas, just outside Houston, and continue as members of St. Matthias Anglican Church, Proto-Cathedral of the Diocese of Mid-America in the Reformed Episcopal Church (ACNA).

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