

*“And I said to my Soul... Don’t Worry!”*



October 15, 2026

Dear Wonderful Spokes in the Wheel:

I am so grateful for this wonderful Coalition! For over thirty years, we have been together to greet each other with abundant love. We receive valuable information, discuss issues, offer suggestions, and take action in solving problems which impact the quality of life for our community. The power of prayer and meditation has been our foundation. Our souls has been tried on every angle! Never did we dream, we would be faced with such a devastating time in our life and history. However, we must be patient and know, “Who Really Is In Charge!”

Our next breakfast meeting will convene on **Monday, October 26, 2026**, at St. Margaret’s Catholic Church, 410 Addison Road, South, Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743 at **9:00 a.m.** Dr. Alvin Thornton will present valuable information on tips for parental involvement in the education of our children and Dr. Clarence Crawford will provide clues for strong readers. In addition, we must have our law enforcement to discuss scams and important preventive measures. The fire department will provide helpful tips on avoiding fires. There will be a few other reports and announcements regarding the progress of Suitland High School and Fairwood Elementary School.

We are moving forward in kicking off our Annual Turkey Drive. Please refer to the enclosed flyers for detailed information. We are looking forward to this annual event with prayer and excitement for something that is so needed for many of our citizens. Furthermore, we are continuing to raise the bar as we work with an exciting and prosperous goal. If you need further information or have questions, please contact us at (410) 841-3148 or email: [Joanne.Benson@senate.maryland.gov](mailto:Joanne.Benson@senate.maryland.gov). Continue and press forward with good health, peace, love, joy, and prosperity.

Gripped with A Thankful Heart,

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