## THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Daughters of the King® in the Diocese of East Carolina comprises 22 chapters spanning the distance from Kill Devil Hills south to Shallotte and west to Fayetteville. The Daughters of the King® was formed nationally in 1885 and in this diocese, it was assembled twenty years ago in the year 2000. These members take vows of Prayer and Service for their own parishes as well as in the local communities and the greater area around them.

The Twentieth Diocesan Assembly was scheduled for April 22, 2020 but was postponed and ultimately cancelled due to Covid-19. It is hoped to re-schedule as a Zoom meeting on January 25, 2021. However, many of the members attended the Province IV Zoom assembly meeting from October 5-8. Very positive feedback has been received from members who participated. Eight chapters have indicated that they are holding chapter meetings via Zoom. Daughters have studied various books, *When God Whispers Your Name; Allelulia; The Power of Love; Continuing the Journey; Women of the Bible* and *Before Amen* are just a few of the titles.

Members throughout the Diocese continue to serve their parishes and communities in a myriad of ways. Outreach Projects include: Support the Bishop's Migrant Ministry with a Christmas Sock Tree; Quiet Day with theme "Moving into Advent with Matthew" led by Lisa Richie; Service to those in need; Bake bread for Eucharist; Angel Bags for children during the service include Christian coloring books, small stuffed toy; Bereavement bags (paper products; plastic ware, coffee card from DoK); Follow-up cards after death mailed approximately three weeks later; Serving Hospice Lunches one Friday per month; Made Anglican Rosaries; Held Quiet Day with Lisa Richie with 50 attending; Intercessory Prayer offered after each service; maintain prayer alcove; funeral reception for a daughter's spouse; Sent pocket prayer shawls to sister chapter in Mexico; Prayer Partners continue during Pandemic; Diaper Drive; Food Card Drive; Christmas Angel Tree; Meals of Love for Hospice visitors; Coups for Troops; Prayer Shawl Ministry; Calendar collection for local Nursing Home; Arrange, publicize and conduct Taizé services that are open to the public one Thursday per month; Stock Little Free Library with Adult and children's books; Book bags and school supplies for Domestic Violence Center; Collect food bags for clergy to give to people in need; participate in Chamber Coat Drive; participated in Peanut Butter & Jelly Drive for Child Advocacy Group; Hygiene kits and works taken to Farm Workers Ministry; sent 10 scarves; 6 cowls and 14 hats to the Seamen's Institute; Backpacks for schools; Angel Tree at Christmas; Easter Baskets for Farmworkers; Clothing drive for domestic shelter; Yellow Box for shut-ins; deliver altar flowers; provide supplies; Hospice lunch once a month; All receptions for the parish; responsible for kitchen laundry as well as many other services.

The motto of the Order of The Daughters of the King® is:

For His Sake...

I am but one, but I am one.

I cannot do everything, but I can do something.

What I can do, I ought to do.

What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.

Lord, what will you have me do?

For His Sake,

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