17th Annual



In honor of Edmund and Nancy Bellinger

Children: Emily, Robert, James, Gavin, Garfield, Lovick, John, Augusta Elliott, Clifford and Peter

Bellinger Reunion 2022

July 1, 2022

Dear Family Members and Friends, - Welcome, Welcome!

First, let's start with thanking our heavenly Father for another day/year. Lord GOD, we thank you! Can you believe it has been 3 years since we fellowshipped together in Charlotte N.C. in 2019? WoW!! A lot has happened. COVID-19 was/is no joke. Although we had the pandemic, I truly believe it made people reach out to family members, and start loving each other via Zoom, or picking up the phone and calling them.

The host committee (Garfield Clan) has been busy preparing for this reunion and we are ready for you. The 17th Family Reunion is held in Winston-Salem, N.C. from July 1-3, 2022. The theme for this reunion is: "*More Love, More Family, More Family, More Love*". Yes, it's all about family and how we spread love among family members, in order to spread love throughout this world. Our family is exceptional with a rich history of love, traditions, family values and deep ancestral roots. So, Let's get this reunion started!! Enjoy, and most important - HAVE FUN!

To GOD be the Glory,

Garfield Clan

DAY 1 – FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2022

4:00pm - 6:00pm Hotel Check-in

6:15pm Please arrive at the Banquet Room (Sycamore) for Friday festivities.

OPENING FAMILY PLEDGE

We, the descendants of Edmund and Nancy Bellinger, of Barnwell County, South Carolina, have assembled ourselves in this place to honor and sustain our precious family legacy.

We treasure our family's presence, and we value the significant impact made for us and on us.

We will allow God to guide us in our interactions and communications to be loving and supportive of one another.

We will let these proceedings serve to strengthen our connections, one to another, to enrich our individual lives, and to glorify God.

Leviticus 25:10, <u>Christian Standard Bible</u>: You are to consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim freedom in the land for all its inhabitants. It will be your Jubilee, when each of you is to return to his property and each of you to his clan.

6:30pm Prayer/Dinner

6:50pm Meet and Greet/Icebreaker

7:00pm – 8:45pm Games

Fourth of July Dinner Buffet

DAY 2 – SATURDAY, JULY 2, 2022

Per the Hotel Management: The continental breakfast includes: coffee, juices, muffins, bagels and fruit. The hot breakfast is \$4.00 per person (normally \$8.00 per person) If you decide to purchase the hot breakfast you will receive a ticket from the front desk, which you will then mark your choices between: Scrambled eggs or an omelet//Sausage or Bacon// French Toast/Waffle or Hash Browns. Please check with the front desk for times.

Morning

7:45am – 8:45am Zumba

9:00am – 10:00am Business Meeting (Open to All)

10:00am – 1:30pm Enrichment Sessions

- 10-10:45am: "Kulture Arts and Crafts", Moderator: Karen Simmons
- 10:45-11:30am: "What's In your Genes", Moderator: Dr. Tennille Leak-Johnson
- 11:30am-12:15pm: "The Future of Tomorrow", Moderator: Destiny Martin
- 12:15-1:00pm: "Let's Talk", Moderator: Garvis Leak

1:30pm – 5:30pm Free Time (Refer to Pamphlets for Ideas)

Evening

Please arrive at 6:15pm for the banquet festivities

Bellinger Family Banquet Attire: Blue (any color of blue) 6:30-11:00pm

Presiding - Stanley and Tennille Johnson

Scripture	Naja Walker
Prayer	
Memorial Service Litany	Valerie Leake-Fields
Family History	
Theme and Background	Melody Leak-Kavota
Recognition of Matriarch and Patriarch (≥80 years old)	Sharon Leak-Penn
Graduate Recognition (HS and College).	Dr. Tennille Leak-Johnson
Blessing of Food	Marie Bellinger Leak

Dinner Menu

Grilled Chicken ◆ Roast Beef ◆ Honey Glazed Ham ◆ Chef Salad ◆ Green Beans ◆ Macaroni & Cheese ◆ Rolls ◆ Peach Cobbler ◆ Cupcakes ◆ Candy Apples ◆ Drinks

Bellinger Got Talent/Medley of Songs

CLOSING FAMILY PLEDGE

As we, the descendants of Edmund and Nancy Bellinger, prepare to depart to our separate households, we give thanks and praise to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for allowing us to assemble as a family.

We affirm to let go of all concerns and let God renew our lives. We also affirm to let go of doubt and rely on God's wisdom to direct us to our good. Our thoughts of abundance, health, and peace prepare us for a harvest of good.

We ask the Lord to dispatch His angels of protection for traveling grace and mercy to keep us safe on railways, highways, seaways, and airways as we return home.

We pledge our allegiance to one another in the spirit of family and to God's word to..."Go through its citadels, so that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God, forever and ever...and He will be our guide forever." Psalm 48:13–14 (English Standard Version-ESV)

Dance Party

DAY 3 – SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2022

8:30-9:30am

Opening Prayer	Melody Leak-Kavota
Scripture	Bianca Highsmith-Propst
Musical Selection	Leak Family
Sermon	Elder Stanley Johnson, Jr
Remarks	Garvis Leak
Benediction	Dr. Tennille Leak-Johnson

Bellinger Family Reunion

Memorial Service Litany

- **Leader** Today, we celebrate our loved ones whom God has seen fit to call from labor on the earth to their rewards in Heaven. We raise up the memories of our departed family members. We honor their lives, their service to GOD and mankind, and the love and kindness they displayed toward family and others.
- **Family**: Let our tribute rise. Let it echo in the halls of memory. Let it resound throughout eternity. Accept our praise, O' God our Fortress and our Refuge.
- *Leader:* We celebrate their love and dedication to family.
- *Family:* Let our tribute rise to their love and dedication to family. Let it echo in the halls of memory. Let it resound throughout eternity. Accept our praise our Rock and Defender.
- *Leader:* We celebrate their love of God and their Christian living.
- *Family:* Let our tribute rise to their love of God and their Christian living. Let it echo in the halls of memory. Let it resound throughout eternity. Accept our praise our Sword and Shield.
- *Leader:* We celebrate their endurance and faithfulness during illness and adverse conditions.
- <u>ALL:</u> Let our tribute rise to their endurance and faithfulness. Let it echo in the halls of memory. Let it resound throughout eternity. Accept our praise O 'God, our Leader and our Guide.

2019-2022 Bellinger Committee Members

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Valerie Fields-Leak

Naja (Cookie) Walker

Gail Melody Leak-Kavota

Lisa Simmons

and a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren



When it's all said and done- Unconditional Love & Making a Way out of No Way has been the trademark/foundation for the "Bellinger" roots!

'THE BELLINGER FAMILY REUNION

EVAL.UATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS: IN ORDER TO BETTER SERVE YOU, PLEASE COMPLETE THE EVALUATION FORM TO OFFER FEEDBACK. RE:MOVE THIS PAGE.FROM YOUR BOOKLET, COMPLETE IT AND PLACE THE FORM IN THE BASKET ON SATURDAY EVENING (AFTER THE BANQET)

1. HOW DO YOUR RATE THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITES?

MEET & GREET/BREAKER	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR N/A		
BUSINESS MEETING	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR N/A		
WORKSHOPS						
ART AND CRAFT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR N/A		
YOUR GENES	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR N/A		
FUTURE OF TOMORROW	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR N/A		
LET'S TALK	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR N/A		
2. HOW DO YOU RATE THE ACCOMDATIONS?						
EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR		POOR N/A		
3. HOW DO YOU RATE THE MEALS?						
EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	F	POOR N/A		
4. HOW DO YOU RATE THE SOUVENIRS AND GIFTS						
EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	F	POOR N/A		
5. WHAT ACTIVITIES DO YOU RECOMMED FOR THE FAMILY REUNION?						

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS