

The Tennessee Branch of The International Order of The King's Daughters and Sons

The Tennessee Branch of the International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons began its 131st year of service in His Name in 2019. The branch has 14 circles with 187 senior members and 11 junior members. There are two unions, the Memphis City/Shelby County Union and the Maury County Union. In Davidson County there is one independent circle, the Madison Circle. The Tennessee Branch usually holds an annual convention in April, but for this year, will hold an abbreviated session during the IOKDS annual meeting in Nashville.

The Madison Circle supports the King's Daughters Child Development Center located in Madison TN, through gifts and volunteering. The circle also supports other state ministries and International ministries.

The Maury County Union is made of five circles, one junior circle and they support the King's Daughters School in Columbia, TN. That support comes by way of representation on the school board of directors, fundraisers and activities with the residents and students. Circles also support the International ministries.

The Memphis/Shelby County Union is made up of 8 circles that support the King's Daughters and Sons Home in Bartlett, TN. Circle members are active in their support through participation on the Board of Directors, fundraising and various activities at the facility and its residents.

The Tennessee Branch is very fortunate to have three prosperous ministries that they support financially and through volunteerism.

The King's Daughters and Sons Home was opened March 1, 1908. In 2004, they moved from their original location in downtown Memphis to a beautiful new 108 bed facility in Bartlett, TN. The home provides comprehensive nursing and rehabilitation care of the sub-acute, skilled and basic levels of nursing care. The home is one of the largest employers in Bartlett.

The King's Daughters School is an internationally recognized, co-educational, boarding school that serves approximately 120 children and adults with developmental disabilities. Students receive educational, vocational, social and life skills training so that they may become mature productive citizens. Along with the main campus, the school offers an early intervention program for children birth to 3 years of age. This program is center based, home based and community based. The Center of Autism is the newer of the three programs offered which is housed on a separate campus from the school, serving both day students and residential students.

The King's Daughters Child Development Center, founded in 1966 is a faith based, income based child care facility that serves children from newborn to 5 years old. The school has a 3-star rating from the State of Tennessee and is NAYEC accredited.

The Tennessee Branch of the King's Daughters and Sons continues to support ministries in Tennessee and the International ministries. This year our branch gave donations to the North American Indians, Around the World, Chautauqua, Health Careers and Student Ministries.

We are proud to host the 2019 International Meeting in the capital of our beautiful state, Nashville TN.

In His Name,

Diana English
Tennessee Branch President