

A Historical Glimpse of the Junior & Young People's Department



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The Junior Department of the National United Church Ushers Association of America, Inc. can trace its history to the efforts Susie Gomes. Susie was born in South Carolina and while still young, her family moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania where they joined the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Susie worked in the usual youth groups of the church as well as heeded the call to do Missionary work; soon after she decided to organize a Junior Usher Board so she and her friends could better serve the church. After receiving permission from her Pastor she decided to branch out and began encouraging youth in churches of other faiths to organize. In a few short years, she had organized local and state groups similar to the Senior Usher Organization.

In July 1940, Susie along with a group of other youths petitioned the NUCUAA leaders for permission to organize a Junior Unit of the organization. From that beginning, the Junior National has grown to an unimaginable volume, fulfilling the needs of young people in churches throughout this country.

REQUIREMENTS: The individual must be a member of his/her church usher board, local and state and between the ages of 8 - 21.

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