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Governor Nikki R. Haley
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Dear Governor Haley,

The pastor, officers, members and the community will be celebrating the sesquicentennial (150th Anniversary) of the Queen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in the month of September, 2015.

Queen Chapel A.M.E. Church was established on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina in the year 1865. Its membership includes numerous generations of descendants of slaves who have kept their tradition alive through the church.

Our mission down through the years has been to minister to the Spiritual, Educational, Physical, Emotional and Environmental needs of all people by spreading Christ's liberating gospel through word and deed.

Our celebration of this momentous occasion will include a banquet which will take place on September 18, 2015. We are proud of our heritage, and so, there will be a souvenir journal that we hope will include some kind of acknowledgement from you. For this, we would be ever so grateful.

Please let us hear from you between now and July 1, 2015.

Yours truly,

Sister Julia Grant Thomas, Chairperson

Rev. Edward B. Alston, Pastor

