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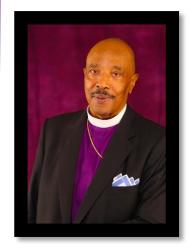
2022 Annual Conference & Planning Meeting



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September 2022



Members of the Third Episcopal District African Methodist Episcopal Church



Dear YPD'ers, Brothers and Sisters:

The Supervisor and I continue to be excited about the possibilities of what we can accomplish together in the Third Episcopal District.

This series of annual conferences begin our second year together. It has been challenging, yet rewarding. Our efforts to do things a new way, and to deemphasize money, has challenged some, confused others, and excited a few. Change is constant, and can be challenging. Sometimes we embrace the challenge. Other times we struggle against it. We can make it.

As we continue on this journey together, let's adopt some simple things: worship, "May I?", "please", "thank you", respect for one another, respect for women; and, let's speak positively about each other. It is important to remember that in all that we do, we represent **Christ**. Let's work together to build a church big enough for **Him**.

Now we invite you to "Dream about the possible and to bury the doubts of the past." It's time. We can do it. Everybody has a part, and you are the main character.

TOWARD ENLIGHTENMENT

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Presiding Bishop

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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY CONFERENCE NOTES

Below are the WMS Annual Day Dates and Times. All in attendance will wear WHITE. Those attending the Annual Day MUST have submitted a Credentials Form plus \$25 registration.

PITTSBURGH-WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE WMS (Virtual)

September 7, 2022 9:30 AM Business Session (including Quadrennial Elections)

> 12:00 PM Noon Day Service – Reverend Alfred Thompson, Jr.

(St. Paul AMEC-Uniontown & Payne Chapel,

Connellsville, PA)

OHIO-SOUTH OHIO CONFERENCE WMS (Virtual)

Business Session (including Quadrennial Elections) September 21, 2022 9:30 AM

> 12:00 PM Noon Day Service - Reverend Dr. Veronica Watkins

(St. James-New Vision AME Church, Dayton, OH))

NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE WMS (Virtual)

October 5, 2022 Business Session (including Quadrennial Elections) 9:30 AM

> 12:00 PM Noon Day Service – Reverend Jameelah O'Neal

> > (Greater Mitchell AME Church, Mansfield, OH)

*ATTENDANCE ENCOURAGED

Community mission initiative will be presented during each Annual Day (various items presented to an agency supporting women who have been involved with human trafficking).

Conference Officers' Reports will be presented along with updated information from the Quadrennial Attire Committee Conference Representative.

During District Planning Meeting in Cleveland, OH, the District WMS Meeting will be held on Friday, October 21, 2022 (3p-5p). Also, there will be a WMS/YPD Jazz Brunch to be held on Saturday, October 22, 2022 (11a-1p). This event will honor Women & YPD who have exemplified outstanding service in their churches and in their communities. Tickets for the event (\$40) will be distributed among each Conference by mid-August.

> **Sharon Smith Banks, TED WMS President** Patricia Russell - McCloud. Esq., Supervisor Errenous Earl McCloud, Jr., Presiding Bishop



NOTES

- 1. Presiding Elder Recommendation forms are due one week before the Annual Conference opens. Please email all forms to Bishop McCloud ytinirt229@aol.com and Pearlene M. Williams pmwilliamsoeua@aol.com
- 2. The due date for submission of all Annual Conference Reports is two weeks prior to the conference opening. Please email all reports to Dr. Pearlene M. Williams at pmwilliamsoeua@aol.com and Mr. Jamole Callahan at jamolec@icloud.com
- The Bishop will meet with the Presiding Elders, the Accountant, the Treasurer, and the Administrator on ZOOM at 10:00 AM on the day before the opening of the Annual Conference.
- 4. The Bishop will meet with the Chair and Secretary of the Committee on Memorials and the Presiding Elders on Zoom at 11:30 am on the day before the opening of the Annual Conference.
- 5. The Bishop will meet with the Board of Examiners and Presiding Elders on ZOOM at 1:00 pm the day before the opening of the Annual Conference.
- 6. The Bishop will meet with the Ministerial Efficiency Chair on ZOOM at 5:00 pm on the day before the opening of the Annual Conference.
- 7. The login information for the Annual Conference will be provided to the conference attendees through their Presiding Elders. Please share login information with delegates, observers, and visitors.
- 8. Presiding Elders will check the roll of their Districts at the beginning of each day and provide the completed roll to the secretary of the Annual Conference.
- 9. Opening and Closing offerings will be received in advance and reported as part of the Presiding Elders' Report.
- 10. Mass Ordination Worship will be conducted at the Planning Meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, October 20-22, 2022, for persons approved for Ordination in 2022 series of Annual Conferences.



The 155th Session of the Pittsburgh – West Virginia Annual Conference September 7-10, 2022

WMS September 7, 2022 September 8, 2022 Opening Closing September 10, 2022

Host Church: St. James AME Church, Erie, PA

Host Pastor: Rev. MaDonna Gray **Host PE: PE Thomas Fant**

Opening Worship Preacher: Rev. Dr. Brandon A.A.J. Davis

WMS SCHEDULE - Wednesday, September 7, 2022

Session 1 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Business Session Break** 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM **BREAK**

Session 2 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM **Noon Day Worship**

Session 3 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Business Session** (if required)

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE - Thursday, September 8, 2022

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Day 1 Session 1 **Opening Worship** Break 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Break **Business Session 1** Day 1 Session 2 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Break 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Break**

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Break 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Break Session 4 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM TBA

Session 3

Day 1

Friday, September 9, 2022

Business Session 2

Business Session 3 (Conference Institute -Day 2 Session 1 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Payne Seminary – Social Justice Ministry) Break Break 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM Session 2 10:15 AM - 12:15 PM **Business Session 4** Break 12:15 PM - 3:00 PM **Lunch Break** Session 3 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM **Business Session 5** Day 2 Break 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Break Day 2 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Session 4 Lay Night

Saturday, September 10, 2022

Session 1 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Business Session 6 (YPD Activities)** Day 3 Break 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM **Break** Session 2 10:15 AM - 12:15 PM **Business Session 7** Break 12:15 PM - 3:00 PM **Lunch Break** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM **Closing Worship and Commissioning** Day 3 Session 3



THE 155TH SESSION – PITTSBURGH/WEST VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE **Opening Worship**

Worship Leader: Presiding Elder Alton B. Dillard

THE DOXOLOGY..... "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

THE GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

- **Rev. Gray:** I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!
- Rev. Ruffin: For a day in Your court is better than a thousand elsewhere, I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
- **Rev. Gray:** For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.
- Rev. Ruffin: They are planted in the house of the Lord, they flourish in the courts of our God.
- **Rev. Gray:** O Lord, I love the habitation of Your house, and the place where Your glory dwells.
- Rev. Ruffin: But the Lord is in His holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before Him.
- **Rev. Gray:** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight. Oh Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.
- Rev. Ruffin: O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, sing praises!
- THE OPENING HYMN"And Are We Yet Alive" Hymn #304
- THE OPENING PRAYER.....The Rev. John Sylvia



THE CHORAL RESPONSE (Pre-Recorded Music)

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSONThe Rev. Barrett Spencer THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSONThe Rev. Aisha Tate
THE BENEVOLENT OFFERINGThe Finance Committee
THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHERPresiding Elder Thomas H. Fant
THE SERMONIC SELECTION (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE PREACHED WORDThe Rev. Dr. Brandon A. A. J. Davis
THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIPThe Rev. Dale Snyder "Just as I am, Without One Plea" Hymn #257
THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVEThe Finance Committee
THE DOXOLOGY "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
THE BENEDICTIONThe Rev. Dr. Brandon A. A. J. Davis



The Third Episcopal District Annual Conference Reports

(7 Minutes Each. All Conferences)

- 1. **Conference Organization**
- 2. **Board of Examiners (BOE)**
- 3. **Presiding Elder's Summary Report**
- 4. **Third Episcopal District Lay Organization**
- 5. Young People's Division (YPD)
- 6. Women's Missionary Society (WMS)
- 7. Richard Allen Young Adult Council (RAYAC)
- 8. **Statistical Data Report**
- 9. **State of the Church**
- 10. **State of the Country**
- 11. **Christian Education Department (CED)**
- **12.** Sons of Allen
- **13.** The Richard Allen (Brotherhood) Fellowship
- 14. Ministers' Spouses, Widows and Widowers Plus P.K.'s
- **Wilberforce University 15.**
- **16. Payne Theological Seminary**
- **17. Ministerial Efficiency**
- 18. **Finance Committee Report**
- 19. The Committee on Memorials
- 20. The Committee on Presiding Elder Support
- 21. **Women in Ministry**
- 22. The Committee on Social Action and Community Development
- 23. The Committee on Stewardship
- 24. The Committee on Resolutions
- 25. The Committee on Evangelism
- 26. The Committee on Living Well-Life in Balance
- 27. The Committee on Faith and Technology
- 28. The Committee on Children
- 29. The Committee on Social Justice/Prison Ministry and Juvenile Justice



THE 155th SESSION OF THE PITTSBURGH – WEST VIRGINIA **ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEES** September 7-10, 2022

ANNUAL SERMON: **REV. DR. BRANDON A. A. J. DAVIS**

Ebenezer AME Church

Aliquippa, PA

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

NOTE: Presiding Elders Alton B. Dillard and Thomas H. Fant are ex-officio members of all committees.

Board Of Examiners: The Reverends: Debra Smoot, Dean; Madonna Gray, James H Harris, Christian Reed, Cheryl Ruffin

Ministerial Efficiency: The Reverends: Madonna Gray, Chair; James H. Harris, Debra Smoot, Alfred Thompson, Carl Kemp.

Judiciary: (To be elected at the Annual Conference)

Presiding Elder's Support: The Reverends: James H. Harris, Chair, Madonna Gray, Dale Snyder, Alfred Thompson, John Sylvia, Darian Banks. (Youth) Lic. Andrew Coleman III Delegates: Richard Frazier, Gloria Gilmore, Sharon Smith Banks, Tonya Gibbs.

Board of Trustees/Deeds and Property: The Reverends: James H. Harris, Chair, Cheryl Ruffin, Renecia Frazier (youth), Michael C. Brown (youth), Jasmine C. Banks (youth). Delegates: Marsha Washington, Sonya Nelson.

State of the Church: The Reverends: Brandon A. A. J. Davis, Chair, Barry Spencer, Geoffrey Tate, Darian Banks.

Laypersons: Cheryl Thomas-Harper, Albert Coleman, Sarah Chappel, Diana Flowers Joezettee Gates (Youth) Bianca Morris

State of the Country: The Reverends: Aisha Tate, Chair, Helen Burton, Madonna Gray. Laypersons: Michael C. Brown, Charlotte Somerset, Helen Williams, Barbara Douglas

Christian Education: The Reverends: Christina Reed, Chair, Aisha Tate, Linda West. Laypersons: Eddiena Schoolfield, Reneta Powell, Madaline Timazze, (Youth), Triniti Boyle

Evangelism: Church Growth and Development: The Reverends: Barrett Spencer, Chair, Cheryl

Ruffin, Lea Tunstalle.

Laypersons: Tiffany Cofield, Twyla Glasgow, Renee Lyles, Bernice Lindsey



Stewardship: The Reverends: Alfred Thompson, Chair, Hazel Kelly, Madonna Gray, Dale Snyder, Carl Kemp

Laypersons: Diana Flowers, Joyce Keith, Florence Plantes, Valerie Gillcrese, Thomas Harper

Social Action and Community Development: The Reverends: Dale Snyder, Chair, Lloyd King, Cheryl Ruffin, John Sylvia, Helen Burton

Laypersons: Reneta Powell, Jackie Grable, Sharon Smith Banks. Kathy Elliott

Sons of Allen: Darian Banks, Chair, John Sylvia, James Harris, John Cofield, Barry Spencer, Carl Kemp, Darryl Lowe, Mortty Ivy, Andre Nelson, Harold Jackson, Robert Vaughn, Alfred Thompson, Dale Snyder, Frank Brown, Mark Alexander, Paul Battle.

Classification of Churches/Mission, Circuits and Stations: The Reverends: Barrett Spencer, Chair, Christina Reed, Dale Snyder, Geoffrey Tate, Bernie Cook, Sahara Johnson, Linda West. Greg Martin (Youth), Sydney Brown.

Committee on Resolutions: The Reverends: Geoffrey Tate, Chair, Darian Banks, Carl Kemp, Hazel Kelly, Cheryl Thomas-Harper, Joyce Booker.

Women in Ministry: The Reverends: Aisha Tate, Chair, Hazel Kelly, Helen Burton, Melva Hartzog, Lea Tunstalle, Madonna Gray, Cheryl Ruffin, Debra Smoot, Georgia Morrow, Regina Ragin-Dykes, Christina Reed, Deborah Widget, Linda Moore, Lissa Foster, Aisha Tate, Constance Corbin, Maureen Bolden, Prudence Harris, Marilyn Fisher.

Social Justice/Prison/Juvenile Justice Ministry: The Reverends: Alfred Thompson, Chair, Sylvia Morris, Darian Banks, John Sylvia

Layperson: Tiffany Cofield, Bernie Cook.

Faith and Technology in the 21st Century: The Reverends: Dale Snyder, Chair, John Sylvia, Christina Reed, Lloyd King, Lic. Andrew Coleman III, Layperson: (Youth) Michael C. Brown.

The Committee on Memorials: The Reverends: Hazel Kelly, Chair, Dr. Helen Burton, Charlotte Somerset, Cheryl Thomas-Harper, Robert Franklin

Finance: TO BE ELECTED BY THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE



The 155th Session - Pittsburgh/West Virginia Conference **CLOSING WORSHIP**

Worship Leader: Presiding Elder Thomas H. Fant

THE DOXOLOGY..... "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

THE GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

- **Rev. Gray:** I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!
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- Rev. Burton: But the Lord is in His holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before Him.
- **Rev. Gray:** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight. Oh Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.
- Rev. Burton: O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, sing praises!
- THE OPENING HYMN"We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" Hymn #363
- THE OPENING PRAYER...... The Rev. Barrett Spencer

THE CHORAL RESPONSE (PRE-RECORDED MUSIC)





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THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE THE OLD TESTAMENTThe Rev. Brandon A. A. J. Davis THE NEW TESTAMENTThe Rev. Aisha Tate
THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVEThe Finance Committee
THE CHORAL RESPONSE "All Things Come of Thee O Lord"
THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHERThe Presiding Elder Alton Dillard
THE SERMONIC SELECTION (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE PREACHED WORDThe Rev. Vanessa Cummings
THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" Hymn #321
THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVEThe Finance Committee
THE ANNOUNCEMENTSThe Conference Secretary
THE COMMISSIONINGBishop Errenous E. McCloud, Jr.
THE COMMISSIONING HYMN"Go Preach My Gospel Says The Lord" Hymn #220
THE PRAYERThe Rev. Deborah Avery-Widget
THE SCRIPTUREMATTHEW 10:1-14The Rev. Yvette Taylor
THE READING OF APPOINTMENTSBishop Errenous E. McCloud, Jr.
THE DOXOLOGY "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
THE BENEDICTIONThe Rev. Vanessa Cummings



THE OHIO-SOUTH OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

The 192nd Session of the Ohio – South Ohio Annual Conference September 21-24, 2022

WMS September 21, 2022 **Opening** September 22, 2022 September 24, 2022 Closing

Host Church: Wayman Chapel AME Church, Dayton, OH

Host Pastor: Rev. Dr. Gerald Cooper **Host PE: PE Melonie Valentine**

Opening Worship Preacher: Rev. Dr. Norma Lynn Felts

WMS SCHEDULE - Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Session 1 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Business Session Break** 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM **BREAK**

Session 2 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM **Noon Day Worship**

Business Session (if required) Session 3 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE Thursday, September 22, 2022

Day 1	Session 1	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Opening Worship
	Break	12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Break
Day 1	Session 2	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Business Session 1
	Break	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Break
Day 1	Session 3	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Business Session 2
	Break	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Break
	Session 4	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	TBA

Friday, September 23, 2022

Day 2	Session 1	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Business Session 3 (Conference Institute –
			Payne Seminary – Social Justice Ministry)
	Break	10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break
	Session 2	10:15 AM – 12:15 PM	Business Session 4
	Break	12:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Lunch Break
Day 2	Session 3	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Business Session 5
	Break	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Break
Day 2	Session 4	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Lay Night

Saturday, September 24, 2022

Day 3	Session 1	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Business Session 6 (YPD Activities)
	Break	10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Break
	Session 2	10:15 AM – 12:15 PM	Business Session 7
	Break	12:15 PM – 3:00 PM	Lunch Break
Day 3	Session 3	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Closing Worship and Commissioning



Third Episcopal District

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THE 192ND SESSION – OHIO/SOUTH OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE OPENING WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Presiding Elder Betty Holley

THE DOXOLOGY...... "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

THE GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

- **Rev. G. Cooper:** I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!
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 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, sing praises!
- THE OPENING HYMN"And Are We Yet Alive" Hymn #304



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THE OPENING PRAYERThe Rev. Dr. Jermaine Covington
THE CHORAL RESPONSE (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE
THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSONThe Rev. DeBora Duckett
THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSONThe Rev. Eugene Mitchell
THE BENEVOLENT OFFERINGThe Finance Committee
THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC (Pre-Recorded Music)
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THE SERMONIC SELECTION (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE PREACHED WORDThe Rev. Dr. Norma Lynn Felts
THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIPThe Rev. Dr. Elmer Martin
THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVEThe Finance Committee
THE DOXOLOGY "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
THE BENEDICTIONThe Rev. Dr. Norma Lynn Felts



192nd SESSION OF THE OHIO – SOUTH OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEES September 21-24, 2022

Annual Sermon: Rev. Dr. Norma Lynn Felts

Lee Chapel AME Church

Cincinnati, OH

COMMITTEES:

NOTE: Presiding Elders Melonie Valentine and Betty Holley are Ex-Officio members of all committees.

Board of Examiners: The Reverends: Norma L. Felts, Chair, Elmer Martin, Gerald Cooper, Emma Barnes, Kevin J. Cooper, Michelle Godhigh, Timothy Liggins, Aimee Anderson, Vanessa R. Cummings, Acie Collins

Ministerial Efficiency: The Reverends: Alphonse Allen, Jr., Chair, Norma Lynn Felts, George Russell, Peggy Turner.

Judiciary: The Reverends: Morne' Meyer, Chair, Clifton Kilpatrick, Buena Dudley, Gerald Cooper, Dr. Karen Schaeffer

Presiding Elders Support: The Reverends: Kevin J. Cooper, Chair, Jermaine D. Covington., Elmer Martin, Gerald Cooper, Gertrude Komani, William C. Roberts.

Delegates: Patricia Moore, LaDonna Liggins, Florene Ford, Eugene Mitchell

Board of Trustees/Deeds & Property: Errenous E. McCloud, Jr. Chairperson

The Reverends: Jermaine Covington, Chair, Clifton Kilpatrick, Gerald Cooper, Alphonse Allen, Kevin J. Cooper, Sr., Elmer Martin, Ruth McCants Locke, Michelle Godhigh;

Melody Essex, Conference Secretary

Norma L. Felts, Conference Treasurer

Laypersons: Arthur W. Harmon, Attorney

Ms. Debra Tyus, Secretary

Mr. Marvin Harris, Conference Lay President Mrs. Ruby Kilpatrick, Conference WMS President

State of the Church: The Reverends: Aimee Anderson, Chair, George L. Russell, Jr., Deborah Chapman, Morne' Meyer, Margaret Brown.

Delegates: Jay Mills, Noel Walton, Carlene Beverly, Carolyn Walker-Kimbro, Linda Parrish, Eloise Currenton



State of the Country: The Reverends: Margaret V.L. Tyson, Chair, Erwin McIntosh, Jr., Melody Essex, Jacqueline Randolph, Doretha Martin.

Delegates: Juanita Bragg, Darrick Earley, Jacky Johnson, Michael Mitchell.

Christian Education: The Reverends: Karen R. Schaeffer, Chair, Peggy Turner, Aimee Anderson, Steven Reeves, Tracy Cross, Trina McBroom.

Delegates: Rosie Harris, Monteen Gates, Ann Fields

Evangelism: Church Growth & Development: The Reverends: Gertrude Komani, Chair, Morne' Meyer, Terrence Cato, Trina McBroom, Jacqueline Randolph, Kevin Cooper, Lesia Williams, Benita Parker; Delegates: Clara Godhigh, Linda Parrish, LaDonna Liggins

Stewardship: The Reverends: Clifton Kilpatrick, Chair, Janet Windham, Dwight Smith, Edward Henson, Phillip Turner, Candy Hardy.

Delegates: Michael Goss, Natalie Graves, Vernel Parker, Coutanya Coombs

Social Action & Community Development: The Reverends: Renita Green, Chair, Gerald Cooper, Victor L. Davis, Bruce Wynn, Sandra Mack, Erwin McIntosh, Jr.

Delegates: Norma Dunson, Franklin West, Patricia Moore, Carl White

Sons of Allen: The Reverends: Eugene Mitchell, Chair, William C. Roberts, Bruce Wynn, Edward Henson; George Russell, Duane L. Davis, Erwin McIntosh, Jr.

Delegates: Michael Goss, John Harding, Gerald Steward, Phillip Harewood, Steven Williams

Classification of Churches/Missions, Circuits, Stations: Candy Hardy, Chair, Timothy Liggins, Michele R. Godhigh, Margaret Brown.

Committee on Resolutions: The Reverends: Emma Barnes, Chair, Melody Essex, Peggy Turner, Vanessa Cummings, Brenda Freeman, Eugene Mitchell, Margaret V. L. Tyson, Victor L. Davis.

Delegates: Yvonne Henry, Vernell Parker, Stella Browder, Carolyn Walker-Kimbro, Verna Gaskins

WIM (Women in Ministry): The Reverends: Emma Barnes, Chair, Mila Cooper, Edwina Davis, Peggy Turner, Candy Hardy, Benita Parker, Veronica Watkins, Mary V. Turner, Barbara Thompson, Karen Fox, Tina Elliott, Karen R. Schaeffer, Rachel Gilbert, Cheryl T. Woods, Ruth McCants Locke, Melody Essex, Emma D. Barnes, Sandra Mack, Doretha Martin, Sandie Cunningham, Doris Bowers, Lindora Felder, Gayle Simmons, Norma Felts, Margaret V.L. Tyson, Becky Dyer, Paula Harris, Michelle Godhigh, Alice Cato, Jacqueline Randolph, Doretha Martin, DeBora Duckett, Brenda Freeman, Gertrude Komani, Vanessa Cummings, Aimee Anderson, Kathryn Davis, Kristi High, Trina McBroom, Margaret Brown.

Social, Prison, and Juvenile Justice: The Reverends: Doretha Martin, Chair, Victor L. Davis, Kevin Aldridge, Vanessa R. Cummings, Duane L. Davis.

Delegates: John Johnson, Norma Dunson, Monte Toney



Ministries to Children & Youth & Young Adult —District YPD Director Shelia Floyd, Amber Tillman, Robin Scott, Crystal E. Harris.

Faith and Technology in the 21st Century Church: The Reverends: Emma Barnes, Chair, Samuel A.

Harris, Jr., Michael Menefield

Delegates: Tina Hudson, Noel Walton

Committee on Memorials: The Reverends: Vanessa R. Cummings, Chair, DeBora Duckett, Melvyn

Huguely, Margaret E. Brown, Veronica Watkins.

Delegates: Portia Daniels, Florene Ford, Jessica Brigham

WMS: Ruby Kilpatrick

MSWAWO: Rev. Alice Cato

Finance: The Reverends: Jermaine Covington, Elmer S. Martin. Delegates: Theodore Whitaker, Patricia Moore, Bertha Thomas



THE 141ST SESSION OF THE OHIO-SOUTH OHIO CONFERENCE **CLOSING WORSHIP**

Worship Leader: Presiding Elder Melonie Valentine

THE DOXOLOGY..... "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

THE GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

- **Rev. G. Cooper:** I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!
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- **Rev. G. Cooper:** For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good
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- Rev. Godhigh: But the Lord is in His holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before Him.
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- O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous Rev. Godhigh: things! Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, sing praises!
- THE OPENING HYMN"Come We That Love The Lord" Hymn #520
- THE OPENING PRAYER...... The Rev. Edwin McIntosh

THE CHORAL RESPONSE (PRE-RECORDED MUSIC)



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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHERPresiding Elder Melonie Valentine
THE SERMONIC SELECTION (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE PREACHED WORDThe Rev. Dr. Jermaine Covington
THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP"All To Jesus I Surrender" Hymn #251
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The 141st Session of the North Ohio Annual Conference October 5-8, 2022

October 5, 2022 **WMS** Opening October 6, 2022 October 8, 2022 Closing

Host Church: Warren AME Church, Toledo, OH

Host Pastor: Rev. Dr. Otis Gordon **Host PE:** PE LaCreta Rutledge Clark

Opening Worship Preacher: Rev. Dr. Steven Chifunda

WMS SCHEDULE - Wednesday, October 5, 2022

Session 1 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Business Session**

Break 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM **BREAK**

Session 2 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM **Noon Day Worship**

Session 3 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Business Session** (if required)

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 6, 2022

Day 1	Session 1	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Opening Worship
	Break	12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Break
Day 1	Session 2	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Business Session 1
	Break	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Break
Day 1	Session 3	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Business Session 2
	Break	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Break
	Session 4	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	TRΔ

Friday, October 7, 2022

Day 2	Session 1	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Business Session 3 (Conference Institute –
			Payne Seminary – Social Justice Ministry)
	Break	10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break
	Session 2	10:15 AM - 12:15 PM	Business Session 4
	Break	12:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Lunch Break
Day 2	Session 3	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Business Session 5
	Break	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Break
Day 2	Session 4	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Lay Night

Saturday, October 8, 2022

Day 3	Session 1	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Business Session 6 (YPD Activities)
	Break	10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break
	Session 2	10:15 AM – 12:15 PM	Business Session 7
	Break	12:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Lunch Break
Day 3	Session 3	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Closing Worship and Commissioning



141st SESSION - NORTH OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE **OPENING WORSHIP**

Worship Leader: Presiding Elder LaCreta Rutledge Clark

THE DOXOLOGY...... "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

THE GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

- Rev. Gordon: I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!
- Rev. McCants: For a day in Your court is better than a thousand elsewhere, I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
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- Rev. McCants: O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, sing praises!
- THE OPENING HYMN"And Are We Yet Alive" Hymn #304
- THE OPENING PRAYER......The Rev. Dr. Henry Curtis, IV



THE CHORAL RESPONSE (Pre-Recorded Music)

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE
THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSONThe Rev. Pamela Thomas-Slayton
THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSONThe Rev. Lisa May Martin
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Annual Sermon:

Rev. Dr. Stephen Chifunda St. Paul AME Church Akron, OH

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Director; Tamara Jones, Viola Dixon, Debra Walker, Yuolanda Murray.

Delegate: Darryl White

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Delegates: Elizabeth Gabriel, Darryl White, Roderick Mays.



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Jeanette Hubbard, Rodrick K. Reid, Gregory Thomas.

Lay: Laura Harris, Tamara Jones, Nathan Collins, Jaila Adair



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The 141st Session - North Ohio Conference Closing Worship

Worship Leader: Presiding Elder Louise V. Jackson

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THE CHORAL RESPONSE (PRE-RECORDED MUSIC)

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THE SERMONIC SELECTION (Pre-Recorded Music)
THE PREACHED WORDThe Rev. Dr. Elmer S. Martin
THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" Hymn #321
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THE 3RD EPISCOPAL DISTRICT PLANNING MEETING

October 20-22, 2022 - Cleveland, OH

Host Church St. James AME Church, Cleveland, OH

Host Pastor Rev. Dr. Eric Brown

Host PE Presiding Elder Louise V. Jackson

PLANNING MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 20, 2022

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Open Mic Session with Bishop and Supervisor McCloud

2:15 PM - 3:30 PM **Bishop meets with Presiding Elders & Pastors**

2:30PM - 5:30PM **Component Meetings**

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM **Ordination Rehearsal with Deans and Worship Participants**

5:30PM - 6:15 PM **DINNER** (on your own)

6:30PM Ordination Worship (Rev. Gertrude Komani)

Friday, October 21, 2022

9:00AM - 10:30 AM Storytelling Session (Rev. Dr. Elmer S. Martin, Ms. Trisha Martin &

Ms. Tawnya Primous)

10:45 AM - 1:00PM **TED Campfire Time and Worship (No Offering) (Rev. Trina McBroom)**

1:00 PM - 5:30 PM Health and Wellness Break (Take a nap)

3:00PM - 5:00PM **WMS Meeting**

5:30 PM -6:30 PM Health and Wellness Workshop (Dr. Toni Liggins)

6:30 PM - 6:55 PM Break

7:00PM Worship (General Offering Only) (Rev. Dr. Gregory Thomas)

Saturday, October 22, 2022

8:45 AM - 10:45 AM **Component Reporting Continued** 11:00AM **Closing Meditation (Rev. Cheryl Ruffin)**

***** YPD PROGRAMMING *****

Friday, October 21, 2022

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM **YPD Skate Party**

Saturday, October 22, 2022

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Business Meeting** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM WMS/YPD Jazz Brunch





THE THIRD EPISCOPAL DISTRICT PLANNING MEETING

October 20-22, 2022 - Cleveland, OH Host Church - St. James AMEC, Cleveland, OH Host PE - Louise V. Jackson

PLANNING MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 20, 2022 Open Mic Session with Bishop and Supervisor McCloud 1:00PM – 2:00PM All Components (Everyone) 2:15 to 3:30 – Bishop McCloud meets with Presiding Elders & Pastors

Component Meetings (ROOM ASSIGNMENTS – PE Jackson & Clark)*

THIS IS "PLAN YOUR CALENDAR" TIME. BE SPECIFIC! COORDINATE! (Provide A Written Copy to the Bishop and CED)

YPD Will meet on Saturday

RAYAC Will meet Friday after Worship

2:30 to 5:30 **WMS**

2:30 to 5:30 Lay Organization

3:45 to 4:45 CED

3:45 to 4:45 SOA

4:30 to 5:30 MCAM/Choir

4:30 to 5:30 MSWAWO+PK

4:30 to 5:30 WIM

4:30 to 5:30 The Richard Allen Fellowship (formerly Brotherhood)

5:00PM – 5:30PM Ordination Rehearsal with Deans and Worship Participants

5:30PM – 6:15PM DINNER (on your own)

6:30PM Ordination Worship **

* NOTE 1: All Meeting Rooms are available and the same throughout the meeting **NOTE 2: Bishop will meet with Presiding Elders after Worship (Location TBA)





Friday, October 21, 2022

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Storytelling Session**

9:00 AM - 9:45 AM Rev. Dr. Elmer and Trisha Martin

9:45 AM – 10:30 AM Ms. Tawnya Primous Smith

TED Lay Organization

10:45 AM – 1:00 PM 3rd District Campfire Time and Worship

Rev. Trina McBroom, Preacher

1:00 PM - 5:30 PM Health and Wellness Break (Take a nap)

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM **WMS Meeting**

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Health & Safety Workshop – Dr. Toni Liggins

6:30 PM - 6:55 PM **Break**

7:00 PM **Worship (General Offering Only)**

> Rev. Dr. Gregory Thomas, Preacher Music by St. Paul AMEC, Cleveland, OH

Saturday, October 22, 2022

8:45 to 10:45 AM Component Reports (10 Minutes Each)

11:00AM **Closing Meditation**

Rev. Cheryl Ruffin, Proclaimer

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Saturday, October 22,2022

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Business Meeting**

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM WMS/YPD Jazz Brunch





Worship Celebration of Word and Ordination Presiding Elder Betty W. Holley, Liturgist Thursday, October 20, 2022 6:30 pm

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Chairpersons of the Board of Examiners. Candidates for Ordination. Board of Examiners, Presiding Elders, Guest Bishops, and Presiding Bishop (Black Robes)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Hymn No. 5

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall, Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem,

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace,

Sinners whose love an ne'er forget The worm-wood and the gall, The worm-wood and the gall, Go spread your trophies at His feet,

Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball, On this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe,

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall, We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song,

Refrain: And crown (and crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him) Him, crown Him, crown

Him, crown Him, (crown Him,) And crown Him Lord of all. A-men.

THE DOXOLOGY

A.M.E. Hymn No. 647

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below



Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Dr. Eric Brown

Minister: I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the

Lord!" Our feet shall stand within the Thy gates, O Jerusalem!

People: For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a

doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of

wickedness.

Minister: Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek Thy good.

People: Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the

courts of our God.

Minister: Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house, Lord. I have loved Thy

habitation, the place where Thy honor dwelleth.

People: For the Lord is in His Holy Temple, let all the earth keep silence

before Him.

Minister: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be

acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

People: O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous

things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing

praises.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

The Choir & Congregation Rev. Dr. Henry Curtis, IV

"We Are Often Tossed and Driven" (We'll Understand It Better By and By)

Hymn No. 394

We are often tossed and driven on the restless sea of time. Somber skies and howling tempests oft succeed a bright sunshine, In that land of perfect day, when the mists have rolled away,



We will understand it better by and by.

We are often destitute of the things that life demands, Want of food and want of shelter, thirsty hills and barren land, We are trusting in the Lord, and according to His word, We will understand it better by and by.

Trials dark on every hand, and we cannot understand, All the ways that God would lead us to that blessed Promise Land; But He guides us with His eye and we'll follow till we die, For we'll understand it better by and by.

Temptations, hidden snares often take us unawares, And our hearts are made to bleed for a thoughtless word or deed, And we wonder why the test when we try to do our best, But we'll understand it better by and by.

Refrain

By and by, when the morning comes. All the saints of God are gathered home, We'll tell the story of how we've overcome, For we'll understand it better by and by.

THE INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Alphonse Allen

THE CHORAL RESPONSE A.M.E. Hymn No. 355

The Choir & Congregation

"Farther Alone" Hymn No. 355 (Refrain)

Farther along we'll know all about it, Farther along we'll understand why; Cheer up, my brother, live in the sunshine. We'll understand it all by and by.

THE EPISTLES FOR THE DEACONS The Reverend Dr. Ruth McCants Locke

I Timothy 3:8-13 (NRSV)

Deacons likewise must be serious, not double-tongued, not indulging in much wine, not greedy for money; they must hold fast to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. And let them first be tested; then, if they prove themselves blameless, let them serve as



deacons. Women likewise must be serious, not slanderers, but temperate, faithful in all things. Let deacons be married only once, and let them manage their children and their households well; for those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and great boldness in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

THE EPISTLES FOR THE ELDERS

The Reverend Lisa May Martin

Ephesians 4:4-13 (NRSV)

But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men." (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is he who also ascended far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors, and teachers, for the equipment of the saints, for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of fullness of Christ.

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

The District Choir & St. James AME and St. Paul AME **Churches, Cleveland OH**

THE BENEVOLENT OFFERING

The Finance Committee

THE PRESENTATION OF THE DEACONS

Deacons (Please stand as your name is called)

The Presenter

The Reverend Rose Russell

Reverend Father in God, I present unto you these persons to be Ordained Deacon.

The Bishop

Take heed that these persons whom you present unto us be apt and meet, by their godly conversation, to exercise their ministry duly to the honor of God and the edifying to the church.

The Presenter

The Rev. Rose Russell

I have inquired concerning them, and also examined them, and think them so to be.



The Bishop

Name the Candidates.

Pittsburgh/West Virginia Annual Conference – Local & Itinerant Deacons: The Reverend Madonna Gray

Ohio/South Ohio Conference – Local & Itinerant Deacons:

The Reverend Michelle Godhigh

North Ohio Conference – Local & Itinerant Deacons: The Reverend Rose Russell

The Bishop

Members of the Pittsburgh/West Virginia, Ohio/South Ohio, and North Ohio Conferences, these persons whom we purpose, God willing this day to ordain as deacons, for after due examination we find not contrary, but that they are lawfully called to this function and ministry, and they are persons meet for the same? But if there are any of you who know any impediment or crime in these persons for which they ought not be received into this Holy ministry let him come forth in the name of God and show what the crime or impediment is.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DEACONS

The Reverend Debra Smoot

Almighty God, who Thy Divine providence hath appointed diverse orders of minister of Thy Church, and didst inspire Thine Apostles to choose to the order of deacons the first martyr, St. Stephen, with others, mercifully behold this Thy servant now called to the like office and administration; replenish them so with the truth of Thy doctrine and adorn them with the innocency of life that both by word and good example they may faithfully serve Thee in this office to the glory of Thy holy name and edify Thy Church, through the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, now and forever. Amen

THE PRESENTATION OF THE ELDERS

Elders (Please stand as your name is called)

The Presenter

The Rev. Dr. Gerald Cooper

Reverend Father in God, I present unto you these persons to be Ordained Elders.

The Bishop

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The Rev. Dr. Gerald Cooper

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Name the Candidates.

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THE COLLECT FOR THE ELDERS

The Reverend Dr. Aimee Anderson

Almighty God, giver of all good things, who by the Holy Spirit has appointed diverse orders of ministers in your Church, mercifully behold these your servants now called to the office of elder(s) and replenish them with the innocence of life, that both by word and good example they may faithfully serve you in this office to the glory of your name and the edification of your Church, through the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

The District Choir

THE PRESENTATION OF THE PREACHER

The Presiding Elder Betty Holley

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

The Reverend Dr. Elmer S. Martin



"I Am Weak and I Need Thy Strength" A.M.E. Hymnal No. 378

I am weak, and I need Thy strength and power To help me over my weakest hour; Let me through the darkness Thy face to see, Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Refrain:

Lead me, guide me along the way; For if You lead me, I cannot stray; Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. Help me tread in the paths of righteousness; Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress. I am putting all my trust in Thee, Lead me, O Lord, lead me. [Refrain] I am lost, if you take your hand from me; I am blind, without Thy Light to see; Lord, just always let me Thy servant be, Lead me, O Lord, lead me. [Refrain]

THE ORDINATION SERMON

The Rev. Gertrude Komani Mt. Vernon AME Church Columbus, OH

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

The Rev. Morné Meyer

THE OFFERING

Rev. Timothy Liggins

& The Conference Finance Committee Chairpersons

THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE

The District Choir and Congregation

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

We give thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone. A trust, O Lord, from thee.

THE ORDINATION HYMN

The Reverend Renita Green



"A Charge to Keep I Have" A.M.E. Hymnal No. 242

A charge to keep I have, A God to glorify, A never-dying soul to save, And fit it for the sky. To serve the present age, My calling to fulfill: Oh, may it all my pow'rs engage To do my Master's will! Arm me with jealous care, As in Thy sight to live; And O Thy servant, Lord, prepare A strict account to give! Help me to watch and pray, And on Thyself rely, Assured, if I my trust betray, I shall forever die.

THE ACT OF ORDINATION FOR THE DEACONS

The Bishop: Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost

> to take upon you the office of the ministry in the church of Christ, to serve God for the promotion of His glory, and the

edifying of His people?

Your Answer: I trust so.

Do you unfeignedly believe all the canonical scriptures of The Bishop:

the Old and New Testaments?

Your Answer: I do believe.

The Bishop: Will you diligently read and expound the same unto the

people whom you shall be appointed and serve?

Your Answer: I will.



It appertaineth to the office of a Deacon to assist the Elder in The Bishop:

> Divine Service and, especially when he/she administers the Holy Communion, to help Him/her in the distribution thereof and to read and expound the holy scripture: to instruct the youth and, in the absence of the Elder, to baptize. Furthermore, it is his/her office to search for the

sick, poor, and impotent that they may be visited and relieved. Will you do this gladly and willingly?

Your Answer: I will do so by the help of God.

The Bishop: Will you reverently obey them to whom the charge and

government over you is committed, following with a glad

mind and will their godly admonition?

Your Answer: I will endeavor to do so, the Lord being my helper.

READ FULL NAME AT THE DIRECTION OF THE BISHOP

Deacons Sitting in Front Row Chairs (Bishop, Bible Holder, and Bible Coverer)

The Bishop: Take thou authority to execute the office of a deacon in the

church of God in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and

of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

PLACE THE BIBLE IN FRONT OF THE ORDINANDS AND DIRECT THEM TO PLACE BOTH HANDS ON THE OPEN BIBLE

The Bishop: Take thou authority to read the Scriptures, and to preach the

same in the Church of God in the name of the Father, and of

the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Move Ordinands Back To Previous Seats

THE EXAMINATION OF THE ELDERS

(Candidates for ordination standing)

The Bishop: And you have heard, Brethren, of what dignity and how

> great importance this office is whereunto you are called. And now, again, we exhort you in the name of our Lord



Jesus Christ, that you remember into how weighty an office you are called: that is, to be messengers, watchers of the flock, and stewards of the Lord; to teach and to admonish; to feed and provide for the Lord's family, to seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for his children who are in the midst of this evil world, that they may be saved through Christ forever.

Always remember how great a treasure is committed to your charge. For they are the sheep of Christ which he bought with his death, and for whom he shed his blood. The church and congregation whom you must serve is his spouse, and his body. If it should happen that the congregation, or any member thereof, is hurt or hindered by reason of your negligence, you know the greatness of the fault of the punishment that will ensue. Now, therefore, consider the end of the ministry toward the children of God, toward the spouse and body of Christ, and see that you never cease your labor, care, and diligence until you have done all that you are able to do, for all that are committed to your charge unto that agreement in faith, and to that ripeness and perfectness of age in Christ, that there may be no place left among you either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life.

You cannot accomplish the doing of so weighty a work concerning the salvation of God's people with doctrine and exhortation taken out of the holy scripture, and with a life agreeable to the same, without the spiritual foundation which comes through the reading and study of the scripture, and the framing of your life and the lives of those who especially pertain to you, according to the rules of the same scriptures. For this reason, you must forsake all and set aside as much as you can all worldly care and studies.

We hope that you have weighed and pondered these things with yourselves long before this time, and that you have clearly determined by God's grace to give yourselves to this office whereby it has pleased God to call you, so that as much as lieth in you, you will apply yourselves wholly to this one thing and draw all your cares and studies this way,



and that you will continually pray to God the Father by the meditation of our Saviour Jesus Christ, for the heavenly assistance of the Holy Ghost, that by daily reading and weighing of the scriptures you may wax riper and stronger in your ministry, and that you may so endeavor yourselves, from time to time to satisfy the lives of you and yours, and to fashion them after the rule and doctrine of Christ that you may be wholesome and goodly examples and patterns of the people to follow.

And now that this present congregation of Christ here assembled may also understand your minds and wills in these things, and that this your promise may the more move you to do your duties, you shall answer plainly to these things which we, in the name of God and his church, shall demand of you, touching the same. Do you think in your heart that you are truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, to the Order of Elder?

Your Answer: I do so believe.

The Bishop: Are you persuaded that the holy scriptures contain

> sufficiently all doctrines required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? Are you determined out of the said scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach nothing, as required of necessity to salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be

concluded and proved by scripture?

Your Answer: I am so persuaded, and have so determined by God's

grace.

The Bishop: Will you be ready with all faithful diligence always to

> banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's word, and to use both public and private monitions and exhortations as well to the sick as to the whole within your charge as need shall require and occasion

shall be given?

Your Answer: I will do so, the Lord being my helper.



The Bishop: Will you be diligent in prayer and in reading of the holy

> scriptures, and in such studies as help to the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and the flesh?

Your Answer: I will endeavor so to do, the Lord being my helper.

Will you be diligent to frame and fashion yourselves and The Bishop:

> your families according to the doctrine of Christ and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples and patterns to the flock of Christ?

Your Answer: I shall apply myself thereto, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop: Will you maintain and set forth, as much as lieth in you,

> sweetness, peace, and love among all Christian people, and especially among them that are or shall be committed to

your charge?

Your Answer: I will do so the Lord being my helper.

Will you reverently obey your chief ministers unto whom is The Bishop:

committed the charge and government over you, following

with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions, submitting yourselves to their godly judgments?

I will do so, the Lord being my helper. Your Answer:

The Bishop: Almighty God, who hath given you this will to do all these

> things, grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same, that he may accomplish his work which he hath

begun, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Elders Assume Places in Chairs

Locals 1st Row Itinerants 2nd Row

The Bishop: Come Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire.

The Response: And lighten with celestial fire;

The Bishop: Thou the anointing Spirit art,

Who doth thy sevenfold gifts impart The Response:



The Bishop: Thy blessed unction from above.

Is comfort, light, and fire of love. The Response:

The Bishop: Enable with perpetual light

The Response: The dullness of our blinded sight;

Anoint and cheer our soiled face The Bishop:

The Response: With the abundance of thy grace.

The Bishop: Keep far our foes; give peace at home

Where thou art guide, no ill can come. The Response:

The Bishop: Teach us to know the Father, Son,

And thee of both to be but one! The Response:

The Bishop: That through the ages all along,

The Response: This may be our endless song:

The Bishop: Praise to thy eternal merit,

The Response: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Rev. Marilyn Fisher: Let us pray.

> Almighty God, Heavenly Father, who of thine infinite love and goodness towards us hast given us thy only and most dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and the author of everlasting life, who, after he had made perfect our redemption by his death and was ascended into heaven, sent abroad into the world his apostles, prophets, evangelists, teachers, and pastors, by whose labor and ministry he gathered together a great flock in all parts of the world to set forth the eternal praise of thy holy name for these so great benefits of thy eternal goodness, and for that thou has vouchsafed to call these thy



servants here present to the same office and ministry appointed for the salvation of mankind, we render unto thee most hearty thanks. We praise and worship thee, and we humbly beseech thee by the same blessed Son to grant unto all, either here or elsewhere call upon thy name, that we may continue to show ourselves thankful unto thee for these and all thy other benefits, and that we may daily increase and go forward in the knowledge and faith of thee and thy Son, by the Holy Spirit. So that as well by these thy ministers as by them over whom they shall be appointed thy ministers that thy holy name may be forever glorified and thy blessed kingdom enlarged through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

THE IMPOSITON OF HANDS (SEVEN ELDERS):

The Bishops:

The Lord pour upon thee the Holy Ghost for the office and work of an elder in the church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands. And be thou a faithful dispenser of the word of God and of his holy sacraments in the name of the God the Creator, and of the Christ, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRESENT THE BIBLE TO THE ELDERS AND DIRECT THEM TO PLACE BOTH HANDS ON THE OPEN BIBLE

The Bishops:

Take thou authority to preach the word of God and to administer the holy sacrament in the congregation in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

CLOSING HYMN

The Choir & Congregation

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus" Hymn # 323

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!





What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged— Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge— Take it to the Lord in prayer. Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

THE DOXOLOGY

The Choir & Congregation

THE BENEDICTION

The Rev. Gertrude Komani

LET THE CHURCH SAY "AMEN"

GREETINGS & CONGRATULATIONS

Socially Distancing



THIRD EPISCOPAL DISTRICT PLANNING MEETING

Evening Worship Friday, October 21, 2022 7:00 p.m. Rev. Dale Snyder, Liturgist

The Doxology	
The Call To Wor	shipMr. Charles Collins
Minister:	I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet shall stand within Thy gates, O Jerusalem!
People:	For a day in Your court is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the hours of the Lord than to dwell in the tents of the wickedness.
Minister:	Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek Thy good.
People:	Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.
Minister:	Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house, Lord. I have loved Thy habitation, the place where Thy honor dwelleth.
People:	For the Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before Him.
Minister:	Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Strength, and my Redeemer.
People:	O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing praises.

The Opening Hymn......#77 "Come, Thy fount of every blessing".......The Rev. John Sylvia

The Prayer......The Rev. Gwen Matthews



More love to Thee, O Christ, More love to Thee! Hear Thou the prayer I make On bended knee; This is my earnest plea. More love, O Christ, to Thee, More love to Thee, More love to Thee!

The Liturgy of the Word (NRSV) The Old Testament LessonZephaniah 1:2-7Mr. Marvin Harris The New Testament LessonActs of the Apostles 2:1-8Ms. Lyndsey Carter
The Introduction of The PreacherPresiding Elder LaCreta Rutledge Clark
The Ministry of MusicThe District Choir and St. Paul AME Church, Cleveland
The Preached WordThe Rev. Gregory Thomas
The Invitation to Christian DiscipleshipThe Rev. Victor Davis
The OfferingThe Rev. Timothy Liggins & The Conference Finance Committee Chairperson
The Announcements
The DoxologyHymn #647"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
The BenedictionThe Rev. Gregory Thomas



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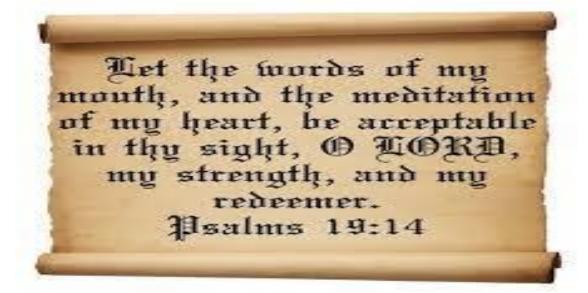
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THE THIRD EPISCOPAL DISTRICT PLANNING MEETING Closing Meditation

Saturday, October 22, 2022 11:00 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. James Harris, Liturgist

The Call to Meditation	The Rev. Dr. James Harris
The Vocalist	The Rev. Michelle Thomas
The Prayer	Mrs. Stephanie Bruce
The Scripture Reading	Master Logan Locke
The Vocalist	The Rev. Michelle Thomas
The Meditation	The Rev. Cheryl Ruffin
The Closing Hymn	Have Thine Own Way, Lord" Hymn No. 345
The Benediction	Rev. Cheryl Ruffin





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Disciplinary Questions by the Bishop with Answers by the **Secretary of the Annual Conference**

- Who are the preachers admitted on trial? 1.
- 2. Who remain on trial?
- 3. Who are admitted or readmitted to full connection?
- Who have been elected and ordained deacons? 4.
- Who have been elected and ordained elders? 5.
- 6. Who have been located this year?
- 7. Who have been elected by the General Conference to exercise the Episcopal Office and to superintend the African Methodist Episcopal Church?
- 8. Who are the supernumerary preachers?
- 9. Who are the superannuated preachers?
- 10. Who have been expelled from the Connection by this Conference?
- 11. Who have withdrawn this year from this Conference and the Connection?
- 12. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?
- 13. What members of the Conference have died this year?
- Have all the preachers subscribed to *The Christian Recorder*, and also to *The* A.M.E. Church Review, The Voice of Missions, The Journal of Christian Education, The Secret Chamber or The Missionary Magazine?
- 15. What preachers are indebted to any of the Departments or the Church publications?
- 16. Lay Organization:
 - a. Does each station, circuit or mission in this Annual Conference have a Lay Organization?
 - b. If not, which stations, circuits or missions do not have a Lay Organization?
- 17. Women's Missionary Society
 - a. Does each station, circuit or mission in this Annual Conference have a Women's Missionary Society?
 - b. If not, which stations, circuits or missions do not have a Women's Missionary Society?
- 18. When shall this Annual Conference next meet?
- 19. Where shall your next Annual Conference be held?
- 20. Where are the preachers stationed this year?



AND ARE WE YET ALIVE (HYMN #304)

And are we yet alive, and see each other's face? Glory and thanks to Jesus give for His almighty grace!

Preserved by power divine to full salvation here, again in Jesus' praise we join, and in His sight appear.

What troubles have we seen, what mighty conflicts past, fightings without, and fears within, since we assembled last!

But out of all the Lord hath brought us by his love; and still He doth His help afford, and hides our life above.

Then let us make our boast of his redeeming power, which saves us to the uttermost, till we can sin no more.

Let us take up the cross till we the crown obtain. and gladly reckon all things loss so we may Jesus gain. Amen.

Words: Charles Wesley 1707-1788 Tune: Aaron Williams



ANNUAL CONFERENCE DIRECTIVES

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the attendance restrictions on gatherings, the imminent series of Annual Conferences in the 3rd Episcopal District will be conducted virtually. Specifically, the Zoom Cloud Meetings application will be used to transact the business of all the Annual Conferences.

The Episcopal District understands that not all persons are familiar with the technology to be used. This directive is compiled to ensure the smooth running of the business of the Annual Conferences. It will also enable all to prepare themselves, accordingly, to effectively participate.

1. COVID-19 COMPLIANCE

- A. On any day of the Annual Conference, there shall not be more than 25 persons in one place.
- B. Always wear a face mask which covers the nose and the mouth down to the chin, except when you are inside your personal residence.
- C. Always keep physical distance no less than six feet.
- D. Always, hands are washed with soap and running water or with a sanitizer with no less than 70% alcohol.
- E. Without exception, all persons will comply with the above. Failure to comply will result in removal from the internet hub. The Presiding Elders will ensure that this is enforced and immediately report to my office the nature of a transgression and the name of the person involved.
- F. These safety concerns apply to all conference meeting including WMS, CLO, etc.

2. FUNCTIONAL RULES FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCES

- **A. Login Information:** A pre-registration link will be sent to Presiding Elders who are requested to disseminate to all relevant parties in their Districts. This link will give access to the approved registrants for the Annual Conference. Registration for all Annual Conferences are to be completed 24 hours prior to conference opening.
- B. Signing into the platform: Members will sign into the platform using the link generated following registration and should ensure that it is not distributed to any other parties.
- C. **Quorum calls:** The presence of quorum shall be by roll call to be conducted by the Presiding Elder. Presiding Elders are to submit roll call reports to the conference secretary daily.
- D. **Technical requirements & malfunctions:** Members, individually are responsible for their own audio and internet connections. Ensure Zoom application is the newest version 5.7 or above. This will enable maximum functionality.



- E. **Forced disconnections:** The Bishop, as Chair of the Annual Conference, may cause or direct the disconnection or muting of a member's connection if it is deemed to cause undue interference with the conference proceedings. (Dial in participants mute/unmute by *6)
- F. Assignment of the floor/Recognition: In seeking recognition, a member shall use the RAISED HAND function, (Dial in participants press *9), to which the co-hosts shall bring it to the attention of the Bishop. Upon recognition, delegates are to state their name and District for purposes of the correct capturing of minutes.
- G. **Interrupting a member:** A member who intends to make a motion or raise a point of privilege, is to make use of the Zoom function **RAISED HAND** and further indicate with the Chat function - that they rise on a point of privilege/point of order and await a reasonable time for the Bishop's instruction before gaining recognition.
- H. **Voting:** When required, voting shall take place via the polling function on Zoom. The announcement of the total number of persons voting those in favor and those against the action before the conference for record keeping purposes.
- I. Video Display: As the Chairperson, the Bishop's video shall be continuously displayed throughout the session, with the video of a recognized member or reporting committee being displayed upon their being invited to speak on the platform. Reports shall be displayed accordingly as they are called upon.

3. **SUBMISSION DATES**

The due date for submission of all Annual Conference Reports is two weeks prior to the conference opening.

4. **CONTACTS**

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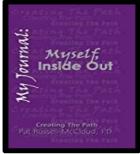
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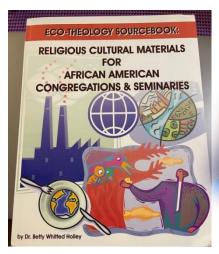
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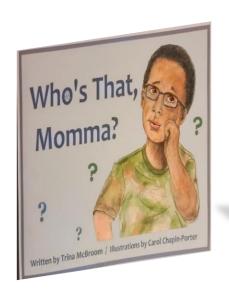
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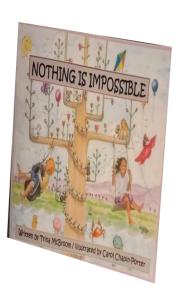
The black religious cultural materials in this sourcebook provide the spiritual resources for forming "mustard seed faith" or vision of what is possible-indeed, what is essential for the coming generations and for our earth, our only home. These materials also contained in this sourcebook disclose as earth faith, or a belief in the connectedness of all of God's creation. This faith embraces an environmental ethic that demands faith communities to press forward in action and continue a perpetual movement for environmental justice. Therefore, a sourcebook of black religious cultural materials to include scriptures, poetry, prayers, song, and stories will be effective in plumbing this effort for African American congregations and seminaries.

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