

**Eleventh Episcopal District
Planning Meeting
Rosen Plaza Hotel – Orlando, Florida
November 14-15, 2013**

**Highlights
by
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November 14, 2013

Plenary Session I

Bishop Adam Jefferson Richardson, Jr. opened the Planning Meeting by noting that the “Post” is dropped from the meeting and that it is just the Planning Meeting as there was no “Pre” meeting so therefore there shouldn’t be a “Post” meeting. He also noted that the goal of the Planning Meeting should be information and inspiration.

Speaker: The Honorable Rev. William Curtis Proctor, Jr. – Leon County Commission

Message Theme: “Distance Between Here and Now”. He noted that the most important thing is the “Browning of America”. In order to understand this one must look at the United States Constitution Article 1 Section 2 which deals with representation. It lays out how people are to be counted and has been and is still being used to be the determining factor in all that we do. It notes that people were classified and counted as follows:

- Free person counted as a whole
- Indentured person counted as a whole
- Indians and those paying tax counted as a whole
- All others counted as 3/5th

In 1787 it was determined as to who would participate with independence. The numbers didn’t start here but started in Exodus when the minority ruled over the majority. The minority ruled and the majority was not at the table when decisions were being made (i.e. Indians, Blacks, etc.). In short this was and is a form of Apartheid. In looking at what is happening today we see there are still things that are affecting the majority (the 3/5th persons):

- Voting rolls purged – 3/5th persons
- Unemployment – 3/5th persons
- Those that can’t function – 3/5th
- Lacking college education – 3/5th

In 1920 the females gained the right to vote (19th Amendment)

In 1970 the 18 year olds gained the right to vote (this was only done due to the Vietnam War. It was felt that as they were dying for their country then they should be given the right to vote.)

In 2012 for the first time in history there were more white people who died than white people who were born. It is no wonder that something had to be done to address the growing concerns about who would be in charge. In short the “Browns” were out distancing the whites in numbers. Some of the ways to address the issue was to raise the standards in education, voter ID at polls, and we see that there are more jails being filled by the growing 3/5th of the population.

According to statistics there were 45 million abortions last year. This is important to note as we need to do a comparison of the “Browning of America”. In looking at the Hispanics we see that there are three factors that describe them: (1) Hispanics are Catholic and don’t believe in abortion, (2) they believe that they should get married before childbirth, and (3) they don’t believe in birth control. Blacks on the other hand are faced with (1) Family dissolution and (2) they don’t follow the same steps as the Hispanics (i.e. getting married before having children).

It should be noted that the “Browning of America” is and can affect the outcome of what happens. With the growing number of persons, one should look at where the power base is. Elections are done via the electoral votes as is evident in the Presidential race. It should be noted that the following states have the largest number of electoral votes with a growing population of “Browning of America”: Florida, California, Texas, New York, Illinois, and Pennsylvania. There are a total of 535 electoral votes in the country with 270 needed to elect. Florida is important to the process as it has 29 electoral votes. With the changes it should be noted that America will go on DNA rather than on money. This was evident in the last election wherein despite the amount of funds spent it came down on who supported President Obama.

The 1965 Voting Rights Act has been tampered with and even this year it has been tweaked. In order to understand things it is important to note what is covered by that act: (1) no literacy exams can be administered (2) can’t prevent or intimidate persons desiring to vote, and (3) no polling taxes. The 10th Amendment – State Rights (voting is rights of states as long as they don’t with the three previously stated areas and that’s why they differ). The Constitution deals with the following: (1) 15th Amendment addresses condition of previous servitude, (2) 19th Amendment addresses sex, and (3) 20th Amendment addresses age. It is important that we are aware of the importance of the Voting Rights Act and being aware of what is happening. In taking an active role it must be understood the importance of churches taking a stand and remember that “Politicians listen to Preachers”. Don’t just get involved in getting people elected but instead hold those elected accountable and let them know what the people need to happen to make things better for them. In short politicians need to hear from you in making their decisions.

On the issue of guns- one of the most dangerous laws is the Stand Your Ground law. Looking at statistics it should be noted that 42.5% of the population is Brown/Black in Florida. 71% of Hispanic votes were received by President Obama.

NOTE: Once asked to define what ‘sin’ was the speaker noted that it was defined as “a necessary ingredient to justify preachers’ jobs”. If sin didn’t exist then there would be no one to be saved.

We need to do HAM meeting people where I am and not give them pie in the sky.

Speaker: Kim McCray, President of Trayvon Martin Foundation defined the purpose of the Foundation which is make sure that conversation of gun violence doesn’t go unnoticed. She then introduced Ms. Sybrina Fulton, mother of Trayvon Martin.

Speaker: Ms. Sybrina Fulton, mother of Trayvon Martin stated that there are two scriptures that have helped her through the tragedy that was her son’s death. She noted that the worst thing was not just the receiving of the call notifying her that her son was dead, but instead was watching him as he lay in his casket on the final day of his funeral. She noted that she found that through the ordeal that she had

another purpose, a bigger purpose which was to help other families. The Stand Your Ground in her opinion was not a good law even from the beginning. She urged everyone to keep vigilant in the fight against gun violence.

NOTE: Bishop Adam Jefferson Richardson, Jr. presented a check for \$3,000 to the Trayvon Foundation from the Eleventh Episcopal District.

The Component Meetings

Lay Organization Meeting

Meeting was called to order by Sis. Deborah Langston, 1st Vice President.

Devotion by Sis. Katheryn Gillis

Roll Call by Sis. Delphine Jackson, Recording Secretary

Approval of the Agenda

Reading of the Minutes (from the Conference Call Meeting of the Episcopal District Executive Board) by Sis. Delphine Jackson, Recording Secretary


Constitutionally Speaking by Dr. Dean Goldsby


- Noted that there are less actions of people stating “so move” when putting forth a motion.
- Article 7 of the Constitution – Election of Officers. Section 8 – Removal of Elected Officers addresses the process of removal of officers that are not doing their duties and/or attending meetings as outlined in Constitution.
- Amendments should be addressed 9 days before the Convention.

Unfinished Business

- Giving Back \$\$ to the Conference that Host Annual Convention – this matter was tabled and will be addressed at a later time.
- Gifts to the 14th & 20th Districts – this matter was tabled and will be addressed at a later time.
- Winter Executive Board will be held January 10-11, 2014 in Cable Beach, Nassau Bahamas.

There are two options of travel that were presented:

 **Cruise to the Bahamas** at a cost of \$276.45 (taxes and gratuity included per person) for Oceanside cabin or \$256.45 (taxes and gratuity included per person) for Inside cabin. (These rates are based on 2 per cabin.) Military personnel can receive a reduced rate of \$7.00 but must submit DD214 form. The Group Booking is #82XNZ7 and when booking must submit the names of both parties in the cabin. Booking deadline for cruise is November 25, 2013 and should call 800-227-6482. January 10, 2014 @1:00 p.m. is the boarding of the ship and departing is @4:00p.m. leaving from Miami, Florida. Arrive in Nassau Bahamas @10:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2014. Ship departs Nassau Bahamas on January 12, 2014 at 7:00 a.m. and arrive back in Miami, Florida at 8:00 a.m. with checkout with security by 10:00 a.m.

 **Flight** arrangements will have to be made by each individual based on point of departure. **Hotel Accommodations** is Wyndham Nassau Resort & Crystal Palace Casino located at West Bay Street, P. O. Box N8302- Cable Beach, Nassau Bahamas. Phone number is (342) 327-6200. Rates are \$99.00 per night (plus 20% tax=\$19.80, Resort fee \$36.00) with total cost of \$154.80 per night. The charge for a third adult in a room is \$35.00 per night, plus tax & resort fee. Reservations deadline is December 20, 2013. Reservations will be made directly through the Nassau on property reservations at (800) 633-0043, or on the Wyndham central reservations at (877) 999-3223. Group name is Eleventh Episcopal District Lay Organization and should be mentioned when making reservations.

NOTE: Tentative 2014 EEDLO Executive Board Meeting will be from January 10-12, 2014 with Executive Board Meeting on Saturday, January 11, 2014 from 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. and Worship Service at 7:00 p.m. which is the Scholarship Worship Service.

New Business

- Election of Officers and Installation
 - ✚ Iva Major was nominated as Corresponding Secretary
 - ✚ Mae DeVoe Fields was nominated as Financial Secretary
 - ✚ Motion was made by Beverly Outler and seconded by Marian Bacon-White. Motion passed unanimously. Installation of officers was done by Lothar Cherry.
- Singing of the Lay Benediction – after discussion it was agreed that all conferences will either pray or sing the Lay Benediction. All Conferences were urged to ensure that their Presiding Elder District and local churches get copies of the Lay Benediction put to music.
- 70th Annual Convention will be held June 17-20, 2014 in Cable Beach, Nassau Bahamas. Information on hotel arrangements can be found on the Eleventh Episcopal District Lay Organization website. More information will be forthcoming.
- Acknowledgement of newly elected Connectional Officers – Eileen Warner was acknowledged in her absence.
- CLEDC – Tyrone Pressley spoke about the purpose of the CLEDC and its goals. He also urged members of the Lay Organization to support the CLEDC. Currently there are only two persons from the Eleventh Episcopal District listed as active members of CLEDC. George Stakely is the liaison from the Eleventh Episcopal District to the Connectional Lay Economic Development. He has been trying to represent the Eleventh Episcopal District and needs the support of the District to attend the meeting. Tyrone urged the Eleventh Episcopal District to review their budget and have George Stakely's expenses added.

Training

- Jesse Burns gave a brief overview about the salutation in the Doctrine and Discipline of the A. M. E. Church.
- The theme for the Lay Organization is: "Laity fulfilling the Great Commission of the African Methodist Episcopal Church"
- President Charlie Nichols asked if everyone was aware of the part of the Sexual Misconduct that states that when a pastor is accused of sexual harassment that they will be removed from their charge and that the charge will be responsible for paying the salary of the pastor being suspended as well as whoever they have to preach in the interval. This issue was discussed at all of the Annual Conferences.

Announcement(s)

- Loretta Coppock thanked the Eleventh Episcopal District Lay for their support during the loss of her mother.
- Everyone was reminded to ensure that the elections are done on the local level, district, and Conference levels.

Friday, November 15, 2013

Plenary Session II

Devotion

Our Investment in Higher Education: Edward Waters College

- EWC is financially stable.

- Passed SAC's Accreditation.
- Scored a composite score of 2.1 (1.5 is minimum)
- 98% of student body depends on financial aid so it is important that all areas are in place.
- Ribbon was cut on the Criminal Justice Building on November 12, 2013. There are 200 police staffed in the building. The building serves as a substation and for classes.

Affordable Care Act: Enroll America presented by Juanita Fernandez

- There are 3.5 million people that are uninsured.
- 67% of uninsured live in 16 states and Florida is one of them.
- Florida did not expand Medicaid.
- 2014 AHC is based on income with the following ways available:
 - ✚ Medicaid
 - ✚ Marketplace with financial assistance
 - ✚ Marketplace without financial assistance
- 78% of 3.5 million don't know about Affordable Health Care
- Facts about Affordable Health Care not known:
 - ✚ Able to get financial aid
 - ✚ Has to be in simple plain language
 - ✚ Pre-existing and life term limits are obsolete
 - ✚ Able to have comprehensive insurance covered such as doctor's appointments, prescription, preventative health care, and maternity.

Eleventh District Health Initiative by Dr. Penny Ralston

Goal

- ✚ Promote healthy lifestyle and disease prevention
- ✚ Promote healthy literacy
- ✚ Promote health ministry development

Recommendation(s)

Structure

- ✚ 20 member Health Task Force expanded to 33
- ✚ Health Coordinator in each Presiding Elder District
- ✚ Health Experts for each Conference (3 in each Conference in Florida and 1 in Bahamas)

Subcommittee identified to work on a sustainable structure

- ✚ Health Coordinator in each Conference
- ✚ Alignment of Health Coordinators in local churches
- ✚ Alignment with Health related at Annual Conference
- ✚ Partnership with Episcopal Committee

Programs

- ✚ Develop and implementation
 - = A. M. E. Health Smart
 - = Hand Hygiene Initiative
- ✚ Evaluate
- ✚ Train
 - = Explore health ministry track at Christian Education Congress
- ✚ Sustain

Policy

- ✚ Support beneficial national, state, and local health policies
- ✚ Encourage healthy food consistent with federal dietary guidelines

HAND HYGIENE INITIATIVE (greeting with bump). This initiative was at the request and direction of Bishop and Supervisor Richardson.

- ✚ There are currently 340 enrolled in Hand Hygiene Initiative.
- ✚ In order to be part of the initiative, a survey needs to be completed. Then receive packet. Read information and lead people in the local church. In March, feedback will be asked for; December through February, a text will be sent out to see where everyone is. In March 2014 there will be a follow-up assessment.

A.M. E. Health Smart Church Model Program presented by Dr. Tyra Arthur (who works with Dr. Carolyn Tucker)

Goal

- ✚ Reduction of obesity

Participating Churches

- ✚ 30 participating churches
- ✚ 6 churches from each of the five 11th Episcopal District Conferences in Florida

Identifiers

- ✚ Pastor interested in health
- ✚ Health Ministry
- ✚ Coordinate with other churches in the demographic areas

NOTE: Four church leaders will be needed from each church to be trained. Will use train the trainer method. Representatives from 15 churches will be in Gainesville next week for training. The others will be trained at a later date.

Strategies will be implemented from January-September 2014

- ✚ Churches will be divided up and information gained on each.
- ✚ University of Florida member will be a consultant to each church.
- ✚ Weekly conference call meetings will be done to keep the trainer informed.
- ✚ Monthly conference calls wherein Pastors can get on call and give update.

NOTE: First two weeks of December – information will be given on the date which is TBD.

Goal

Expand to 65 churches. Make model program to all churches.

NOTE: Need church with 20 members and children.

Eleventh District Housing Board by George Barnes

Reported on the two properties owned by the Eleventh Episcopal District: Morris Manor and Campus Towers.

Morris Manor (designed for Senior Citizens housing)

- Total Units of 168 with 168 units occupied.
- Goal for 2014
 - ✚ New gate with card access
 - ✚ Upgrade landscape
 - ✚ Improved recreation room
 - ✚ Improved drainage system
 - ✚ Area for gazebo

NOTE: Received a clear audit for the 3rd year!

Campus Towers (located across from EWC) Unites are for everyone and not just senior citizens.

- Total Units 192 with 171 units occupied. There are 21 vacant units with 4 persons waiting for units. 89.1% occupancy.

NOTE: Special thanks were given to the following churches for their assistance: (1) Wayman Chapel - \$2,500plus in the last 5 years, (2) Greater Grant (under the direction of Rev. F. D. Richardson – in kind of \$400, and (3) St. Stephen - \$500plus.

Eleventh Episcopal District Enterprise Center Board by Rev. Tony D. Hansberry

- Located at 101 East Union Street, Jacksonville, Florida
- Built in 1958
- 10 tenants which include Eleventh Episcopal District Headquarters
- Overview of problems related to the Enterprise Center which included windows, floors, roof, and air quality.
- Cost for dealing with the problems reported is being reviewed and prioritized as to what needs to be done first and what can be wait.

Black Heritage Weekend: A Preview

- The 2014 Weekend is the 27th Annual Black Heritage and will be held in the James Weldon Johnson Building on the EWC campus.
- Date: February 14-16, 2014
- Registration: November 15 through December 15, 2013
- Cost: \$30.00 for competitors, \$35.00 for observers, and \$30.00 for chaperones.
- Registration is online
- Title/Theme: Christ and Culture Who Influence You

Board of Examiners

- Referred to page 24 of the 2014 Planning Meeting Agenda, Program & Worship Guide
- Summary of Admissions, Ordinations, and Re-Obligations:
 - = Admissions- 20
 - = Itinerant Elders -17
 - = Re-obligated Itinerant Deacons- 4
 - = Re-obligated Itinerant Elders -1
 - = Admissions Local -1
 - = Itinerant Deacons- 10
 - = Re-Obligated Local Elders -3

Lay Organization

- 70 persons attending per Conference on average per meeting
- 83 trainings
- 15 Episcopal District trainings
- 66 persons age 30
- 56 churches without Lay Organizations
- 389 churches with Lay Organizations
- 36,000 Lay members

NOTE: Eleventh Episcopal District Lay turned in \$10,000 to the Eleventh Episcopal District.

MSA (Minister Spouse Alliance)

- 6 male spouses in attendance
- Care packets sent to PKY in college
- Widows and widowers were recognized
- Encouraged family vacations

WIM (Women in Ministry)

- Had a reception for women coming in. Highlighted Presiding Elder Elizabeth E. Yates.
- Plan to work on Nehemiah Ministry as a goal.
- Connectional Women In Ministry Retreat will be held August 6-9, 2014 in Charleston, SC

CEC (Christian Education Congress)

- Concentrate on teachings
- Concern about generation left behind
- Need to work on helping students to read correctly
- On January 23, 2014, Rev. Givens of Ft. Myers will have a workshop to assist students (looking for people with credentials to help in grammar, etc.). Persons can be clergy, Lay, or Young persons.

Nehemiah Ministry

- Raised \$40,000 from Conferences
- Maximum of \$10,000 that any church can request.
- Request must have the approval of the Presiding Elder
- In 2014 will have the first Nehemiah Golf Tournament TBD (To Be Determined)

DMC (Debutante Masters Commission)

- 240 registered for CEC
- Want to increase the number for 2014
- Each Presiding Elder District to appoint a Commissioner
- Local Churches to appoint Commissioner
- Need to teach children about A.M.E. Church (i.e. Lord's Prayer, Apostles' Creed, Ten Commandments, etc.).

WMS (Women's Missionary Society)

- Budget to Episcopal District is \$150,000, and WMS turned in \$75,000 toward budget.
- Donated a check for \$1,000 to the Safe House for Domestic Violence in the Bahamas.

Note: Bishop noted that by Mid-Year will work on budgets so that people don't feel that they can't do anything and that they don't see the A. M. E. Church only as money, money, money!

Music Ministry by James Robbins, Jr.

- Need to get the information to the right people who want to participate.
- Working to have a Bishop's Choir (will participate at Planning Meeting and MidYear)
- Connectional Music is coming to the 11th Episcopal District December 4-6, 2013 in Lakeland. Can find out information at www.mcam/amec.com

SOA (Sons of Allen)

- Chant:

Who are we? Sons of Allen

What do we do? Serve the Lord

- 62 members in meeting at Planning Component Meeting
- May 15-17, 2014 – 13th Annual Sons of Allen Retreat at New Bethel A. M. E. Church, Lakeland
- Registration is \$115.00 for pre-registration which is from now until February 3, 2014. If registered during this time can bring a young person for free.

- Raised \$27,540.13 and after expenses have a balance of \$3,615.02.
- Have moved Eleventh Episcopal District Sons of Allen website to another website.
- Sons of Allen will participate in Black Heritage Weekend by parking, judging and serving as coaches.
- Each Conference recognized the “Mighty Men of Valor” Man of Distinction Recipients. The areas were “Businessman and Professional Service” and “Extraordinary Community Service”.

Social Action Committee

- NAACP awarded Eleventh Episcopal District Social Action its Civic Empowerment Award.
- Will continue to strengthen Early Voters
- Work with Dream Defenders
- A. M. E. Day at the Capitol is tentatively scheduled for February 19, 2014.

Theological Scholarship

- Fund is currently managed by Mavis Bush for seminaries.
- Formal Process will need to be put in place and others will be added between now and MidYear to assist with the process.

Evangelism Committee by Rev. Mark Crutcher

- April 24-26, 2014 there will be an Evangelism Training for Clergy and Layman to be held in Orlando, Florida.
- January 8-10, 2014 there will be a Connectional Evangelism Seminar held in Memphis, TN at the Hilton Hotel.
- Rev. Crutcher reported just came back from St. Croix on a Connectional Evangelism trip wherein there were 45 persons attending. There were two persons from the East Conference as well as representatives from at least three other conferences.

Bishop Report

- Bahamas brought on two congregations during the Bahamas Conference:
New Bethel A. M. E. Church, Nassau. They will use the old Saint Mark (which will be devoted to Haitians in the Bahamas), and will be under Cousin-McPhee.
- Saint Luke A. M. E. Church, Deep Creek on Eleuthera came back in the A. M. E. Church.

Episcopal District Calendar Review

Bishop asked for any additional dates to be added to the 11th District Quadrennial Calendar with the following calendar being submitted including additions:

Calendar Year 2013

November 15-December 15	Registration for Black Heritage Weekend
November 15-February 3	Registration for Sons of Allen Retreat
December 4-6, 2013	Connectional Music Workshop
December 6-8, 2013	Conn-M-SWAWO + PK's , Wilmington, NC
December 7, 2013	Day of Sharing, Florida Conference, Allen Chapel, Pensacola – 11am
December 8, 2013	Day of Sharing, East Conference, Historic Mt. Zion, Jacksonville – 5pm
December 14, 2013	Day of Sharing, West Coast/Central Conferences, Mt. Olive, Orlando – 2pm
December 15, 2013	Day of Sharing, South Conference, Saint James, Miami– 5pm

Calendar 2014

January 8-10	26 th Church Growth Seminar, Memphis
January 10-12	Eleventh Episcopal District Lay Executive Board Meeting, Nassau Bahamas
January 29-February 1	Connectional WMS Executive Board, Little Rock, Arkansas
February 14	11 th District Founders' Day (morning observation of Founder's Day)
February 14-16	27 th Black Heritage Weekend, Edward Waters College
February 19	A.M.E. Day at the Capitol
March 19-21	11 th District MidYear Meeting, Orlando
April 18-20	Christian Education Department & Health Commission
April 24-25	11 th District Evangelism Seminar, Orlando
May 15-17	13 th Sons of Allen Retreat, Lakeland
June 17-20	70 th Episcopal District Lay Convention, Nassau Bahamas
June 22-25	Bishops' Council/General Board, Nashville, TN
July 20	Debutantes and Masters Ceremony
July 21-24	Christian Education, Youth, Leadership Congress
August 6-9	Connectional Women in Ministry Retreat , Charleston, SC
September 8-12	Florida Annual Conference, St. Philip/Bethel, Tallahassee
September 22-26	Central Annual Conference, Mt. Olive, Orlando
October 6-10	South Annual Conference, Payne Chapel, West Palm Beach
October 20-24	West Coast Annual Conference, Bethel, St. Petersburg
November 3-7	East Annual Conference, Historic Mount Zion, Jacksonville
November 11-16	Bahamas Annual Conference, Robinson-Morris, Nassau
November 20-21	11 th District Planning Meeting, Rosen Centre, Orlando
December 6	Day of Sharing, Florida Conference
December 7	Day of Sharing, East Conference, New Bethel-Tyler , Jacksonville
December 13	Day of Sharing, West Coast/Central Conferences, Greater Mt. Zion, St. Petersburg
December 14	Day of Sharing, South Conference, Mt. Hermon, Miami Gardens

2014 Annual Conference Schedule and Venues

Florida Conference

Date	Monday, September 8-Friday, September 12
Host Church	St. Phillip AME Church, Monticello
Host Pastor	The Rev. Julius W. Tisdale
Conference Site	Bethel AME Church, Tallahassee
Site Host Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Julius H. McAllister, Jr.
Host Presiding Elder	The Rev. Dr. Carlton L. Taylor

Central Conference

Date	Monday, September 22-Friday, September 26
Host Church	Mount Olive AME Church, Orlando
Host Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Mark E. Crutcher
Host Presiding Elder	The Rev. J. O. Williams

South Conference

Date	Monday, October 6 -Friday, October 10
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Host Church	Payne Chapel AME Church, West Palm Beach
Host Pastor	The Rev. Henry E. Green, III
Host Presiding Elder	The Rev. Jessie J. Harvin

West Coast Conference

74th Session

Date	Monday, October 20 -Friday, October 24
Host Church	Bethel AME Church, Saint Petersburg
Host Pastor	The Rev. Bryant A. Fayson
Host Presiding Elder	The Rev. Jerome L. Denmark

East Conference

139th Session

Date	Monday, November 3 -Friday, November 7
Host Church	Historic Mount Zion AME Church, Jacksonville
Host Pastor	The Rev. Pearce Ewing
Host Presiding Elder	The Rev. Tony D. Hansberry

Bahamas Conference

75th Session

Date	Tuesday, November 11 -Sunday, November 16
Host Church	Robinson-Morris AME Church, Nassau Bahamas
Host Pastor	The Rev. Howard F. Williamson
Host Presiding Elder	The Rev. Dr. Ranford A. Patterson

Episcopal District Planning Meeting

Thursday, November 20 – Friday November 21

Report of the Budget Committee

No report was given

Financial Reports (p. 41 of Eleventh Episcopal District 2013 Planning Meeting Agenda, Program & Worship Guide)

- Total Received and Paid at Annual Conference in General Budget
- General Budget Due (Quarterly Payment) - \$390,782.25
- Annual Conferences 2013 - \$427,229.00
- Total Received and Paid in Annuity - \$536,394.39
- Total Received and Paid in Life Insurance - \$46,576.60
- Total Received and Paid in Subscriptions to Church Publications - \$64,944.00
- Total Received for Nehemiah Ministry - \$36,459.94

Closing Meditation

Preacher: Bishop Adam Jefferson Richardson, Jr.




Theme: Vanishing Jesus – “What Have You Done with My Lord?”

Scripture: Timothy 3:1-5

- My God is Awesome
- We sing and say a lot but have no mention of Jesus
- 85% of hymns is based on Christian Theology in A. M. E. Church hymnals
- Learn who to mimic
- Need to preach Jesus

- Put Christ in your Christmas

Assignments

- Bishop reported that Emanuel Temple A. M. E. Church has requested to come into the A. M. E. fellowship. After prayer, Bishop reported that they will be accepted into the South Conference and placed on the South District.
- Rev. John F. White II, Pastor of Emanuel Temple A. M. E. Church, Miami Gardens, was transferred from the West Coast Conference to the South Conference.
- Adjustments were made to the Presiding Elders of the Central Conference as follows:
 -  Presiding Elder James O. Williams, Sr. was transferred from the Daytona Beach District to the Orlando District.
 -  Presiding Elder Henry L. Postell, II was transferred from Orlando District to the North Orlando District.
 -  Presiding Elder Hartford Lee was transferred from the North Orlando District to the Daytona Beach District.

Eleventh Episcopal District 2013 Planning Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. in prayer and song.