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YOUNG ADU LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Inspiring The Extraordinary

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of the one who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 1 Peter 2:9

Hilton Palm Beach PBI

West Palm Beach, Florida \$139.00 per/night



2025 EKKLESIA YOUNG ADULT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2025 EKKLESIA YOUNG ADULT LEADRSHIP SUMMIT. OUR PRAYER IS THAT BY THE TIME YOU LEAVE THIS SUMMIT, YOU ARE DRIVEN BY PURPOSE, POWERED BY CREATIVITY, AND ANCHORED IN FAITH. WE ARE BELIEVEING GOD THAT OUR TIME TOGETHER WILL SERVE AS A LOVE LETTER A CALL TO ACTION, AND A HOLY HYMN ALL IN ONE. AS YOU PREPARE FOR THE SUMMIT, WE WANTED TO SHARE A FEW PERTINENT DETAILS. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN

WEST PALM BEACH!

THE LOCATION

The 2025 Young Adult Leadership Summit will take place in West Palm Beach, Florida at the Hilton Palm Beach PBI on June 27-28, 2025.

PARKING IS FREE.



On June 27th Summit registration and check-In will take place from 6:10pm - 8:10pm. On June 28th registration and check-In will take place from 7:30am - 8:10am. Those who have registered will receive the official "Leadership Guide" for the Summit, access to all summit events, dinner during the welcome celebration, lunch on Saturday, as well as a limited-edition water bottle and other Leadership Summit gifts.

THE SCHEDULE

This years Young Adult Leadership Summit will feature a Culture Connect networking event, the welcome celebration, two amazing learning labs, interactive icebreakers and wellness moments, and the inaugural Soul Sesh Panel Discussion. We strongly encourage you to be on time, because you won't want to miss a second of it!



The welcome event on Friday, June 27th will feature three ecletic dining stations for guests to enjoy. For those staying at the Hilton Palm Beach PBI you will recieve a ticket to enjoy breakfast at the Veranda. This restaurant features a variety of breakfast options, including specialty coffees, teas and baked goods. Lunch will also be provided to all prior to your departure on Saturday, June 28th

THE WELCOME CELEBRATION

The Leadership Summit welcome celebration is scheduled for June 27th at 8:00pm and will include food, fun, and fellowship. The attire is classy RESORT WEAR (examples shown below).







MEETING SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025

6:10PM - 8:10PM REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN

4:00PM - 5:00PM MEETING W/ EEDLO YAR CABINET

5:00PM - 7:15PM BREAK

7:15PM - 8:00PM CULTURE CONNECT

8:00PM - 10:00PM WELCOME CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025

7:30AM - 8:15AM REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN

8:00AM - 8:15AM MOMENTS WITH GOD

8:15AM - 8:20AM WELCOME & OVERVIEW

8:20AM - 8:50AM | ICEBREAKER

9:00AM - 9:50AM GENERAL SESSION

9:50AM - 10:50AM LEARNING LAB 1

10:50AM - 10:55AM WELLNESS BREAK

10:55AM - 11:55AM LEARNING LAB 2

11:55AM - 12:00PM WELLNESS BREAK

12:00AM - 1:10PM SOUL SESH PANEL DISCUSSION

1:10PM - 1:20PM MOMENTS WITH GOD



Season after Pentecost Year C	First* reading and Psalm	Alternate* First reading and Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
Day of Pentecost June 08, 2025	* Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Romans 8:14-17 or <i>Acts 2:1-21</i>	John 14:8-17, (25-27)
Trinity Sunday June 15, 2025 First Sunday after Pentecost	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8	In a very few instances, no Psalm reading is offered for reasons relating to the thematic nature of the Day.	Romans 5:1-5	John 16:12-15
Second Sunday after Pentecost Jun 22, 2025	1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a Psalm 42 and 43	Isaiah 65:1-9 Psalm 22:19-28	Galatians 3:23-29	Luke 8:26-39
Third Sunday after Pentecost June 29, 2025	2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20	1 Kings 19:15-16, 19- 21 Psalm 16	Galatians 5:1, 13-2	25 Luke 9:51-62
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost July 06, 2025	2 Kings 5:1-14 Psalm 30	Isaiah 66:10-14 Psalm 66:1-9	Galatians 6:(1-6),	7-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 13, 2025	Amos 7:7-17 Psalm 82	Deuteronomy 30:9-14 Psalm 25:1-10	Colossians 1:1-14	Luke 10:25-37
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 20, 2025	Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52	Genesis 18:1-10a Psalm 15	Colossians 1:15-2	8 Luke 10:38-42
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 27, 2025	Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85	Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 138	Colossians 2:6-15 -19)	, (16 Luke 11:1-13
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost August 03, 2025	Hosea 11:1-11 Psalm 107:1-9, 43	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12- 14; 2:18-23 Psalm 49:1-12	Colossians 3:1-11	Luke 12:13-21
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Aug 10, 2025	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23	Genesis 15:1-6 Psalm 33:12-22	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8	-16 Luke 12:32-40
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Aug 17, 2025	Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19	Jeremiah 23:23-29 Psalm 82	Hebrews 11:29-12	:2 Luke 12:49-56
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Aug 24, 2025	Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6	Isaiah 58:9b-14 Psalm 103:1-8	Hebrews 12:18-29	Luke 13:10-17
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Aug 31, 2025	Jeremiah 2:4-13 Psalm 81:1, 10-16 ized readings, complementary to be	Proverbs 25:6-7 Psalm 112	Hebrews 13:1-8, 1	

Italicized readings, complementary to the standard reading, may be used with, or in place of it.

Season after Pentecost / Year C	First* reading and Psalm	Alt* First reading and Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 07, 2025	Jeremiah 18:1-11 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1	Philemon 1:1-21	Luke 14:25-33
Holy Cross September 14, 2025	Numbers 21:4b-9 Psalm 98:1-5 or <i>78:1-2,</i> <i>34-38</i>		1 Corinthians 1:18-24	John 3:13-17
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 14, 2025	Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 Psalm 14	Exodus 32:7-14 Psalm 51:1-10	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 21, 2025	Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 Psalm 79:1-9	Amos 8:4-7 Psalm 113	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 28, 2025	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16	Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Psalm 146	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-31
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost October 05, 2025	Lamentations 1:1-6 Lamentations 3:19-26 or <i>Psalm 137</i>	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Psalm 37:1-9	2 Timothy 1:1-14	Luke 17:5-10
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 12, 2025	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 Psalm 66:1-12	2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c Psalm 111	2 Timothy 2:8-15	Luke 17:11-19
Canadian Thanksgiving Day October 13, 2025	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 100		Philippians 4:4-9	John 6:25-35
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 19, 2025	Jeremiah 31:27-34 Psalm 119:97-104	Genesis 32:22-31 Psalm 121	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	Luke 18:1-8
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 26, 2025	Joel 2:23-32 Psalm 65	Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 Psalm 84:1-7	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Luke 18:9-14
All Saints Day November 01, 2025 (Maybe observed 1st Sunday)	Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18 Psalm 149		Ephesians 1:11-23	Luke 6:20-31
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost November 02, 2025 (If All Saints not observed)	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Psalm 119:137-144	Isaiah 1:10-18 Psalm 32:1-7	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12	Luke 19:1-10
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost November 09, 2025	Haggai 1:15b-2:9 Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 or <i>Psalm 98</i>	Job 19:23-27a Psalm 17:1-9	2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17	Luke 20:27-38
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost November 16, 2025	Isaiah 65:17-25 Isaiah 12	Malachi 4:1-2a Psalm 98	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Luke 21:5-19
Reign of Christ Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost November 23, 2025	Jeremiah 23:1-6 Luke 1:68-79	Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 46	Colossians 1:11-20	Luke 23:33-43
Thanksgiving Day November 27, 2025	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 100		Philippians 4:4-9	John 6:25-35

Easter

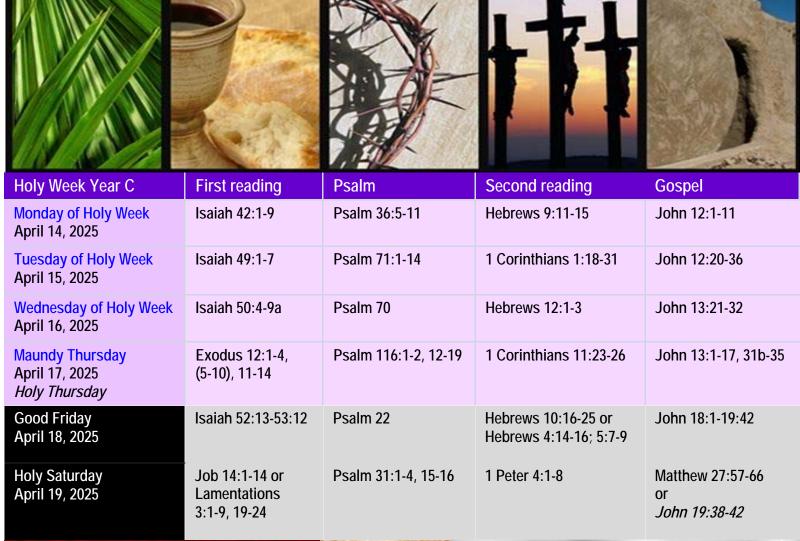
CELEBRATE THE RISEN SAVIOR!

The Lord has risen indeed. Luke 24:34

Easter Year C	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel		
Easter Vigil April 20, 2025	Gld Testament Readings and Psalms ⊕ Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26 ⊕ Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13 and Psalm 46 ⊕ Genesis 22:1-18 and Psalm 16 ⊕ Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 and Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18 ⊕ Isaiah 55:1-11 and Isaiah 12:2-6 ⊕ Baruch 3:9-15, 3:32-4:4 or Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6 and Psalm 19 ⊕ Ezekiel 36:24-28 and Psalm 42 and 43 ⊕ Ezekiel 37:1-14 and Psalm 143 ⊕ Zephaniah 3:14-20 and Psalm 98 New Testament Reading and Psalm Gospel ~ Luke 24:1-12 ⊕ Romans 6:3-11 and Psalm 114					
Resurrection of the Lord April 20, 2025 Easter Day	* Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or <i>Acts 10:34-43</i>	John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12		
Easter Evening April 20, 2025	* Isaiah 25:6-9	Psalm 114	1 Corinthians 5:6b-8	Luke 24:13-49		
Second Sunday of Easter April 27, 2025	* Acts 5:27-32	Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150	Revelation 1:4-8	John 20:19-31		
Third Sunday of Easter May 4, 2025	* Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)	Psalm 30	Revelation 5:11-14	John 21:1-19		
Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11, 2025	* Acts 9:36-43	Psalm 23	Revelation 7:9-17	John 10:22-30		
Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 2025	* Acts 11:1-18	Psalm 148	Revelation 21:1-6	John 13:31-35		
Sixth Sunday of Easter May 25, 2025	* Acts 16:9-15	Psalm 67	Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5	John 14:23-29 or <i>John 5:1-9</i>		
Ascension of the Lord May 29, 2025	* Acts 1:1-11	Psalm 47 or Psalm 93	Ephesians 1:15-23	Luke 24:44-53		
Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1, 2025 (If Ascension not observed here)	* Acts 16:16-34	Psalm 97	Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21	John 17:20-26		

pentecost sunday June 8, 2025
Readings will post soon

HOLY WEEK



As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea named Joseph, who had himself become a Disciple of Jesus.

Matthew 27:57





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Reconciliation Revival METHODI First reading Lent Year A **Psalm** Second reading Gospel Ash Wednesday Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 Psalm 51:1-17 2 Corinthians 5:20b-Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 March 5, 2025 6:10 Isaiah 58:1-12 Romans 10:8b-13 First Sunday in Lent Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Luke 4:1-13 March 9, 2025 Second Sunday in Lent Psalm 27 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Luke 13:31-35 March 16, 2025 Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a) 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Third Sunday in Lent Isaiah 55:1-9 Psalm 63:1-8 Luke 13:1-9 March 23, 2025 Hebrews 10:4-10 **Annunciation of the Lord** Isaiah 7:10-14 Psalm 45 Luke 1:26-38 March 25, 2025 or Psalm 40:5-10 Fourth Sunday in Lent Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 March 30, 2025 Fifth Sunday in Lent Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8 April 06, 2025 Liturgy of the Palms Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Luke 19:28-40 April 13, 2025 Sixth Sunday in Lent Liturgy of the Passion Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14-23:56

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Sixth Sunday in Lent

April 13, 2025









Luke 23:1-49

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Epiphany / Year C	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
Epiphany of the Lord January 6, 2025	Isaiah 60:1-6	Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14	Ephesians 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12
Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2025 1st Sunday after the Epiphany	Isaiah 43:1-7	Psalm 29	Acts 8:14-17	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 19, 2025	Isaiah 62:1-5	Psalm 36:5-10	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	John 2:1-11
Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 26, 2025	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	Psalm 19	1 Corinthians 12:12-31a	Luke 4:14-21
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany February 2, 2025	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalm 71:1-6	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Luke 4:21-30
Presentation of the Lord February 2, 2025	Malachi 3:1-4	Psalm 84 or Psalm 24:7-10	Hebrews 2:14-18	Luke 2:22-40
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany February 9, 2025	Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13)	Psalm 138	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany February 16, 2025	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Psalm 1	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	Luke 6:17-26
Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany February 23, 2025	Genesis 45:3-11, 15	Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40	1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50	Luke 6:27-38
Transfiguration Sunday March 2, 2025 (Last Sunday before Lent)	Exodus 34:29-35	Psalm 99	2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2	Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)



A time for Prayer, Penance, & Alms Giving

THE 2025 LITURGICAL COLOR CALENDAR for The African Methodist Episcopal Church

LITURGICAL CALIENDAR

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COLORS FOR THE AME CHRISTIAN YEAR

In the Christian year of our church, we recognize two cycles: the Christmas Cycle (Advent-Christmas-Epiphany) and the Easter Cycle (Lent-Easter-Pentecost). Within each cycle are a preparatory season symbolized by the color purple and a festival season symbolized by the color white. Between each cycle follows an ordinary time of growth symbolized by the color green in the Seasons After the Epiphany and After Pentecost. Therefore, there is a sequence of seasons using purple, white, and green in that order twice each year.

PURPLE is a color of both penitence and royalty used during the preparatory seasons of Advent and Lent. Alternative colors of royal blue or violet may also be used during Advent.

WHITE and GOLD are joyous and festive colors used during the Christmas and Easter seasons (except on the Day of Pentecost) and in other seasons on festive days such as Baptism of the Lord, Transfiguration, Trinity, All Saints, and Christ the King. White may also be used at weddings. At services of Holy Communion white linens on top of the Lord's Table are the tradition of the AME Church, and are used on the first Sunday, regardless of the Holy Season that is celebrated. Therefore, even if the first Sunday of the month is the first Sunday of Advent, the color used in the pulpit remains white.

GREEN is a color of growth used in the Seasons After the Epiphany and After Pentecost, except when special days call for white or red.

RED is a color of fire, symbolizing the Holy Spirit. It is used on the Day of Pentecost and at other times when the work of the Holy Spirit is emphasized. Red is also the color of blood - the blood of Christ and the blood of martyrs. Because of its intensity, red is most effective when used occasionally rather than continuously for a whole season. It is appropriate for evangelistic services, for ordinations and consecration, for church anniversaries and homecomings, Founder's Day, and for civil observances such as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Thanksgiving. It may be used during Holy Week, beginning with Passion/Palm Sunday, to symbolize the blood of Christ.

BLACK is a color of death used on Good Friday and Holy Saturday and for funerals. Gray is its alternative.

Although the use of these colors is based on broad ecumenical tradition, other colors have been and are being used in Christian churches. Creativity and use of alternates with colors bring new meaning to the worship experience. Examples include African prints or variations, pink during the third week of Advent and black on Good Friday.

It is always a good policy when in doubt, to seek guidance from a presiding elder, senior pastor, Christian education director, or other person designated by the pastor. These persons will be helpful in providing information on appropriate colors for preparing the sanctuary.

ELEVENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT CALENDAR ~ JUNE — SEPTEMBER 2025

JUNE

June 8	PENTECOST SUNDAY
June 15	Father's Day
June 15	TRINITY SUNDAY
June 16-18	AME Church General Board Meeting
June 17	10th Anniversary of the Mother Emanuel Shooting
June 22	Emanuel Nine Remembrance (Local Congregations)
June 24-27	81st Annual EED Lay Convention West Palm Beach, FL
June 24	Bishop Zanders Preaching ~ EED Lay Convention
June 27-28	Ekklesia ~ Young Adult Leadership Retreat West Palm Beach, FL
	JULY
July 4	INDEPENDENCE DAY
July 7-11	Connectional Lay Organization Biennial Convention Atlanta, GA
July 11-13	Connectional YPD LTI & Executive Board Meeting Atlanta, GA
July 13	11th District CDMC Ceremony Rosen Centre ~ Orlando, FL
July 14-17	11th District CEYLC Rosen Centre ~ Orlando, FL
	AUGUST
August 23	Florida Annual Conference YPD Convention Tallahassee, FL
August 26	Florida Annual Conference WMS Convention Tallahassee, FL
August 27-29	Florida Annual Conference Tallahassee, FL
	SEPTEMBER
September 1	LABOR DAY
September 6	Central Conference YPD Annual Day St. Paul AMEC, Apopka, FL
September 9	Central Conference WMS Annual Day St. Paul AMEC, Apopka, FL
September 10-12	Central Annual Conference St. Paul AMEC, Apopka, FL
September 23	South Conference YPD Annual Day Payne Chapel AMEC, WPB, FL
September 27	South Conference WMS Annual Day Payne Chapel AMEC, WPB, FL
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ELEVENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT CALENDAR ~ OCTOBER—DECEMBER 2025

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October 7 West Coast Conference WMS Annual Day | GMZ AMEC, St. Petersburg, FL

October 8-10 West Coast Annual Conference | Gtr Mt. Zion AMEC, St. Petersburg, FL

October 18 East Conference YPD Annual Day | St. Paul AMEC, Jacksonville, FL

October 21 East Conference WMS Annual Day | St. Paul AMEC, Jacksonville, FL

October 22-24 East Annual Conference | St. Paul AMEC, Jacksonville, FL

NOVEMBER

November 2 Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 6-8 Bahamas Annual Conference | Cousin-McPhee Cathedral ~ Nassau

November 18-21 11th District Planning Meeting, Jacksonville, FL

November 27 THANKSGIVING DAY

November 27 SUPERVISOR WINIFRED HOUSTON ZANDERS' BIRTHDAY

DECEMBER

December 6 Day of Sharing, Florida Conference ~ 11am

December 6 Day of Sharing, East Conference ~ 4pm

December 13 Day of Sharing, Central Conference ~ 11am

December 14 Day of Sharing, West Coast Conference ~ 4pm

December 20 Day of Sharing, South Conference ~ 4pm

December 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

December 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE





TCR BREAKING NEWS



Breaking News: Episcopal Assignments for 2024-2028

Editor's Note: Due to a computer connection issue, an draft of the email was sent out sent out. When we were notified of the error, we attempted to correct it, but the connection cut out in the middle of our edits. Please accept our sincerest apologies.

Bishop Assignment Retirement Year

Bishop Wilfred J. Messiah 19th Episcopal District 2028

Bishop Paul J. M. Kawimbe 14th Episcopal District 2036

Bishop James L. Davis 7th Episcopal District 2028

Bishop David R. Daniels, Jr. Ecumenical Officer and Endorsing Agent 2032

Bishop Samuel L. Green, Sr. 1st Episcopal District 2036

Bishop Jeffery N. Leath, Sr. 16th Episcopal District 2032

Bishop Reginald T. Jackson 2nd Episcopal District 2028

Bishop Harry L. Seawright 13th Episcopal District 2032

Bishop Michael L. Mitchell 6th Episcopal District 2036

Bishop Ronnie E. Brailsford 10th Episcopal District 2032

Bishop Stafford J. N. Wicker 3rd Episcopal District 2036

Bishop Silvester S. Beaman 12th Episcopal District 2036

Bishop Marvin C. Zanders II 11th Episcopal District 2040

Bishop Francine A. Brookins 5th Episcopal District 2048

Bishop Frederick A. Wright 4th Episcopal District 2032

Bishop Erika D. Crawford 8th Episcopal District 2048

Bishop Julius H. McAllister, Jr. 9th Episcopal District 2044

Bishop Vernon R. Byrd, Jr. 17th Episcopal District 2032

Bishop Henry A. Belin III 15th Episcopal District 2040

Bishop Jeffrey B. Cooper II 18th Episcopal District 2032

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Bishop E. Earl McCloud, Jr. Located 2028

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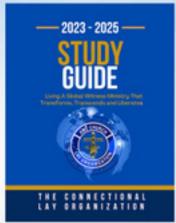
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Connectional Lay Organization Theme

"Living a Global Witness Ministry That Transforms, Transcends and Liberates"

The Scriptural Reference: Luke 4: 18-19

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

Living a Global Witness Ministry means that we intentionally, on purpose, in an unabashed way, in a public way, in a relational way, desire to bring witness that is different, daring, innovative, engaging and liberating.

We serve a church that spans 39 countries, 5 continents, speaks countless languages, is governed by democracy, aristocracy, monarchy amid a plethora of cultures and yet believes in **THE SAME GOD**. We are separated by miles, resources, agendas, political interests and for the past 18 months we can add pandemic to the mix of reasons that we are apart. We have been kept together through the innovation of technology, the willingness to transform to a different way of thinking and worshiping and witnessing. We have had to transcend the usual way of doing things so that all could be privileged to a liberating gospel. We as the Organized Lay Organization have had to step up and be demonstrative of the outcomes we are desirous of seeing. In other words, Living A Global Witness Ministry That Transforms, Transcends and Liberates is where our mission rests.

Living A Global Witness Ministry that Transforms is real life ministry. Everybody seems to be using the word "transformation" to describe the impact of what they are doing. There is transformational leadership, transformational management, transformational development, transformational business, transformational care, transformational learning, transformational marketing!

Living A Global Witness Ministry that Transcends goes beyond borders and boundaries. It is the charge and chance for us to extend ourselves beyond our comfort zones to communicate and create avenues that will reach generations, open minds and activate people to engage in a unifying work.

Living A Global Witness Ministry that Liberates frees one to be liberal in praise, in service and witness. The gospel is a message of freedom and liberation — the ministry of Jesus was that of liberating captives. The gospel tells us that it is through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit that we can courageously leave our comfort zones to reach, teach, preach and serve others just like Christ did in the synagogues.

AS YOU PLAN YOUR LAY PROGRAM...

Use the Connectional Theme in your programs. The artistic rendering that supports the theme is included here. It is NOT the lay Logo, but a rendering. Feel free to use it, coupled with the theme, as you plan your lay programs.

In planning your lay programs and activities try to incorporate the theme or components thereof as a way to continuously keep persons aware of it.





The Bishop is on the MOVE...

The itinerancy is a traveling ministry. It is the portal through which the clergy moves. In the AME Church one thing that is certain is that movement will occur within the leadership of our Zion. Nothing makes that point more clearly than a review of what will and may occur in 2024 with mandated movement for over 55% of the Bishops in AME Church.

Indicated with **GREEN shaded box** below are moves that must occur in 2024. A **RED shaded box** indicates no move is mandated but one can still occur. The Ecumenical and Located Bishop may also impact the assignment rotation. 2024 will be a time of Episcopal Moves. Stay Tuned!!!

Mand	ated	Movemen'	}	
YES	NO	DISTRICT	Bishop	NOTE
		1	Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Sr.	Retirement Date 2024
		2	Bishop James Levert Davis	8 Year Law
		3	Bishop E. Earl McCloud Jr.	Assigned - GC 2021
		4	Bishop John Franklin White	Retirement Date 2024
		5	Bishop Clement W. Fugh	Retirement Date 2024
		6	Bishop Reginald T. Jackson	8 Year Law
		7	Bishop Samuel Lawrence Green Sr.	8 Year Law
		8	Bishop Stafford J. N. Wicker	Assigned - GC 2021
		9	Bishop Harry Lee Seawright	8 Year Law
		10	Bishop Adam J. Richardson Jr.	Retirement Date 2024
		11	Bishop Frank Madison Reid III	Retirement Date 2024
		12	Bishop Michael Leon Mitchell	8 Year Law
		13	Bishop E. Anne Henning-Byfield	Retirement Date 2024
		14	Bishop Paul J.M. Kawimbe	Assigned - GC 2021
		15	Bishop Silvester S. Beaman	Assigned - GC 2021
		16	Bishop Marvin Clyde Zanders II	Assigned - GC 2021
		17	Bishop David Rwhynica Daniels	Assigned - GC 2021
		18	Bishop Francine A. Brookins	Assigned - GC 2021
		19	Bishop Ronnie E. Brailsford Sr.	Assigned - GC 2021
		20	Bishop Frederick Allen Wright	Assigned - GC 2021
		Ecumenical	Bishop Jeffrey Nathaniel Leath	Assigned - GC 2021
		Located	Bishop Wilfred Jacobus Messiah	Assigned - GC 2021