# The Ninth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church God Our Creator, Christ Our Redeemer, The Holy Spirit Our Comforter, Humankind Our Family



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### **Our Episcopal Leaders**



Bishop Harry L. Seawright, Presiding Prelate Reverend Sherita Moon Seawright, Episcopal Supervisor

### From the Bishop's Heart

July 2018

Dear 9<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District,

I greet you in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! Serving as the Presiding Prelate of the 9<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church continues to excite me. Time marches on: this series of Annual Conferences indicates the latter half of the quadrennial.

Since last year's Annual Conferences our strength has been tested through sickness and death. God called two of our Presiding Elders home: Rev. James Arnell and Rev. Albert L. Hyche. I honor the memories of all who were affected by life's challenges. Thank you, Interim Presiding Elder Farrell Duncombe, for your leadership in the Montgomery-Selma District of the Alabama River Region. I am grateful for Retired Presiding Elders Myers Hawkins and Oliver Allen for their leadership in the Northwest Conference's South Birmingham-Huntsville-Bessemer District. I especially salute the members of those Presiding Elder Districts; you are withstanding the challenge. Please continue to pray for Mrs. Arnetta Arnell and Atty. Ida Tyree-Hyche and their families.

For 2018 the Women's Missionary Society and the Young People's Division will meet the Saturday before the opening of the Annual Conference. Please join these components in their "Saturday Afternoon in White" worship service at noon. On a similar note, all Annual Conferences will meet Tuesday morning through Friday night. Please respect all time specifics. Thank you for making these adjustments.

I am very much aware of the effort needed to host an Annual Conference. Therefore, I thank the host churches, pastors, members and components for your service at your particular location. Again, I ask everyone to pray for the Presiding Elders, pastors, ministers, laity, youth, component leaders, clergy spouses, preachers, presenters, and me. Let's pray for God's Spirit to rule in every aspect of our time together.

This year marks the celebration of the *150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 9<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District*. Prior to 1868 Alabama was a part of an Episcopal District that included South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. On Saturday November 3, 2018, at the culmination of the 2018 Planning Meeting in Montgomery, Alabama, the 9<sup>th</sup> District will host a signature anniversary celebration event. I hope you will attend

As your Bishop, I am available to you. Please contact me at the District's Headquarters at 205-326-4499. You may email me at bishophls133@gmail.com.

On behalf of The Reverend Sherita Moon Seawright, our Episcopal Supervisor, and my entire family, I thank you for your continued prayers, love, and support as we serve God and God's people in Alabama. Yes, I still pray for you.

Because of Christ, I am,

Bishop Harry L. Seawright

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Presiding Prelate of the 9<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District

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### **2018** Annual Conference Schedule

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9<sup>H</sup> SESSION OF THE ALABAMA RIVER REGION ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Saturday, August 18, 2018 – Women's Missionary Society Annual Convention and YPD Day
Tuesday – Friday, August 21-24, 2018 – Business, Training & Worship
(Opening Annual Service – Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.)

410 Martin Luther King Avenue, Selma, AL 36703

Reverend Leodis Strong, Host Pastor
Reverend Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe, Interim Host Presiding Elder

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Hampton Inn, Selma
2200 W. Highland Avenue, Selma, AL 36701 \* 334-876-9995
Single/King/Doubles \$104.00 + Tax
Cut-off date for group rate -August 7, 2018

Holiday Inn Express, Selma, AL \* 334-874-1000 2000 Lincoln Way, Selma, AL (Directly behind the Hampton Inn) Single (King)/Doubles \$104.00 + Tax Cut-off date for group rate -August 7, 2018

Note: Please confirm all room rates and deadline dates with the Host Pastor/Church or the hotel(s) listed.



9<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE NORTHWEST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Saturday, September 1, 2018 – Women's Missionary Society Annual Convention and YPD Day
Tuesday, September 4, – Friday, September 7, 2018 – Business, Training & Worship
(Opening Annual Service – Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.)

Bryant Chapel AME Church, Grasselli Heights, Birmingham - Reverend Damien R. Littlejohn, Host Pastor New Magnolia AME Church, Muscoda, Bessemer – Reverend Charles Marie Davis, Host Pastor St. Mark AME Church, Brighton, – Reverend Roderick Callins, Host Pastor St. Paul AME Church, Adamsville – Reverend Joseph A. Hall, Host Pastor

> Reverend Cleophas Guice, Sr., Host Presiding Elder Reverend Dwight E. Dillard, Associate Host Presiding Elder Reverend Oliver Allen, Jr., Interim Associate Host Presiding Elder

# Held at DANIEL PAYNE COMMUNITY PLAZA 1500 Daniel Payne Drive, Birmingham, AL 35214

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Sheraton Hotel Birmingham \* 205-324-5000 2101 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd, North \* Birmingham, AL 35203 Single/Double: \$105.00 + Tax Cut-off date for group rate – August 20, 2018

Fairfield Inn & Suites \* 205-849-8484
1795 Morris Avenue \* Fultondale, AL 35068
Single/Double: \$99.00 + Tax /Suites \$129.00 + tax; free parking and breakfast included
Cut-off date for group rate — August 15, 2018

https://www.marriott.com/meeting-event-hotels/group-corporate-travel/groupCorp.mi?resLinkData=AME%20%5EBHMBF%60AMEAMEA%7CAMEAMEB%6099.00%60USD%60false%604%609/3/18%609/8/18 %608/13/18&app=resvlink&stop mobi=yes

Hampton Inn & Suites \* 205-439-6700 1716 Fulton Road \* Fultondale, AL 35068 Single/Double: \$129.00 + Tax; free parking and breakfast included Cut-off date for group rate – August 20, 2018

Northwest Alabama Annual Conference Hotel Accommodations – Continued

Note: Please confirm all room rates and deadline dates with Ms. Nell Hayes.



#### 9<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE SOUTHEAST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 15, 2018 – Women's Missionary Society Annual Convention and YPD Day Tuesday – Friday, September 18–21, 2018 – Business, Training & Worship (Opening Annual Service – Tuesday, September18, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.)

Greater St. Paul AME Church 608 E. Academy Street Troy, AL 36081

Reverend Elijah Shafah, Host Pastor Reverend Johnny Rutledge, Host Presiding Elder Reverend David E. Reddick, Associate Host Presiding Elder

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Courtyard by Marriot \* 334-566-0540 (Group Code SMERF)

115 Troy Plaza Loop, Troy, AL 36081

Single: \$119.00 + Tax/Doubles: \$119.00 + Tax

Cut-off date - August 28, 2018

Hampton Inn \* 334-807-5900 103 Troy Plaza Loop, Troy, AL 36801 Single/Double - \$129/Night + taxes; Single/Double - \$139 Cut-off date for group rate —August 28, 2018

Note: Please confirm all room rates and deadline dates with the Host Pastor/Church or the hotel(s) listed.



9<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE NORTHEAST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Saturday, September 29, 2018 – Women's Missionary Society Annual Convention and YPD Day
Tuesday – Friday, October 2 - 5, 2018 – Business, Training & Worship
(Opening Annual Service – Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.)

Washington Chapel AME Church 2508 W. Montgomery Rd., Tuskegee, AL 36088

\*Please note: This conference will convene on Central Standard Time.

Person Chapel AME Church, Reverend Eugene Johnson, Host Pastor

Hardaway AME Church and St. John AME Church – Union Springs, Reverend Brunhilde Mitchell, Host Pastor

Wayman Chapel AME Church – Union Springs, Reverend Ronald Smith, Host Pastor

Marianna AME Church and Shiloh AME Church – Clayton, Reverend Cynthia Johnson, Host Pastor

Great Hope AME Church – Midway, Reverend Christine Thomas, Host Pastor

Reverend Dr. Letitia Watford, Host Presiding Elder Reverend Samuel Smith, Associate Host Presiding Elder

#### NORTHEAST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Hampton Inn & Suites, Opelika-Auburn
300 Capps Way, Opelika, AL 36804 (Exit 51, I-85N)
Single/Double - \$99.00 + tax per night; free parking and breakfast included
Cut-off date for group rate – Sept 2, 2018

Courtyard by Marriot, Auburn 2420 W Pace Blvd, Auburn, AL 36830 (Exit 51, I-85N) Single/Double - \$109.00 + tax per night; free parking and breakfast included

Note: Please confirm all room rates and deadline dates with the Host Pastor/Church or the hotel(s) listed.



9<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE SOUTHWEST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Saturday, October 13, 2018 – Women's Missionary Society Annual Convention and YPD Day
Tuesday – Friday, October 16 – 19, 2018 – Business, Training & Worship
(Opening Annual Service – Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.)

Emmanuel AME Church 654 St. Michael St. Mobile, AL 36603

Reverend John Dees, Host Pastor
Reverend Johnnie Bryant, Host Presiding Elder
Reverend Dr. Jacquelyn Denson, Associate Host Presiding Elder

#### **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS**

Hampton Inn & Suites \*251-370-1143
Group Rate Code: EAS
62 S. Royal St., Mobile, AL 36602
Single/Double - \$110.00 + tax per night; free parking and breakfast included
Cut-off date for group rate — October 1, 2018

Note: Please confirm all room rates and deadline dates with the Host Pastor/Church or the hotel(s) listed.

Hilton Garden Inn \*251-433-2299
Group Rate Code: SWA
15 N. Conception St. Mobile, AL 36602
Guest Rooms - \$139.00 + Tax per night; Parking \$9.00 per night per vehicle
Cut-off date for group rate – September 16, 2018

Note: Please confirm all room rates and deadlines with the Host Pastor/Church or the hotel(s) listed.



#### **Pre-Planning Meeting**

Wednesday, October 31, 2018
Presiding Elders Meet with Bishop

### Planning Meeting and 150th Anniversary of the 9th Episcopal District Celebration

November 1 – 3, 2018 St. John AME Church 807 Madison Avenue, Montgomery, AL 36104

Renaissance Montgomery – Hotel and Spa 201 Tallapoosa Street, Montgomery, AL 36104 || (334) 481-5000 HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Rooms are blocked at: Renaissance, Embassy Suites, Hampton Inn & Double Tree



### The Bishops of the AME Church

DISTRICTSELECTEDBISHOPS1st118GREGORY GERALD MCKINLEY INGRAM

<b>2</b> <sup>ND</sup>	123	JAMES LEVERT DAVIS
<b>3</b> <sup>RD</sup>	109	McKinley Young
<b>4</b> <sup>TH</sup>	130	JOHN FRANKLIN WHITE
<b>5</b> <sup>TH</sup>	131	CLEMENT W. FUGH
6 <sup>TH</sup>	132	REGINALD T. JACKSON
<b>7</b> <sup>TH</sup>	125	SAMUEL LAWRENCE GREEN, SR.
8 <sup>TH</sup>	129	JULIUS HARRISON MCALLISTER, SR.
9 <sup>TH</sup>	133	HARRY LEE SEAWRIGHT
<b>10</b> <sup>TH</sup>	117	VASHTI MURPHY MCKENZIE
11 <sup>TH</sup>	115	ADAM JEFFERSON RICHARDSON, JR.
12 <sup>TH</sup>	134	MICHAEL LEON MITCHELL
13 <sup>TH</sup>	128	JEFFREY NATHANIEL LEATH
14 <sup>TH</sup>	127	E. EARL McCLOUD, JR.
15 <sup>TH</sup>	124	DAVID RWHYNICA DANIELS, JR.
<b>16</b> <sup>TH</sup>	135	E. Anne Henning Byfield
17 <sup>TH</sup>	120	WILFRED JACOBUS MESSIAH
18 <sup>TH</sup>	137	STAFFORD J. N. WICKER
19 <sup>TH</sup>	121	PAUL JONES MULENGA KAWIMBE
20 <sup>TH</sup>	136	Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.
ECUMENICAL OFFICER	138	FRANK MADISON REID, III

### **The Retired Bishops**

<b>BISHOPS</b>	No.
FREDERICK HILBORN TALBOT	90
Frederick Calhoun James	93
Frank Curtis Cummings	95
PHILIP ROBERT COUSIN, SR	96
HENRY ALLEN BELIN, JR	104
JOHN RICHARD BRYANT	106
ROBERT VAUGHN WEBSTER	110
ZEDEKIAH LAZETT GRADY	111
WILLIAM PHILLIPS DEVEAUX, SR	113
THEODORE LARRY KIRKLAND	114
RICHARD FRANKLIN NORRIS	116
Preston Warren Williams, II	119
CAROLYN TYLER-GUIDRY	122

# The Bishops who have served the Ninth Episcopal District In Retrospect & Respect

**BISHOPS** 

**S**ERVED

JOHN MIFFLIN BROWN

1868 - 1872

THOMAS M. D. WARD	1872 – 1878
J. P. CAMPBELL	1878 – 1880
ALEXANDER WASHINGTON WAYMAN	1880 – 1884
Daniel Alexander Payne	1884 – 1888
Wesley John Gaines	1888 – 1892
ABRAM GRANT	1892 – 1896
HENRY McNeal Turner	1896 – 1900
Wesley John Gaines	1900 – 1904
LEVI JENKINS COPPIN	1904 – 1908
HENRY B. PARKS	1908
JOSHUA H. JONES	1908 – 1916
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN LEE	1916 – 1924
WILLIAM A. FOUNTAIN	1924 – 1928
ROBERT A. GRANT	1928 – 1936
DAVID H. SIMS	1936 – 1940
DECATUR W. NICHOLS	1940 – 1948
SHERMAN L. GREENE	1948 – 1951
WILLIAM A. FOUNTAIN	1951 – 1952
Isaiah H. Bonner	1952 – 1956
CAREY A. GIBBS	1956 – 1960
Isaiah H. Bonner	1960 – 1968
HUBERT N. ROBINSON	1968 – 1972
VINTON R. ANDERSON	1972 – 1976
PHILIP R. COUSIN, SR.	1976 – 1984
Frank M. Reid, Jr.	1984 – 1989
CORNELIUS E. THOMAS	1989 – 1996
ZEDEKIAH L. GRADY	1996 – 2002
THEODORE L. KIRKLAND, SR.	2002 – 2008
JAMES LEVERT DAVIS	2008 – 2016
HARRY LEE SEAWRIGHT	2016 –

### **General Officers of the AME Church**

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Dr. Richard A. Lewis, Sr.

Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer AME Finance Department

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### Dr. Jeffery Cooper General Secretary/Chief Information Officer

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President/Publisher AME Sunday School Union

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HISTORIOGRAPHER/ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP

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Editor, The Christian Recorder

Rev. Dr. Garland F. Pierce Executive Director, Department of Christian Education

### **Retired General Officers**

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Dr. Paulette Coleman

Rev. Dennis C. Dickerson, Ph.D.

Dr. Kenneth H. Hill

Dr. Daryl B. Ingram

Dr. Hercules T. Miles

Dr. Calvin H. Sydnor, III

Dr. Jamye Coleman Williams

### The Ninth Episcopal District Officers and Staff

Bishop Harry L. Seawright, Presiding Prelate
Reverend Sherita Moon Seawright, Episcopal Supervisor
Ms. Nell Hayes, Administrative Assistant to the Bishop
Reverend Alvelyn Sanders, Executive Administrative Assistant
Mr. Harry Matthew Seawright, Staff Assistant
Ms. Angeline Giles, Staff Assistant
Reverend Mary Garrett, Staff Assistant

# Reverend W. Jermaine Richardson, Executive Director, Daniel Payne College Legacy Village Foundation, Inc. Reverend Alfonzo Colvin, Facility Personnel, Daniel Payne Community Plaza Mr. Kevin Carter, Director of Security

Rev. Dr. Jacquelyn L. Denson, President, Presiding Elders Council

Rev. Gloria Hall, Treasurer

Rev. Maurice Wright, II, Chair of Finance

Rev. Brian Blackwell, Comptroller

Rev. Oliver Allen, Jr., Treasurer of the Ninth District 150th Anniversary Celebration & the Quadrennial Travel Fund

Mrs. Susie Jones Bonner, President, WMS

Mr. Davon Elder, President, YPD

Mrs. Djuana Duncombe Wilson, Director, YPD

Mrs. Bernella Knight Rose, President, Lay Organization

Dr. John Campbell, Co-Coordinator, Sons of Allen

Mr. Robert L. Turner, Co-Coordinator, Sons of Allen

Mrs. Johnnita Bryant, President, Ministers' Spouses

Mrs. Hattie Nathan, Director, Christian Education

Rev. Deborah Peppers, Chair, Board of Examiners

Rev. Dr. Ronald Sterling, Dean, Board of Examiners

Rev. Dr. Patricia Outlaw, Dean, Nichols Thomas Grady Clergy Institute

Rev. Dr. Ronald Sterling, Assoc. Dean, Nichols Thomas Grady Clergy Institute

Mrs. Sherryl Whiting, Coordinator, Christian Debutante-Masters Commission

Rev. Maurice Wright, II, Director, Evangelism Ministry

Rev. Deborah Peppers, President, Women in Ministry

Mrs. Geneva W. Lawrence, Co-Coordinator, Richard Allen Young Adult Council (RAYAC)

Mr. Harry Matthew Seawright, Co-Coordinator, Richard Allen Young Adult Council (RAYAC)

Dr. Monica Dillihunt, Co-Coordinator, Richard Allen Young Adult Council (RAYAC)

Rev. Dr. Ronald D. Sterling, Co-Director, Prayer Ministry

Rev. Raymond B. Swafford, Co-Director, Prayer Ministry

Rev. Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe, Co-Director, Music Ministry

Mrs. Rosemary Buffer, Co-Director, Music Ministry

Mrs. Marge Simmons, Coordinator of Public Relations/Editor, The 9th Hour Newsletter

Rev. Jessica Durr, District Liaison, The Christian Recorder

Ms. Tammy Davis, Coordinator of Health Ministry

Rev. Warren Anderson, Chief Marshall

Rev. Roosevelt Williams, III, Co-Director, Technology

Rev. Carlton Worthen, Co-Director, Technology

Mrs. Allie Reddick, Reporter of Clergy Information

Ms. Nell Hayes, Co-Reporter of Clergy Information

Mrs. Bernella Knight-Rose, Chair, Scholarship Committee

Dr. Monica Dillihunt, Director of Education and Special Projects

### The Ninth Episcopal District Presiding Elders

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#### **ALABAMA RIVER REGION CONFERENCE**

Montgomery Selma District...... Rev. Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe, Interim

7013 Wyngrove Court Montgomery, AL 36117

334-288-6634 (Home) ~ 334-322-3640 (cell)

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#### NORTHWEST ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Birmingham-Florence Rev. Dwight E. Dillard

Tuscaloosa District P. O. Box 11170 Birmingham, AL 35202

205-785-2727 (Home) ~ 205-527-5863 (Cell)

South Birmingham-Huntsville Rev. Oliver Allen, Jr., Interim

**Bessemer District** 

P.O. Box 22346 Huntsville, AL 35814 Birmingham, AL 35215

256-585-1521 (Home) ~334-797-5386 (Cell)

Retired Presiding Elder Myers Hawkins is assisting

in leading the South Birmingham-Huntsville-Bessemer District.

(205) 925-4011 (Home) ~ (205) 837-0474 (Cell)

West Birmingham-Ensley.....

**Greensboro District** 

Rev. Cleophas Guice, Sr. 1625 5th Avenue, West Birmingham, AL 35208 205-337-6478 (Cell)

#### SOUTHEAST ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Dothan-Eufaula District Rev. David E. Reddick

P. O. Box 311048

Enterprise, AL 36331

334-308-1400 (Home) ~ 334-494-0308 (Cell)

Ozark-Troy District Rev. Johnny Rutledge

2004 38th Court Phenix City, AL 36870

334-297-4460 (Home) ~ 706-587-4232 (Cell)

#### NORTHEAST ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Phenix City District Rev. Samuel Smith

168 Reyes Street Ozark, AL 36360

334-774-8810 (Home) ~ 334-798-1703 (Cell)

Tuskegee District Rev. Dr. Letitia Watford

1718 South Perry Street Montgomery, AL 36104 334-224-8795 (Cell)

#### SOUTHWEST ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Mobile District Rev. Johnnie Bryant

6754 Mauvilla Drive W Eight Mile, AL 36613

251-675-7715 (Home) ~ 251-610-2928 (Cell)

Camden District Rev. Dr. Jacquelyn L. Denson

P. O. Box 333

Andalusia, AL 36420

334-427-7235 (Home) ~ 334-207-8331 (Cell)

# **The Ninth Episcopal District Component Leaders**

#### WMS CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS

2018-2019

Mrs. Joyce P. O'Neal

Alabama River Region Conference

Mrs. Patricia R. Smith Northwest Alabama Conference

Mrs. Dorothy Sconiers-Bevel Southeast Alabama Conference

Mrs. Stephanie Bender Northeast Alabama Conference

Mrs. Betty Davis Southwest Alabama Conference

#### **YPD CONFERENCE DIRECTORS**

Mrs. Yvonne Kelly Alabama River Region Conference

Mrs. Lavarne McReynolds Northwest Alabama Conference

Mrs. Denise Woolridge Southeast Alabama Conference

Ms. Valerie C. Wright Northeast Alabama Conference

Ms. Debra Weatherspoon Southwest Alabama Conference

#### **YPD CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS**

Ke'Shira Murry

Alabama River Region Conference

Khia Swafford

Northwest Alabama Conference

**Asia Jones** 

Southeast Alabama Conference

**Cortez Thomas** 

Northeast Alabama Conference

Kierra Giles

Southwest Alabama Conference



# The Ninth Episcopal District Component Leaders 2018-2019

#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTORS**

Rev. Dr. Agnes Lover

#### Alabama River Region Conference

**Rev. Raymond B. Swafford**Northwest Alabama Conference

**Rev. LaKenya Anderson**Southeast Alabama Conference

Mrs. Hattie Nathan Northeast Alabama Conference

**Rev. Charlotte Greene** Southwest Alabama Conference

#### LAY ORGANIZATION CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS

Mr. Kenneth Strong
Alabama River Region Conference

Mrs. Tamara Bonner Royster Northwest Alabama Conference

Ms. Faye McLeod Southeast Alabama Conference

Mr. Robert Turner Northeast Alabama Conference

Mr. Gary Hart Southwest Alabama Conference

#### **SONS OF ALLEN COORDINATORS**

**Dr. John Campbell**Alabama River Region Conference

Mr. Jeremy Joseph Northwest Alabama Conference

Mr. Franklin Simmons
Southeast Alabama Conference

Mr. Robert Turner Northeast Alabama Conference

Mr. Terry Jones Southwest Alabama Conference

# The Ninth Episcopal District Component Leaders 2018-2019

#### RICHARD ALLEN YOUNG ADULT COUNCIL COORDINATORS

Mr. Justin Lawrence
Alabama River Region Conference

#### **TBD**

Northwest Alabama Conference

#### Mr. Jason Morris

Southeast Alabama Conference

#### Rev. Brandon Thornton

Northeast Alabama Conference

#### Ms. Wendy Washington

Southwest Alabama Conference

#### **BROTHERHOOD COMMITTEE**

Rev. Dwight E. Dillard, Treasurer

#### Rev. Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe

Alabama River Region Conference

#### Rev. Damien Littlejohn

Northwest Alabama Conference

#### Rev. Freddie Flowers

Southeast Alabama Conference

#### **Rev. Thomas Fortson**

Northeast Alabama Conference

#### Rev. John L. Dees, Jr.

Southwest Alabama Conference

#### **CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS**

#### Mr. Ira Simmons

Alabama River Region Conference

#### Dr. Simpson Berry, Sr.

Northwest Alabama Conference

#### Mrs. Faye McLeod

Southeast Alabama Conference

#### Mrs. Jewel Harris

Northeast Alabama Conference

#### Mrs. Mary Turner

Southwest Alabama Conference

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### **Conference Agenda & Daily Schedule**

ALABAMA RIVER REGION, NORTHWEST, SOUTHEAST, NORTHEAST AND THE SOUTHWEST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCES

#### Saturday before Annual Conference

Women's Missionary Society Annual Convention and YPD Day

10:00 a.m. Bishop meets with Presiding Elders

11:00 a.m. Bishop meets with:

Board of Examiners (Does not include ministerial candidates)

Finance Committee

Conference Secretaries and Statisticians

#### Monday before Annual Conference

Please Note Exception for Alabama River Region only: Bishop Seawright will NOT have any meetings on Saturday. All Saturday meetings will take place on Monday, August 20, 2018

12:00 p.m. Bishop meets with Presiding Elders

1:00 p.m. Bishop meets with:

Board of Examiners (Does not include ministerial candidates)

Finance Committee

Conference Secretaries and Statisticians

\*No Monday Activities for all other conferences.

#### Tuesday

8:00 a.m. Official Opening of the 9<sup>th</sup> Session of the Annual Conference

- Roll Call
- Transfers
- Organization
- Conference Boundary
- Presiding Elders' Summary Report

10:30 a.m. Opening Worship Service

Annual Sermon

All ordained clergy wear black robes.

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Lunch 2:45 p.m. Devotion

3:00 p.m. Business Session

• Pastors' Reports

5:45 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Worship Service

Educational Night/Young Adults – featuring College Choirs

#### Wednesday

8:00 a.m. – 8:25 a.m. Devotion / Bible Study 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Conference Institute 10:00 a.m. – Noon Business Session

Pastors' Reports

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Hour of Power Worship Service

1:20 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Lunch

3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Business Session

• Pastors' Reports

5:45 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service – Sons of Allen

Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 8:25 a.m.

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Devotion / Bible Study
Conference Institute
Business Session

Board of Examiners Report Ministerial Efficiency Report Conference Component Reports

Women's Missionary Society

Young People's and Children's Division

Lay Organization Christian Education Sons of Allen Evangelism

Women in Ministry

Social and Political Action

Richard Allen Young Adult Council

Health Ministry M-SWAWO+PKs

Christian Debutante-Masters Commission

**Prayer Ministry** 

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Hour of Power Worship Service – Women in Ministry

1:20 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Lunch

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Town Hall Meeting

5:45 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service – Lay Organization

#### Friday

8:00 a.m. – 8:25 a.m. Devotion / Bible Study

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Memorial and Retirement Service

9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Church School (Summary)

10:00 a.m. – Noon Business Session

Administrative Committee Reports

**Conference Trustees** 

Deeds, Abstracts, and Abandoned Property

Missions, Circuits, and Stations

Conference Boundaries Employee Security

Presiding Elders' Assessment

Church Growth Church School

12:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Service of Ordination

Service of Holy Communion

All ordained clergy wear white robes.

2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Lunch

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Closing Business Session

9<sup>th</sup> District Budget Presentation

Brotherhood Report Conference Treasurer Daniel Payne / Life Center

5:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

Dinner

5:30 p.m.

Closing and Commissioning Service All ordained clergy wear black robes.
Resolutions
Statistician's Report
Finance Report
Presentation of Certificates
Reading of Appointments
Benediction



# NINTH SESSION **Alabama River Region Annual Conference**

August 21 - 24, 2018

Brown Chapel AME Church 410 Martin Luther King Avenue, Selma, AL 36701

Reverend Leodis Strong, Host Pastor Reverend Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe, Interim Host Presiding Elder

#### **SERMONS AND SERVICES**

ANNUAL SERMON...... The Reverend LaChaune N. Slater

Pastor, Grant Chapel AME Church, Selma, AL

**OPENING ANNUAL WORSHIP SERVICE** (Tuesday Morning)

**EDUCATIONAL/YOUNG ADULTS SERVICE** (Tuesday Night)

**HOUR OF POWER** (Wednesday Mid-Day)

**SONS OF ALLEN WORSHIP SERVICE** (Wednesday Night)

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JUDICIARY: Revs. Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe, John Leonard, Dr. Agnes Lover, Leodis Strong, and Roosevelt Williams.

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CONFERENCE TRUSTEES: Revs. Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe, John Leonard and Dr. Agnes Lover, Brother Lamar Higgins.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Rev. Dr. Farrell J. Duncombe, Sisters Jewel Saxon (Youth) and Yvonne Saxon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: To Be Elected

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**CONFERENCE BOUNDARIES:** Revs. Grandville Anderson, Ruby Heard-Bustamonte and Alex Nelms, **Sisters** Linda McKinney and Melinda Page, **Brothers** Dale Gamble and Lamar Higgins

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MISSIONS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS: Revs. Ruby Heard-Bustamonte, Sandra Anderson, John Leonard, Cynthia McDaniel, Monty Royster and LaChaune N. Slater, Sister LaToya Kizito, Brothers Dale Gamble, Gregory Palmer and Ananais Perry.

**CHURCH GROWTH:** Revs. Cynthia McDaniel, Grandville Anderson, Valtoria Jackson, and John Leonard, **Sisters** Sherry Harris and Pricilla Mack, **Brothers** Carlos Dillard and Kenneth Strong.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. Dr. Agnes Lover, Sisters Eula Barnes, Nettie Brown, and LaToya Kizito, Brother Courtland Reeves.

**CHURCH SCHOOL:** Brothers Ira Simmons and Don Clemons.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY: Rev. Sherita Moon Seawright, Sisters Ann Clemons, Ida Tyree-Hyche, Joyce O'Neal, and Djuana Wilson.

#### **LITERARY COMMITTEES**

**STATE OF THE CHURCH:** Revs. Yvonne Howze, James McCoy, Terry McCreary, Alex Nelms, and Monty Royster, **Sisters** Ida James, Emma McCall and Gussie Boyd, **Brother** Ezekiel Price.

**STATE OF THE COUNTRY:** Revs. Sheryl Shipman, Charles Boswell, Valtoria Jackson, and LaChaune N. Slater, **Sisters** Gladys Davis and Jeanette Johnson **Brothers** Lamar Higgins and Kenneth Strong.

**ECOLOGY, TEMPERANCE AND HEALTH:** Revs. Cynthia McDaniel, Alex Nelms, Dexter Patterson, and Monty Royster, **Sisters** Arizona Cheeks, Lily Thompson, Diane Young and Gussie Boyd, **Brother** Jerry Pratt.

**Social, Civil and Political Action:** Revs. Grandville Anderson, Sandra Anderson, John Campbell, and John Leonard, **Sisters** Nettie Brown and Henrietta Nelms, **Brothers** Lamar Higgins, Ezekiel Price, and Courtland Reeves.

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# NINTH SESSION Northwest Alabama Annual Conference

September 4 - 7, 2018

Bryant Chapel AME Church, Grasselli Heights - Reverend Damien R. Littlejohn, Host Pastor New Magnolia AME Church, Muscoda, Bessemer - Reverend Charles Marie Davis, Host Pastor St. Mark AME Church, Brighton - Reverend Roderick Callins, Host Pastor St. Paul AME Church, Adamsville - Reverend Joseph A. Hall, Host Pastor

> Reverend Cleophas Guice, Sr., Host Presiding Elder Reverend Dwight E. Dillard, Associate Host Presiding Elder Reverend Oliver Allen, Jr., Interim Associate Host Presiding Elder

> > Held at
> > DANIEL PAYNE COMMUNITY PLAZA
> > 1500 Daniel Payne Drive, Birmingham, AL 35214

#### **SERMONS AND SERVICES**

ANNUAL SERMON...... The Reverend Maurice Wright, II

Pastor, St. John AME Church, Huntsville, AL

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THIRD YEAR	The Rev. Alfonzo Colvin The Rev. Christopher Reeves
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JUDICIARY: Revs. Dwight E. Dillard, Anre' D. Faush, Cleophas A. Guice, Karen Y. Jarmon, T. Eric Nathan, Dr. Patricia Outlaw and Chris D. Walker.

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BUDGET COMMITTEE: Revs. Gloria Hall, Bruce W. Hunter, Mary C. Garrett and Eric D. Walker, Sister Shirley Mitchell, Brother James C. Bonner

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES: Revs. T. Eric Nathan, Dwight E. Dillard and Anre' D. Faush, Sisters Brenda Clayton and Dr. Jeanette Jones, Brother James O. Heyward.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: To Be Elected

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**PRESIDING ELDERS' ASSESSMENT:** Revs. Bruce W. Hunter, Maurice Wright, II, Dr. Ronald D. Sterling, John L. Russell, Sheila D. Williams, Darryl Ervin and Zachary Watkins **Sisters** Willa Oakes, Rita Goodson and Loretta Martin, **Brothers** Edward Colvin and Edward Scott.

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MISSIONS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS: Revs. Damien R. Littlejohn, James H. Barnett, Sammie Nelms, Betty C. Robinson, Laurel J. Thornton, and Raymond B. Swafford, Sisters Cordenia Hendon, Shirley Patterson and Lolita Seltzer, Brothers Dr. Simpson Berry, Sr., Lawyer Brown, Jr., Lovell Edwards, James M. Hawkins, Toney Tolbert, and Donnie Wright

**CHURCH GROWTH:** Revs. Maurice Wright, II, Roderick Callins, Joseph A. Hall, Tony W. Latham, Frederick Walker, and Shelia D. Williams, **Sisters** Janice Andrews, Sandra Cooper, Elvira McCandless, Wilma Nelson, Patricia Wilson, **Brothers** Thomas Jackson, Wayman Shiver, Jr., and Robert Sims.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Revs. Dr. Ronald D. Sterling, Levi A. Billups, III, Karen Y. Jarmon, Michelle P. Jefferson, Randy Rhodes, Dr. Patricia A. Outlaw, Christopher Reeves, Eric Walker, Stephen Walker, Eric Walker, and Joretha Wright, **Sisters** Brenda Dawson, Loretta Martin, Cheryl McNeely, and Thelma Snodgrass, **Brothers** Derrick Franklin, Marcus Hatchett, and Forest Rutledge.

CHURCH SCHOOL: Brothers Dr. Simpson Berry, Sr. and Anderson Todd, III.

**MISSIONARY SOCIETY:** Rev. Sherita Moon Seawright, **Sisters** Susie S. Bonner, Christine E. Dillard, Rita Goodson, Melissa Grayson, Shelia Grier, Carolyn Guice, Ida T. Hyche, Lolita Seltzer, Patricia R. Smith, Patricia Watkins, and Patricia Wilson.

#### **LITERARY COMMITTEES**

**STATE OF THE CHURCH:** Revs. Gloria H. Patrick, Victor Baugh, Roland U. Brown, Roderick Callins, Alfonzo Colvin, Irvin Leonard, Lasagne Smith, LaSondra Stanford, Rhonda Tolliver, and Dr. Carmen A. Walker, **Sisters** Korida Broyles, Betty Canady, Shirley Osborn, Michelle Reed, and Vernell Thomas, **Brothers** Robert Burks, Thomas Jackson, Sr., Anthony Spaulding, and Donnie Wright.

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**ECOLOGY, TEMPERANCE AND HEALTH:** Revs. Darryl Ervin, Debra A. Ballard, Richard L. Davis, Jaqueline Long, Alberta McCrory, Vicki L. Mayberry, Antoine V. Perrier, Patricia W. Smith, Michael E. Stanford, and Antonio Thomas, **Sisters** Kay Burrows, Lindaree Denson, Cynthia Pittman, Sharon Rainey, Teresa Rainey, and Joyce Ray, **Brothers** Gene Davis, Sr., and Ricardo Winston.

**SOCIAL, CIVIL AND POLITICAL ACTION:** Revs. Betty C. Robinson, Levi A. Billups III, Richard L. Davis, Michael L. Rountree, Lasagne Smith, Jerry Wilder, and Zackary Watkins Sisters Diane Carey, Johnnie Dollerson, Shirley Mitchell, and Estella Whitfield, **Brothers**, Gene Davis, Sr., James Montgomery, Otis Penick, and Larry Searcy.

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# NINTH SESSION **Southeast Alabama Annual Conference**

September 18 - 21, 2018

Greater St. Paul AME Church 608 E. Academy St, Troy, AL 36081

Reverend Elijah Shafah, Host Pastor Reverend Johnny Rutledge, Host Presiding Elder Reverend David R. Reddick, Associate Presiding Elder

#### **SERMONS AND SERVICES**

ANNUAL SERMON ......The Reverend Dr. Willie Eugene Marshall Pastor, Parks Chapel AME Church, Dothan, AL

OPENING ANNUAL WORSHIP SERVICE (Tuesday Morning)
EDUCATIONAL/YOUNG ADULTS SERVICE (Tuesday Night)

**HOUR OF POWER** (Wednesday Mid-Day)

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**ORDINATION SERVICE** (Friday Mid-Day)

**CLOSING AND COMMISSIONING SERVICE** (Friday Evening)

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 SECOND YEAR
 The Rev. Dr. Willie Eugene Marshall

 THIRD YEAR
 The Rev. Freddie Flowers

 FOURTH YEAR
 The Rev. Elijah Shafah

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**MEMORIALS:** Revs. Frederick Sherrod III, Lisa Cade, Timothy Holmes, Dwight Ingram, Wendy Morgan, Marcus Sims, and Joe Smith, **Sisters** Christine Caldwell, Joyce Jones, Sarah Mays, Beverly Smith, and Annie Youngblood, **Brothers** Dennis Bogen and Adolphus Thompson.

MINISTERIAL EFFICIENCY: Revs. James Redding, LaKenya Anderson, Freddie Flowers, Kenneth Rhodes, Johnny C. Saffold, Rodney Smith, and Carlton Worthen.

JUDICIARY: (To Be Elected)

**EMPLOYEE SECURITY COMMITTEE:** Revs. Ulysses Kincey, Jr., Warren Anderson, James Booth, Lionel Green, J. T. Hines, Jr., Timothy Holmes, and Dr. Willie E. Marshall, **Sisters** Barbara McNealy, Helen Nichols, and Glenda Skipper, **Brothers** Joe Crossley and Thornton Warmack.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Rev. Paul Phillips, Freddie Flowers and Ms. Fernesa "Nikki" Mills (Youth) Brother Johnny Knight.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: To Be Elected

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES: Revs. Freddie Flowers, Oscar Lane, James Redding, and Kenneth Rhodes, Sister Mary Alice Walker, Brother Lonnie Hawkins.

**DEEDS, ABSTRACTS AND ABANDONED PROPERTY:** Revs. Kenneth Rhodes, Paul Phillips, Pamela Edwards, Annie Mayes and Frances Crittendon, **Sisters** Betty Johnson, Janet Pray, Linda Simpson and Beverly Smith, **Brothers** Lorenzo Hammonds and Marvin Martin.

**CONFERENCE BOUNDARIES:** Revs. J. T. Hines, Celeste Adams, Tony Price, Shirley Reeves, and Salome Thompson, **Sisters** Constance Brown, Emma Christian, and Kathleen Forbish, **Brothers** Robert Campbell Johnny Logan.

**PRESIDING ELDERS' ASSESSMENT:** Revs. Trevor Woodridge, Freddie Flowers, Lionel Green, Paul Horn, A. J. Jones, Elijah Shafah, and Carlton Worthen, **Sisters** Kristie Balcom, Helen Grant, Emma Shaw and Sherryl Whiting, **Brothers** Zack Allen and David White.

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**CHURCH GROWTH:** Revs. Dr. Frederick Sherrod, III, LaKenya Anderson, Timothy Holmes, Jimmie Reeves, Kenneth Rhodes and James Williams, **Sisters** Elaine Flowers and Jewel Woodard, **Brothers**, Willie Green, S. M. McLeod, and Arthur Richardson.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Revs. LaKenya Anderson, Gregory Huff, Elijah Shafah, and Carlton Worthen, **Sisters** Lela Baker, Liz Flowers, Evadna Kincey and Tikisha Whitehurst, **Brother** Myron Grimsley.

CHURCH SCHOOL: Sister Faye McLeod and Brother Johnny Logan.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY: Rev. Sherita Moon Seawright,, Sisters Susie S. Bonner, Dorothy Sconiers-Bevel, and Denise Woolridge.

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**STATE OF THE COUNTRY:** Revs. Dr. Willie E. Marshall, Celeste Adams, Dwight Ingram, Marcus Sims and Trevor Woodridge, **Sisters** Annie McCain, Lakiesha Rankin, **and** Jewel Woodard, **Brother** Thornton Warmack.

**ECOLOGY, TEMPERANCE AND HEALTH:** Revs. James Redding, James Booth, Deborah Butler, Pamela Edwards, Gregory Huff, Joshua Mann, Annie Mays, **Sisters** Mary Ann Davis, Dorothy James, Geraldine Sanders, and Sherryl Whiting, **Brother** Adolphus Thompson.

**SOCIAL, CIVIL AND POLITICAL ACTION:** Revs. Ulysses Kincey, Jr., James Booth, J. T. Hines, A. J. Jones, Wendy Morgan, Tony Price, and Marcus Sims, **Sisters** Lauree Cowart, Gwen Lampley, Beverly Smith, and Jewel Woodard, **Brothers** Lonnie Hawkins and Dennis Bogen.

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# NINTH SESSION Northeast Alabama Annual Conference

October 2 - 5, 2018

Please Note: This Annual Conference will convene on Central Standard Time.

Washington Chapel AME Church, Tuskegee 2508 W. Montgomery Rd, Tuskegee, AL 36088

Reverends Eugene Johnson, Brunhilde Mitchell-Paul, Ronald Smith, Cynthia Johnson, Christine Thomas, Co- Host Pastor Reverend Dr. Letitia Watford, Host Presiding Elder

#### **SERMONS AND SERVICES**

ANNUAL SERMON ......The Reverend Jonathan Benton
Pastor, Saint Mark AME Church, Opelika, AL

OPENING ANNUAL WORSHIP SERVICE (Tuesday Morning)

**EDUCATIONAL/YOUNG ADULTS SERVICE** (Tuesday Night)

**HOUR OF POWER** (Wednesday Mid-Day)

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 FIRST YEAR
 The Rev. Richard Carter

 SECOND YEAR
 The Rev. Rodney Smith

 THIRD YEAR
 The Rev. Wayne L. Baker, Sr.

 FOURTH YEAR
 The Rev. Wendell Jones

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ........ The Revs. Dr. Mary Hudson, Miriam Harlan, Eugene Johnson, Mattie Edwards and Jonathan Benton.

**MEMORIALS:** The Revs. Willie Lyles, John Cofield, Miriam Harlan, Herbert Newsome, James Parker, and Tommy Person, **Sisters** Tracy Day and Cheryl Perkins, **Brothers** Roger Harris and Arthur Rumph.

MINISTERIAL EFFICIENCY: Revs. Nathaniel Copeland, Isaac N. Hudson, Brunhilde Mitchell, and Ronald Smith.

JUDICIARY: Revs. Dr. Isaac N. Hudson, Jr., Richard Carter, Nathaniel Copeland, Thomas Fortson, and Letitia Watford.

EMPLOYEE SECURITY COMMITTEE: Revs. Jessie Grooms, Mattie Edwards, Kendra Jacobs, Brunhilde Mitchell, Sisters Shelby Flakes and Doris Foster.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Rodney Smith and Mattie Edwards, Sister Dr. Cordelia Moffett, Brother Vester Marable (Youth).

FINANCE COMMITTEE: To Be Elected

**CONFERENCE TRUSTEES:** Bishop Harry L. Seawright, Elders Samuel Smith, and Letitia Watford, Revs. Wayne Baker, Jonathan Benton, and Dr. Isaac Hudson, **Sisters** Jewel Harris and Rae Patrick, **Brothers** Kenneth Burton (Secretary), and Robert Turner.

**DEEDS, ABSTRACTS AND ABANDONED PROPERTY:** Revs. Jessie Grooms, Wayne Baker, and Eugene Johnson, **Sisters** Cattie Epps, Savannah Ivory, and Katherine Smith Williams, **Brothers** Willie Crawford, Robert Turner, and Eddie Willis.

**CONFERENCE BOUNDARIES:** Revs. Jonathan Benton, Debbie Dowdell, and Jacquelyn Bowie Hayter, **Sister** Barbara Mitchell, **Brothers** Richard Ankrom, Odies Perry and Bernard Thomas.

**PRESIDING ELDERS' ASSESSMENT:** Revs. Nathaniel Copeland, Richard Carter, Jesse Grooms, Isaac Hudson, Eugene Johnson, Willie Lyles, and Rodney Smith, **Sister** Dr. Cordelia Moffett, **Brothers** Kenneth Burton, Lenell Harris and George Hughley.

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**CHURCH GROWTH & EVANGELISM:** Revs. Rodney Smith, Jonathan Benton, Dr. Mary Hudson and Monique Summers, **Sisters** Clara Jackson and Rosie Johnson, **Brothers** Calvin Sanders and Kenneth Burton.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Sister Hattie Nathan, Revs. Sarah Calhoun, Amittia Smith, Christine Thomas, and Patricia Walton, **Sisters** Rosie Johnson, Linda Murry, and Denise Word, **Brother** James Washington.

**CHURCH SCHOOL:** Sisters Jewel Harris and Gloria Woods, Brother Winston Felton.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY: Rev. Sherita Moon Seawright, Sisters Stephanie Bender, Susie S. Bonner, Helen Crossley, Cattie Epps Irene James and Valerie Wright.

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**STATE OF THE COUNTRY:** Rev. Monique Summers, Isaac N. Hudson, Jr., Christine Thomas, and Brandon Thornton, **Sisters** Alice Mahone and Gwen Moore, **Brothers** Eddie Chapelle, M. L. Fortson and Willie Washington.

**ECOLOGY, TEMPERANCE AND HEALTH:** Revs. Ronald Smith, Jacqueline Bowie-Hayter, Antonio James, Cynthia Johnson, James Parker, and Melvin Stafford, **Sister** Elaine Burton, **Brothers** Jimmy Brown and Kenneth Burton.

**Social, Civil and Political Action:** Revs. Kendra Jacobs, Sarah Calhoun, Michael Miller and Brandon Thornton, **Sisters** Dr. Cordelia Moffett and Jessie Smith, **Brothers** Artie Jenkins and William Laney..

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# NINTH SESSION **Southwest Alabama Annual Conference**

October 16 - 19, 2018

Emmanuel AME Church, Mobile 654 St. Michael St., Mobile, AL 36603

Reverend John Dees, Host Pastor Reverend Johnnie Bryant, Host Presiding Elder

#### SERMONS AND SERVICES

ANNUAL SERMON ......The Reverend Rosalind Amos

Pastor, St. Stephens AME Church, Mobile, AL

**OPENING ANNUAL WORSHIP SERVICE** (Tuesday Morning)

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 The Revs R. J. Rumley, James Harris & Ivory James

**MEMORIALS:** The Revs. Rosalind Amos, Tommy Dorsey, Franklin Robinson, Carl L. Greene, Sr., Jessie Rivers, and Willie Burns, **Sisters** Judy Kidd, Wanda McCall, and Hattie Boggan, **Brothers** Herman Gamble

MINISTERIAL EFFICIENCY: Revs. Deborah Peppers, Rosalind Amos, Jessica Durr, T. W. Parker, and Amos Smith.

JUDICIARY: Revs. John L. Dees, Presiding Elder Jacquelyn Denson, W. W. Nixon, Deborah Peppers and Amos Smith.

**EMPLOYEE SECURITY COMMITTEE:** Revs. Cleitis Walker, James Allen, Carl Martin, W. W. Nixon, R. J. Rumley, and Gladys Stallworth, **Sister** Jean Daffin and Dian Thomas, **Brothers** Richard Boykins and Terry Jones.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Rev. Cleitis Walker and Benjamin Lightner, Sisters Kenesia T. Cade (Youth) and Annie Ray.

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES: Presiding Elder Johnnie Bryant, Revs. James Harris, T. W. Parker, Deborah Peppers, and Amos Smith, Brother Robert Beasley.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: To Be Elected

**DEEDS, ABSTRACTS AND ABANDONED PROPERTY:** Revs. Amos Smith, Johnathan Baker, James Green, Ivory James, Charles Lewis, and Charles Reeves, **Sister** Eleanor Montgomery, **Brothers** Thaddeus Sanders, Urla Bogan, and John Wright.

CONFERENCE BOUNDARIES: Revs. W. W. Nixon and Richard Collins, Sisters Sarah Darnell and Sandra Lymon, Brothers Nathaniel Hicks, Charlie Taylor, and Shedrick Thomas.

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MISSIONS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS: Revs. Deborah Peppers, Willie Burns, Mia Cole, and Jessica Durr Sisters Louise Bell, Ramona Thompson, Angela Sanders and Georgia Walker.

**CHURCH GROWTH & EVANGELISM:** Revs. Jessica Durr, Rosalind Amos, E. Francine Constant, and Charles Reeves, **Sisters** Sharon Kennedy, Lonnie Jones and Mary Alice Robinson, **Brothers** Burl Bonner, and Karon Rankins.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Revs. Charlotte Greene and W.W. Nixon, Sisters Kenesia T. Cade, Francine Davis, Sharon Kennedy and Arvella Young.

**CHURCH SCHOOL:** Sisters Mary M. Turner and Loretta Witherspoon.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY: Rev. Sherita Moon Seawright, Sisters Betty Davis, Sylvia Grace, Mary James and Deborah Weatherspoon.

#### **LITERARY COMMITTEES**

STATE OF THE CHURCH: Revs. W. Nixon, Albert Robinson and Gladys Stallworth, Sisters Annie Ray and Aletha Witherspoon, Brother Shedrick Thomas.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY: Revs. Joseph Rembert, Willie Denson, Tommy Dorsey, and Donna James, Sisters Lynda Westry, Chenika Hill, and Camilla Phillis, Brother Fred Wilson.

**ECOLOGY, TEMPERANCE AND HEALTH:** Revs. Franklin Robinson, Willie Burns, Willie Denson, Leo Taylor, and LaDarrell Thames, **Sisters** Elaine Taylor and Shirley Bush, **Brothers** Earl Willis and John White.

Social, Givil and Political Action: Revs. T. W. Parker, James Allen, Carl Lowery, and R. J. Rumley, Sisters Mable Barron and Mary Taylor, Brother Richard Jemison.

The first name of each committee represents the Committee Chair, who is responsible for organizing

### The Disciplinary Questions

- 1. Who are the preachers admitted on trial?
- 2. Who remain on trial?
- 3. Who are admitted or readmitted to full connection?
- 4. Who have been elected and ordained deacons?
- 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders?
- 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?
- 14. 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. (A) Does each station, circuit, or mission in this Annual Conference have a Lay Organization? (B) If not, what stations, circuits, or missions do not have a Lay Organization?
- 17. (A) Does each station, circuit, or mission in this Annual Conference have a Richard Allen Young Adult Council? (B) If not, what stations, circuits, or missions do not have a Richard Allen Young Adult Council?
- 18. When shall this Annual Conference next meet?
- 19. Where shall our next Annual Conference be held?
- 20. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

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