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Public Statement

Trial Committee Results Bishop Wilfred Jacobus Messiah

The Council of Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church is in prayer for all who are or shall be impacted by the results of the deliberations of the Trial Committee convened in accordance with **The Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church**. The President of the Council of Bishops has been notified that Bishop Wilfred Jacobus Messiah is suspended from the exercise of all official functions as a bishop until the ensuing Forty-Ninth Quadrennial Session of the General Conference, when the final disposition of matters concerning Bishop Messiah will be made.

The Council of Bishops has assigned Bishop John Franklin White to serve as the General Superintendent of the Eighteenth Episcopal District in the interim of the General Conference which convenes in June 2012. This action assures the members and leadership of the Eighteenth Episcopal District that there will be continuity of the work of the Church in the District, including participation in the upcoming General Conference.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop David R. Daniels, Jr., *President*
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