

Chairperson – Bishop John Franklin White, Sr.

Presiding Officer – Bishop John Franklin White, Sr.

General Officer – Dr. George F. Flowers (Executive Director, Global Witness & Ministry) and Dr. Hercules Miles (Retired)

Connectional Officers – Dr. Shirley Cason-Reed (International President, WMS), Mrs. Wanda T. Ringgold (Connectional YPD Director), Chinelo Cary Tyler (Connectional YPD President and Robert Nicolas (Executive Director, AME-SADA)

Other Bishops – Bishops James Davis (2<sup>nd</sup>), McKinley Young (3<sup>rd</sup>), Michael Mitchell (12<sup>th</sup>) and Frank Cummings (Retired)

Supervisors – Supervisors Stan McKenzie (10<sup>th</sup>), Penny White (4<sup>th</sup>), Arelis Davis (2<sup>nd</sup>), Dorothy Jackson Young (3<sup>rd</sup>), Phyllis Green (7<sup>th</sup>), Carol Messiah (15<sup>th</sup>), Carolyn Brailsford (20<sup>th</sup>) and Jessica Ingram (1<sup>st</sup>)

Spouse of General Officer – Phoenicia Flowers

Recorder/Reporter/Secretary – Sharon Smith Banks

**Actions taken:**

- The various departments gave a summary of their reports. They were:
  - ✓ ***Department of Global Witness & Ministry***
    - Our witness has been strengthened with amazing relationships with companions and partners working collaboratively together to bring resolve, relief, and refreshment to people not as blessed as we are. Together we have set five program priorities, and engaged corporate partnerships for which we believe can generate significant results. All five program priorities are expected to be used to bring help and hope to a global world.
      - Fight hunger
      - Respond in emergencies
      - Protect and Assist children
      - Provide clean water
      - Encourage families with HIV/AIDS
    - July has been designed as “Christmas ‘N’ July” for the department as we collaborate with corporate sponsors, business executives, and volunteers uniting together for gathering material resources, clothing and toys for boys and girls around the world.
    - Made recent travels to Havana, Cuba, Port-a-Prince, Haiti and West Africa (Nigeria and Ghana).

- ✓ ***Connectional Women’s Missionary Society***
  - The work of the Connectional/International Women’s Missionary Society depends upon the support of the Episcopal Districts and its members. The WMS operates through four (4) Commissions whose three (3) primary focuses during this quadrennial with the theme “Transforming Lives, Building Communities and Impacting the World”.
    - Focus 1: Women’s Missionary Society has worked to ensure that The UN Sustainable Goals were addressed and plans executed that addressed injustices in all its forms.
    - Focus 2: Sustainable cities and communities address the need to make our cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.
    - Focus 3: First Ever – The 28<sup>th</sup> NGO Convention was held in Washington, DC.
- ✓ ***Save the Dates***
  - October 30, 2017 – Dedication Ceremony for the Bishop Sarah Frances Davis Women’s Clinic in Haiti
  - October 12-13, 2017 – UN NGO Conference in Washington, DC
  - December 8-9, 2017 – PME Dialogue in Baltimore, MD
  - January 31-February 3, 2018 – Executive Board Meeting in Baltimore, MD
- ✓ ***Connectional YPD***
  - The Connectional YPD presented over \$27,000 in scholarships to Districts 1 through 20 through the Self-Denial Program. This year’s LTI was held in St. Louis with over 700 in attendance. 2018 LTI will be in the 10<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District.
- ✓ ***AME-SADA***
  - The staff of AME-SADA, despite nearly overwhelming challenges, remains committed to positively impacting the lives of the people, particularly those in need. Our ongoing programs are described below.
    - 160,000 patients are seen in Haiti
    - 60% of the budget is through non-profits
    - Much thanks to Bishop & Supervisor Young for their continuous support and to the WMS for their financial support in building the new Bishop Sarah Frances Davis Women’s Clinic.
    - Opening an office in Ghana because of need
    - The uncertainty of funding after September 30<sup>th</sup>.
    - New initiatives are planned for South Africa and in West Africa.

**Recommendation:**

The Office of Global Witness & Ministry: It is asked that the clergy and/or churches in Districts 1 through 13 subscribe to The Voice of Mission.

**Roll:**

Reverend David Cousin (1<sup>st</sup>) - excused  
 Sharon Smith Banks (3<sup>rd</sup>) - P  
 Ka’Dijah Brown [YA] (5<sup>th</sup>) - P

Reverend Gregory L. Edmond (2<sup>nd</sup>) - A  
 Michael Cousin, Jr. [YA] (4<sup>th</sup>) - P  
 Charles Murphy (6<sup>th</sup>) - P

Joi Artis [YA] (7<sup>th</sup>) - P  
Reverend Bobby Cox (9<sup>th</sup>) - A  
Reverend Jamarien P. Moore [YA] (11<sup>th</sup>) - P  
LaTanya Germany (13<sup>th</sup>) - P  
Tshepang Mmuse (15<sup>th</sup>) - A  
Reverend Moses Achola (17<sup>th</sup>) – A  
Abram Kgaile (19<sup>th</sup>) - A

Stephanie Burks (8<sup>th</sup>) - P  
Reverend Mittie Muse (10<sup>th</sup>) - A  
Dr. Dorothy Henderson (12<sup>th</sup>) - A  
Reverend Orlando McCauley (14<sup>th</sup>) - A  
Reverend Andrew C. Morris-Grant (16<sup>th</sup>) - P  
Aone Sandra Aedige (18<sup>th</sup>) - A  
Passion Musa (20<sup>th</sup>) – P

**At-Large:**

Reverend Dr. Ronald Braxton (2<sup>nd</sup>) - P  
James C. Bonner (9<sup>th</sup>) - P  
Saundra Lucas (12<sup>th</sup>) – P

Reverend Dr. Caesar Richburg (7<sup>th</sup>) - P  
Reverend David Green, Sr. (11<sup>th</sup>) - P