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51st Quadrennial Session

GENERAL CONFERENCE

African Methodist Episcopal Church

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

From Legacy to Mission:
A Call to Prophetic, Educational and Social Engagement

Orange County Convention Center Orlando, Florida July 8-15, 2020

Bishop John F. White, General Conference Commission Chairperson Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie, Program Committee Chairperson Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr., Host Bishop/Senior Bishop Bishop Michael L. Mitchell, Council of Bishops President Dr. Richard Allen Lewis, Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer Rev. Dr. Jeffery Cooper, Sr. General Secretary/Chief Information Officer

Pre-General Conference Activities

June 28-July 7, 2020 AAMES Camporee

Camp La-No-Che Paisley, Florida

July 1-7, 2020 Revision Committee (11:00 am)

Rosen Centre Hotel Orlando, Florida

July 6-7, 2020 Credentials Committee (9:00 am)

Rosen Centre Hotel Orlando, Florida

Rules Committee (11:00 am)

Rosen Centre Hotel Orlando, Florida

July 7, 2020 Health Commission Training (8:00 am – 5:00 pm)

Orange County Convention Center

Orlando, Florida

General Conference Commission (11:00 am)

Orange County Convention Center

Orlando, Florida

Orientation of Delegates and General Conference

Committees (2:00 pm – 4:00 pm) Orange County Convention Center

Orlando, Florida

11th Episcopal District Banquet (7:00 pm)

Orange County Convention Center, Valencia Ballroom

Orlando, Florida

General Conference Agenda

Wednesday, July 8, 2020 – Day 1

7:00 – 8:00 am Practicing the Presence – The Power in Prayer

9:00 am Processional Line Up

9:45 am Praise and Worship Begins

11th District Choir and MCAM Praise Team

9:55 am Proclamation

10:00 am – 1:00 pm Opening Worship Service

1:00 pm – 2:45 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Mall Richardson opens

2:57 pm Centering Moment

3:00 – 6:00 pm Business Session I

Roll Call

General Conference Commission Credential Committee Report

Rules Committee

4:05 - 4:20 pm Wellness Break

Election Committee

Election of the Episcopal Committee Chairperson

5:50 pm A Word from Our Sponsors

Announcements Adjournment

6:00 - 7:15 pm Dinner

7:30 – 10:20 pm Business Session II

Call to Order

7:30 -8:30 pm Episcopal Address

8:32 – 10:20 pm Episcopal District Video Reports (Three-minute maximum)

Districts: 1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19 Districts: 2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20

10:20 -10:23 pm Announcements

Adjournment

10:30 – 12:00 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

General Conference Committee Meetings

Thursday, July 9, 2020 – Day Two

6:00 – 7:00 am Practicing the Presence – The Power in Prayer

7:00 – 8:45 am 8th District Breakfast

9th District Breakfast

Joint Breakfast for 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, and 20th Districts

CONN-M-SWAWO + PKs Breakfast

Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

8:00 - 8:40 am Legacy to Mission

8:45 – 9:40 am Prophetic Voices

9:42 am Centering Moment

9:45 am – 12:00 pm Business Session III

Call to Order Minutes Reports:

General Secretary/CIO

Treasurer/CFO

Department of Annuity, Investments & Insurance

AME Inc.

11: 00– 11: 10 am Wellness Break

Revisions Committee (First Report) Episcopal Committee (First Report)

Judicial Council

12:00 pm – 1:45 pm Lunch

13th District Luncheon RAYAC Working Lunch

2:00 – 6:00 pm **Business Session IV**

Call to Order

Reports:

AME Publishing House *The Christian Recorder*

Department of Research and Scholarship Department of Christian Education Revisions Committee (Second Report)

4:15 – 4:30 pm Wellness Break

Department of Church Growth and Development

Connectional Lay Organization

Strategic Planning

A Word from Our Sponsors Announcements/Adjournment

6:00 - 7:45 pm Dinner

7:00 – 8:00 pm General Officers' Retirement Celebration

8:00 – 9:45 pm Business Session V

Call to Order Reports:

Revisions Committee (Third Report)
Department of Global Witness & Ministry

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Women's Missionary Society Episcopal Committee (Second)

Announcements Adjournment

10:00 – 12:00 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

Friday, July 10, 2020 – Day Three

6:00 – 7:00 am Practicing the Presence – The Power of Prayer

7:00 – 8:45 am Chaplains Breakfast

Connectional Lay Organization Breakfast

Women in Ministry Breakfast

Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

8:00 - 8:45 am Legacy to Mission

How to Reach the Masses - Millennials and Ministry

8:45 - 9:40 am Prophetic Voices (AME Next)

9:42 am Centering Moment

9:45 am – 12:00 pm **Business Session VI**

Call to Order Minutes Report:

> Commission on Stewardship and Finance Revision Committee (Fourth Report)

10:45 – 11:00 am Wellness Break

11:00 – 11:55 am Educational Institutions

Music and Christian Arts Ministry Annual Conference Boundaries

Economic Development

Public Relations

11:56 am Announcements

Adjournment

Lunch 12:00 – 1:45 pm

Payne Theological Seminary Luncheon 12:00 – 1:45 pm

2:00 – 6:00 pm **Business Session VII**

Call to Order

Reports:

2:15 – 3:15 pm Social Action

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Revisions Committee Health Commission

Overseas Development/AME India

State of the Church

Wellness Break 3:15 - 3:30 pm

Episcopal Committee (Third Report)

Commission on Stewardship and Finance

Theological Institutions **Episcopal District Projects**

5:50 pm A Word from Our Sponsors

Announcements

6:00 pm Adjournment

6:00 - 7:45 pmDinner

Ecumenical Worship Service 8:00 – 9:45 pm

10:00 – 12:00 am RAYAC Revival

10:00 – 12:00 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

Saturday, July 11, 2020 – Day Four

6:00 - 7:00 am Practicing the Presence – The Power of Prayer

7:00 - 8:45 am 3rd District Breakfast

> 5th District Breakfast 6th District Breakfast 12th District Breakfast

Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

8:00 - 8:45 am Legacy to Mission

Social Engagement: Tech Tools for Evangelism/Discipleship

8:45 - 9:40 am Prophetic Voices (AME Next)

9:42 am Centering Moment

9:45 am – 12:00 pm Business Session VIII

Call to Order

Reports:

Women in Ministry

Revisions Committee (Sixth Report)
Commission on Stewardship and Finance

Announcements Adjournment

12:00 – 1:45 pm Lunch

12:00 – 1:45 pm 7th District Luncheon

2:00 – 6:00 pm **Business Session IX**

Reports:

Commission on Stewardship and Finance

3:45 – 4:00 pm Wellness Break

Revisions Committee (Seventh Report)

(Last opportunity to present new non-financial legislation)

A Word from Our Sponsors

Announcements Adjournment

5:00 – 5:45 pm Memorial Service

6:00 - 7:45 pm Dinner

6:00 pm Christian Debutante Ball

8:00 – 9:45 pm Retirement Service for Bishops and General Officers

10:00 – 12:00 am RAYAC Revival

10:00 – 12:00 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

Sunday, July 12, 2020 - Day Five

6:00 – 7:00 am Practicing the Presence – The Power of Prayer

7:00 – 8:45 am Women's Missionary Society Breakfast

Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

7:30 – 9:00 am Church School for All Ages

Department of Christian Education

9:00 am Processional Line Up

9:45 am Praise and Worship Begins

11th District Choir and MCAM Praise Team

9:55 am Proclamation

10:00 am – 1:00 pm Worship Service and Holy Communion

1:00 - 3:00 pm Lunch

3:00 pm MCAM Hymn Workshop

3:00 – 5:00 pm Christian Debutante Masters Commission Dedication Ceremony

3:30 pm Women in Ministry (Elections)

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm Election Commission Candidates Forum

6:00 - 9:00 pm Legacy to Mission – Education: AME HBCU Gospel Concert

(Benefitting AME colleges and universities. College, university, and seminary presidents along with alumni and should rep in school colors/paraphernalia. Three-five minute

videos will be shown for recruiting.

Featuring gospel recording artist: JJ Hariston and

Youthful Praise

10:00 – 12:00 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

Monday, July 13, 2020 - Day Six

6:00 – 7:00 am Practicing the Presence – The Power of Prayer

7:00 – 8:45 am 1st District Breakfast

2nd District Breakfast

4th District Breakfast 7th District Breakfast 10th District Breakfast 11th District Breakfast

Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

8:45 - 9:40 am Prophetic Voices

9:42 am Centering Moment

9:45 am – 12:00 pm **Business Session X**

Call to Order Minutes Reports:

Revisions Committee (Eighth Report)

Episcopal Committee

Revisions Committee (continued)

12:00 – 1:45 pm Lunch

1:57 pm Centering Moment

2:00 – 6:00 pm Business Session XI

Revisions Committee Report (Continued) Election of Bishops, General Officers and

Judicial Council

A Word from Our Sponsors

Announcements Adjournment

6:00 - 7:45 pm Dinner

8:00 – 9:45 pm Business Session XII

Election of Bishops and General Officers (If necessary)

Revisions Committee (Continued)

General Conference Committee Report

10:00 – 12:00 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

Tuesday, July 14, 2020 - Day Seven

7:00 – 8:45 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

8:00 – 9:00 am Practicing the Presence – The Power of Prayer

9:00 – 9:45 am Prophetic Voices

9:57 am Centering Moment

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Business Session XIII

Call to Order

Minutes

Revisions Committee Report

Council of Bishops and Episcopal District Nominations Installation of General Officers and Judicial Council

12:00 – 2:45 pm Lunch

3:00 – 5:00 pm Business Session XIV

Revisions Committee Report (Final)

Resolutions

General Conference Committees Reporting

Unfinished Business

A Word From Our Sponsors

Announcements Adjournment

5:00 - 7:45 pm Dinner

8:00 – 9:45 pm Organization Event

10:00 – 12:00 am Episcopal District Delegation and Committee Meetings

Wednesday, July 15, 2020 - Day Eight

8:00 am Processional Line Up

8:45 am Praise and Worship Begins

11th District Choir and MCAM Praise Team

8:55 am Proclamation

9:00 am Consecration of Bishops

11: 30 – 12 Noon Wellness Break

12 Noon Business Session XV

Call to Order

Episcopal Committee Report Assignment of Bishops

Closing Prayer Adjournment

General Board Meeting

4:00 pm General Board Organization

4:00 pm Episcopal Supervisor's Meeting