

THE NOBLE NINETEENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

Annual Report

Council of Bishops and General Board

June 27-29, 2022
Marriott Marquis Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia



THE RIGHT REVEREND RONNIE ELIJAH BRAILSFORD JR.
PRESIDING PRELATE

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EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR

T.E.A.M. 19
(TOGETHER EVERYBODY ACHIEVES MORE)

A More Excellent Way: Love!

To the Right Reverend Adam J. Richardson, Senior Bishop, The Right Reverend Paul Kawimbe, President of the General Board and General Board members:

To GOD be the glory! We have had a blessed year in Episcopal Ministry in spite of such challenges as the Covid-19 pandemic. Unfortunately, several of our members passed and we continue to keep their families very close to our hearts in prayer. We are grateful that with vaccinations and proper protocols our churches have reopened in the 19th Episcopal District. Thus, we had our Midyear Convocation in person in April where among other accomplishments, 35 persons were ordained. It was well attended without any virus cases reported. Praise the Lord!

The work has continued. We held all five of our Annual Conferences virtually. Churches made their financial and ministry reports in full. The churches went beyond the walls to address pandemic needs and to respond to the recent Kwa-zulu Natal flooding disaster due to heavy rains. A team went to the people to demonstrate love in action by serving and aiding them with food, clothing, blankets, shoes, toiletries, cooking utensils, and finances. The AMEC received international media recognition for its response!

The work is going great. The people have been very cooperative in working together as a T.E.A.M. (Together Everybody Achieves More) as we strive for a more excellent way, LOVE! It has been a real joy and pleasure for me and Supervisor Reverend Carolyn Elizabeth Irvin Brailsford to be servant leaders.

We offer our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the Bishops, Supervisors, General Officers, Connectional Officers, and the entire AME Church Family for your prayers, kindness and support.

**AME Church Disciplinary Questions
Doctrine and Discipline of the AMEC, 2016
July 11, 2021—May 31, 2022**

1.) The number of annual conferences. Five (5)

2.) The number of members in each annual conference.

East Annual Conference—————(59 Churches—12,901 Members)

West Annual Conference—————(55 Churches—13,498 Members)

Natal Annual Conference—————(26 Churches—3,933 Members)

Orangia Annual Conference—————(52 Churches—12,416 Members)

M.M. Mokone Annual Conference——(54 Churches—11,880 Members)

Total Churches: 246

Total Membership 54,628

3.) The amount of the General Budget Fund apportioned.

a.) The Episcopal District: \$17,517.00

b.) Each of the annual conferences. Not applicable.

4.) The amount of the General Budget Fund collected and sent to the office of the Chief Financial Officer of the AME Church from each of the annual conferences.

Not Applicable. It is paid out of the AME Church Overseas Development Fund of the Nineteenth Episcopal District.

5.) If this represents an increase, the same amount, or a decrease as compared to last year's report. It was the same as last year.

6.) List the following and give details:

a.) Ministers who have been expelled? None

b.) Ministers who have withdrawn from the Connection? None

c.) Congregations that have split or withdrawn from the Connection? None

7.) Give details of churches organized or established. None

8.) Travel in the Episcopal District: Land miles 1,174; Air Miles 17,684





**AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
19TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT**

A MORE EXCELLENT WAY: LOVE!

**KWAZULU-NATAL
DISASTER RELIEF OUTREACH**

*Now eagerly desire the greater gifts & yet I will
show you the most excellent way*
1 CORINTHIANS 12:31

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T.E.A.M. 19th

MOTTO:
Excellence in Ministry (St. Matthew 5:16)

THEME:
A More Excellent Way! (1 Corinthians 12:31)