



# 2023 INTERNATIONAL STEWARDSHIP & ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT

**The African Methodist Episcopal Church  
Department of Retirement Services  
and The Commission on Economic  
Development**

**MAY 30, 2023 - MAY 31, 2023**  
**“GOD HAS MORE FOR ME”**  
**LUKE 19:11-27**

**This will be a Hybrid event  
(In Person and Virtual)**



Bishop John F. White



Fourth Episcopal District  
Chair, AMEC Department of  
Retirement Services

Bishop Harry L. Seawright



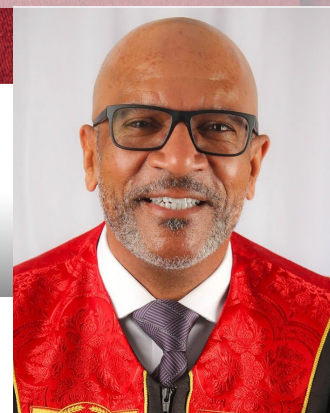
Ninth Episcopal District  
Chair, AMEC Commission  
on Economic Development

Bishop Marvin C. Zanders, II



Sixteenth Episcopal District  
Co-Chair, AMEC  
Department of  
Retirement Services

Dr. James F. Miller



Executive Director  
Department of  
Retirement Services

Held In Person at Ninth Episcopal District Headquarters | 1500 Daniel Payne Drive | Birmingham, AL 35214

# Online Registration begins

## March 2023; Closes on May 13, 2023

### ***Why have a Summit?***

God's word instructs us to be good stewards of God's resources. Using the Theme "God Has More for Me" the training tracks are designed to explore and instruct participants on how to be sustainable in every area of our lives.

### ***Training Tracks Focus:***

- *Pastoral Sustainability*
- *Church Sustainability*
- *Community Sustainability*
- *Family Sustainability*
- *Individual Sustainability*

### ***Sponsorship Proceeds to Support Project HOPE Scholarship Fund***

Project (HOPE) Helping Others Prepare for Excellence goal is to raise funds to support job training programs, start-up businesses and nonprofits, and support entrepreneurs. Project HOPE will provide new beginnings and financial stability for present and future generations.

### ***Summit Kickoff Event:***

***Invited Special Guest*** - The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge, Secretary of United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

### ***Special Guest Presenter***

Dr. Thom S. Rainer, Author of *Autopsy of a Deceased Church*



***Church Registration:*** \$300 + applicable fee (up to 10 persons) - Live or virtual

***Individual Registration:*** \$50 + applicable fee (live or virtual)

***Virtual Vendors and Sponsorship Opportunities*** (see page 3 for details)

***Worship Services:*** Open to the Public in person or virtually on all social media platforms

***In Person site:*** Ninth Episcopal District headquarters, 1500 Daniel Payne Dr., Birmingham, Alabama.

***In Person hotel room block:***  
Home 2 Suite by Hilton located by 3289 Lowery Parkway, Fultondale, AL 35068  
***205-407-4985 (Use Code: NEC)***

***2023 Summit Room Block Code and Link:***

***[Click Here for 2023 Summit Room Block](#)***

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## KEY POINTS

**Sponsors:** Department of Retirement Services and Commission on Economic Development

**When:** May 30-31, 2023

**Objective:** The 2023 Summit goal is to strengthen sustainable economic empowerment in our communities, families, businesses, and faith community.

**Registration:** \$300 per Church (up to 10 registrants) + applicable fee or \$50 per individual registration + applicable fee. Registration will open March 2023.

**Proceeds:** Project HOPE (Helping Others Prepare for Excellence) Scholarship Funds. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 to support job training programs, start-up businesses and nonprofits, and entrepreneurs. Project HOPE will provide new beginnings and financial stability for present and future generations.



**Summit Goal:** Recognizing economic struggles on multiple levels facing our community, Summit's training tracks will explore and instruct participants on how to be more sustainable in every area of their lives: church, community, family, and self through collaboration and networking with the influencer's factors at all levels.

**Training Tracks:** The summit will be a learning-sharing environment and include training tracks focus around five (5) topic areas:

- **Pastoral Sustainability** (Pastoral care, support, sustenance, and well-being)
- **Church Sustainability** (Financial, Stakeholders Collaboration, Program Development, and Management)
- **Community Sustainability** (Financial, Economic Development Collaboration, Community Development, supporting small business, and growth)
- **Individual Sustainability** (Financial and Investment Literacy, Self-sufficiency, Insurance, Health, and Advanced Directives)
- **Family Sustainability** (Financial and Investment literacy, Self-sufficiency, Insurance, Debt Reduction, and Elder Care)

***How:*** The hybrid Summit will be two (half-day) segments; four training modules; and four sessions per module daily for a total of twenty-four training sessions. In person participants will be at the Ninth Episcopal District headquarters in Birmingham Alabama. Virtual participants will be sent a ZOOM link once registered.

***Benefits:*** It is projected that 1500+ individuals accumulatively will be in attendance on the virtual platform and in person. The Summit is designed to bring maximum and unlimited exposure of our sponsors to the attendees in either in-person and virtual settings.

***Registering for the Summit:*** To register, visit the ***Summit website*** by clicking the hyperlink below, or scan the QR code with your mobile device:

[www.2023iseesummit.org](http://www.2023iseesummit.org)



***Sponsors and Vendors Opportunities:***

Bankers, Financial Planner, Insurance Services, Investment Consultants, Financial Literacy, Church and Community Development services/ programs, and Elderly Care Services are encouraged to participate. Sponsors will have visibility in front of a focused international audience who will benefit from and value your participation.



***Contact:*** Please contact the Summit Coordinators, **French & Linda Thompson** (Kingdom Building Journey LLC) at **817-782-9375** or the ***ninthdistricta@gmail.com*** for more information or mail-in registration.