

The background of the image is a rustic wooden surface with horizontal planks. In the top-left corner, there is a decorative arrangement of autumn-themed items: several pumpkins of various sizes and colors (orange, yellow, and some with white stripes), along with scattered maple leaves in shades of red, orange, and yellow. The word "October" is written in a large, white, cursive script font, positioned diagonally across the center of the image. Below it, the word "Announcements" is written in a smaller, white, serif font, centered horizontally.

October

Announcements

NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT



17th SESSION OF THE SOUTHWEST ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE



**“Impact: Transforming Lives,
Strengthening Churches, and Changing Communities”**

SCRIPTURE: SAINT JOHN 15:8

“Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples”.



ANNUAL YPD DAY
Youth & Young Adult Day



OCTOBER
17



ANNUAL WMS DAY
Women's Missionary Society Day



OCTOBER
20



ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Worship, Fellowship & Kingdom Impact



OCTOBER
21-23

— **ONE CHURCH • ONE PURPOSE • ONE IMPACT** —
TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

WMS Compassionate Care Project

We are asked to donate toothpaste for the compassionate care project. **The toothpaste should be 6-8 oz in size.**

Please bring your items on Sunday or Tuesday at the WMS Conference.



Southwest Alabama YPD Annual Conference

Saturday, October 17, 2026

8:00 AM Registration/Check-in

9:00 AM Praise & Worship/Business Session

Morning Worship

All events are at Bethel AME Church

Wear purple this Sunday in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness

**Domestic
Violence
Awareness
Sunday,
Oct 18th**



Benefit Concert to assist St. James AME Church Building Project

Sunday, Oct 18th at 4:00 pm

Emanuel AME Church



Mt. Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church

Sunday, Oct 18th
2:00 pm

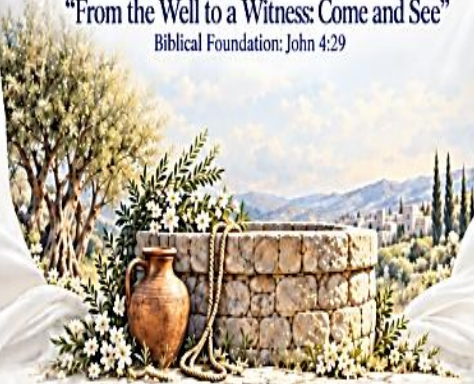




Southwest Alabama Conference
Women's Missionary Society
17TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Tuesday, October 20, 2026 • 8:30 A.M.

Theme:
"From the Well to a Witness: Come and See"
Biblical Foundation: John 4:29



HOST CHURCHES

Antioch AME Church, Gainestown, AL
Spencer Chapel AME Church, Fulton, AL
Wilson Chapel AME Church, Grove Hill, AL

HOST SITE

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church
714 Savannah St • Mobile, Alabama 36603

Bishop Julius H. McAllister, Jr., Presiding Prelate
The Reverend Antonio Thomas, Host Presiding Elder, Camden District
The Reverend Charles Lewis, Presiding Elder, Mobile District
Sister Jessica Thomas, Camden District Consultant
The Reverend Dr. G. Dianne Lewis, Mobile District Consultant
The Reverends Emma F. Constant, LaDarrell Thames, & Mia Cole, Host Pastors
The Reverend Brandon Thornton, Host Site Pastor
Sister Deana Young McAllister, Episcopal Supervisor
Sister Sherryl Whitting, Episcopal WMS President
Sister Debra Weatherspoon, Episcopal YPD Director
Sister Jamia Eaves, Episcopal YPD President
Sister Rosemary Lamar, Conference WMS President
Sister Michele Wilson, Conference YPD Director
Brother Christian Jones, Conference YPD President

Southwest Alabama Conference WMS Annual Conference

Tuesday, October 20, 2026

*8:30am Registration/Check-in
Business Session
Morning Worship*

6:00 PM

Night In White

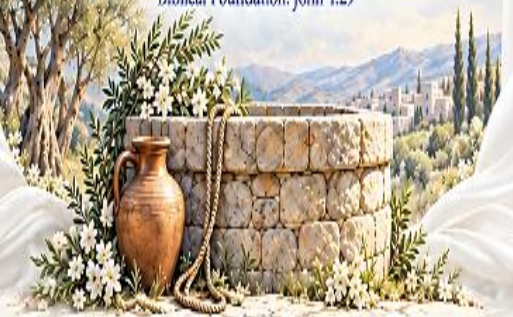


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Southwest Alabama Annual Conference

Opening Session

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

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Rev. Benjamin Lightner
Worship Speaker

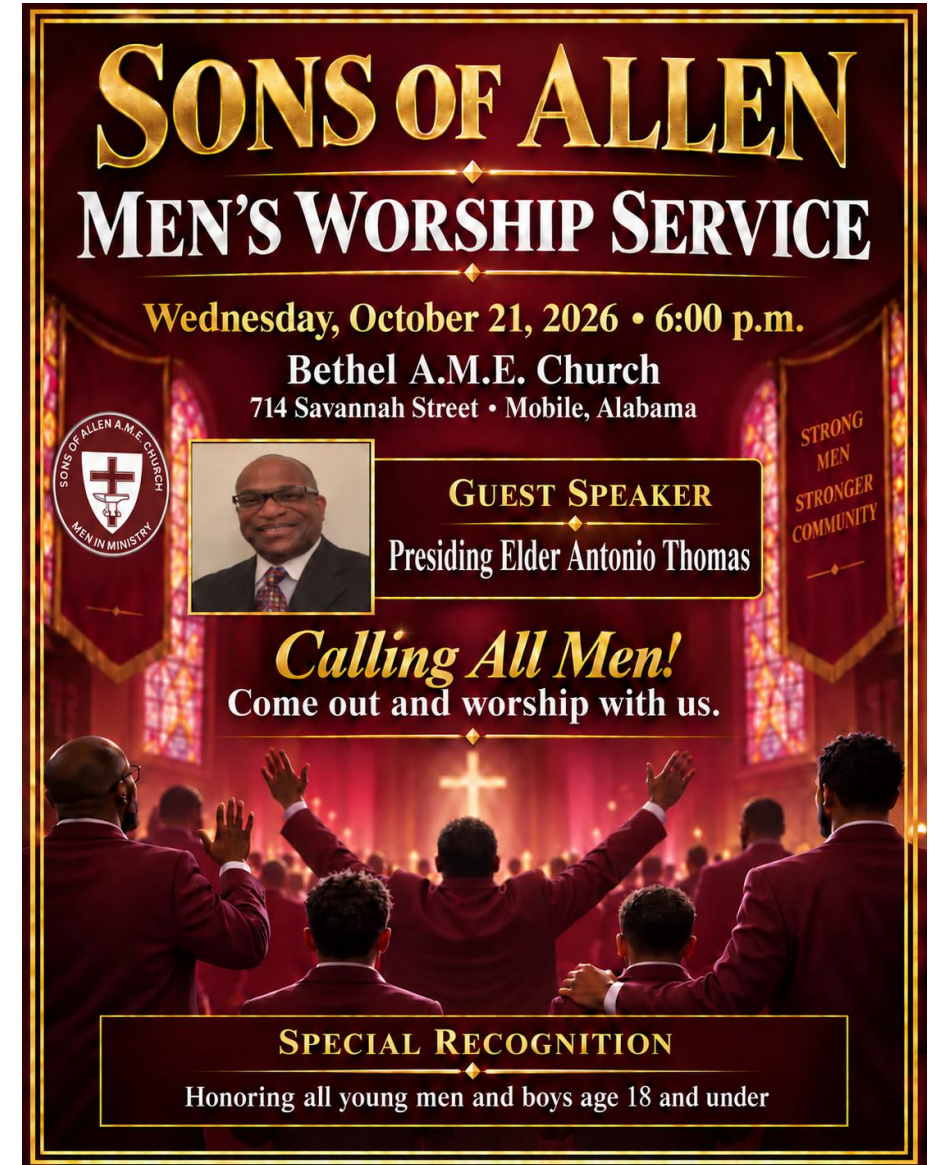
Wednesday Night

**Sons of Allen
Worship Service**

6:00 pm

Presiding Elder Thomas, Speaker

Bethel AME Church



SONS OF ALLEN
MEN'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Wednesday, October 21, 2026 • 6:00 p.m.
Bethel A.M.E. Church
714 Savannah Street • Mobile, Alabama

  **GUEST SPEAKER**
Presiding Elder Antonio Thomas

Calling All Men!
Come out and worship with us.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION
Honoring all young men and boys age 18 and under

**STRONG MEN
STRONGER COMMUNITY**

Thursday, October 22, 2026

Morning Service

Pastoral Reports

Lay Night at 6:00 pm

THE 17TH SESSION OF THE
SOUTHWEST ALABAMA
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

LAY NIGHT
Worship Experience

 **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026**
6:00 PM

CONFERENCE THEME:
"CAN YOU DO YOUR PART?"
1 CORINTHIANS 3:6

GUEST SPEAKER:
SISTER YGLESIAS BUSH HOLLINS
SAINT PHILIP AME CHURCH
6TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

 **BETHEL AME CHURCH**
714 SAVANNAH STREET
MOBILE, AL
THE REVEREND BRANDON THORNTON, PASTOR

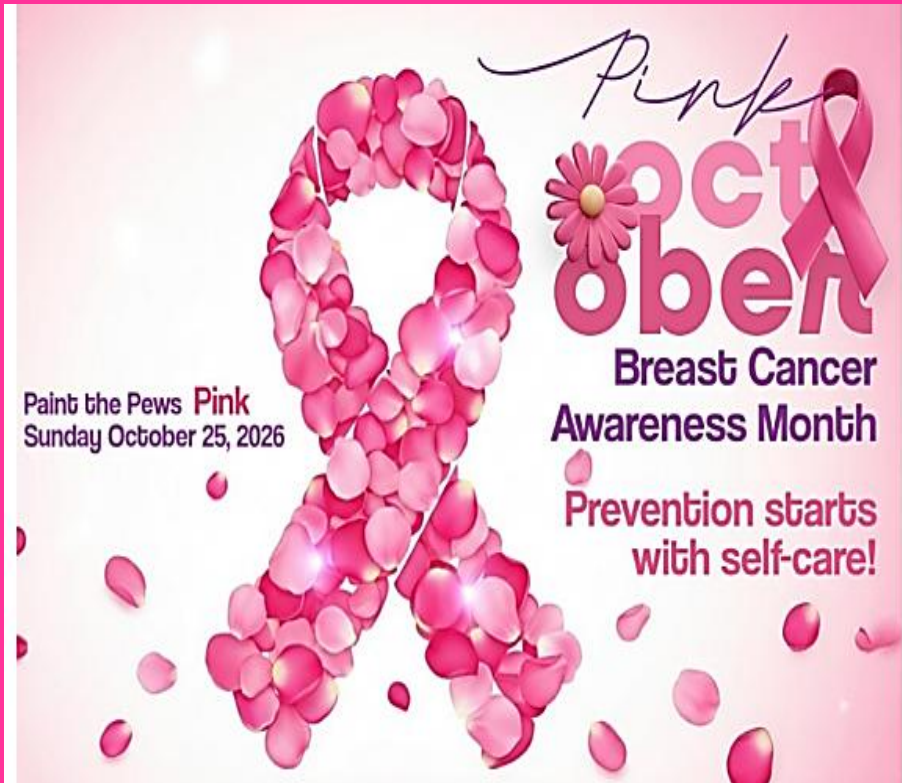
HOST PASTORS:
THE REVEREND EMMA F. CONSTANT, ANTIOCH AME CHURCH
THE REVEREND LADARRELL THAMES, SPENCER CHAPEL AME CHURCH
THE REVEREND MIA COLE, WILSON CHAPEL AME CHURCH



Worship in Pink

Sunday, October 25, 2026

Let's paint the pews pink



Rev. Michael Smith Pastoral Anniversary

Sunday, October 25th

11:00 am & 3:00 pm
Mt. Olive Baptist

Honoring
PASTOR MICHAEL D. SMITH, SR.
FIRST LADY INGRID L. SMITH

OBEYING THE CALL.
LEADING THROUGH SERVICE.

CELEBRATING
1 Year
OF FAITHFUL LEADERSHIP

PASTORAL Anniversary Celebration

11:00am
PASTOR GREGORY THAMES
MT. PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

3:00pm
PASTOR ANTHONY BROOKS
NEW HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH- WILMER

GUEST SPEAKERS

October 25th, 2026

6911 OLD CITRONELLE HWY.
EIGHT MILE, AL 36613

11:00AM & 3:00PM

**ST. JOHN AME
CHURCH**

6070 St. John Chapel Rd
Eight Mile, AL 36613

**MT. PILGRIM
BAPTIST CHURCH**

PRESENT A JOINT

HALLELUJAH Night

FAITH • FAMILY • FELLOWSHIP

"Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.
Praise ye the Lord."
Psalm 150:6



TRUNK OR TREAT

Decorated trunks with Bible stories,
Christian themes and positive messages!
Candy • Treats • Fun for all ages!



Paint & Praise

Create a faith-inspired painting
while enjoying gospel music,
praise and fellowship!
All ages welcome!

FAMILY FUN INCLUDES:



GAMES



BIBLE
TRIVIA



PHOTO
AREA



GOSPEL
MUSIC



REFRESHMENTS



BEST
TRUNK CONTEST



SATURDAY
OCTOBER 31, 2026
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM



ST. JOHN AME CHURCH
6070 St. John Chapel Rd
Eight Mile, AL 36613

TWO CHURCHES • ONE FAITH • ONE COMMUNITY
COME READY TO PRAISE, PAINT, TRUNK, FELLOWSHIP, AND HAVE SOME FUN!

GENERAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 3, 2026

OCTOBER 19

Voter registration deadline

OCTOBER 27

Last day to apply for
absentee ballot by mail

OCTOBER 29

Last day to apply for
absentee ballot in person

NOVEMBER 2

Last day to hand-deliver
absentee ballot

NOVEMBER 3

Mailed absentee ballots
must be received by noon

**Make
preparations
for the
November
Election**

November 3, 2026 is Election Day



Ninth District State Lay Organization Convention

Nov 20-21, 2026

Admiral Semmes Hotel

251 Government St

Mobile, AL

**Hosted by the Southwest Alabama Conference Lay
Organization**

Registration is \$120 and \$130 after October 26th.

Save the date

WMS

Convention

Dec 11-12, 2026

SAVE THE DATE!

9th Episcopal District

42nd
WMS
STATE
Convention



GOD FIRST • MISSIONS FORWARD
LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY

 **DECEMBER**
11-12, 2026

 **NORTHWEST ALABAMA CONFERENCE**

 **ONLINE**
REGISTRATION

\$100
REGISTRATION FEE



SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER

More details to come!

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