



MISSIONS FORWARD

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The Official Newsletter of the 9th Episcopal District WMS
June 2025

Ms. Sherryl Stovall Whiting, Episcopal President

Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, Episcopal Supervisor

Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Jr., Presiding Prelate

We are called to strengthen our faith and sent to continue the ministry of Jesus Christ by service and witness in the world.



Greetings Missionaries,

It is my sincere hope and prayer that this summer season has begun well for each of you!

As we approach this season with vacations, much needed rest and relaxation, we must remember that only what we do for Christ will last. Our work as Missionaries continues and is great. God has called each of us as for a time such as this.

Many thanks to each annual Conference for wonderful Institutes. Each day was planned meticulously and with great thought. It was my pleasure to see you all in your respective conferences.

Additionally, be sure to register yourselves and our young people for our upcoming CEC in Huntsville. The planning committee has worked tirelessly to plan and organize quality programming!

As we begin preparing for the upcoming series of annual conferences, what gifts will you use this year to bless others? In order to move missions forward we have to engage God's people in a more unique way. Ask yourself: What have I done to help with Kingdom Building? What resources have I found to support our missions projects? Where am I serving God's people?

Let us continue to do God's work in a more excellent way. Let us not grow weary in doing His will. Thank you Lord for the energy you provide. As we go move missions forward together, do so knowing that God's Grace is sufficient to get the job done!

Continued Blessings!

Supervisor Deana Young McAllister





Greetings,

Thank you, 9th Episcopal District Women's Missionary Society, for your continued dedication, compassion, and unwavering commitment to service. Your presence and work make a powerful difference in the life of the Church and the communities we serve.

As we move through this significant season, we pause to remember the **Emanuel Nine**—innocent lives taken in a house of worship, whose legacy of faith, forgiveness, and courage continues to inspire our mission. We also observe **Gun Violence Awareness Month**, lifting prayers for peace and advocating for change in every space where violence seeks to steal life and hope.

In recognition of **Men's Health Month**, we encourage the men in our lives to care for their whole selves—mind, body, and spirit—knowing that our communities are strengthened when we all prioritize wellness.

We joyfully recognize and celebrate our **Associate Members**, whose faithful service and support continue to be vital in helping us **move missions forward** with strength and unity.

We are also **looking forward to seeing each of you during our Christian Education Congress**, where we will gather as learners, leaders, and laborers in the kingdom. May this time together renew our spirits and sharpen our focus for the work ahead.

Let us press on together—as a **mission-minded movement**, rooted in love, driven by purpose, and committed to impact—locally, globally, and spiritually.

In Christ's love and service,

Sherryl Whiting

Sherryl Whiting, Episcopal WMS President
God First, Missions Forward, Love Unconditionally



2025 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CONGRESS
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN REAL TIME:
Connecting Our Faith to Our Culture

*"They never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah."
Acts 5:42b NIV*

June 30, 2025 - July 3, 2025

Hosts
Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister Jr., Presiding Prelate
Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, Supervisor of Missions

Alabama A&M University
4900 Meridian St N., Huntsville, AL 35811

Bishop Vernon R. Byrd, Jr.
Seventeenth Episcopal District
African Methodist Episcopal Church

Dr. Jay Augustine
St. Joseph AME Church
Durham, North Carolina

Pastor Gregory McLeod
Gaines Chapel AME Church
Phenix City, Alabama

Pastor Smokie Norful
Victory Cathedral Worship Center
Bolingbrook, Illinois

Pastor Stephen Green
Greater Allen Cathedral AME Church
Jamaica-Queens, New York

June 4, 2025

Greetings Ninth Episcopal District,

Please be reminded that the training required by Alabama A&M University for **all** adults attending our Christian Education Congress is this Sunday, June 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Central Time. You must register in advance for the training by clicking the link below.

Alabama A&M University Training

Zoom Meeting

When: **Sunday, June 8, 2025 7:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)**

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/BbL42HC9RJqlWmK2de4_wQ

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Let's comply with the requirements of our host university by attending this important training session.

Thank you for your kind cooperation.

In His Name because of Christ and Calvary,

Julius H. McAllister, Jr.

Bishop Julius H. McAllister, Jr.

Presiding Prelate

Ninth Episcopal District

African Methodist Episcopal Church

June

2025

May						
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July						
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27	28	29	30	31		

Men's Health Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Hampton University Ministers' Conference				Gun Violence Awareness	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
CEC Training 7p cst		YAM Temp Check 7p cst		Conference President's Meeting 7:30p cst		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Father's Day	WMS Finance Meeting 7p cst	PME Dialogue 7pm cst General Board Meeting		Conference YPD Meeting 7p cst	YPD Director's Retreat 6p cst	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Emanuel Nine Remembrance				Commission on Administration Meeting 7p cst		
29	30					
	CEC Alabama A&M University Huntsville, AL					





WMS STORE



Yes!

WE ARE OPEN

Today

CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO PURCHASE YOUR ITEMS

[Ninth District WMS Store](https://9thepiscopaldistrictwms.org)



PLEASE VISIT OUR STORE!

9thepiscopaldistrictwms.org

We want to place an additional order for Cardigans, we need 50, please order today!

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Ninth Episcopal District African Methodist Episcopal Church WMS/MDA Global Gun Sense Awareness Commission
INVITES MISSIONARIES, FAMILY & FRIENDS TO JOIN US, SPREAD THE WORD, AND UPLIFT SOMEONE THIS
NATIONAL "WEAR ORANGE" WEEKEND

June 6th - 8th, 2025



National "Wear Orange" for Gun Violence Prevention Weekend



MS. SHERRYL WHITING, EPISCOPAL WMS PRESIDENT
MRS. DEANA YOUNG McALLISTER, EPISCOPAL WMS SUPERVISOR
BISHOP JULIUS HARRISON McALLISTER, JR., PRESIDING PRELATE

Possible actions include:

- Pray and Thank God as you honor victims and survivors of gun violence.
- Take the pledge to wear orange.
- Post **#wearorange** to social media.
- Tie Orange ribbons to trees.
- Draw Wear Orange with chalk on grounds.
- Write letters to political leaders.



Please send your "Wear Orange" photos to
WMS/MDA

Ninth Episcopal District Commissioner
Rose Williams Edwards
redrose1908@gmail.com

WMS/MDA (Moms
Demand Action) Global
Gun Sense Awareness
Commission

WEAR WEAR WEAR WEAR ORANGEORANGEORANGEORANGE

**PLAN YOUR “INVOLVEMENT”
TODAY! TODAY! TODAY!**

with

**WMS-MDA (Missionaries Demand Action)
Global Gun Violence Prevention Commission**



during

**WMS-MDA “JUNE Wear ORANGE MONTH” and National
Emphasis Weekend JUNE 6-8, 2025**

also



**“Connectional Mother Emanuel NINE
Remembrance and Legacy Sunday”
JUNE 22, 2025**



In the spirit of “**ORANGE** Works”,
Rose Williams-Edwards, 9th District Commission
WMS-MDA (Missionaries Demand Action) Global Gun Violence Prevention Commission
redrose1908@gmail.com Please, email picture to the email listed.

9th District Women's Missionary Society



MEN'S HEALTH MONTH



Do you know what the leading causes of death in men are?

- Brain Health
- Cancer
- Cerebrovascular Diseases (Stroke, Aneurysm, Brain Bleed, Carotid Artery Disease)
- Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis
- Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases
- COVID-19
- Diabetes
- Heart Disease
- Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome, and Nephrosis (Kidney Disease)
- Suicide
- Unintentional Injuries

Keeping your wellness appointments with your provider is the key. Remember your health is wealth!

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9th Episcopal District Women's Missionary Society

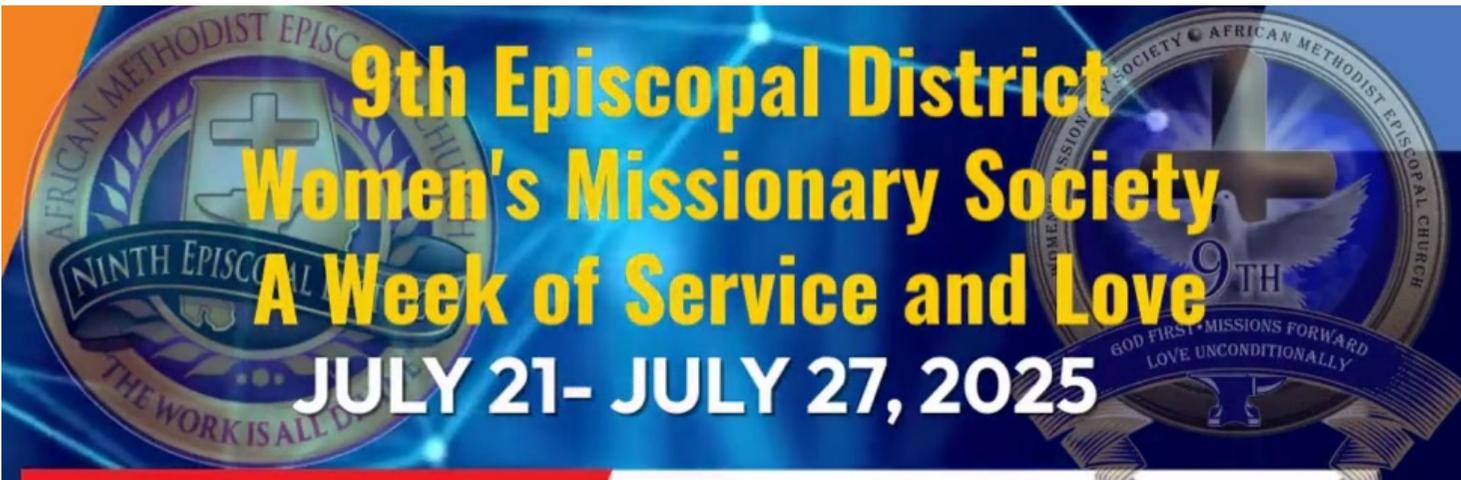


Association Matters

Do you have a WMS
Associate Member who is
steadfast and unmovable?

Tell us about them! All June we will be highlighting our associate members. Email a picture and short statement about what makes your associate member amazing. Take a moment to recognize all associate members this month in your local church.

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9th Episcopal District Women's Missionary Society A Week of Service and Love

JULY 21- JULY 27, 2025

JULY 21

Covered In Love

Donate blankets and socks to nursing home and or senior center of choice.

Feeding the Soul

Donate non-perishable items to a local foodbank or your organization of choice.

JULY 22

JULY 23

7 p.m. cst

Wellness Works

Join our virtual workout session!

Zoom ID: 856 2389 4102

Password: 646263

Virtual Game Night

Join our YAM lead virtual game night. Zoom

ID: 86874077993

Password: 430100

JULY 24

7p.m. cst

JULY 25

Helpful Hands

Donate clothes, art supplies, household items, shoes or baby items to organization of choice.

Tilling The Soil

Volunteer at a community garden or plant your own garden.

JULY 26

JULY 27

Missions Matters

Recognize a missionary in your church for their dedication to missions.

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Ms. Sherryl S. Whiting, Episcopal WMS President
Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, Episcopal Supervisor
Bishop Julius Harrison McAlister Jr., Presiding Prelate

Annual Conference Compassionate Care Project

9th District Women's Missionary Society Pillow Ministry

Sharing God's comfort, peace, and love one pillow at a time.

Comfort Pillows

Travel-Sized Pillows

Prayer Pillows

Suggested Organizations

- Women's shelters/domestic violence survivors
- Nursing home residents
 - Foster children
 - Homeless shelters
- Mission trip donations
- College students



Please see your Conference President for charity of choice.

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Each Conference is asked to choose an organization, donate pillows, and to be creative!

Please contact your President if you would like to order a book!

The Bookmarks

READING CLUB

*Women's Missionary Society
African Methodist Episcopal Church
Ninth Episcopal District*

PRESENTS BOOK ONE TO BOOK LOVERS!

Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom
Author, Mrs. Lynda Blackmon Lowery

PRICE: \$11.00



- Visit the display and purchase a book during the Mid-Year Conference.
- Begin Reading May 5, 2025, until June 30, 2025.
- Book Lovers, read wherever you like to read!
- Meet Mrs. Lowery, a member of Ward Chapel AMEC in Selma, Alabama, for a Districtwide discussion of the book at CEC.

Read the story of a trailblazer, the youngest person in the 1965 Voting Rights March from Selma to Montgomery, who fought alongside Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. for the rights of African Americans.

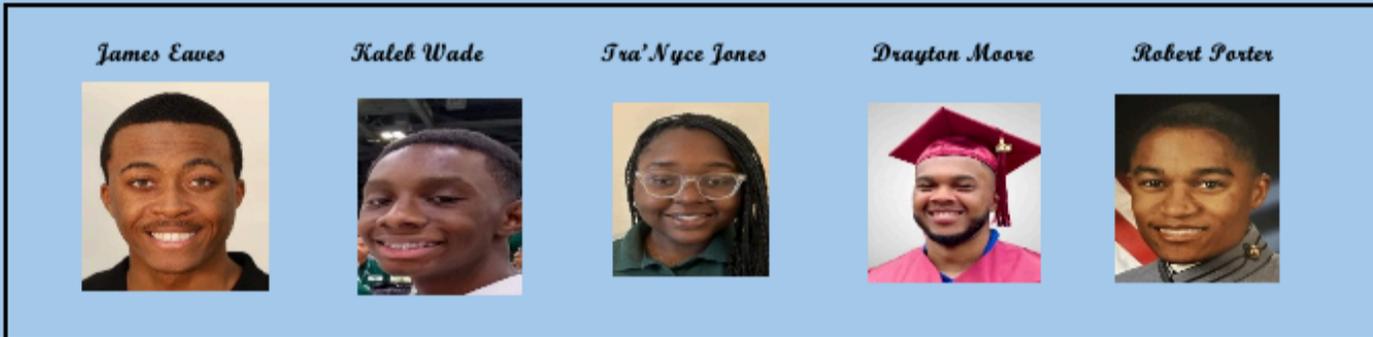
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2024 - 2025 BACK-TO-BASIC VIRTUAL TUTORIAL PROGRAM CELEBRATION

“Heroes in the Making: Dream Big”

Thank You Presenters!



“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” (Jeremiah 29:11)

This year's virtual tutorial united students, parents, and volunteers. Through engaging tutoring sessions, students have worked to improve skill building in reading and mathematics. They have taken the opportunity to turn dreams into reality and aim high in all their endeavors.

Thank You!

Parents: Cassandra Riley (Caleb), Elizabeth Smith (Miracle), Erica McKelvey (Aerik), Queen Jeffrey (Jaylan), KeAundrea Mayfield (KeA'Mauri), Linda Bailey (Ny'Asia), Cheryl Ervin (Hanna and Heather), and Rolanda Davis (Christian and Cassidy)

Tutors and Supporters: Debra Weatherspoon, Co-Chair; Evelyn Beasley, Jacqueline Carter, Mattie Frizzell, Brenda Clayton, Sandra Harrell, Rosemary Lamar, Hattie Nathan, Rosemary Range, Anika Riley, Cheryl Lyles Ross, Reverend Eugene Johnson, Adrienne Roland, Cathy Brown, Lauren McDaniel, Sherryl Whiting, and Cassandra Riley

Mrs. Mary Wells-Porter, WMS Episcopal District Second Vice President and B2B Chair
Mrs. Debra Weatherspoon, WMS Episcopal District YPD Director and B2B Co-Chair
Ms. Sheryl Whiting, WMS Episcopal President
Mrs. Deana McAllister, WMS Episcopal Supervisor
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B2B Motto: “I Can, You Can, We Can Make a Difference”



STANDING, SINGULAR IN A CROWD OF WE

*Jamaican Athletic Champions
Provide Inspiration for our Youth to be
Champions for the Kingdom of God.*

**TUESDAY
JUNE 17, 2025
7PM**



Joyce Tyus
Northwest Conference
WMS PME Director

PLEASE JOIN!

**Ms. Sherryl S. Whiting, Episcopal WMS President
Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, Episcopal WMS Supervisor
Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Jr., Presiding Prelate**

**Zoom Meeting ID: 830 6582 4364
Passcode: 273380**

Get Ready, Get Ready, Get Ready!

The 9th Episcopal District is making a QUILT!



*Please start gathering WMS t-shirts
(Local, Area, Conference, Episcopal)*

Additional Information is coming!

HAPPY CELEBRATIONS

Celebrate,
Retain, &
Reclaim

WMS Members

At Your
Church

Birthdays

Promotions

Weddings

Baptisms

Anniversaries

Graduations

- The Commission on Membership and Recruitment encourages local churches to create opportunities to recognize and celebrate their members to build them up (Romans 15:2)..
- We want to plan membership drives across the Episcopal District. Please share any ideas you have with Stephanie Raven Young at stephanieraveno5@icloud.com. The ideas will be compiled and shared in the next newsletter.

9th District Women's Missionary Society

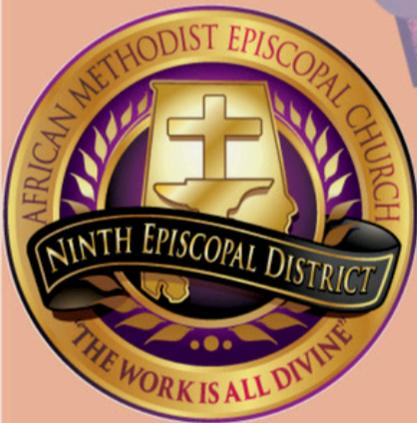
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TUESDAY
YAMS EDITION



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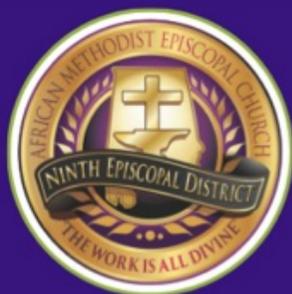
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The Second Tuesday of Every
Month @ 7 pm cst

Need a safe space to
dialogue? Come check in with
us!

Ms. Janataka Holmes, Episcopal Member-At-Large
Mrs. Sharon Massingale, Episcopal 3rd Vice President
Ms. Sherryl Stovall Whiting, Episcopal WMS President
Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, Episcopal WMS Supervisor
Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister Jr., Presiding Prelate



NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT
Young People's & Children's Division
OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY



SPEAKER
Richelle Fry Skinner

Connectional YPD
Director



SPEAKER
Rev. Dr. Lavoris Williams

Bethel A.M.E. Church-Rising
Pastor



SPEAKER
Timika Fountain Cloney

11th District
YPD Director



SPEAKER
Denise Woolridge

Immediate Past Episcopal WMS
Member-at-Large



SPEAKER
Hattie Nathan

Episcopal Christian Education
Director



SPEAKER
TraNyce Jones

Connectional Communication
Secretary

JOIN THE YPD DIRECTOR'S RETREAT EXPRESS



Workshops
Breakout Sessions
Panel Discussions
&
Much More

📅 Friday 20th June 2025

🕒 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM

📍 ZOOM:
Meeting ID: 847 7712 3916
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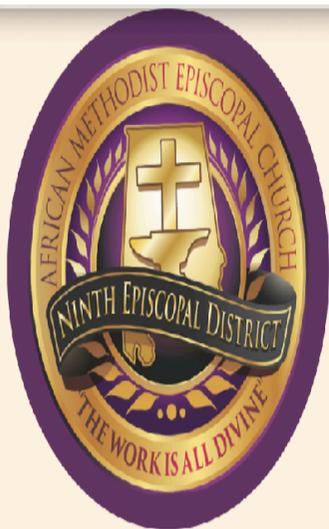
MUSIC, GAMES, and FUN

Register Donation \$10

\$9THYPDAMEC

6085 Southbend Drive North Mobile, AL 36619

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AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
9th Episcopal District

Young People's & Children's Division

of the Women's Missionary Society

CONNECTIONAL YPD CARES PROJECT

HELP US SHARE DIGNITY—ONE COMB AND BRUSH AT A TIME

The 9th District YPD is collecting 150 combs and 150 brushes for the LTI to support individuals in need. Please consider contributing today!

YOUR DONATION CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



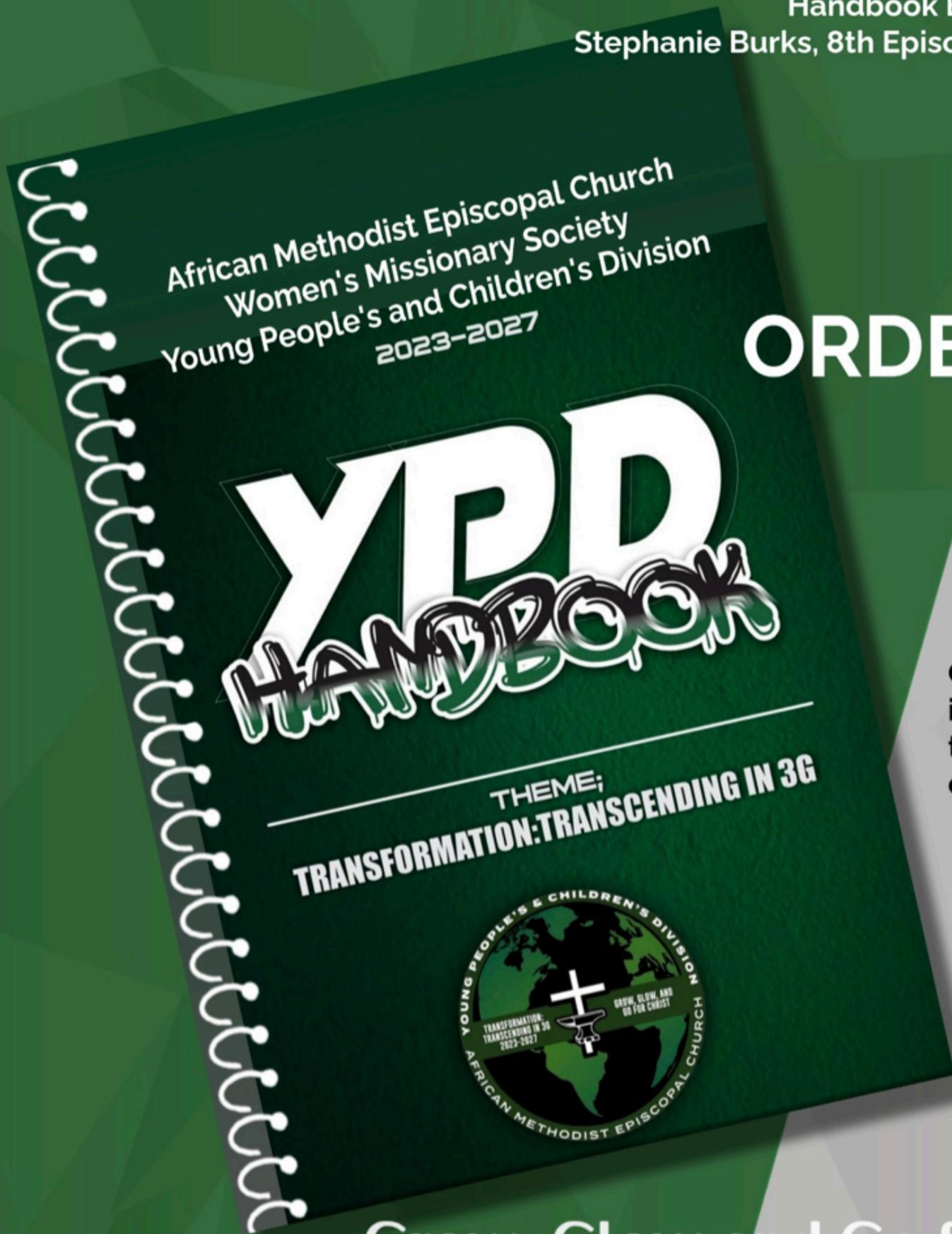
Contact your
Conference
Director

Joyce Johnson, Connectional YPD President
Richelle Fry Skinner, Connectional YPD Director

Handbook Enhancement Coordinator
Stephanie Burks, 8th Episcopal District YPD Director

ORDER NOW!

Our 2023-27 Handbook is designed to increase the ministry and impact of the YPD!



Grow, Glow and Go for CHRIST!

- ✓ \$25 - Small Handbook
- ✓ \$35 - Large Handbook
- ✓ \$55 - 1 Small and 1 Large

Please contact your YPD Director **TODAY!**

NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT
African Methodist Episcopal Church
Young People's & Children's Division
of the Women's Missionary Society



YPD Initiative:
At-Home Library

****Research Overview**:** Studies have consistently shown that children who reside in homes with extensive home libraries tend to read more frequently, develop advanced reading skills, and achieve higher levels of education compared to their peers who have limited access to books. This correlation remains significant even after accounting for variables such as parental education levels. Notable research conducted by Crook (1997), de Graaf et al. (2000), and others (including Georg, 2004; Park, 2008; Teachman, 1987) highlights the positive impact of book availability on children's literacy development and educational attainment.

****Rationale for the Initiative**:** The primary objective of this initiative is to enhance a literacy-rich environment in homes, particularly in economically challenged households. By providing access to a diverse range of books, the program aims to foster a love for reading among children, thereby helping to bridge the reading gaps that often exist in underserved communities.

****Program Goal**:** The initiative seeks to empower designated students by supplying them with age-appropriate books to establish an at-home library. This approach is designed not only to enhance individual literacy skills but also to promote lifelong reading habits.

****Distribution Plan**:** Each conference will coordinate the procurement and distribution of books, ensuring that a local Title 1 school is selected in collaboration with the Episcopal District Young People's & Children's Division (YPD) Director, the Conference Director, and the Connectional Literacy Chairperson. The distribution will consist of five carefully chosen books, one tote bag for easy transport, and a bookmark to encourage reading.

****Grade-Level Assignments for Book Provision**:** The conferences will supply books tailored to the specific educational needs of students based on their grade levels:

- ****Alabama River Region**** – Kindergarten
- ****Northeast Alabama Conference**** – Second Grade
- ****Northwest Alabama Conference**** – Third and Fourth Grades
- ****Southeast Alabama Conference**** – Fifth Grade
- ****Southwest Alabama Conference**** – First Grade

****Initial Support and Future Funding**:** The Episcopal District YPD Director will contribute the initial set of tote bags for this initiative, marking the first step in the program's rollout. To ensure sustainability and the continued success of the at-home library program, plans are in place to seek additional support through donations from private individuals and businesses, as well as various available grants. This proactive approach will help secure the necessary resources to expand and enhance the literacy opportunities for children in the community.

"Foster a Love for Reading"



Ninth Episcopal District

Young People's & Children's Division



Title 1 Schools

Grades k -5

High Impact

AT-HOME LIBRARY

Initiative



Mrs. Debra Scott Weatherspoon, Episcopal YPD Director

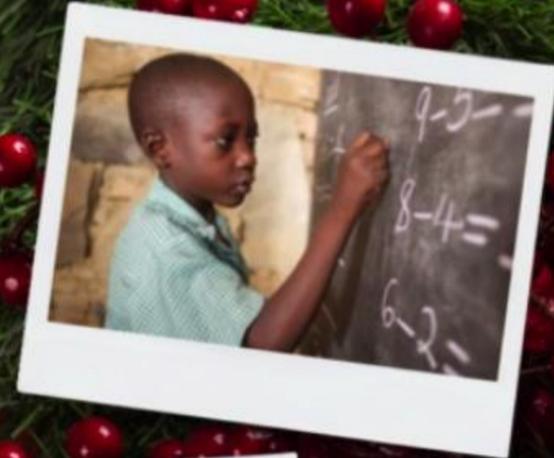
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Donations: \$9thypdamec

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AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
**YOUNG PEOPLE'S
& CHILDREN'S DIVISION**
OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY



SAMARITIAN'S PURSE

<https://store.samaritanspurse.org/all-products>

SHOP NOW

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MS. SHERRYL WHITING, EPISCOPAL WMS PRESIDENT
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YPD Projects

- **Haiti - Greta Home & Academy**
- ★ Your gift goes towards providing a child with a quality education, school supplies, housing, nutritious food, and loving care at the Greta Home and Academy. ★

Shared Cost \$15
#013962

• **Building Schools,
Building Hope**

Equips teachers and rebuilds or renovates schools in areas hit hard by poverty or natural disaster
Shared the cost \$100
#013752

• **Operation Christmas Child
Planting Gospel Seeds in
Ghana**

helping to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to isolated mountain communities
Shared Cost \$10
013477

CONFERENCE HAPPENINGS!



Bishop Julius H. McAllister, Jr.

Supervisor Deana Young McAllister

SIXTEENTH SESSION OF

ALABAMA RIVER REGION *Annual Conference*

SATURDAY AUG 16 YPD ANNUAL DAY	TUESDAY AUG 19 WMS ANNUAL DAY	WENESDAY - FRIDAY AUG 20-22 BUSINESS SESSIONS & WORSHIP SERVICES
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HOST CHURCH

ST. JOHN'S A.M.E. CHURCH
807 Madison Avenue // Montgomery, Alabama 36104

HOST PASTORS The Reverend Roosevelt & The Reverend Shelia Williams	HOST PRESIDING ELDER The Reverend Dr. Jacquelyn L. Densons
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NORTHWEST ALABAMA *Annual Conference*

SATURDAY SEPT 6 YPD ANNUAL DAY	TUESDAY SEPT 9 WMS ANNUAL DAY	WENESDAY - FRIDAY SEPT 10-12 BUSINESS SESSIONS & WORSHIP SERVICES
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HOST CHURCH

BRYANT CHAPEL A.M.E. CHURCH
3125 Spaulding Street SW // Birmingham, Alabama 35221

HOST PASTOR The Reverend Damien Littlejohn	HOST PRESIDING ELDER The Reverend Gloria A. Hall
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SOUTHEAST ALABAMA *Annual Conference*

SATURDAY SEPT 20 YPD ANNUAL DAY	TUESDAY SEPT 23 WMS ANNUAL DAY	WENESDAY - FRIDAY SEPT 24-26 BUSINESS SESSIONS & WORSHIP SERVICES
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HOST CHURCH

ST. JOHN A.M.E. CHURCH
901 Dale Road // Eufaula, Alabama 36027

HOST PASTOR The Reverend Carlton Worthen	HOST PRESIDING ELDER The Reverend Dr. Frederick D. Sherrod, III
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NORTHEAST ALABAMA *Annual Conference*

SATURDAY OCT 4 YPD ANNUAL DAY	TUESDAY OCT 7 WMS ANNUAL DAY	WENESDAY - FRIDAY OCT 8-10 BUSINESS SESSIONS & WORSHIP SERVICES
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HOST CHURCH

SAINT LUKE A.M.E. CHURCH
1308 Auburn Street // Opelika, Alabama 36801

HOST PASTOR The Reverend AMonique Summers	HOST PRESIDING ELDER The Reverend Raymond B. Swafford
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SOUTHWEST ALABAMA *Annual Conference*

SATURDAY OCT 18 YPD ANNUAL DAY	TUESDAY OCT 21 WMS ANNUAL DAY	WENESDAY - FRIDAY OCT 22-24 BUSINESS SESSIONS & WORSHIP SERVICES
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HOST CHURCH

SAMUEL CHAPEL A.M.E. CHURCH
717 W Prichard Avenue // Prichard, Alabama 36104

HOST PASTOR The Reverend Vernon McLeod	HOST PRESIDING ELDER The Reverend Charles Lewis
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Ninth Episcopal District **PLANNING MEETING**

THURSDAY - SATURDAY
NOV 20-22

VENUE

RENAISSANCE HOTEL
Montgomery, Alabama

Please keep ALL of our
SICK and SHUT-IN
 as well as our
BEREAVED FAMILIES
 🙏 🙏 🙏
 in your prayers!



COVID-19

STILL RELEVANT?

"As long as there is a COVID-19 outbreak somewhere in the world, there is going to be something new that emerges."

- Nathan Grubaugh, PhD, an epidemiologist at the Yale School of Public Health

Current Variants - HV.1 & JN.1

Descendants of Omicron
 Highly transmissible
 Detected by COVID-19 tests

Protect yourself - TEST, ISOLATE, BOOST!

Bishop Michael L Mitchell, Commission Chair, Global Witness & Ministry
 Dr Deborah Taylor King, International WMS President
 Mrs Charolett Biggs Martin, Commission Chair, Christian Social Action