

St. Paul A.M.E. Church

MEN'S DAY

Brothers United in Love, Strengthened by Grace

1 Peter 4:8-10



Sunday, February 16, 2025

The Rt. Rev. Samuel L. Green Sr., Presiding Prelate 1st Episcopal District

The Rev. Howard H.L. Dill, Presiding Elder

The Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed, Pastor

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Greetings from the Pastor



I take this opportunity to commend and congratulate the men of St. Paul who have come together to celebrate the theme “**Brothers United in Love, Strengthened by Grace.**” It is important to gather with one another recognizing that each of us assembled comes with our own story, our own set of experiences, challenges we have faced, successes, and failures. We come with lives that are complicated, laden with a myriad of obligations that we manage, as we continue in the journey of faith.

In this season in which the church and the community we serve face increasing challenges, socially, politically, economically, and above all, spiritually, it is of vital importance that our “Men” remain committed to being united in love. Society often silences “men,” by making them feel that to express feelings is weak, to admit that we have struggles is unmanly, but in this space amidst the security of brothers who are grounded in a common faith, share a common experience we celebrate the sharing of testimony and the telling through testimony of the many ways our God strengthens and upholds us and continues to remind us of the special calling on our lives and the critical role Men must play in our families and communities.

As we celebrate each other in this season, let us be mindful that we serve a God who does not faint or grow weary, who will renew our strength if we remain steadfast in faith. I am excited by the determination and dedication of our Men, for they reflect the quintessence of our theme, “**Brothers United in Love, Strengthened by Grace.**”

As we share in this Men’s Day Worship Experience, we are anticipating a powerful movement of the Holy Spirit and I know that the Spirit will use our preacher for the day, the Rev. Dr. Wendell E. O. Christopher in a powerful way.

Again, I congratulate and commend the men of St. Paul for your excellent witness, let us renew our covenant with God and each other to reclaim our rightful place as husbands, as fathers, and in the life of our community as we fulfill our divine destiny **United in Love, Strengthened by Grace.**

Keep the Faith!

Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed

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Greetings from the Chairman

Greetings in the mighty name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

It is with great joy and gratitude that we welcome you to this year's **Men's Day celebration** at St. Paul A.M.E Church. Today, we stand together as brothers in faith, bound by love and strengthened by grace. Our theme reminds us that when we walk in unity, showing kindness and hospitality, we reflect God's divine love. As the scripture from **1 Peter 4:8-10** encourages us, love has the power to cover all things, and we are called to use our gifts to serve one another as faithful stewards of His grace.

No matter what challenges we have faced, today is a new day filled with God's presence. From the moment we woke up, we were reminded that He is our provider, our protector, and our guide. There is no need to carry burdens alone because we can find safety and refuge in His arms. He invites us to trust Him fully, to release our worries, and to embrace the peace that only He can give.

As we worship together, may our hearts be open, our spirits lifted, and our faith renewed. Let this be a time of celebration, reflection, and transformation. May the love we share today extend beyond these walls, strengthening our families, our church, and our community.



Welcome, to Men's Day 2025 at St. Paul A.M.E. Church!
May God bless you abundantly.

Blessings,

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink.

Tarik Bean-Darrell
Men's Day 2025 Chairman

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About the Preacher

Rev. Dr. Wendell O. E. Christopher, Sr. is the son of Mernella Christopher. He is the oldest of five siblings. From an early age, he had an affinity for the Church and that was evident when he began singing at the age of five while attending the Evening Light Evangelical Church on Parsons Road. He joined a youth Group sponsored by the late Ms. Nellie Swan and this proved to be a pivotal point in his development, as it afforded him the opportunity to become a member of the Hamilton Cathedral Choir. After a few years, he was trained to be a Server at the Great Alter and subsequently became 'Bishop's Server'.

In 1966 he was invited by the young people of Vernon Temple A.M.E. Church to be a panelist on their Annual Youth Program. It was this encounter with the A.M.E. Church that awoke his desire to leave the Evangelical Church and become a member of Vernon Temple under the Pastorate of the late Rev. Richard Parker. He quickly rose through the ranks of the Young People's Department and the Youth Choir to become President and Business Manager respectively. He also excelled in the Richard Allen Youth Council and became 1st Episcopal District Vice-President of that Organization under the leadership of the late Mrs. Melva Campbell.

Rev. Christopher's singing career was blooming at that time, and he was a founding member of the Gospel Group called The Disciples and had a successful tour as an R&B singer with the band the Dynamics. However, the Church was his first love, and he never strayed away from it. His call to the Ministry was no surprise to anyone except himself. He received his Exhorter's license in 1968 under the Rev. John Brandon. After fulfilling the requirements of the Conference School of Religious Studies and In-service training, he was refused admittance to the 1973 Annual Conference. After much discussion and no action by the Annual Conference Board of Examiners, and the desire to further his education, he decided to leave the Island and pursue his call overseas.

He attended Kittrell Junior College in Kittrell, North Carolina where he obtained his Associates Degree in Business Administration. He also attended Shaw University in Raleigh, NC where he obtained his Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, and his Bachelor of Divinity Degree. He attended the University of North Carolina at Asheville, Asheville NC, and is a Graduate of Leadership Asheville and The Seminary of the Apostles in Virginia Beach, Virginia where he obtained his Master of Divinity Degree. On August 25, 2012, he received an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters Degree from the Seminary of the Apostles. Virginia Beach, Va.

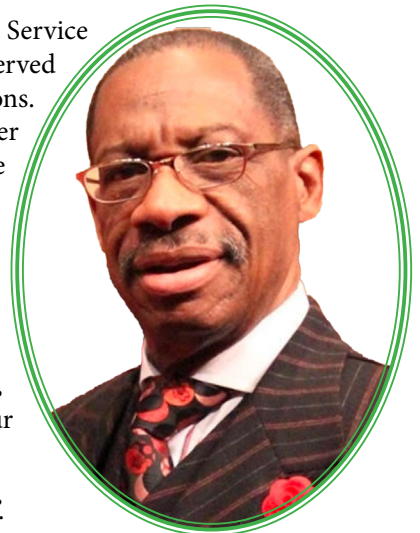
He was admitted to the Western North Carolina Annual Conference in 1973 and was promoted to 1st years study class in the same year. He was ordained a Deacon in 1974 by Bishop Henry Wendell Murph and was given the Pastoral charge of Davis Memorial A.M.E. Church on campus, thereby making him a College Chaplain. He was ordained an Itinerant Elder in 1976.

He has received many Honors, Awards and Citations for his outstanding Leadership and Service to the Communities in Baltimore, MD, Annapolis, MD and Asheville, NC where he served as Board Chairman, Board Member and Director of many Community organizations. He was Board Chairman of C.O.U.C.H. Organization, Baltimore, MD and a Board Member of the Banneker Douglas Museum in Annapolis, MD. He was elected four times to be the Delegate to the A.M.E. General Conference in the Baltimore Annual Conference and the Washington Annual Conference.

He presently serves as Pastor of St. Philip A.M.E after pastoring for fifty years in the United States and is the Chair of the Social Action Committee for the Bermuda Annual Conference.

Rev. Christopher is married to the love of his life Karen, and is the father of four children, Wendell Jr., Chris, Rashon, and Kryshae and daughters-in-law Tiffany and Kelly. He has four grandchildren Dorjon, Amonté, Kamron and August.

His favorite scripture is found in Phil. 4:13 and his favorite song is "Great Thy Faithfulness".



"Let Us Worship the Lord with Reverence!"

Season: Sixth Sunday of Epiphany

Color: Green

The Order of Service
Sunday, February 16, 2025
10:55 a.m.

Worship Leader - Bro. The Hon. E. David Burt, JP, MP

- ** The Introit "Holy Spirit Fill This Room" (Bynum) The Men's Day Team
- ** The Processional "When I Rose This Morning" (Mississippi Mass Choir) The Men's Day Team
- ** The Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #647 (Old 100)
- ** The Call to Worship

Leader: Come let us worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

People: We worship Him on this glorious day and give thanks for the men of faith, courage, strength, dignity, and wisdom.

Leader: We remember the ancestors who have laid the foundation and helped shape the very world in which we live.

People: We worship Him on this glorious day and give thanks for the men of faith, courage, strength, dignity, and wisdom.

Leader: We lift high the name of Jesus for every husband, father, son, brother, nephew, and friend whose witness challenges us to live our testimony as we impact our church and our community.

People: We worship Him on this glorious day and give thanks for the men of faith, courage, strength, dignity, and wisdom.

Leader: We pause to do as Scripture teaches and give honor where honor is due to all men who have overcome and triumphed in the face of adversity, hardship, sickness, and even death.

All: We magnify You, our God, for making us in your image we are wonderfully made and renew our commitment as we covenant to live our testimony.

** The Hymn of Praise #571 "Lift Every Voice and Sing" (Johnson) The Congregation

**** The Invocation Rev. Frederick Ingram

* The Choral Response "Let it Rain" (Morton) The Men's Day Team

* The Ministry of Music "Wade in the Water" (Negro Spiritual) The Men's Day Team

**** The Scripture 1 Peter 4:8-10 Bro. Edward Burt

(Please remain seated for the reading of the Scripture)

** The Gloria Patri *(The Congregation should stand)*

** The Litany Bro. The Hon. E. David Burt, JP, MP

Leader: We celebrate as **Brothers United in Love, Strengthened by Grace** guided by the wisdom of Solomon, as we seek God's guidance and direction in our lives and witness.

People: We celebrate men who, with the spirit of David, seek repentance, acknowledging that we have not always lived up to our best selves as men after God's own heart but return to God in humility to renew or relationship .

Leader: We acknowledge ***Brothers United in Love, Strengthened by Grace*** who, with the obedience of Abraham, overcome fear with faith and follow God's direction, who mold and shape their lives and the lives of their families.

People: **We honor men who, like Peter, are fallible yet passionate about serving, willing to sacrifice for the Lord, and fervently committed to building God's Kingdom.**

Leader: As Joseph cared for his father and brothers, we care for the men of our community by generously sharing our resources, our time, and our unconditional love.

People: **We pray for men who have the inner and outward strength of Samson but have lost their way.**

Leader: We are grateful for men who, like the apostle Paul, teach us Christian principles and values and provide living models of strong, faithful, committed, transformative Christian witness guided by an unconditional love for God, self, family, and community.

All: **We celebrate as *Brothers United in Love, Strengthened by Grace* who strive in all things to be like Jesus, exhibiting his character and his compassion. Restore us, renew us, fill us, strengthen us, and transform us, above all use us so that we will overflow in our witness and transform our lives, our families, and our community.**

*The Welcome "Every Praise" (Walker) The Men's Day Team

*The Special Presentation

*The Ministry of Stewardship Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed

*Tithes and Offerings "Bring Ye All the Tithes" (George)

**The Offertory "Give Thanks" (Moen)

* The Ministry of Music "Trust in God" (Aware Worship) The Men's Day Team

*The Altar Call "Take it to the Lord in Prayer" (Williams Jr.) The Men's Day Team

***The Special Prayer Rev. Frederick Ingram

*The Special Prayer Response "Grateful" (Walker) The Men's Day Team

The Introduction of the Preacher Bro. Marc Telemaque

* The Sermonic Selection "Speak Your Name" (Brown & Group Therapy) The Men's Day Team

*** The Preached Word Rev. Dr. Wendell Christopher

Pastor, St. Philip A.M.E. Church

*** The Invitation Rev. Dr. Wendell Christopher

(Please do not leave during the Invitation)

** The Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #647 (Old 100)

*** The Blessing Rev. Dr. Wendell Christopher

* The Recessional "When I Rose This Morning" (Mississippi Mass Choir) The Men's Day Team

* *Worshippers may enter.*

** *The Congregation is to stand.*

*** *No one should leave the Sanctuary or walk unless they are either joining the church or assisting someone to join the church.*

**** *No standing or walking.*

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Main Points: _____

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THE MEN'S DAY COMMITTEE

Bro: Tarik Bean- Darrell - *Chairman*
Bro. Kingsley Simmons - *Audio/Visual*
Bro. Raymond George - *Director of Music*
Bro. Carlsen Philip
Bro. Reginald Hewey
Bro. Ted Darrell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Day Luncheon will take place immediately following the Morning Worship Experience in Centennial Hall at the cost of \$30.00 pp.

Founder's Day Offering is now due in the amount of \$25 for Bermuda Conference and \$25 for District Founder's Day. Envelopes can be found in your Tithing Boxes. If using direct deposit, please note BDAFD or DFD in the memo.

Additional Information

Tithes and Offering - please use the following guidelines for your contributions:
Payments should be made to St. Paul A.M.E. Church HSBC Account #010-369 007-002. Be sure to include your name, i.e., John Doe, and description and purpose of the funds: e.g., Tithes, Offering, alternatively you can drop your tithing envelopes at the church office.

Direct Deposit for **Count Me In** – St. Paul A.M.E. Church Clarien Bank A/C # 4710911505.

Office Hours: The office is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
The Office is closed on Thursdays.

SAVE THESE DATES

Pre-Conference Activities

Wednesday, 5 March - 8:30 am	BCWMS Annual Meeting	Mt. Zion A.M.E.
7:00 pm	Women In Ministry	(TBA)

Annual Conference Schedule

Thursday, 6 March - 10:00 am	Opening of Conference	St. Paul A.M.E.
7:00 pm	Lay Witness Night	St. Paul A.M.E.
Friday, 7 March - 10:00 am	Business Session	Mt. Zion A.M.E.
12:00 noon	The Service of Ordination	Mt. Zion A.M.E.
7:00 pm	Ministry of Evangelism	Mt. Zion A.M.E.
Saturday, 8 March 8:00 am	BCYPD Annual Meeting	Mt. Zion A.M.E.
12:00 noon	Sons of Allen Ministry Service	(TBA)
Sunday, 9 March 3:30 pm	Closing and Commissioning Service	St. Paul A.M.E.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY & STUDY

- Sunday -** **Worship Service 10:55 a.m.**
 S.U.R.G.E. (ages 4 - 12) *Children are dismissed during Worship Experience*
- Wednesday -** **Bible Study via Zoom 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**
- Friday -** **Mother Sunbeams & Allen Stars 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

THE SICK AND SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Sis. Elvia Eve, Sis. Maybelline Fubler

THE MEMBERS IN NURSING HOMES/HOSPITAL

Sis. Ivy Woods - C. C. KEMH
Sis. Andrea Tucker- MSWSR, Devonshire
Sis. Beulah White -Sylvia Richardson Care Facility

BOARDS ON DUTY

Officers:- (Feb. 16th):- Bro. Ed Dyer, Sis. Thelma Trott, Eunice Jones, Charlene Tyrrell,
Paula Fray.

(Feb. 23rd):- Bros. Ed Dyer, Ted Darrell, Sis. Eunice Jones, Lynell Furbert,
Jeannaire Christopher-Peters.

Ushers:- (Feb. 16th):- Bro. Eugene Creighton, Sis. Lynell Furbert, Carolyn Cooper,
June Pitt, Donna Joell, Marionette Furbert, Kharizmah Daniels.

(Feb. 23rd):- Sis. Ruby Walker, Doreen Gardner, Kimberley Tweed, Joan Ming,
Janice Khan, Bro. Reginald Hewey



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