



**The Association of Christian Ministers of Clayton County**  
**Association of Christian Ministers of Clayton County (ACMCC)**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date:	Friday, January 30, 2026
Time:	7:00 p.m.
Host / Location:	Bishop J.D. Guthrie, 2230 Rex Road, Morrow, GA 30260
Theme Scripture (KJV):	“Let brotherly love continue.” — <b>Hebrews 13:1-3</b>
Presiding:	Dr. Robert Burton, President
Recorder:	Pastor Derek Griffin, Secretary/Treasurer

### 1. Attendance

A quorum was  present.  not present.

Members Present: Elder Geraldine Andre, Dr. Robert Burton, Pastor Terry Woodard, Sr. Pastor Derek Griffin, Bishop Wesley Greene, Dr. Geoffrey Tate, Dr. Diane Rodriguez-Burton, Pastor EJ Childs, Brother Johnny Coleson, Judge Deitra Butler, Dr. JD Holmes, Pastor Shawn Ware, Bishop JD Guthrie, Dr. Keith Horton, Mrs. Attania Jean-Funny, Pastor Willie Jones, Pastor Thomas Simpson, and Pastor James Whitley.

Members Absent: Dr. T Lynn Oliver, Dr. Emmett McCord, Rev. Charlotte McCord, Minister Shirley J. Moore, Dr. Keith Reynolds, Pastor Emeritus Harry Riley, Pastor Mildred Simpson, Pastor Robert Taylor, Pastor Charles Westmoreland, Pastor, Gerry Anderson, Pastor Devita Parnell, Dr. Frederick Zak, Dr. Coach J. Livingston, Dr. C.H Braddy, Pastor Robert Mack, Bishop Donald Battle, Mr. Michael Glanton Jr, AD Daryle Smith, Rep. Robert Flournoy, Minister Vanessa Battle, Rep. Eric Bell, Dr. Rose Marie Greene, Apostle/Dr. Ollie Richardson, Pastor Teresa Pugh, Dr. Arthur Powell, Dr. Georgj Lewis, and Elder Nancy Howard, Dr. Terry Baskins, Pastor John Landrum, Brother Sylvester Johnson, and Ms. Regina DeLoach.

Guests Present: Senator Kenya Wicks, Pastor Pauline Woodard, and First Lady Lisa Griffin.

### 2. Call to Order and Welcome

Dr. Robert Burton called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Bishop J.D. Guthrie welcomed the ACMCC membership and guests.

### 3. Opening Scripture, Prayer, and Meal

Chaplain/Pastor Thomas Simpson led the Opening Scripture (Psalm 112:1–10) and offered the opening prayer. He blessed the meal, and dinner was served. Agenda Approval: Pastor Willie Jones moved to approve the agenda; Bishop J.D. Guthrie seconded. The agenda was approved with minor changes to the order of presentations.

#### **4. Inspirational Word (10 minutes)**

Pastor Terry Woodard, Sr. (Victory in Christ Ministries) delivered a 10-minute inspirational word. Key points: Acts 4:32. What a charge to every believer—one heart, one soul, one mission—loving, serving, and supporting one another as the Lord leads. The presence of God was evident, and the fellowship was rich.

#### **5. Presentation: ACMCC 2026 Goals and Objectives**

The ACMCC Executive Leadership presented the 2026 Goals and Objectives.

[Monthly Meeting Agenda](#) Summary / discussion: See attached: Monthly Meeting Agenda

#### **6. Old Business**

6.1 Update: After Action Report (AAR): ACMCC Scholarship Banquet (Dr. Robert Burton)

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• Action items / next steps: N/A.

#### **7. New Business**

7.1 Petition: ACMCC and Calvary Refuge Center (Pastor James Whitley)

Action items: Pastor Whitley provided feedback on his discussions with the Executive Director of Calvary Refuge Center and their current needs at the shelter. The attached flyer provides input for the Calvary Outreach dinner proposal for ACMCC's support. At the suggestion of Dr. Willie Jones, Pastor Whitley will provide three estimates for meals that could possibly be purchased and served by the Association. Additionally, it will also include one option for us to do light cooking at the facility. Follow up: Pastor James Whitley.

7.2 Review of Minutes dated 11/17/2025 (Motion to Approve)

Motion: Pastor Thomas Simpson; Second: Dr. Willie Jones. Vote:  **Approved**  Not Approved

7.3 Financial Reporting (Pastor Derek Griffin) – (Motion to Approve)

Highlights:

Motion: Pastor E.J. Childs; Second: Bishop J.D. Guthrie. Vote:  **Approved**  Not Approved

7.4 Review: 2026 ACMCC Budget (Dr. Robert Burton)

[Monthly Meeting Agenda](#) Summary / updates: Monthly Meeting Agenda

Action items: None.

Motion: Pastor Thomas Simpson; Second: Bishop Wesley Greene. Vote:  **Approved**  Not Approved

7.5 Review: 2026 ACMCC Calendar of Events (Dr. Robert Burton)

[Monthly Meeting Agenda](#) Summary / updates: Monthly Meeting Agenda

Action items: Ongoing meeting and event locations.

7.6 Appeal for 2026 Dues (Pastor Derek Griffin)

Notes: The importance of paying dues was noted in the 2026 Goals and Objectives presentation and reflected in the approved 2026 Budget.

7.7 ACMCC Chaplaincy Report (Chaplain Thomas Simpson)

Report highlights: N/A.

7.8 Establish ACMCC Membership Committee (Dr. Robert Burton)

• Structure / assignments: Membership Committee: Assigned Committee Chair: Judge Deitra Butler.

7.9 Church Hunt for 100 Tour (Pastor Derek Griffin)

Notes: Pastor Griffin gave a brief summary of the 2026 Hunt for 100 Tour. Church and Community Leaders were encouraged to sign up for sponsorships and/or the tour. The following are Church Tour Volunteers:

- Dr. J.D. Holmes: Scholarship and Tour
- Bishop J.D. Guthrie: Tour

7.10 ACMCC/VIC Book Bags (Pastor Terry Woodard, Sr.)

Notes: Pastor Woodard discussed the possibility of ACMCC partnering with Victory In Christ Ministries and the Riverdale Town Center in distributing book bags county-wide. More to follow!

7.11 Introduction: New Member – Rev./Dr. J.D. Holmes, Pastor, Mathalama AME Church

Remarks / welcome: Dr. J.D. Holmes was introduced to the ACMCC. He provided additional comments about his ministry. ACMCC presented him with an ACMCC Coffee cup.

**8. Next Meeting**

The next ACMCC Monthly Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 16, 2026 at 7:00 p.m., hosted at Valley Hill Baptist Church, 351 Valley Hill Road SE, Riverdale, GA 30274 (Host: Pastor Keith Barksdale).

**9. Adjournment and Closing Prayer**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m. Closing prayer was offered by Dr. Geffrey Tate.

**10. Handouts / References (as provided with agenda) - [Monthly Meeting Agenda](#)**

• Minutes dated 11/17/2025 (online) • Financial Report (1/30/2026) (online) • 2025 Banquet AAR (online) • Promise686 2025 Year End and State Impact Report (online) • 2026 Budget (online) • 2026 Calendar (online).

Respectfully submitted,

Derek Griffin  
Pastor Derek Griffin, Secretary/Treasurer

Date: 2/16/2026

Reviewed/Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Robert Burton  
Dr. Robert Burton, President