



Greetings My Sisters in Ministry,

I am the Reverend Dr. Joy L. Gallmon. After much time in prayer, I am offering myself for leadership to women who are called “to minister to the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and environmental needs of all people by spreading Christ’s liberating gospel through word and deed,” in the African Methodist Episcopal Church as the Connectional AMEWIM President.

In 2022, the AMEWIM Connectional Executive Board selected me to fill the vacant position of Connectional First Vice President. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the women of our Zion as well as to work with our beloved president and executive board during the planning and execution of the 2024 Quadrennial Conference. I have diligently carried out the duties of the 1st Vice president as I served as the Chair of the AMEWIM Programing Committee while supporting the vision of our beloved president and the executive board as needed beyond the roles ascribed to the 1st Vice president in our By-Laws. It was been a wonderful experience serving alongside our beloved Rev. Dr. Erika Crawford as we worked to creatively define, enhance, support, and expand the presence of women in leadership, at every level in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

I have been a member of Women in Ministry since my 1st pastoral appointment in 2003. Since then I have served as a connectional officer (10 years), Director of Christian Education for the 11th Episcopal District (9 years), pastor (21 years), preacher (25 years), member and instructor of the Board of Examiners (18 years) and current pastor of St. Mark AMEC, Milwaukee (7 years). In all of these spaces, I have quietly and intentionally operated out of a womanist theology, as I shared opportunities, advocated for, and created space for women. I feel a burden to make good use of my ministerial experiences, by continuing to work with women, denominational leaders, and national partners to highlight the gifts and graces of hidden figures in our Zion, to advocate for women called to specialized ministries as well as pastoral ministry.

I am a daughter of the south and a proud graduate of Tuskegee University, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, and Columbia Theological Seminary. I seek a connectional opportunity to continue to work with the duly elected AMEWIM Executive Board and to use my earned degrees, certifications, and love of Christian education to empower, and equip, women through goal-oriented curriculum designs, during the Quadrennium, and at every level of AMEWIM engagement throughout out the connection.

My hope for the office of the Connectional AMEWIM President is to cultivate meaningful conversations concerning the economic, cultural, denominational, and environmental experiences of women, with stakeholders. If elected, to the office of Connectional AMEWIM President, I will leverage my ministerial experience, education, and relationships to continue to advocate for women while also creating leadership opportunities for women, with national partners, as well as at every level of the Connectional church.

I would count it a great privilege and honor to continue to serve God, the women of our Zion, and the Church Universal as the AMEWIM Connectional President. I invite you to choose Joy: Jesus, Optimism & You.

Yours for the cause of Christ,

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Foundational Scripture

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Acts 1:8 NRSV

Vital Statistics

Birthday: September 20, 1967, Ft. Pierce, Florida
Parents: Jacob & Earline Gallmon of Ocala, Florida
Sibling: Janice A. Gallmon of Miramar, Florida
Children: David J. Luke And Janis A. Luke
Divorced 2002

Connectional Ministry

Episcopal Christian Education Curriculum Chair, Eleventh Episcopal District 2004 – 2008
Dean of the North Orlando District Minister Institute 2005 – 2008
Conference Finance Committee Member 2006 – present
National Council of Churches, Education and Leadership Ministries Commission
Committee on Black Congregational Ministries 2010 – 2012
Connectional Christian Education Congress
Planning Committee Chairperson 2014 2013 – 2014
Annual Ministries in Christian Program Committee Chairperson 2015 2014 – 2015
Episcopal Director of Christian Education, Eleventh Episcopal District 2008 – 2017
Connectional Chair of the Fellowship of Church Educators, AME Church 2010 – 2018
Conference Board of Examiners Instructor and Member 2004 – present
Chicago Conference 2nd Year Class chair 2018 - present
Wisconsin Council of Churches Board Member 2018 – present
Active member of AME/WIM 2004 – present
Connectional AME/WIM First Vice President 2022 - present

Education

Fort Pierce Central High School, Fort Pierce, Florida 1985
Tuskegee University, Bachelor of Science Marketing 1990
Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Master of Divinity 2003
Northside Hospital, Atlanta Georgia, Clinical Pastoral Education 1-unit 2001
The World Methodist Evangelism Institute West Africa Regional Evangelism Seminar
Lomé, Togo August 2001
Florida Certified HIV/AIDS Counselor 2009
Foundations of Christian Leadership Education, Duke Divinity, Duke University 2010
Doctor of Educational Ministries at Columbia Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia 2020

Ordination

Ordained an AME Itinerant Deacon October 2002
Eleventh Episcopal District South Annual Conference
Ordained an AME Itinerant Elder October 2003
Eleventh Episcopal District South Annual Conference

Ministry in the Local Church

Greater Bethel AMEC, Miami Florida
Bishop John F. White, Pastor

1991 - November 2003
Lay person
- accepted call to ministry April 1999

Turner Monumental AMEC, Atlanta, Georgia
Rev. Dr. J.C. Reynolds, Pastor

August 2000 - November 2003
Minister in training under watchcare

Allen Temple AMEC, Brooksville, Florida

November 2003 – December 2005
Pastor

St. Paul AMEC, Ocala, Florida

December 2005 – 2010
Pastor

New Mount Pisgah AMEC, Lake City, Florida

December 26, 2010 - 2017
Pastor

Saint Mark AMEC, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

September 30, 2017 - Present
Pastor

