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### REVEREND AMMIE L. DAVIS, PH.D.

Reverend Ammie L. Davis is a member of the South Mississippi Annual Conference and Southeast District of the Eighth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. The Right Reverend Julius H. McAllister, Sr, appointed Reverend Davis, as the first female, to the pastoral charge at Zion Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Hattiesburg, Mississippi on November 20, 2015. Reverend Davis answered the call to ministry in August 1997 while stationed at Naval Hospital Roosevelt Road, Puerto Rico. She was licensed to preach and admitted to the Virgin Islands Annual Conference of the Sixteenth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church in 1999. Reverend Davis was ordained an Itinerant Deacon (2000) and Itinerant Elder (2002) in the Louisiana Annual Conference. She began her pastoral ministry as a member of the ministerial staff at St. Luke AME Church-St. Croix Virgin Islands. Reverend Davis served as the young adult pastor at Mount Olive AME Church in Slidell, Louisiana, youth and young adult pastor at Allen Chapel AME Church in Atlanta Georgia. In November 2003, she was appointed to her first pastoral charge at Turner Chapel AME Church, Columbus, Mississippi. In 2005, Reverend Davis' pastoral ministry continued as a United States Navy Chaplain. After 28 years of military service (14.5 years enlisted and 13.5 years commissioned officer) in the United States Navy, Reverend Davis retired from active duty service as a Lieutenant Commander on September 30, 2016.

Reverend Davis earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Human Resource Management in 2000 from Southern New Hampshire University. In May 2004, she graduated with honors from Turner Theological Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC), Atlanta Georgia with a Master of Divinity Degree in Psychological of Religion and Pastoral Care and Counseling. While a student at Turner Theological Seminary, Reverend Davis was elected to serve as President of the Turner Fellowship, inducted into the International Society of Theta Phi and Who's Who among Students in American Universities and College. In February 2005, she was elected President of Turner Theological Seminary Alumni Association. She graduated with a Master of Arts Degree in Management and Leadership in 2011 and Master of Business Administration from Webster University in 2014. Reverend Davis is a PhD candidate at Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, matriculating in Organizational Leadership with an emphasis in Ecclesial Leadership. Reverend Davis is the Connectional First Vice President of AME/Women in Ministry (WIM); Chaplains' Executive Liaison to The Right Reverend Frank Madison Reid, III; member of Turner Theological Seminary Trustee Board; Board of Examiners Chair of the South Mississippi Annual Conference; and the first African American female to serve as the State Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship of Mississippi, Inc.

As the First Vice President of Connectional AME WIM, my primary goal is to assist and support the President's vision by executing effectively and efficiently all programs for Connectional AME WIM. As chair of the Program Committee, I plan to recruit other AME WIM with an intentional focus on WIM under 40 to join the program committee. Through the Program Committee, I desire to creatively engage AME WIM to utilize their unique gifts and talents to enhance the presence of women in ministry while planning Connectional meetings, banquets, conferences and other events.