

# Who Are We?

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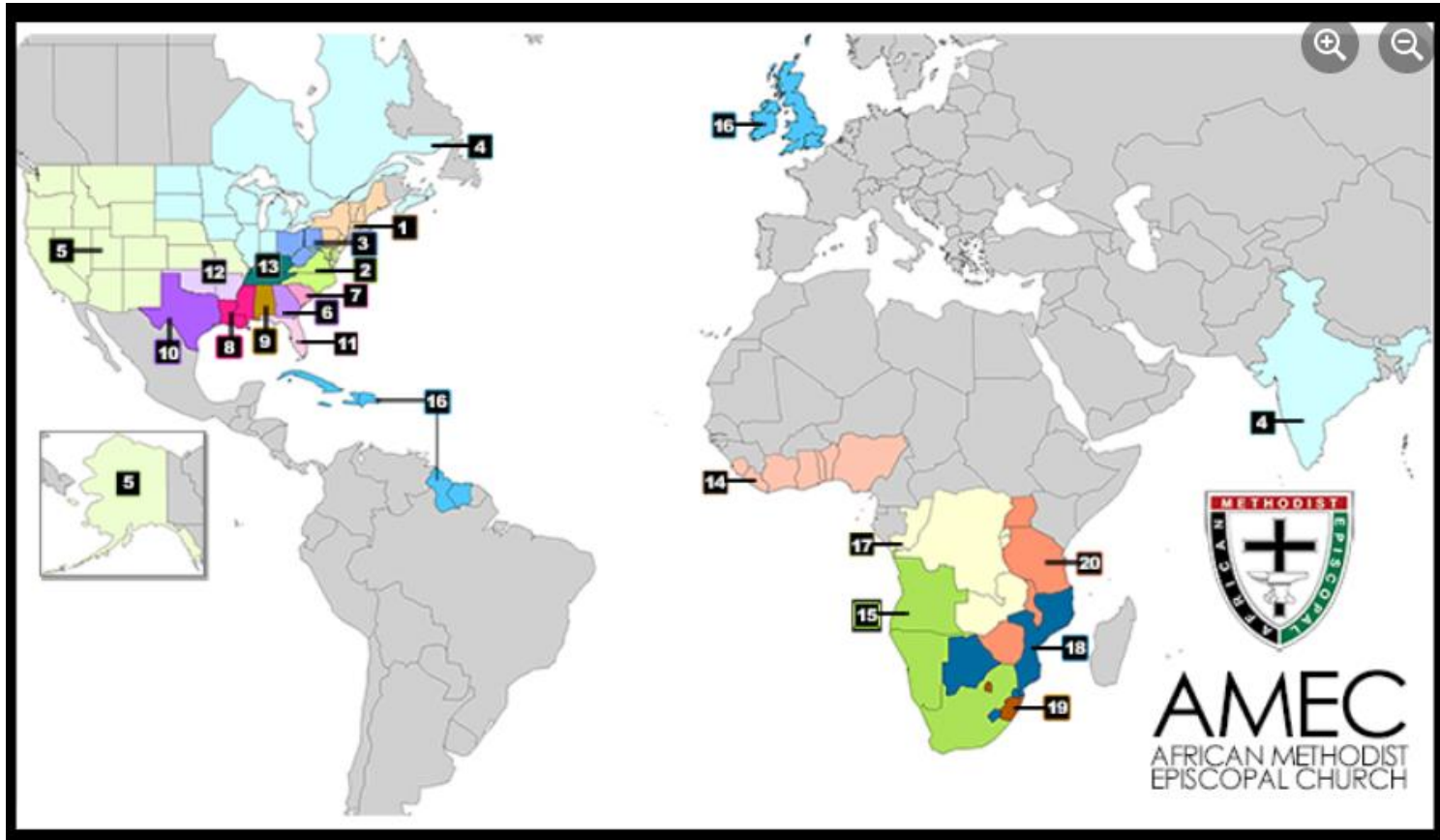


*We are members of the  
African Methodist  
Episcopal Church,*

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*The basic foundations and beliefs of the African Methodist Episcopal Church are, The Apostles' Creed and The Twenty-Five Articles of Religion*



**2,785,000+**

members worldwide

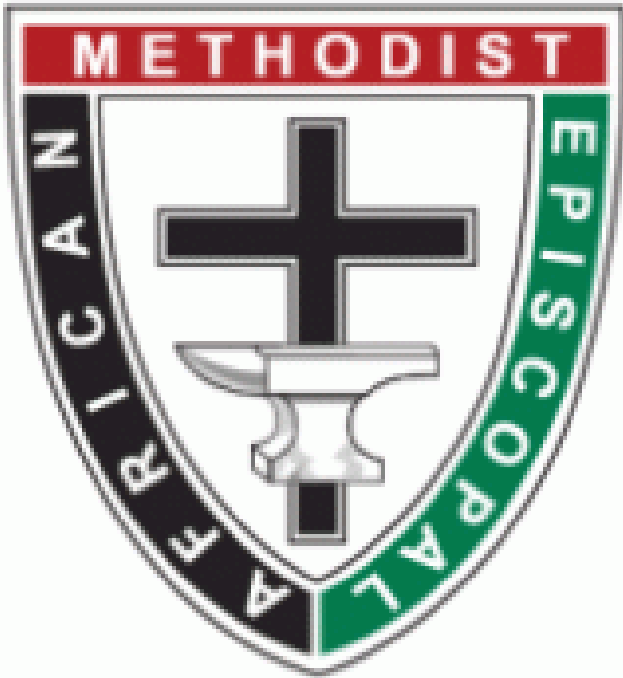


**7,130+**

individual congregations

Totals from the AME Church Website  
<https://www.ame-church.com/>

**We are a part of a Connectional Church with 20 Episcopal Districts, thirty-nine countries on five continents**



*We are a part of the  
Second Episcopal District,  
Divided into 5 Conferences.*

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5  
Conferences  
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## *5 conferences of the Second Episcopal District*

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*Baltimore,  
Washington,  
Virginia,  
North Carolina  
Western North Carolina.*

2024 Second Episcopal District – 5 Conferences - 10 Presiding Elders Districts & 313 Churches - yellow new/recently appointed PE's

Baltimore Annual Conference – 58 Churches

Baltimore District Presiding Elder – Rev. Johnny R. Calhoun

Eastern District Presiding Elder – Rev. Wanda E. London

Washington Annual Conference – 81 Churches

Capital District Presiding Elder - Rev. Charles T. Sembley

Potomac District Presiding Elder – Rev. Dr. Charles Jonathan L. Weaver

Virginia Annual Conference – 46 Churches

Norfolk, Eastern Shore District Presiding Elder – Rev. Chester W. Morris

Portsmouth, Richmond, Roanoke District Presiding Elder – \*Rev. Billy Ray Hunter –

\*Appointed at the closing of the WNC Annual Conference 5/25/24

North Carolina Annual Conference -

District Presiding Elder – Rev. Evelyn E. Dunn

Northern District Presiding Elder – Rev. Donald O. Nixon

Western North Carolina Annual Conference – 81 Churches

Eastern District Presiding Elder – Rev. Dr. A. Qismat Alim

Western District Presiding Elder – \*\*Rev. Dr. Steven L Lyons –

\*\*Appointed at the closing of the Planning Meeting 6/22/24

# Do you have a membership card?

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As lay members (non-ordained members) of the AME Church, we should be encouraged to join the Connectional Lay Organization.



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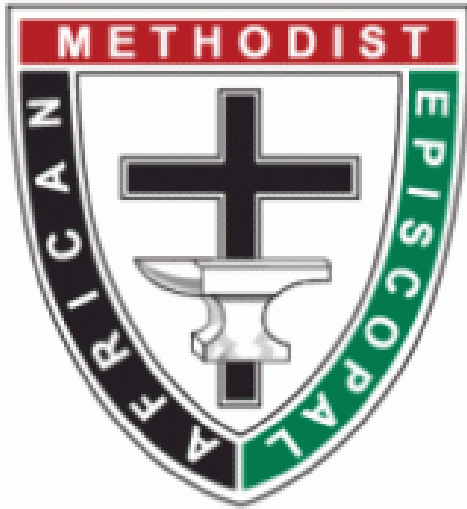
The mission is to teach, train and empower the Lay members for lay ministry, global leadership and service following the tenets of Jesus Christ.



**2023 – 2025**

*“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,  
to set the oppressed free,  
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”*

*Luke 4:18-19 (NIV)*



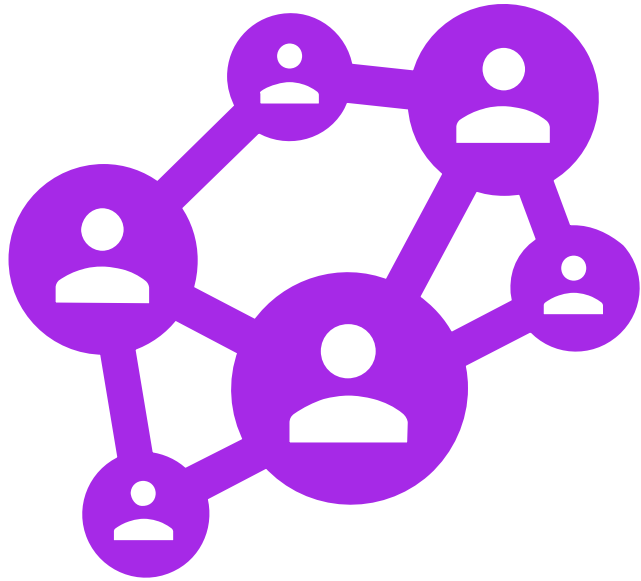
Recently the world has gone thru many changes. Especially the last four years. Corvid, Lost of loved ones, Distancing ourselves from others, Declining Church Attendance, Virtual Church, Zoom meetings, Webinars and working from home. Oh, and don't forget masks, vaccines, and more vaccines. There are stories to told.

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"John Newton penned these words in his famous hymn, "Amazing Grace"  
"Through many dangers, toils, and shares,  
I have already come;  
Twas grace that brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home."



Let's Engage,  
Encouraged,  
And  
Empowered  
Each Other!



*What is your vision  
for the Baltimore  
Conference Lay  
Organization ?*

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*We are all in  
this Together!*

"We are all in this Together!"



Engaging, Encouraging & Empowering  
Each Other!





*The AME Church Family Reunion*

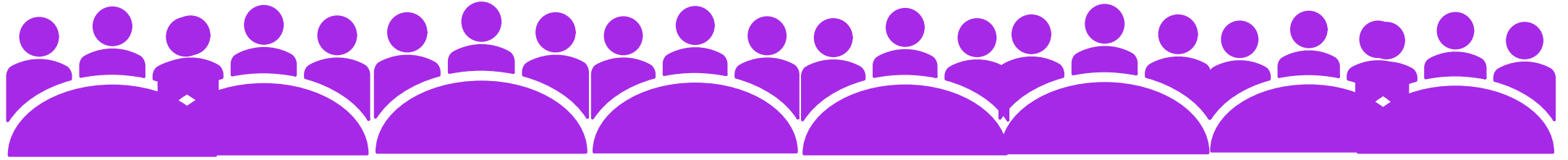
In 2023 during the Second District Annual Conference Series, each of the 5 Conferences held an electoral college for \*\*lay representatives (one adult & one young adult from each station, circuit and mission) to be delegates and alternates to attend and participate with an equal number of pastor delegates and pastor alternates in the 52<sup>nd</sup> Quadrennial Session of the AME Church General Conference August 21 - 28, 2024.

Lay & Pastor delegates and alternates from all twenty districts will gather to vote, to add, change or adjust legislation to meet the needs of our Zion. Some changes will be added to our next edition of The Doctrine and Discipline . There will be worship services also.

**BUT!! – IT IS A CHURCH MEETING WITH SOME CHURCH!!**

\*\* The Doctrine and Discipline of the AME Church, 2016, PART VIII Conferences and Conventions; Section I. The General Conference; page 188 – 193.  
or The Doctrine and Discipline of the AME Church, 2021 (Virtual Edition) PART XIV CONFERENCES; Section I. The General Conference; page 370 - 377



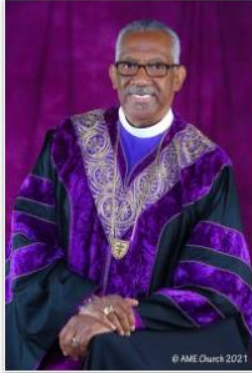


**\*\***Bishops shall be retired at the General Conference. When a Bishop's seventy-third (73rd) birthday is on or before July 15th of the General Conference Year they must retired as an active bishop meaning they are no longer responsible for a district but do not loose their title of Bishop. They are a Bishop for life.

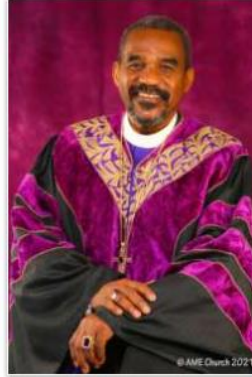
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**\*\*** The Doctrine and Discipline of the AME Church, 2016, PART VI GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS AND AUTHORITY; SECTION II. AUTHORITY OF ACTIVE BISHOPS; F. Retired Bishops, page 120 – 122. or  
The Doctrine and Discipline of the AME Church, 2021 (Virtual Edition) PART XI DUTIES AND AUTHORITY OF BISHOPS AND GENERAL OFFICERS; E. RETIREMENT DATE, page 266.

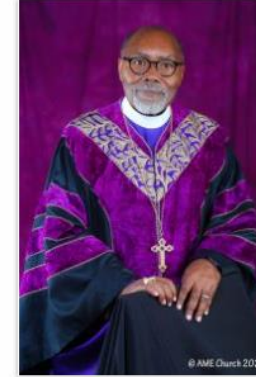
# Bishops retiring this year



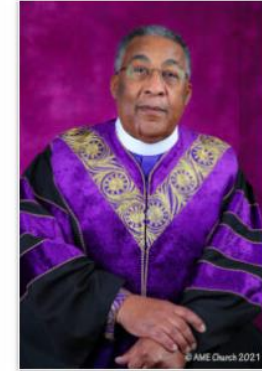
Bishop Adam J. Richardson Jr.  
TENTH DISTRICT  
**Order Elected: 115**  
**Retirement Year: 2024**



Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Sr.  
FIRST DISTRICT  
**Order Elected: 129**  
**Retirement Year: 2024**



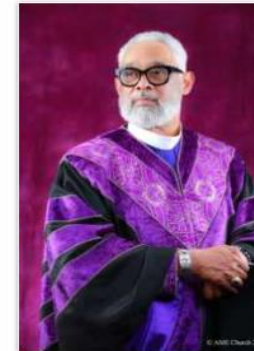
Bishop John Franklin White  
FOURTH DISTRICT  
**Order Elected: 130**  
**Retirement Year: 2024**



Bishop Clement W. Fugh  
FIFTH DISTRICT  
**Order Elected: 131**  
**Retirement Year: 2024**

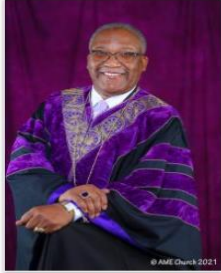


Bishop E. Anne Henning-Byfield  
THIRTEENTH DISTRICT  
**13th Episcopal District Presiding Prelate**  
**Order Elected: 135**  
**Retirement Year: 2024**



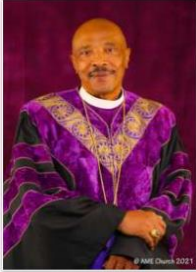
Bishop Frank Madison Reid III  
ELEVENTH DISTRICT  
**Order Elected: 138**  
**Retirement Year: 2024**

# Who could be our next bishop?



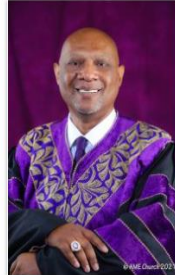
Bishop James Levert Davis  
**SECOND DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 123**  
**Retirement Year: 2028**



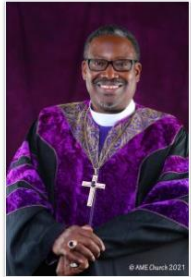
Bishop Errenous E. McCloud Jr.  
**THIRD DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 127**  
**Retirement Year: 2028**



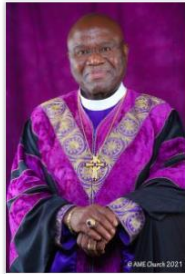
Bishop Reginald T. Jackson  
**SIXTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 132**  
**Retirement Year: 2028**



Bishop Marvin Clyde Zanders II  
**SIXTEENTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 140**  
**Retirement Year: 2040**



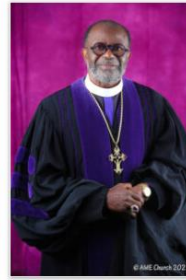
Bishop David Rwhynica Daniels Jr.  
**SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 124**  
**Retirement Year: 2032**



Bishop Francine A. Brookins  
**EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 141**  
**Retirement Year: 2048**



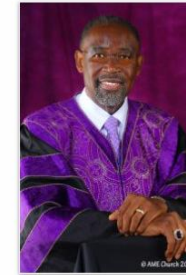
Bishop Samuel Lawrence Green Sr.  
**SEVENTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 125**  
**Retirement Year: 2036**



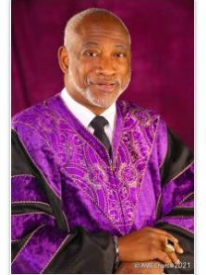
Bishop Stafford J. N. Wicker  
**EIGHTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 137**  
**Retirement Year: 2036**



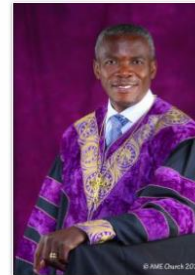
Bishop Harry Lee Seawright  
**NINTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 133**  
**Retirement Year: 2032**



Bishop Michael Leon Mitchell  
**TWELFTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 134**  
**Retirement Year: 2036**



Bishop Paul J.M. Kawimbe  
**FOURTEENTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 121**  
**Retirement Year: 2036**



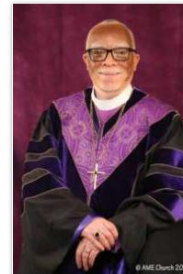
Bishop Silvester S. Beaman  
**FIFTEENTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 139**  
**Retirement Year: 2036**



Bishop Ronnie E. Brailsford Sr.  
**NINETEENTH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 136**  
**Retirement Year: 2032**



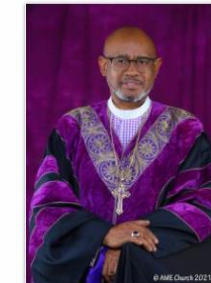
Bishop Frederick Allen Wright  
**TWENTIETH DISTRICT**

**Order Elected: 142**  
**Retirement Year: 2032**



Bishop Jeffrey Nathaniel Leath  
**Ecumenical & Urban Affairs**

**Order Elected: 128**  
**Retirement Year: 2032**



Bishop Wilfred Jacobus Messiah  
**Located**

**Order Elected: 120**  
**Retirement Year: 2028**





And we know that in all things  
God works for the good of those  
who love him, who have been  
called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

# Let's Take A few Polls

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## \*\*\* Note\*\*\*

Polls and evaluations help us to measure if we are meeting your needs and expectations. When ever possible please join the meeting via the Zoom app by cell or computer so you can participate in the process. Assistance is only a call a way.

*Thank you  
for your participation*

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Together!*