

EASTERN DISTRICT OF THE
WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

REPAIRERS *of* BROKEN WALLS

District Conference & Church School Convention

HOST VENUE Emmanuel AME Church, 2018 Riddle Road, Durham, NC
Revs. Drs. Clay & Bridgette Gloster

OCTOBER
18th - 19th
2024

Bishop Reginald T. Jackson, Presiding Prelate
Rev. Dr. A. Qismat Alim, Presiding Elder

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REPAIRERS OF BROKEN WALLS

Some of you will rebuild the ancient ruins; you will restore the foundations laid long ago; you will be called Repairer of broken walls, the restorer of streets where people live.

iSAIAH 58:12 (HCSB)

From the Heart of the Presiding Elder



It is with JESUS' JOY that I welcome you to the Eastern District Conference and Church School Convention of the Western North Carolina Conference. An Exceptional, and Extraordinary District filled with exciting and exuberant people with a love for God and a heart for Kingdom work! We take seriously the great commission to go preach and teach all nations as we embrace our various assignments as servants of the Most High God!

It is my prayer as we gather, this weekend, that we be inspired and imbued by His Spirit to build up what has been torn down, diminished, forsaken, or even abandoned. As Repairers of broken walls, God has given us a task not to become complacent, comfortable or event contrite, but to rise up and look around us to see what needs to be done that will reflect our very best to Him and the communities where we worship and work. This is our time, this is our moment to set the stage for Greater Works to be done as Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father."-John 14:12.

May you embrace every moment shared through our presenters and preachers as they have come to impart in us a message from the Lord- the years that the canker worm,covid, pandemic, problems, pestilence, empty seats, low offering plates, apathy, discouragement, loss, fear, anger, and more have eaten, will not have the last word! God said it's time to Repair these broken walls; not just inside of the church but in our community, country and global world as we proclaim-we come in the Name of the Lord! Pastors, preachers, evangelists, stewards, trustees, missionaries, teachers, children, youth, young adults and everybody have you not heard, do you not know God is going to use us; for such a time as this to restore hope and joy to His people as they see the Light of Christ shining from our witness as Repairers of broken walls! We will be **the Church at it's Best!!!**

In His Service,

A. Oismat Alim

Presiding Elder - Eastern District

Schedule of Events

DISTRICT CONFERENCE
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024



- 9:00-9:30* **Registration**
- 9:30-10:00* **Morning Glory**
Meditation Rev. Dr. Bridgette Gloster, Pastor Emmanuel
- 10:05-11:00* **Workshop: Repairing the Soul From Church Hurt - Part 1**
Rev. Vernon Ware, Pastor Faith AME Church Laurel, MD
- 11:05-12:00* **Workshop: Repairing the Bridge - Global Community**
Presiding Elder Jonathan Weaver, Potomac District WAC
- 12:05-1:05* **Lunch**
- 1:15-2:15* **District Reports**
Committee on Ministerial Orders - Evangelism - Christian Education -
Church School - Sons of Allen
- 2:15-3:30* **Repairing Our Infrastructure**
Internet & Technology Bro. Donald Watson – Tech II Refresh LLC
Safety & Security Rev. Dr. Wayne Beatty - Lincolnville
Physical Plant Trustee Niki Allen- Living Waters
- 3:30-4:30* **Repairing Democracy - Dissecting Project 2025**
Rev. Kendall McBroom Metropolitan AME Church Wash., DC
- 4:30-5:30* **Pastors Meeting with Presiding Elder**
- Dinner On Your Own**
- 7:00-Until* **Worship Service**
Bishop John R. Bryant- Retired Senior Bishop of AMEC

Schedule of Events

CHURCH SCHOOL CONVENTION
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024



7:45 - 8:45

Registration & Breakfast

9:00 - 10:20

Opening Worship Service

Rev. Jeanine Latta, Pastor Mt. Zion - Greensboro

10:30 - 10:40

Welcome

Presiding Elder Dr. A. Qismat Alim

10:45 - 11:40

Workshops

Youth & Adult Sessions

11:45

Workshop Summaries

11:55

Closing Remarks

12:00 - 1:00

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Adult Session Topic

REPAIRING THE SOUL FROM CHURCH HURT - PART II

Rev. Dr. Barbareta McGill, Pastor Gaines Chapel

Youth Session Topics

Session One

THEME: BUILDING COMMUNITY



Ages 3-7

“We Belong Together” - Simple lessons on friendship and community (I Thessalonians 5:11 NIV)

“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”

Presenter: Sis. Lois Hurdle, Bethel-Greensboro

Ages 8-11

“Unity in Diversity” - Appreciating different gifts and working together (I Corinthians 12:12 NIV)

“Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.”

Presenter: Sis. Mary Currie, Mt. Zion-Hillsborough

Ages 12-14

“Strong Communities” - Building and maintaining a supportive faith community (Romans 12:4-5 NIV)

“For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.”

Presenter: Sis. Phyllis Wonson, Greater Bethel-Charlotte

Ages 15-19

“Community Impact” - How to influence and improve the wider community through faith (Galatians 6:10 NIV)

“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”

Presenter: Sis. Paulette Motley, St. Paul-Raleigh

Youth Session Topics

Session Two

THEME: CREATING STRONG LEADERS



Ages 3-7

“Little Leaders” - Encouraging basic leadership qualities like sharing and helping (Proverbs 20:11 NIV)

"Even small children are known by their actions, so is their conduct really pure and upright?"

Presenter: Sis. Donna Boykin, Poplar Springs-Sanford

Ages 8-11

“Leading By Example” – Stories and activities about being a good role model (I Timothy 4:12 NIV)

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

Presenter: Sis. Jackie Hemby, Living Waters-Raleigh

Sis. Mabogany Starnes, Living Waters-Raleigh

Ages 12-14

“Growing Leaders” – Training in leadership skills and abilities (Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV)

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Presenter: Bro. Norman Robinson, Bethel-Reidsville

Ages 15-19

“Leadership In Action” - Advanced leadership training and real-life application (Mark 10:44-45 NIV)

"And whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Présenter : Rev. Dewayne Elam, Emmanuel-Durham

District Conference Presenters

As Presiding Elder, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to all of you attending and participating in this year's Eastern District Conference. With the theme "Repairers of Broken Walls," based on Isaiah 58:12, I am confident that each of our presenters will offer valuable insights that will inspire and equip us to continue the work of restoration and renewal within our communities and ministries. Your presence and commitment to this sacred calling are deeply appreciated.

To our esteemed presenters, thank you for your dedication and preparation. We eagerly anticipate the wisdom you will share. May this conference be a time of growth, reflection, and spiritual renewal for all of us as we labor together in faith and unity. May God bless each of you richly during this time of fellowship and learning.



REV. VERNON WARE



**PRESIDING ELDER
JONATHAN WEAVER**



**BRO DONALD
WATSON**



**REV. DR.
BARBARETA MCGILL**



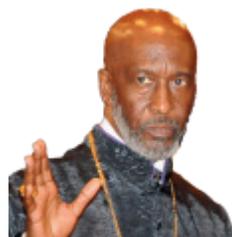
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LATTA**



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BRYANT**



**REV. DR. WAYNE
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*Eastern District Christian Education
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**SIS. BEVERLY
HESTER-STEVENS**



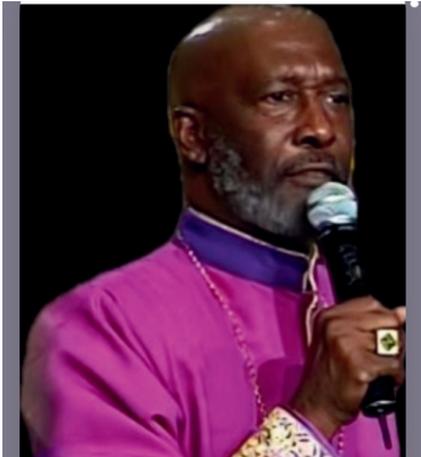
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CHERRI STINSON**

Presenter Bios





Bishop John R. Bryant

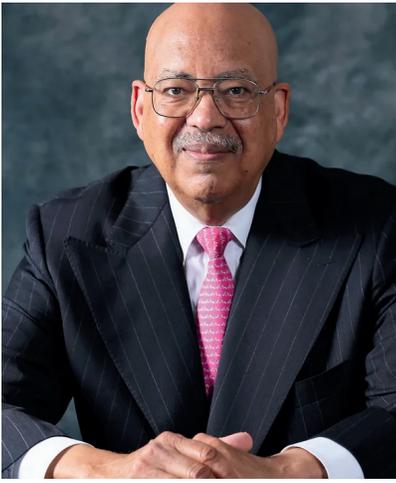
African Methodist Episcopal Church Bishop John Richard Bryant is the son of the late Bishop Harrison James Bryant and Edith Holland Bryant. He was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland and is a graduate of Baltimore City College High School and is a graduate of Morgan State University in his hometown. After college, Bishop Bryant joined the Peace Corps and served as a volunteer in West Africa from 1965 to 1967. He has taken seriously the words "study to show thyself approved..." Bishop Bryant received his B.A. in 1965 from Morgan State University, Master of Theology in 1970 from the Boston University School of Theology and a Doctor of Ministry degree in 1975 from the Colgate Rochester Divinity School. He also received several Honorary Doctoral Degrees from Wilberforce University, Paul Quinn College, Payne Theological Seminary, the Southern California School of Ministry, Virginia Seminary and his alma mater, Morgan State University. In addition, he was honored as an outstanding alumni of Boston University School of Theology and was inducted into the Baltimore City College High School Hall of Fame. Bishop Bryant was a Martin Luther King, Jr. Fellow and while pursuing his doctoral studies at Colgate Rochester Divinity School, he completed special studies at the University of Lagos [Nigeria] and the University of Ghana at Legon and served as a Peace Corp volunteer. "The spirit of the Lord is upon me..." is reflected in the witness of John Richard Bryant.

He has pastored three churches, Bethel A.M.E. Church, Fall River, MA; St. Paul A.M.E. Church, Cambridge, MA; and Bethel A.M.E. Church, Baltimore, MD. Under his pastoral ministry, 103 men and women have entered the Christian Ministry. With an emphasis on church growth, community development and political empowerment, he has preached and/or taught on more than 35 college campuses and across five continents. Bishop Bryant has served on several denominational, academic, community, ecumenical boards and was the recipient of many awards. In 1988, John Richard Bryant was elected and consecrated the 106th Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church at the General Conference in Fort Worth, Texas. He was assigned to serve in the 14th Episcopal District (West Africa) where he presided over 101 churches and 25 schools. During his administration, he expanded the A.M.E. Church to include the first Francophone, the Ivory Coast. While in West Africa, he was given the additional assignment of the 10th Episcopal District (Texas) in January 1991.

Bishop John R. Bryant

At the 1992 General Conference he was officially assigned to the 10th Episcopal District, where he presided over 300 churches and served as the Chairman of the Board of Paul Quinn College. Under his leadership, this historically Black institution moved from probationary status to full accreditation and successfully raised \$29 million dollars for the Capital Fund Drive. In July 2000, the Episcopal Committee of the 46th General Conference assigned Bishop Bryant to the 5th Episcopal District, where he presided over the A.M.E. churches in 14 states west of the Mississippi. Under his episcopacy, the 5th District partnered with businesses and banking institutions that resulted in the purchase of new homes by the members of the district valued at more than \$100 million dollars. In addition, Bishop Bryant's economic development initiatives resulted in several creative ventures, which included the construction of a new hotel in the St. Louis, MO area. In 2008, at the 48th Quadrennial Session of the General Conference, Bishop Bryant became the Senior Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and presided over the 4th Episcopal District which included seven (7) mid-western states, Canada and the AME India Annual Conference where the Lord allowed him and his wife, Reverend Cecelia Bryant, to officially bring the India Conference into the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

At present, there are one hundred and sixty (160) churches in the AME India Annual Conference. Bishop Bryant is the recipient of many honors and awards including Ebony Magazines' Honor Roll of Outstanding African-American Preachers and was recognized on their list of the 100 Most Influential Black Americans. He has published a collection of sermons entitled, "God Can: Sermons of Encouragement from the Life of Elijah." He and his wife, The Rev. Dr. Cecelia Williams Bryant are both the authors of "Healing For Wounded Vows." Bishop Bryant has been a faithful servant of the Lord Jesus Christ. He preached the gospel for over 55 years and in July 2016 at the Historic 50th Session of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Bishop Bryants' request for retirement from the episcopacy of his beloved church was granted. Even though retired from active administrative duties he is still serving the Lord with gladness. Bishop Bryant is currently on staff at Payne Theological Seminary as a Mentor for the Doctor of Ministry Degree Program and he continues to preach the length and breathe of this nation. He loves to proclaim the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to compel men and women to acknowledge Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. Bishop John and Rev. Dr. Cecelia Williams Bryant are the parents of The Rev. Dr. Jamal Harrison Bryant and The Rev. Dr. Thema Simone Bryant Davis and both are proud grandparents



Presiding Elder Jonathan Weaver

Reverend Dr. Jonathan Leslie Weaver accepted his appointment to Greater Mt. Nebo African Methodist Episcopal Church in April of 1988. Since that time, the Greater Mt. Nebo Family has increased from 100 members to more than 1,600 and has approximately 50 ministries that serve the church and the greater community. Under Dr. Weaver's leadership, Greater Mt. Nebo purchased 90 acres of land in 1994, where the church currently worships and serves the community.

Reverend Dr. Weaver has a strong belief that one's Christian duty should encompass community outreach. Under Dr. Weaver's leadership, Greater Mt. Nebo's ministries have had many successful projects in the community, such as assisting in The Christmas in April Program, Food & Friends (providing food for persons who are homebound), The Tools for School Program, partnering with community-based violence prevention and re-entry programs, and providing support for victims of abuse. Dr. Weaver's sense of community transcends the borders of Prince George's County, MD, and the borders of The United States. In 1986 Dr. Weaver was the sole American Delegate to the first Hispanic African Cultural Congress held in Equatorial Guinea. He has led medical mission trips to Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of The Congo. In 1999, Dr. Weaver preached and lectured in Swaziland and served as an official delegate to the Conference on Reconciliation held in Benin that same year. As a result of his willingness to extend his gifts and talents to those abroad, Greater Mt. Nebo has developed close ties in many parts of Africa, partnering with a village in Benin to build a school there and, most recently, supporting the construction of churches in Rwanda, Namibia, and The Democratic Republic of The Congo.

Dr. Weaver is a visionary who uses his gifts to help empower the church community. He is a graduate of St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland, earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, and has a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the Harvard University Business School in Cambridge, Massachusetts and an Honorary Doctorate Degree from the Sojourner-Douglass College in Baltimore, Maryland. Dr. Weaver is a recipient of numerous awards, most recently the 2015 Legacy Aware from The Association of the Study of African American Life and History. He currently serves as the National President of the Collective Empowerment Group, formerly known as The Collective Banking Group, an ecumenical association composed of nearly five hundred churches in seven states and the District of Columbia, engaged in economic empowerment initiatives through partnerships with banks and other businesses in their communities. Reverend Dr. Weaver serves as The Chairman of the Board of Industrial Bank, one of the oldest minority-owned banks in America. Additionally, Dr. Weaver is a member of the Board of Directors of the Second District Religious, Educational, and Charitable Development Projects, an A.M.F. organization that fosters the development of nonprofit programs and projects for spiritual, educational, social, and economic growth and development. He is also the Founder and President of The Pan African Collective, an organization that creates relationships between the faith community and the African and Caribbean Diplomatic community.

In May of 2023, the Right Reverend James L. Davis appointed Reverend Dr. Weaver to serve as the Presiding Elder of the Potomac District! Married to Pamela Lynn Weaver, Pastor Weaver is the father of two daughters, Jaime and Megan, and the grandfather of three grandsons and one granddaughter.



Rev. Vernon Ware

Rev. Vernon R. Ware is blessed to serve as the Senior Pastor of Faith AME Church, in Laurel, MD. Previously, Rev. Ware served as the pastor of Pilgrim AME Church in Washington, DC. Prior to that he served as the Director of Church Life at the Reid Temple A.M.E. Church - North location, under the leadership of Senior Pastor, Lee P. Washington and Executive Minister Matthew L. Watley. Before that, he served as the Senior Minister of Young Adults and College Students at Ebenezer AME Church in Fort Washington, MD under the leadership of Pastors Grainger and JoAnn Browning.

Rev. Ware has a unique style of preaching and teaching which is relevant, impactful and empowering. He has been blessed to proclaim God's Word both nationally and internationally. He believes that ministry should change lives, encourage hearts, inspire minds and strengthen souls!

Rev. Ware is a licensed therapist with experience in individual and group therapeutic counseling and community engagement. In addition to his individual and couples counseling, he consults with corporate, academic, non-profit and civic organizations to educate, enhance and empower those entities about mental health and working with them to improve interpersonal efficiency.

Rev. Ware holds a Master of Science degree in Pastoral Clinical Counseling from Loyola University, a Masters of Divinity from Howard University School of Divinity and a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the University of Maryland - College Park. He is a member of the American Counseling Association and the Maryland Counseling Association and is a National Certified Counselor.

Rev. Ware serves on the Board of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System Foundation. He is also a graduate of the 2004 Class of Leadership Prince Georges and also participated in the Maryland Business Roundtable for Education as a High School speaker and has participated in many mentoring and tutoring initiatives in Prince George's County.

He is the proud father of this wonderful daughter, Nia Grace Ware. Rev. Ware's favorite scripture is Jeremiah 29: 11 and he believes that with God, all things are possible and that God always has a plan despite how the circumstances look. He gives his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ all the glory, the honor and the praise for all that God has done in his life and for all that is to come.



Bro. Donald Watson

Donald Watson Jr is the senior consultant of Tech II Refresh LLC a MSP (Managed Services Provider) in Fayetteville NC. He attended Fayetteville State University to pursue a bachelors in Business Economics with a concentration in entrepreneurship. He is a Microsoft Certified Professional with a certification in desktop support and server administration. Donald has 19 years of experience in the information technology industry and has worked on several implementation projects in the dental and healthcare IT field including the rollout of electronic healthcare records to private practices with eClinica Works in 2006 and the private practice integration of Epic EHR to Cape Fear Valley Medical Hospital in 2018.

Tech II Refresh is committed to providing enterprise level support, consulting and project design services to start up and small businesses as well as non-profit organizations. Donald also is the executive director of the DC Watson Foundation Inc, its mission is to close the digital divide by providing free technology to fellow non-profits, students, families, and veterans all over North Carolina.



Rev. Dr. Wayne Beatty

The Reverend Dr. Wayne E. Beatty is the pastor of Lincolnville African Methodist Episcopal Church in Raleigh, North Carolina, where he serves in the Western North Carolina Conference of the 2nd Episcopal District under the leadership of the Presiding Prelate Bishop Reginald T. Jackson, Mrs. Christy Davis Jackson, Esq. WMS Supervisor, and Eastern District Presiding Elder Dr. A. Qismat Alim.

The son of the late Reverend Clyde E. Beatty, Jr., former chaplain at St. Augustine's College and the late Celestine R. Beatty, Wayne was educated in the Wake County Public School System and later attended North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro, N.C. Following a passion for law enforcement, he decided to pursue a career as a North Carolina State Highway Patrolman. After over 30 years in law enforcement, he retired from the Wake County Sheriff's Office as Captain of their Special Operations Division. In May of 2023 he was appointed by Sheriff Wille L. Rowe to serve as the Sheriff's Office Chaplain. Major Beatty continues to serve as an instructor for the Wake County Sheriff's Office, as well as an advocate for responsible policing. He holds both the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and Master of Public Administration degrees.

Rev. Beatty answered the call into the ministry in 1998, delivering his initial sermon at Saint Augustine College behind the same sacred desk his father preached from and where he served as an acolyte for many years. He was ordained an Itinerant Deacon and Elder in the AME Church, while choosing to continue his education, eventually earning a Doctorate in Ministry.

Rev. Beatty's ministry includes serving as an Assistant Minister at Saint Matthew AME Church, Raleigh, N.C. under the leadership of the Reverend Marion B. Robinson, the late Presiding Elder Lamie G. Horton, and Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr., Presiding Prelate; and assisting with youth activities for Youth Congress and the Summer Summit. He is the former pastor of Pearson Chapel AME Church, Yanceyville, N.C. and Shiloh AME Church Morganton, NC, serving under the leadership of the late Presiding Elder J. Bernard Wilder.

Rev. Beatty currently serves as WNCC Eastern District Treasurer under the leadership of Presiding Elder Dr. A. Qismat Alim; Co-chair of the Wake County AMEC Cluster, Chair of the Property, Deeds and Abstracts Committee. He is the Chaplain for the Wake County Sheriff's Office where he oversees the Support Services/Chaplain Division. He also served as the very first Chair of the Raleigh Police Department Interfaith Community Ambassador for Responsive Engagement (I-CARE) Team, established by Chief Cassandra Deck Brown, and currently under the leadership of Chief Estella D. Patterson.

Wayne is married to the former Brenda Watson, also of Raleigh. They are the proud parents of Wayne II, Sean, Christian and Ethan.

Two of his favorite scriptures are -

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. 1 Peter 3:15 But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,



Trustee Nikki Allen

Niki M. Allen has been a member of Living Waters AME Church since December 9, 1990. She has held many leadership positions during the course of time. Niki has served as Trustee Vice Chair and presently serves as Steward Vice-Chair and Executive Finance Co-Director. Under the leadership of her Pastor and in collaboration with other key leaders, Niki has led the way to major purchases, expansions and repairs of the church such as: Living Waters church vans, 2 HVAC replacement units, metal roof repair, sink hole repair, the pavement of extended parking lot, septic and well system repair, security camera system installation, and daycare add-on.

In addition, Niki introduced the idea of providing ministry teachings in MP3 format to her church family, assisted in publishing books authored by Pastor Allonia Holmes, and implemented/maintains Living Waters church website. She has served as General Conference Alternate Delegate in 2012, 2016, and 2020. Under Niki's leadership as Lay President, Living Waters became a partner of the NC Food Bank, along with Toys for Tots, and three students from Living Waters received \$1000 scholarships. During her service as WMS President, our Leigh B. Nipper WMS became officially established. Niki enjoys singing in the choir as well as teaching Sunday School.

Prior to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Niki helped Living Waters AME Church to evolve with the times by providing the option to give via debit and credit card in person, as well as and online. Niki has been instrumental in negotiating lower mortgage loan interest rates, coordinating outreach giving projects, special programs, ministry trips, and conferences locally and abroad on behalf of Living Waters. Niki's proudest moment is when her mother (now deceased) gave her life to Christ and made Living Waters her church home. It has been Niki's honor to accompany her spiritual mother and Pastor in overseas travel, ministering the Gospel in countries on the continents of Asia, Africa, and Europe. Niki wholeheartedly believes that whatever you endeavor to do for God, give it your all and do it in excellence.



Rev. Kendall L. McBroom

The Rev. Kendal L. McBroom is the director of Civil and Human Rights at the General Board of Church and Society. He is responsible for managing and developing the agency's legislative and policy advocacy in support of civil and human rights. He also works as a strategic thought partner and collaborator with United Methodist faith and secular coalitions to develop and implement strategies that advance GBCS priorities.

Before joining GBCS staff, Kendal served as the senior pastor of Turners Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in High Point, North Carolina and is an ordained elder in the AME Church.

"I am a passionate advocate for social justice as it relates to economic politics and artificial intelligence," Kendal said. "I have a deep and abiding love for community and seeing the kingdom of God actualized."

Kendal holds a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies from Hampton University, Master of Divinity, and Master of Public Policy from Duke University. He is currently pursuing a Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Sociology and Social Justice from Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland.

Kendal is joyfully married to the former Ms. Britney Richardson of Raleigh, NC. He is the oldest son of Mrs. Lisa McBroom-Johnson and Mr. Rodney C. Miles, the grandson of Mrs. Iola W. McBroom and the late Mr. Connie B. McBroom. Kendal loves being with family and friends, traveling, learning new cultures, and playing golf.



Rev. Dr. Barbareta McGill

Barbareta McGill is a child of God, a living testimony of the grace, mercy, and power of God. She is married to her beloved partner and friend Henry McNair McGill (Hank). Together they serve in diverse ministries as they journey in w , including RV escapes whenever possible.

Rev. McGill is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill here she earned her Bachelor and Master degrees in Nursing. The Master of Nursing degree included focus in Administration and preparation as a Family

Nurse Practitioner. Additionally, she is a graduate with Distinction of the John Rawlings Divinity School at Liberty University with the Master of Arts in Religion with a concentration in Leadership. Rev. BAM also completed the Doctor of Religious Studies in Biblical Studies , with Distinction, and as a life-long learner has completed Graduate Certificates in Christian Leadership Biblical Studies, and Faith Community Nursing.

Dr. McGill has served in bi-vocational ministry as a bedside registered nurse, College Nurse, Nationally certified Family Nurse Practitioner, Patient Advocate, Nursing Faculty and administrator, and Faith Community Nurse. She has woven these roles into her call to ordained ministry, including her doctoral work, "Developing a Biblically Based Health Ministry in the African-American Church Based on the Ministry of Jesus."

Rev. BAM is a servant leader/preacher/teacher/pastor whose vision is biblically-based and wholistic to educate, equip, empower, and encourage others to live their purpose to the glory of God.

Since being re-obligated to the A.M.E. Church and ordained an itinerant elder, Rev. McGill has pastored in both the Eastern and Western Districts of the Western NC Conference and served on various committees at the Presiding Elder District, Annual Conference and the Second Episcopal District levels.

She is privileged to serve Gaines Chapel, Eiland as their servant under-shepherd and is excited about what God is doing within and outside the sanctuary walls.

This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice,give thanks, and praise!



*Rev. Dr.
Bridgette V. Gloster*

ridgette Verna' Gloster began her ministry in 2003 in the Washington Conference and was ordained an Itinerant Elder by the same. She has served as an associate minister in congregations in Maryland, DC, and NC having received her first pastoral appointment to St. John AME Church in Nebo, NC. She is presently the proud pastor of Emmanuel A.M.E. Church in Durham, where she serves alongside her best friend, husband, and partner-in-ministry, Rev. Dr. Clay Gloster, Jr. They are the loving parents of four adult children - James, LaMarcus, Tiera, and Courtney.

Rev. Gloster holds a B.S. in Computer Networking, a Master of Divinity from Howard University, has completed graduate studies in Organizational Leadership at Gonzaga University, and has an earned Doctorate in Ministry from Payne Theological Seminary. She is also a proud member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Beyond and above all else, Rev. Gloster is a woman who loves the Lord and spends each day rejoicing at the grace that allows her to be a part of God's ministry to the least, the last, and the lost. She is eternally inspired by God's promise found in 2 Corinthians 4:8-9: "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed." She genuinely believes that for as long as we walk with God, there is always hope.



Rev. Jeanine Latta

The Reverend Jeanine DesChamps Latta earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Leadership from the University of Mount Olive and a certificate in Technical and Professional Communication. In 2019, she accepted her call to preach. As a way to reach the unsaved, the unloved and the unchurched, Rev. Latta launched her 1st podcast entitled: “The Latta Rain Podcast”, proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through social media (Spotify), in 2020.

Rev. Latta has been employed at Duke University as a Grants and Contracts Administrator for the past 24 years, a total of 35 years of service. Rev. Latta loves to serve people and her community. She has shown this in many ways over the years by establishing “A Latta Heart” scholarship for youth attending a four-year college in the amount of \$500 annually. Additionally, Rev. Latta is the visionary of the “BeYOUtiful” Women’s Conference held annually since March 2022.

Currently, Rev. Latta is pursuing a Master of Divinity at Payne Theological Seminary. On July 11, 2022, Rev. Latta was ordained as an itinerant deacon in the African Methodist Episcopal Church, AME. She is the proud pastor of Mount Zion, Greensboro, North Carolina. Her passion is outreach ministry to include women’s mission, nursing home and evangelism.

Rev. Latta is married to First Man, Steve Latta and together they have six children and three grandchildren. Rev. Latta is affectionately known as Pastor J. She is a Preacher, a Podcaster, and a Prayer Warrior. Rev. Latta loves the Lord, enjoys singing and making a joyful noise with her tambourine. She stands on the scripture, Philippians 4:13 “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me”.

Worship Services



District Conference Order of Service

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024

Worship Leader

Presiding Elder Dr. A. Qismat Alim

Call to Worship.....Rev. Torrey DeKine
Allen Chapel - Laurinburg

Minister: I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" Our feet shall stand within Thy gates, O Jerusalem.

People: For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my GOD than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Minister: Because of the house of the LORD our GOD, I will seek Thy good.

People: Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our GOD.

Minister: Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house. LORD, I have loved Thy habitation, the place where your glory dwells.

People: For the LORD is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him.

Minister: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight. O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.

ALL: O sing unto the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth sing praises.

Hymn of Praise.....Rev. Dr. Wayne Johnson
Shiloh - Morganton

Prayer of Invocation.....Rev. Crystally Covington
Bethel - Reidsville

Prayer Response..... Music Ministry

Worship Through MusicMusic Ministry

Old Testament Scripture Lesson.....Rev. Samuel Patterson
Hartland/Mars Hill- Morganton

New Testament Scripture Lesson.....Rev. Jacqueline Robertson
McElrath - Morganton

The Gospel Scripture Lesson.....Rev. Stephanie Revell
St. James - Sanford

Summary of the Decalogue.....Rev. Phyllis Royal
St. James - Raleigh

Worship in Giving.....Rev. Dr. Larry McDonald
St. Paul - Raleigh

Offertory.....Rev. Michael Shade
Israel Chapel - Connelly Springs

Introduction of the Preacher.....Presiding Elder Dr. A Qismat Alim

Sermonic Selection.....Music Ministry

The Preached Word.....Retired Senior Bishop John R. Bryant

Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....Rev. Philip Cousin, Jr.
St. John - Raleigh

Announcements.....Rev. Tarra Tinnin
Corpening Chapel - Morganton

Church School Convention Worship Order of Service

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024

Worship Leader - Bro. Adrian Fairly, Bethel - Greensboro

Call to Worship.....Bro. Adrian Fairly

LEADER: This is the day...

ALL: That the Lord has made

LEADER: Let us rejoice

ALL: And be glad in it

Opening Selection....."O Magnify the Lord, For He Is Worthy to Be Praised!"

Worship through Prayer.....Kamorya Quick
Joseph Temple - Laurinburg

Worship through Scripture..... Kinnadi Dennis
Emmanuel - Durham

Worship Through SongMt. Zion Youth Choir-Hillsborough

Welome.....Cayleigh Beam
Willow Tree - Morganton

GreetingsSis. Angela Elam, ED Church School Superintendent
Sis. Peggy Best, Host Church School Superintendent
Rev. Dr. Bridgette Gloster, Host Pastor

Worship Through SongMt. Zion Youth Choir-Hillsborough

Introduction of the Preacher.....Presiding Elder Dr. A Qismat Alim

Worship Through SongMt. Zion Youth Choir-Hillsborough

The Preached Word.....Rev. Jeanine Latta
Mt. Zion - Greensboro

Invitation to Discipleship..... Rev. Jeanine Latta

OfferingEastern District Finance Committee

Closing RemarksSis. Beverly Hester-Stephens, ED CE Director
Presiding Elder Dr. A. Qismat Alim

Benediction..... Rev. Jeanine Latta

Isaiah 58:12

Some of you will rebuild the ancient ruins; you will restore the foundations laid long ago; you will be called Repairer of broken walls, the restorer of streets where people live. (HCSB)

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