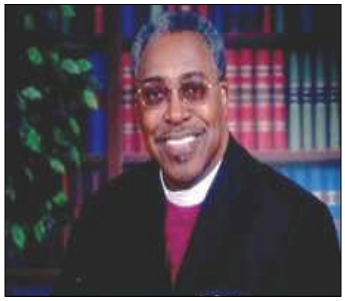
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Senior Bishop Thomas L. Hoyt, Jr.



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Bishop Thomas Lanier Hoyt, Jr., the 48th Bishop of the Christian Methodist Episcopal (C.M.E.) Church, was installed as the Senior Bishop of the denomination on June 30, 2010 at the thirty-sixth quadrennial Session and the thirty seventh General Conference in Mobile, Alabama.

Bishop Hoyt, elected to the Episcopacy at the 1994 General Conference, is currently the Presiding Prelate of the Seventh Episcopal District.

Bishop Hoyt is a distinguished scholar in theological education. His academic training is both thorough and extensive. Bishop Hoyt earned the BA degree from Lane College, Jackson, TN in 1962, the M.Div. degree from Phillips School of Theology of The Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, GA, the S.T.M. degree from the Union Theological Seminary in New York in 1967, and the Ph.D. degree from Duke University, Durham, NC in 1975. He was awarded the Doctor of Divinity degree from Trinity College in 1994. His ministry included pastoral service of several CME churches in North Carolina and New York and more than twenty years as a professor of theology. He has served as Assistant Professor of New Testament at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, GA, the School of Religion at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and Professor of New Testament and Director, Black Ministries Certificate Program at Hartford Seminary in Hartford, CT. Bishop Hoyt's most renown lectures were the Lyman Beecher Lectures at Yale Divinity School in 1993, one of the oldest and most prestigious lectureships in the academic community.

Bishop Hoyt has written more than thirty-five articles for professional journals and publications, and has shared in group projects that resulted in published books, including the influential *Stony the Road We Trod: An African American Biblical Interpretation*. Ed. by Cain Hope Felder (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1992).

President Hoyt served as the president of the National Council of Churches from 2004-2005. Awards and honors bestowed on Bishop Hoyt are numerous, including a visit to Pope John Paul II with a delegation from the National Council of Churches, delegate to the World Council of Churches in Porto, Alegre, Brazil in 1987, and CME representative at the World Council of Churches meeting on Faith and Order at Santiago De Compstela, Spain in 1993.

Upon his election to the Episcopacy, Bishop Hoyt was assigned to the Fourth Episcopal District. Bishop Hoyt was assigned to the Seventh Episcopal District at the 2006 General Conference. He is the Chair of the Department of Finance of the CME Church. Bishop Hoyt served as the Chair of the Department of Lay Ministry for twelve years, and the 125th CME Church Anniversary Celebration Committee.



Bishop Hoyt is married to Ocie (nee Oden) Hoyt, and is the father of two children, Doria and Thomas III. His office and headquarters are in Washington, DC.

The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, under the leadership of Senior Bishop Thomas L. Hoyt, Jr. and its College of Bishops, is a 139-year old historically African American Christian denomination with more than 1.2 million members across the United States, and has missions and sister churches in Haiti, Jamaica, Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Sudan/Egypt, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda Rwanda and Burundi.

Elder Louvenia R. Coleman



Reverend Louvenia R. Coleman is a licensed ordained Elder of The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church.

Reverend Coleman was educated at Cardozo High, Liberty University, Cornerstone Bible College, Phillip Johnson School of Theology and NRI School of Technical Learning.

Reverend Coleman is a charter member of Russell Temple CME Church, Alexandria, Virginia, which was also the church of her parents. There she served as Sunday School secretary, Sunday School teacher, Junior Usher, President of the Senior Usher Board, member of the Missionary

Society, member of The Young Ladies Auxiliary, member of The Junior, Senior and Gospel Choirs.

Reverend Coleman was a member of The Steward Board for thirteen years where she served as Recording Steward and Chairman of the Board, for eight years, she also served as Local Deacon, Local Elder and Associate Minister.

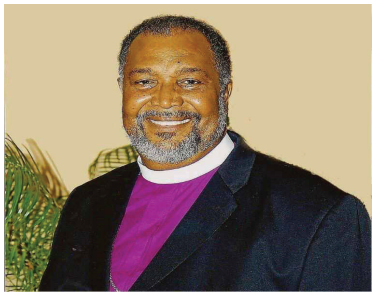
Reverend Coleman was Chaplain at The Alexandria Hospital for eleven years. She served as a member of the Board of Directors of The Interdenominational Church Ushers Association was Counselor for Wayward Girls for fifteen years, and was a member of the Citizens Task Force.

Professionally, Reverend Coleman is an accountant. She has served as Pastor for Womack Chapel, Chantilly, Virginia, Bannister Hill, Meadville, Virginia, Williams Temple, South Boston, Virginia, St. Paul, Halifax, Virginia and Williams Chapel, Front Royal, Virginia.

Presently Reverend Coleman is serving as Presiding Elder of the Durham District in North Carolina and is an elected member of the Executive Board, North Carolina Council of Churches.

Privately, Reverend Coleman is widowed. She was married to Robert Lewis Coleman. Reverend Coleman has three children and four grandchildren.

Celebrating the Life of Bishop Wallace Edward Lockett



Bishop Wallace Edward Lockett, the 57th Bishop of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church and the Presiding Prelate of the Fifth Episcopal District, made his transition on Thursday, March 3, 2011 at the age of 65. while returning home from a mission trip to Africa. Bishop Lockett was born March 5, 1945 and was 65 years old.

He was preceded in death by his parents Elder Lester Lockett and Marietta Lockett-Saul; sister Mary Davis-Baldwin; and brothers Henry Lee Lockett and Lester Lockett, Jr.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Lillie; children, Dwayne Demetrius (Brenda), Vernon Dale (Carmen), and Nicole Tonita, and one adopted daughter, Donna; five grandchildren, Dominique Price, DeLisa Williams, Christian Lockett, Alexis Lockett, and Brandon Lockett; an aunt, Mae Nora White; uncle, Howard Davis (Willie Mae); and stepmother-in-law Bernadine Brown; six siblings, Elijah Davis (Evelyn), Emma Jones (Danny Lee), Pearl Davis-Edwards, Willie Carl Davis (Endolyn) and Allie Blaylock; sisters-in-law Lula Mae Williams (Rev. Raymond Williams), Ida Brown (Clifton), Alberta Brown, Beverly Hall (John), and Shonda Goodman (Steven); brothers-in-law, Nathaniel Brown, James Brown (Marie), Kenneth Stevens (Evelyn), Edward Brown (Barbara), Ernest Brown (Judy), John Brown, and Dexter Brown, and a multitude of family and friends. Please keep Mrs. Wallace and her family in your prayers!

WHEN SOMEONE YOU LOVE BECOMES A MEMORY, THE MEMORY BECOMES A TREASURE.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS)



Sis. Helen Wilson

With the New Year, comes new resolutions and the biggest one of all is LOSING WEIGHT! Instead of diet fads and pills, why not join a program where the main goal is not to loosing weight, but making a lifestyle change. TOPS members discover the ins and outs of nutrition and learn to incorporate change gradually, allowing the healthier person within to emerge. They discover that eating smart, using portion control, and finding time to exercise adds quality to their years and years to their lives.

YMT hosts a local chapter of the TOPS program where our own Sister Helen Wilson is President. I had a chance to interview the members to learn more about their chapter and their organization.



What makes this organization different than other weight loss groups? Because we are a non-profit organization our membership dues are not as much as other programs ($26 annually), we are a closer knitted group.

Are there any pills, food or special drinks that you have to buy? There are no special products that you have purchase to join.

Who is allowed to join? Anyone is allowed to join. Men, women and even children can join. The only thing we recommend (but it is not required) is that members get a doctor's note of the recommended amount of weight to loose so they have a set goal.

What are some of the health reasons people give for joining? The main reason is that people feel that their eating is out of control and they need direction.

Do the people in the group find it hard to discuss things and encourage each other when they don't get the results they see on TV? Even when people don't see immediate results, we still cheer for people so they don't give up! We treat people like family. Whatever discussed at the meetings, stays at the meetings.

For more information see Sis. Wilson. Meetings are held Tuesdays from 6:00pm—7:00pm here at YMT

Our Shut-In *Mildred Pearce McCullers*



Ms. Mildred Pearce McCullers was born on April 1, 1926 in Hartsville, SC, to Alice Lee Pearce and Marvin Jackson. She had 3 sisters and 2 brothers with only 2 sister and 1 brother living at this time. She graduated from Washington High School in Raleigh, NC. Ms Mildred only had one son, Charles Downer.

While Ms. Mildred and her sister Ruby Bostic lived across the street from Young Missionary Temple CME church on State Street they decided to visit and the two of them join the church the in 1944.

Ms. Mildred while at YMT was in the Missionary Society, Stewardess Board, Senior Choir and the Saints Club.

Ms. Mildred said that she had a lot of favorite songs but "Amazing Grace" and "No Not One" were the only ones that she could remember at the time of our visit. Bless her heart! Ms. Mildred continually said, "I love and miss my church and I'll be glad when I can get back to my church."



Her contact information is:
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Prayer Requests

"Rise in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. I am the Lord." (NIV)

Leviticus



Leviticus is a group of inspired young men who got their start at Young Missionary Temple CME Church. Their mission is to spread God's message as well as an anti-drug and anti-violence message to teens across the Triangle and beyond, through positive rap.

Leviticus joined the TeenFest Family in 2007 and have performed under their banner ever since. TeenFest Foundation works to develop and nurture teen community leaders, specifically in the areas of substance abuse prevention and violence reduction.

Wherever they go, Leviticus leaves the crowd applauding and wanting more. Their positive lyrics, hot hooks, and dynamic performance make them the rising gospel hip hop group to watch. Their professional stage presence, raw talent, "performance-ready" polish, and ability to adapt to various circumstances have been compared to various high quality acts that today's music industry is sorely missing. According to the group founder Timothy Caldwell, "We want to make a difference in the lives of teens." Not only do they appeal to teens, but parents and music critics agree that Leviticus is well worth the price of admission. Event organizers wish they could clone them.

The members of Leviticus are Timothy "TimMay" Caldwell, Joseph "Young AIM." Ragland, Jared "J-Money" Caldwell, and Ashton "Slim" Howard. The Wake County High School and College Students have been performing since 2003, consistently racking up numerous awards, accolades, and performance invitations from a wide variety of agencies throughout North Carolina. Over the few years, Leviticus has been invited to perform at: Russ Parr Bus Tour, Phoenix Fest, Artsplosure, Raleigh Fashion Week, Women's Empowerment, The City of Raleigh Michael Jackson Tribute Celebration, Young Missionary Temple CME Church, Loss Sheep Outreach Ministries and other Church and Community Youth Rallies and Lock-Ins. They have also performed in Atlanta, GA, Virginia and the World Famous Apollo Theatre in New York City.

For interviews, performance requests, or more information, contact Reginald Caldwell at strictlybreggie@aol.com or 919-866-8336.

Celebrating the Life of Sis. Shirley Ann Williams



Shirley Williams was born in Apex, North Carolina. She received her early education at Apex Consolidated School. Shirley finished her education at Burrow Kelly High School. She was employed at Raleigh Linen Service until she retired in 2003.

Shirley was united in Holy Matrimony to our very own Brother Robert Williams for thirty-five years where she was faithful until her death.

Shirley was also a devoted member to Young Missionary CME Church for many years until her illness. She served on many Boards and Auxiliaries including, the Choir, Usher Board, Stewardess Board and Missionary Society.

Thank you God, for allowing her serve at Young Missionary. We truly loved her, but we know You loved her best!

Sunrise: January 24, 1938
Sunset: March 14, 2011

Dedication to Rev. Williams Missionary



On Sunday, January 30, 2011 (Missionary Observance Sunday) the Missionary Society honored YMT's oldest Missionary, Rev. Nettie Williams. She was honored and given a bouquet of long stemmed red roses along with a gift basket. She is a blessing to our church and was truly surprised. Rev. Williams is a very spiritual and humble woman.

Rev. Nettie Williams is a dedicated and honorable mother, grandmother, great grand mother, sister, aunt, friend and a true woman of God. She along with her late husband Fred Williams, Sr. has raised 9 children. Rev. Williams came to Young Missionary Temple in 1983. She has been a loyal member of the Missionary Society for more than 25 years and has held the position of President, Vice President, Mattie E. Coleman Advisor and Rossie T. Hollis Advisor of the local society on several different occasions. Not only has she served the Missionary Society, but you can still find her serving on the Ministerial Staff, Evangelism Board and as a Class Leader. She loves God and her Church and is always busy doing the work of the Lord.



When she is not able to get out physical, she will give you a call. One of her favorite Bible quote is "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13. One of her favorite songs is "*When the Gate Swings Open, I Walk Right On In"*. For her dedication and zeal in serving the Lord, we honor you Rev. Nettie Williams as our dedicated Missionary. " We Love you Mother Williams! "

Has The Check Been Cashed?

Oh, we've made it! Our people have gotten to the top, The White House! What else is there? People of other cultural backgrounds will respect us now! Well, the truth is President Obama cashed his check, but did you?

On February 26th the Women's Fellowship held an Oratorical Contest, designed to inspire and motivate our youth through the art of public speaking. The theme evolved from an excerpt of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "I Have A Dream" speech….. "America has given the Negro people a bad check which has come back marked "insufficient funds." But we refuse to believe that the bank of justice is bankrupt. We refuse to believe that there are insufficient funds in the great vaults of opportunity of this nation, but you have to cash your own check. A check that will give you upon demand, the riches of freedom and the security of justice

The topic was **"Now That We Have An African American President, Can We Finally Cash The Check**?" The students had 5-10 minutes to expound on the topic.

The event included four great contestants and four tough judges:
Level I Contestants: An-War Pace Jr. and Dominique Cross
Level II Contestants: Chanel Cross and Jared Caldwell
Judges: Kathy Brown, Tiffany Deloatch, Charlotte Hunter McKenzie and Al White



Level I Winner—An-War Pace Jr.



Level I Runner-Up—Dominique Cross



Level II Winner—Jared Caldwell



Level II Runner-Up—Chanel Cross

After four wonderful speeches, the judges decided they were all winners. Each contestant received a Certificate of Appreciation and a monetary prize. By the sound of those magnificent speeches, the youth are well on their way to "CASHING THEIR CHECK!" A job well done by our YMT youth.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY 27, 2011

































Men's Day "Men of Valor"



Dr. Moses V. Goldmon is married to the lovely Suzzette Shaw Goldmon and they have two beautiful daughters, Christa, and Patrice

On March 27, 2011, Dr. Moses V. Goldmon delivered a powerful message titled ***"Men of Valor"*** (Joshua 6:1-2 and Deuteronomy 20:9-15)(NKJV). What is Valor? The word valor refers to a resource, army, wealth, virtue and strength, a band of soldiers. These are things needed to accomplish a difficult challenge. Dr. Goldmon always tries to encourage men and challenges them to find their Godly valor.

Many scriptures and points were used to illustrate God's message to the men, young men, boys and even the women of the church. including:

1. **A man of valor will know who he is and lives that way!** If you're saved then act like it. If you say you love the Lord than live like it. Many times men do things because it feels good, but that's no excuse. Only do it if it IS good. (II Tim 1:1-5)
2. **A man of valor fellowships regularly with God, his wife and with other men of valor.** Fellowship with God (I John 1-10). God created us to fellowship with Him and when we do He starts to point out things that sometimes we don't want to hear (confession). God is always there to forgive and cleanse us.
Fellowship with our wives (Gen 2:18) Sex precludes fellowship. Learn to listen to your wives. God gave men wives to help them, but how can they help if the husband doesn't protect them. The purpose of the rib is to protect the heart. Men, protect your wives. And understand that wives are not nagging, but helping.
Men need to fellowship with other men of valor Don't hang around those who always tell you what you want to hear.
3. **A man of valor will take care of their temple.** Remember your body was brought for a price. Overeating, smoking, drinking? Need he say more? Participate in more physical activities and please, men have your yearly physicals and prostate exams.
4. **A man of valor resists the temptation to fornicate.** Men must have a disciplined mind. Hold those evil thoughts captive because if you think on it, you will act on it. Remember, we sin by **thought,** word and deed.
5. **A man of valor should remain gainfully employed.** If you're not gainfully employed then your job is to find a job. Many Black men need to upgrade their skills. A man of valor doesn't want to be a free-loader.



CONGRATULATIONS men for a day of success!

STIR IT UP!!!

Induction Ceremony



On Tuesday, March 22, 2011, Sibyl R. Murchinson was inducted into the Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society, Alpha Alpha Chapter at a ceremony held at the Historic Chapel at Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina. Sibyl was one of seventeen inductees during the Spring 2011 ceremony. She is pursuing a degree in Business Administration.

Alpha Kappa Mu is a general scholarship honor society open to junior and seniors who excel in their academic studies. Congratulatory remarks were given by Dr. Dianne B. Suber, President of Saint Augustine's College.

Sibyl is the daughter of Bro. Junious Murchinson and the mother of two daughters, Eboni Jones and Kiara Jones. Eboni is a Senior at Fayetteville State University majoring in Elementary Education and Kiara is a Junior attending North Carolina Central University majoring in Business with a Minor in Spanish. May God continue to bless you and your daughters in all of your endeavors.

Congratulations!!!
Young Missionary C.M.E. Church

Fishermen of the Month

December
Nellie-Evans Nixon



January
Rev. Nettie Williams

Then Jesus said to them,

"Come after Me, and I will make you become fishers of men. " Mark 1:17

Baptism at YMT

On Sunday March 6th, Sis. Kimberly Cooper and Sis Dominique Cross were immersed in the water as the first Baptism Candidates of the 2011 year.

Holy Communion and Baptism are the two sacraments of the Church. Baptism is a religious sacrament marked by the symbolic application of water to the head or immersion of the body into water, resulting in admission of the candidate into the community of Christians.



Water baptism is a symbolic burial, by which the new Christian publicly declares they have died, and are now beginning a new life, in Christ.



By water baptism we testify that our old life is gone, and we are now joined with Jesus. We are pledging ourselves to a new life, with Jesus Christ Who died for us and rose again.

Left to Right – Kim, Pastor, Dominique