Ninth Episcopal District Lay Organization

Mr. James C. Bonner, Episcopal District President
Bishop James L. Davis, Servant Bishop
Mother Arelis B. Davis, Episcopal Supervisor, WMS
Ms. Carolyn Cummings, Director of Lay Activities
Mr. Richard Bowden, Connectional Financial Secretary
Episcopal District President
Mr. James C. Bonner
THE NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

Remembers

Mr. Thomas Edward “Peter” Greene
Former Connectional Lay Organization First Vice President

Sunrise
July 21, 1939

Sunset
March 12, 2010
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LAY ORGANIZATION OFFICERS

- James C. Bonner, President
- Wayman Shivers, 1st Vice President
- Joyce O’Neal, 2nd Vice President
- Don Clemons, 3rd Vice President
- Dianne Battle, Recording Secretary
- Dorothy Jones, Assistant Recording Secretary
- Alice Cornett, Corresponding Secretary
- Sarah Butler, Treasurer
- Richard Bowden, Financial Secretary
- Robert L. Turner, Chaplain
- Gussie Boyd, Historiographer
- Dorothy Davis, Parliamentarian
- Carolyn Cummings, Director of Lay Activities
- Lois Hall, Director of Public Relations
- Denise Smith, Young Adult Representative

Our mission is to teach and train the laity of the A.M.E. Churches of the Ninth Episcopal District to support the total program in the Church, the Community, and the Connection through a systematic and regular study of the Doctrine and Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and to keep alive the principles and sacred memory of our founder, Richard Allen.
# 9th District Lay Conference Presidents

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GOALS SET BY THE
EPISCOPAL LAY ORGANIZATION FOR 2010

GOAL #1 - 70% of all the 9th Episcopal District will have an organized and active lay organization.

GOAL #2 – Provide workshops for laity on the duties and responsibilities of elected officers on the Conference and Episcopal level.

GOAL #3 – Provide workshops on the Conference and Episcopal level on the Book of Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

GOAL #4 – Continue to provide scholarships toward Seminary Degrees to ministers in the Ninth District.
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METHODS USED TO IMPLEMENT SOME OF OUR OBJECTIVES

1. **Youth & Young Adult Participation** – This component of our organization was revamped and the attendance and increased.

   - 2. **AME V-ALERT** – Encouraged potential voters to register to vote by providing voter registration material, and encouraged voters to vote by email, telephone calls and person to person contact.

   - 3. **CLEDC Membership** – Encouraged members to contribute to the CLEDC.

   - 4. **ENVISION 5000** – We restructured our meetings and workshop sessions to get more people involved.

     With the spirited encouragement of our Presiding Elders, each charge has been made responsible for organizing an active Lay.

     The pastors and local presidents were spotlighted during our Annual Lay Night Program.

   - 5. **PROPOSED LEGISLATION** – No legislation was initiated.
North Alabama Conference
Lay Organization
CONFERENCE REPORT

• James C. Bonner Jr. – 9th Episcopal District Laymen Organization President
  • Mrs. Adrienne C. Rowland – CONFERENCE PRESIDENT
  • NUMBER OF LAY DISTRICTS IN THE CONFERENCE – 2
  • NUMBER OF LOCAL LAY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CONFERENCE – 35
  • TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN THE CONFERENCE LAY ORGANIZATION
  • Members at the beginning of the Quarter – 360
  • Members at the end of the Quarter – 370
  • NUMBERS OF CHURCHES VISITED DURING THE QUARTER - 8
Northeast Alabama Conference
Lay Organization
CONFERENCE REPORT

• James C. Bonner Jr. – 9th Episcopal District Laymen Organization President
  • Mr. Robert L. Turner – CONFERENCE PRESIDENT
• NUMBER OF LAY DISTRICTS IN THE CONFERENCE – 2
• NUMBER OF LOCAL LAY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CONFERENCE – 30
  • TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN THE
  • CONFERENCE LAY ORGANIZATION
  • Members at the beginning of the Quarter – 202
  • Members at the end of the Quarter – 228
• NUMBERS OF CHURCHES VISITED DURING THE QUARTER - 6
Alabama River Conference
Lay Organization
CONFERENCE REPORT

- James C. Bonner Jr. – 9th Episcopal District Laymen Organization President
  - Mr. Donald Clemons – CONFERENCE PRESIDENT
- NUMBER OF LAY DISTRICTS IN THE CONFERENCE – 1
- NUMBER OF LOCAL LAY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CONFERENCE – 17
  - TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN THE
    - CONFERENCE LAY ORGANIZATION
  - Members at the beginning of the Quarter – 146
  - Members at the end of the Quarter – 157
- NUMBERS OF CHURCHES VISITED DURING THE QUARTER - 5
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Southeast Alabama Conference
Lay Organization
CONFERENCE REPORT

• James C. Bonner Jr. – 9th Episcopal District Laymen Organization President
  • Mrs. Bernella Knight-Rose – CONFERENCE PRESIDENT
  • NUMBER OF LAY DISTRICTS IN THE CONFERENCE – 2
  • NUMBER OF LOCAL LAY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CONFERENCE – 28
  • TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN THE CONFERENCE LAY ORGANIZATION
  • Members at the beginning of the Quarter – 210
  • Members at the end of the Quarter – 217
  • NUMBERS OF CHURCHES VISITED DURING THE QUARTER - 12
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West Conference
Lay Organization
CONFERENCE REPORT

• James C. Bonner Jr. – 9th Episcopal District Laymen Organization President
  • Mr. Dewey Allen – CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

• NUMBER OF LAY DISTRICTS IN THE CONFERENCE – 2
• NUMBER OF LOCAL LAY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CONFERENCE – 16
  • TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN THE
    • CONFERENCE LAY ORGNIZATION
  • Members at the beginning of the Quarter – 60
    • Members at the end of the Quarter – 72
• NUMBERS OF CHURCHES VISITED DURING THE QUARTER - 3
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THEOLOGICAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Theological Scholarship is available to any minister pursing the Master’s and Doctor’s of Divinity Degrees from an accredited seminary.

The Recipients for 2010 are as follows:
  Rev. Roderick Callins
  Rev. Autumn Wilson
  Rev. Tony Scott
  Rev. Christopher Reeves
  Rev. Robert R.A. Turner
  Rev. Christopher Burnett
  Rev. Vicki Sanders
  Rev. Karen Jarmon
Overview of

Activities and Programs

of the

Lay Organization

in the

9th Episcopal District
Ms. Carolyn Cummings
Director of Lay Activities
Ninth Episcopal District
2010 Young Adult Banquet
Young Adult Banquet
Spirit Award Recipients
THE HENRY GODWIN—T.D. PETERS
LAY RETREAT

Lakepoint Lodge and Convention Center
Eufaula, Alabama

August, 2010
9th Episcopal District’s

2010 Godwin – Peters Retreat

**Right Comic

**Left Health Presentation

****Center Bid Whiz Conference Champion
BUT REMEMBER,
WHAT HAPPENS AT THE RETREAT…
STAYS AT THE RETREAT!
Historic Brown Chapel A.M.E. Church Selma, Alabama
Lay Night at the
Alabama River Region Conference
First Alabama River Region
Annual Conference Lay Night
Reflections
NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OFFICE
STATE OF ALABAMA
Imagine…

Daniel Payne College

as

Daniel Payne Legacy Village
Imagine a Place…

*to host all of our District & Connectional Meetings
*a Hotel & Retreat Rooms to accommodate up to 350 guests
*with a state of the art Banquet Facility that seats a minimum of 1000 guests
*Theater seating for over 2000 guests
*with Retail Shopping
*with tennis courts & a multi-use sports field that generates revenue instead of expenditures for the District!
Imagine…

our Legacy Restored!
COMING EVENTS!!!!
NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT LAY ORGANIZATION
51st Annual Lay Convention
November 19-20, 2010
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Host Northeast Alabama Annual Conference
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Marriott Auburn Opelika Hotel and Conference Center
Opelika, Alabama
Acknowledgements

SERVANT BISHOP & MRS. JAMES L. DAVIS
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MS. VALERIE WRIGHT
9TH DISTRICT LAY EXECUTIVE BOARD
CONFERENCE LAY PRESIDENTS
&
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