Quadrennial Report
50th Session of the General Conference
African Methodist Episcopal Church

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## District Statistics

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New Congregation

Beloved Community AME Mission Church, Desoto, Texas
Rev. Geoffrey Whitcomb, pastor

Mortgage Burnings

Paul Quinn AME Church, Austin, Texas
Rev. E. D. Johnson, pastor

Shiloh AME Church, Galveston, Texas
Rev. Kevin Hodge, pastor

Grant Chapel AME Church, Palestine, Texas
Rev. William Carlisle, pastor

Hamilton Memorial AME Church, Texarkana, Texas
Rev. Dr. James A. Morris, pastor
New Buildings Erected or Purchased

St. Paul AME Church
Greenspoint, Texas
Rev. Roderick D. Dawson

Built new Education Building which includes gymnasium, daycare and family life center.

Anderson Chapel AME Church
Killen, Texas
Rev. Dr. William M. Campbell, Jr.

Built new Community Center
Necrology

- Bishop Sarah Davis
- Rev. Dr. Leonard Alfred
- Rev. Zether Bell
- Rev. Jessie Benson
- Rev. Caiaphas Cain
- Rev. Ronnie Carter
- Rev. Otha Edison
- Rev. Daniel Emanuel
- Rev. Joe Nathan Ferrell
- Rev. Pearl Foster
- Rev. Earl Foster
- Rev. Billie Freeman
- Rev. Digi Hamilton
- Rev. Edward B. Heard
- Rev. Clara Jones
- Rev. Claude Lewis
- Rev. Velma Travis Moore
- Rev. Elbert L. Mullen
- Rev. Bruce Nash
- Rev. Herman Reese
- Rev. Michael Robinson
- Rev. P. Arnerene Sauls
- Rev. Dredford Shuler
- Rev. Joseph Simpson
- Rev. Linda Smith
- Rev. Richard Tankerson
- Rev. William Vaughn, Sr.
- Rev. Jonetta Washington
- Rev. Fred Williams
- Rev. Gwendolyn Williams
- Rev. Robert E. Williams
- Rev. George S. Willis, III
2020 Vision

The goal during this quadrennium (2012-2016) was to guide clergy and laity to see clearly God’s vision for the future of the 10th Episcopal District as a nominal activity between the head, heart and spiritual visual acuity. Through various programs using technology, speakers at State/Presiding Elder District meetings; opportunities were offered to enhance our leadership, spiritually, congregational life and service to our local and global communities.
Paul Quinn College - $15.7 Million Raised

Accomplishments

• Enrollment at the College increased 217% during Bishop McKenzie’s four-year Board Chairmanship. (Institutional record)

• The College raised $15,692,706 in donations during Bishop McKenzie’s four-year Board Chairmanship. (Institutional record)

• We have recorded a total of $8,247,238 in surpluses during the last four years. (Institutional record)

• For the first time in the school’s history we achieved a perfect financial strength score from the DOE of 3.0. This is particularly noteworthy because we cannot seem to locate a time in recent history where we had even achieved a mark above a 1.4.
Paul Quinn College

- The College created the widely acclaimed New Urban College Model during the Bishop’s Chairmanship. Under this model, the College has become the first Urban Work College in the United States, dropped tuition and fees from $23,800 to $14,300, and no longer uses textbooks.

- Additionally, the New Urban College Model also includes the revolutionary new financial model that allows the average student to graduate from the College owing less than $9,500.

- The College was twice nominated for “HBCU of the Year,” President Sorrell was nominated three times as “HBCU Male President of the Year,” and had one of its students nominated as the “HBCU Student of the Year” during the Bishop’s tenure.

- During the last four years, the College has been the source of feature stories by ESPN, HBO, NPR, the NewsHour, the Dallas Morning News, the Hechinger Report, and many, many others.
TenthFuture, Inc. is the 10th District's official 501c3. It provides resources outside of tithes and offerings to local congregations for projects and students for theological study. Some examples of how funds were used are to repair foundations, roofs and payoff mortgages. The total funds raised for TenthFuture, Inc. was $274,750 through our annual golf tournament. During this quadrennium, TenthFuture, Inc. has provided more than $99,000 in grants to local congregations and students for theological study. During the 2016 Golf Tournament, over $100,000 was raised which will be used to fund the grants and scholarships in the 2016 Annual Conference series.
TenthFuture, Inc.
Grant and Scholarship Recipients

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS
• Reverend Tamika Baker
• Reverend Vernita Bowie
• Joyce Brooks
• Reverend Salathia Bryant-Honors
• Reverend Regina Earls
• Reverend Carol Echols
• Reverend Dwayne Hysmith
• Reverend James Anthony Morris
• Reverend Lernette Patterson
• Reverend Marjorie Scott
• Reverend Bennie Wesley
• Reverend Geoffrey Whitcomb
• Reverend P. Myria Bailey Whitcomb
• Reverend Cheryl Renee Wilson

CHURCH GRANTS
• Allen Chapel AME Church
• Allen Chapel AME Church - Bryan
• Anderson Chapel AME Church
• Bethel AME Church - Cameron
• Bethel AME Church - Hearne
• Bethel AME Church - Salter
• Brown Chapel AME Church
• Brown Chapel AME Church
• Clear Lake AME Church
• East Orange AME Church
• Gaines Chapel AME Church - Dallas
• Greater Edwards Chapel
• Greater Johnson Chapel AME Church
• Greater Mt. Vernon Zion
• Greater St. Stephen AME Church
• Hamilton Memorial AME Church
• Harris Spring AME Church
• Hope AME Church - Prairie View
• Macedonia AME Church
• Mt. Olive AME Church
• Mt. Zion AME Church
• Primm Chapel AME Church
• Reedy Chapel AME Church
• Salter Chapel AME Church
• Shiloh AME Church
• St. Annie AME Church
• St. James AME Church
• St. Paul AME Church - Hubbard
• St. Paul AME Church - Oakwood
• St. Paul AME Church - Sealy
• St. Stephen AME Church
• Trinity AME Church
• Union Center AME Church
• Warren Chapel AME Church
• Wesley Chapel AME Church - San Marco
The “10% Challenge” is a 10 month discipleship program envisioned and developed by Bishop McKenzie for the 10th District. Each month participants were encouraged to get closer to God, grow stronger in faith and favor, dive deeper into a spiritual lifestyle, and drink from the Source of supply that never runs dry. This resource offered the opportunity for personal and congregational spiritual growth through, devotionals, litanies, affirmations and prayer.
10th District Mission Trip

Our mission extended beyond Texas and the US. There were 2 mission trips to South Africa from the 10th District. One was sponsored by our YPD of West Texas. The first mission trip was from November 20-29, 2014 included South Africa, Lesotho, and the Swaziland Mission.
Social Action – Black Lives Matter

The 10th District has not remained silent, “while the lives of too many men and women are being hijacked by a biased criminal justice system, social and cultural fears and phobias.” (Bishop McKenzie) December 2014 issued a called to action in support of the Black Lives Matter movement. We were joined by leadership from the CME, AMEZ and Baptist churches. Paul Quinn College partnered with Open Channels Group to create a $7500 Social Justice Scholarship in memory of Trayvon Martin. In July 2015 Bishop McKenzie was the keynote speaker at the prayer vigil for Sandra Bland, Prairie View A&M Johnson-Phillip All Faith Chapel; people from across the state marched to the sight of Ms. Bland’s arrest. Globally supported the #Bring Our Girls Back letter writing campaign.
Couples Retreat

Our first couples retreat was held March 13-14, 2015 in Waco, Texas. What a blessing it was for the couples and the entire District.
Praycation & Praycation Conference

Praycation, instituted by Bishop McKenzie in the 10th District, is a spiritual practice focused on prayer. In addition to participation through Bishop McKenzie’s website, Praycation Services were also incorporated at each District meeting.

This ministry became a live prayer conference experience where more than 160 spiritual pilgrims answered the invitation to gather in San Antonio, Texas on the campus of Oblate School of Theology for a few days to find an, “Oasis in the Desert.” Registrants came from Florida, Baltimore, Atlanta, Milwaukee, California and throughout the 10th Episcopal District. During Praycation, the believers were given opportunities to experience prayer in different forms.
The Koinonia fellowships were special times at State Meetings for clergy to interact with some of the top leaders in ministry today. We were blessed to have Rev. Sheleta Fomby, Rev. Dr. Vanessee Burns, Bishop Joseph Walker, and Rev. Dr. Kenneth Robinson as presenters. Each brought their unique ministry perspective which enriched our clergy, congregations and communities. Clergy conversation and coaching.
5G Church Conferences

Utilized technology and hosted statewide trainings for all clergy and laity through 5G (Godly, Growing, Going, Gospel, Generous) Conferences. These were interactive conference calls with top practitioners in their field that members could participate in from the comfort of their home. Sessions like “Spiritual Approaches with Practical Suggestions for Programming, Financing and Budgeting” and “Doing Church: Reflections on Worship” helped shaped the congregational life in the 10th District.

Testimony

Thank you very much for making such an informative presentation available to us. It was very encouraging because we had been trying some of the ideas already! Now, with the suggestions given, we can close our eyes and 'imagine' how we can do even more!

Rev. Michael K. King and
The Greater St. James Temple AMEC
Dallas, Texas
Annual Conferences

The highlight of Annual Conferences were the processional of Churches, pastoral reports, ordination and the clergy institutes. The clergy institutes convened one day prior to the start of the Annual Conference and were an extension of our 5G conferences.
Imagine Tour

The “Imagine Tour” initiative included our Episcopal team visiting all 204 AME congregations in the 10th Episcopal District. The goals were to give our Episcopal Leadership an opportunity to interact with local congregants, view locations and personally share the 2020 vision. Other highlights of these visits were the community worship services and sharing in the local congregations prepared cuisine. The Episcopal Team traveled 187,910 miles to visit all of the churches in the 10th District.
Super Summer Convocations

For the 10th District this is our primary training meeting. Tracks are developed for each age group, as well as, the Clergy, Lay and Missionary components. This is our largest meeting of the year drawing between 800-1000 attendees annually. We now offer CEUs in the clergy track.
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