

TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OF THE A.M.E. CHURCH

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**2025 SUPER SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONVOCATION**



**GO LIGHT OUR WORLD**

Matthew 5:14-16 (NLT)

**BISHOP RONNIE ELIJAH BRAILSFORD, SR .**  
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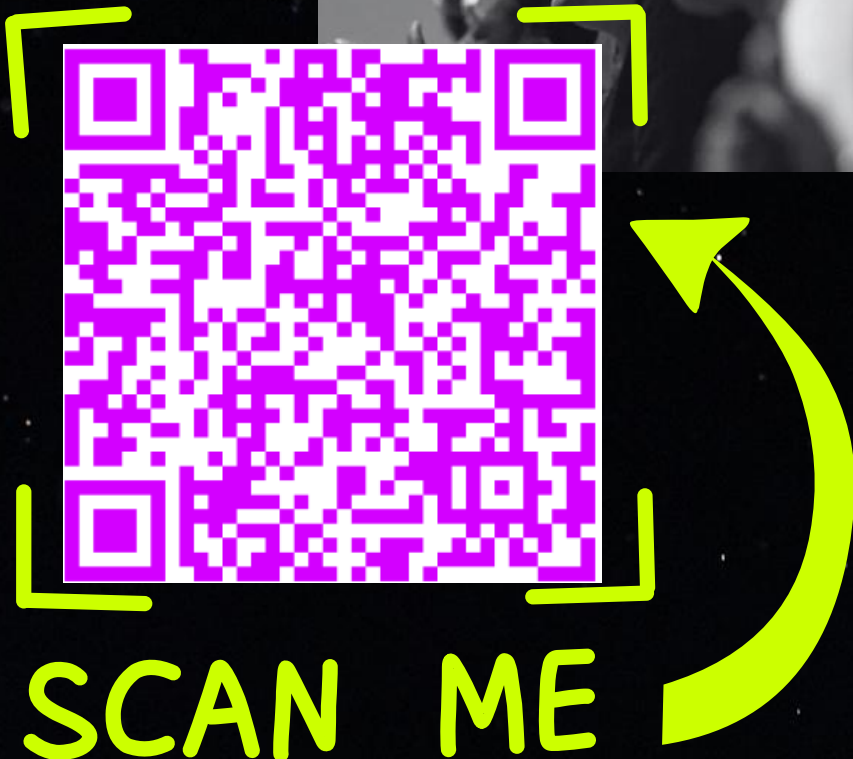




# HELP US **CAPTURE HOW YOU GLOW**

Help us capture the unforgettable moments of Super Summer Leadership Convocation 2025 by sharing your photos with us. Whether it's worship, learning labs, selfies, or group photos—we want to see it ALL!

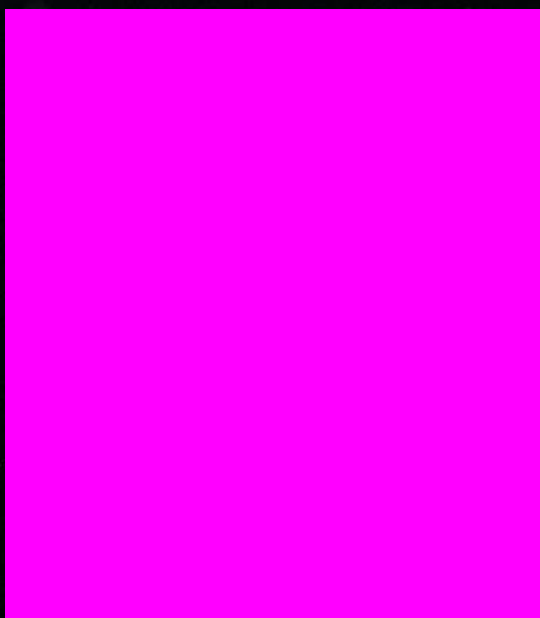
Upload your pics and short videos right here and let's create a digital memory book together. Let us see how YOU glow!



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**SUPER SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONVOCATION**



# OUR EPISCOPAL LEADERSHIP



**BISHOP RONNIE ELIJAH BRAILSFORD, SR., PRESIDING PRELATE**  
**REV. CAROLYN ELIZABETH IRVIN BRAILSFORD, EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR**



# GREETINGS FROM BISHOP BRAILSFORD



Greetings in the Majestic name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Welcome to our 10th Episcopal District Super Summer Leadership Convocation (SSLC) for 2025. It is a blessing to be here as living testimonies to the goodness of God in our lives. His loving kindness and tender mercy have prevailed, and His favor continues to rest upon us.

This week, we come together with great anticipation that GOD's presence and power will be manifested in our gathering. We are one in the body of Jesus Christ,

united in the Holy Spirit to let our lights shine, GLOW (Go Light Our World), to bring honor and glory to GOD.

We look forward to a productive and inspiring Convocation as we meet to share our collective thoughts and wisdom for the good of our great Zion. Let us pray for leadership at all levels of our district to embrace the vision and mission for discipleship and kingdom building. Let us pray for the preachers and that the worship experiences will be so spirit-filled that souls will be saved, lives will be edified, and people will be healed spiritually, mentally, emotionally, physically, relationally, and financially.

Let us pray for the presenters and facilitators for empowering workshops and labs that will equip clergy and laity for "greater" ministry in church growth, development, and discipleship. Let us pray for functional and educational sessions that will inform and inspire, given the level of commitment and dedication shown in service. Let us pray for a love and fellowship that cannot be broken by the challenges, temptations, trials, and tests of this world.

Supervisor Brailsford and I would like to thank each of you for your strong support during these first 10 months of our time together. After four annual conferences, three state meetings, and visiting 175 of 177 churches, the bonds we've built feel deeper than the short time we've shared.

Truly, GOD has blessed us, the Totally Texas, Totally Tenth Episcopal District. His hand is upon us! We will continue to let our lights shine before men, women, boys, and girls so that they will see our good works on earth and glorify GOD, our heavenly Father. Let us leave this place ignited with purpose and renewed to serve—ready to GLOW: Go Light Our World with the love, truth, and hope of Christ!

**Let's GLOW up that GOD will be glorified!**

Yours in Kingdom building,

*Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.*  
Bishop Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.

## EPISCOPAL LEADERSHIP

### BISHOP

Bishop Ronnie E. Brailsford, Sr.

### EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR

Rev. Carolyn E. Irvin Brailsford

### PRESIDING ELDERS

Rev. Dr. George Johnson, Jr.

Rev. Dwayne Hysmith, Sr.

Rev. Dr. Juan Tolliver

Rev. Dr. C. Dennis Williams

Rev. Dr. W. Raymond Bryant

Rev. Dr. Pamela Rivera

Rev. Chukwuma Okoli

Rev. Brenda Beckford Payne

### INTERNATIONAL WMS PRESIDENT

Dr. Deborah Taylor King

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Sis. Romella Jones – YPD

Bro. Jaelyn Maladdie – YPD

Sis. Annette Sykes – CDMC

Sis. RaFaye Nesmith – MSWAWO +PK's



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# WELCOME TO PAUL QUINN COLLEGE

WELCOME to the historic and innovative Paul Quinn College—where purpose meets power and dreams are built on discipline, faith, and servant leadership! At Paul Quinn WE OVER ME is not a tagline, it's a lifestyle! We are eradicating intergenerational poverty and creating change agents for the global marketplace.

We are EXCITED to host the Tenth Episcopal District for this year's Super Summer Leadership Convocation—a time to GROW, GLOW, and GO! You are not just attending an event—you are stepping into a movement. A movement of leaders of ALL ages who are committed, called, and compelled to let their light shine! As we gather on this sacred and scholarly ground, remember, we love our campus and take pride in it. Paul Quinn is more than just a place—it's a legacy of excellence, innovation, and service. So, while you're here, please:

- **Respect our campus.** Treat our campus like your own—keep it clean, walk in excellence, and leave it better than you found it.
- **Respect each other.** After all, we're here to build, encourage, and grow. And lastly,
- **ENJOY this time!** Soak up the wisdom, build genuine connections, challenge yourself, and have fun—because this week is about becoming who God created you to be.

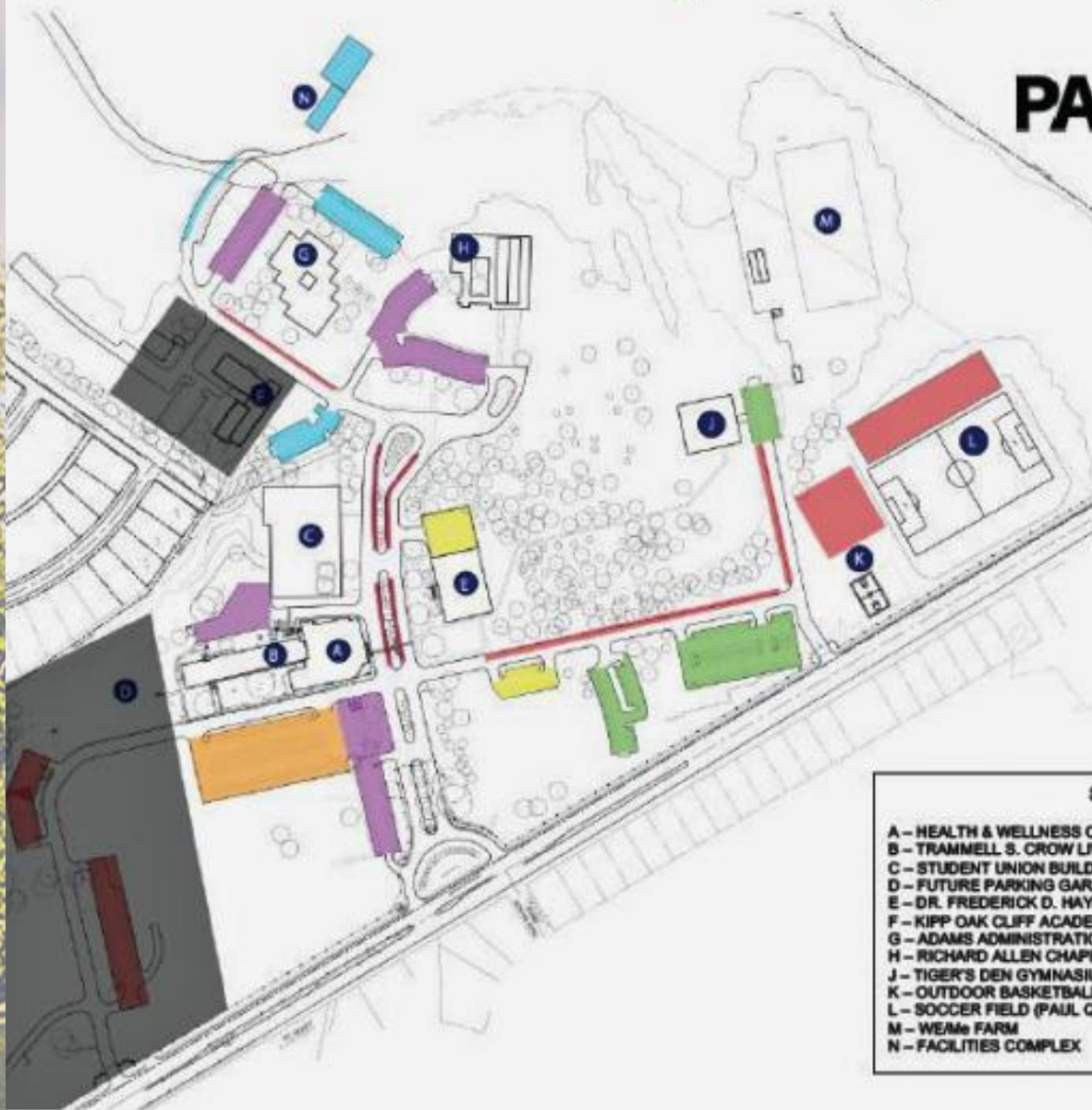
We pray you will find this experience to be more than memorable—it will be transformational!

**GET READY TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT—it's time to GLOW and GO LIGHT OUR WORLD!**



# Campus Map

## PAUL QUINN



### PARKING LEGEND

**RED:** NO PARKING  
**LIGHT BLUE:** KIPP OAK CLIFF  
**YELLOW:** HAYNES GLOBAL PREP  
**PINK:** PAUL QUINN COLLEGE  
**STAFF, FACULTY, AND VISITORS**  
**ORANGE:** PQC STUDENT PARKING  
**GREEN:** OPEN ACCESS PARKING

### SITE LEGEND

**A – HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER (NEW GYM)**  
**B – TRAMMELL S. CROW LIVING AND LEARNING CENTER**  
**C – STUDENT UNION BUILDING**  
**D – FUTURE PARKING GARAGE**  
**E – DR. FREDERICK D. HAYNES, III GLOBAL PREPARATORY ACADEMY**  
**F – KIPP OAK CLIFF ACADEMY, PETER BRODSKY HALL**  
**G – ADAMS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**  
**H – RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL**  
**J – TIGER'S DEN GYMNASIUM (OLD GYM)**  
**K – OUTDOOR BASKETBALL COURTS**  
**L – SOCCER FIELD (PAUL QUINN AND KIPP ONLY)**  
**M – WE/ME FARM**  
**N – FACILITIES COMPLEX**



# CONVOCATION GUIDELINES & GENERAL INFORMATION

## Welcome to the 10th Episcopal District Super Summer Leadership Convocation!

We look forward to an exciting time in the Lord! We pray that you will enjoy everything planned for this momentous GLOW experience. To help us all enjoy ourselves and make this an outstanding convocation, please adhere to the following guidelines:

### MANDATORY ORIENTATION

**There will be a mandatory orientation meeting on Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. in the Richard Allen Chapel on the Paul Quinn College campus. Please plan to arrive early enough to ensure you can attend.**

### REGISTRATION & IDENTIFICATION

Registration opens Thursday, July 17, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and will reopen on Friday, July 18, 2025, at 7:30 a.m. A chaperone must be present to pick up registration packets for all attendees 12 and under. Youth and young adult attendees are required to wear identification badges or wristbands.

### BACKGROUND CHECKS

All clergy, chaperones, and individuals working with our youth must complete the Protect My Ministry requirements, which include the background check and Child Safety Training.

### SAFETY MARSHALS

The Sons of Allen Ministry will provide security for this event. You will meet them during the mandatory orientation meeting. Please familiarize yourself with ways to identify members of this ministry and follow their directions.





**BE SMART  
& BEHAVE**

All attendees are encouraged and expected to exercise wise and good conduct to achieve a worthwhile Christian experience for everyone. All youth will respect and abide by the chaperone's instructions. If inappropriate behavior occurs, the individual(s) and people traveling with that person may be asked to leave the Super Summer Leadership Convocation.

**STRICTLY  
PROHIBITED**

**NO smoking, vaping, consumption of alcohol, or usage of any illegal drugs is strictly prohibited.**

**NO swimming.**

**NO charges should be made to rooms without the permission of chaperones.**

**CHAPERONE  
REQUIRED**

**A chaperone must accompany children at all times.**

- a. No children walk in the halls alone.
- b. No unsupervised gatherings in hotel rooms.
- c. Youth should not be off-site without permission.
- d. Youth may use cell phones

**ADULT  
ATTIRE**

**Appropriate attire is required at all times.**

Please wear smart casual attire—neat and comfortable clothing that's a step above everyday casual. Examples include polo shirts, blouses, sweaters, slacks, or clean jeans (No ripped jeans, leggings, graphic t-shirts, shorts, or hoodies).

**YOUTH  
ATTIRE**

**Appropriate attire is required at all times.** For youth attendees, casual attire is appropriate. Please do not include the following apparel in your Convocation wardrobe:

- Halter/mid-drift blouses. Pants below the waist (male or female)
- Mini, mini-skirts, or Daisy Duke shorts
- Youth Males: no hats, do-rags, or head towels during workshops and worship services

**BREAKFAST  
@ EMBASSY SUITES**

Breakfast will be served from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday in the hotel restaurant. Youth must be accompanied by an adult with a room key to access the hotel's breakfast buffet.

**MANDATORY  
CURFEW**

All youth are asked to be in their rooms by curfew, unless they are accompanied by an adult. **The nightly curfew is midnight**, except on Friday, July 18, 2025, after the "Glow After Party" event. After the event, all attendees under 18 years of age must be in their rooms by 12:30 a.m., unless they are accompanied by an adult.



# **THURSDAY, JULY 17** **DETAILED AGENDA**

## **CLERGY & CHURCH LEADERSHIP / CEU TRACK**

in partnership with Payne Theological Seminary

**11:00 AM – 6:00 PM**

### **REGISTRATION (PICK UP PRE-PAID REGISTRATION KITS)**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL ANNEX AND FOYER**

A chaperone must be present to pick up registration packets for all attendees 12 and under.

**12:00 PM – 12:45 PM**

### **SUPER SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONVOCAION ORIENTATION**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

Mandatory for All Chaperones & Youth Attendees

**1:00 PM – 3:45 PM**

### **CHURCH ADMINISTRATION WORKSHOP (3 PARTS)**

**SIS. KATHY DRAYTON, CLO TREASURER & 10<sup>TH</sup> ED DIRECTOR OF LAY ACTIVITIES**

**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE- COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION (SBU)**

This 3-part learning lab is designed to equip church leaders, administrators, and ministry teams with the tools, strategies, and spiritual insight needed to support healthy, sustainable church operations. Participants will explore the intersection of faith, leadership, and organizational management to better serve their congregations and communities.

**3:45 PM – 4:30 PM**

### **GLOWING FROM THE INSIDE OUT: A HOLISTIC HEALTH LEARNING LAB**

**REV. CAROLYN ELIZABETH IRVIN BRAILSFORD, EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

True glow starts within — and God has already provided what we need. In this hands-on, faith-centered lab, we'll explore how to nourish your wellness using herbs, natural remedies, and the healing things the Lord made. You'll leave with practical tools and God-given wisdom to support your journey to radiant, holistic health.

**4:30 PM – 5:45 PM**

### **MORE THAN A JOYFUL NOISE PRAISE & WORSHIP LEARNING LAB, PART I (YOUTH AND ADULTS; AGES 11 AND UP)**

**REV. CAROLYN ELIZABETH IRVIN BRAILSFORD, EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR**

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- Strengthen your spiritual foundation and vocal gifting
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**5:00 PM – 6:45 PM**

### **DINNER**

(PRE-PAID TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED TO EAT ON PQC CAMPUS)

**7:00 PM**

### **OPENING WORSHIP SERVICE**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

**BISHOP GREGORY VAUGHN EASON, 148TH ELECTED AND CONSECRATED BISHOP**  
 PRESIDING PRELATE OF THE 20TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OF THE AMEC





FRIDAY, JULY 18

## DETAILED AGENDA

## CLERGY &amp; CHURCH LEADERSHIP / CEU TRACK

in partnership with Payne Theological Seminary

**BREAKFAST** *(On your own)***REGISTRATION (PICK UP PRE-PAID REGISTRATION KITS)****LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL ANNEX**

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**MORNING GLORY HOUR OF POWER****REV. LAMAR JONES**, PASTOR, EDWARDS CHAPEL AMEC, WACO, TX**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY****RISE UP, SPEAK OUT, & ACT: A CALL TO SOCIAL ACTION  
+ GLOW UP PRAYER FOR OUR WORLD****REV. DR. MICHAEL WATERS**, PASTOR, ABUNDANT LIFE AMEC, DALLAS, TX**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY****CLERGY AND LAY INSTITUTE LEARNING SESSION (STEWARDS)****REV. DR. RODERICK BELIN**, PRESIDENT/PUBLISHER AMEC SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE - COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION (SBU)**

Equipping AME Stewards to serve with excellence—strengthening spiritual care, financial integrity, and faithful accountability to support the mission of the church.

**CLERGY AND LAY INSTITUTE LEARNING SESSION (TRUSTEES)****REV. DR. RODERICK BELIN**, PRESIDENT/PUBLISHER AMEC SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE- COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION (SBU)**

Strengthen your service with tools for effective property management, financial stewardship, and church accountability. This session empowers AME Trustees to lead with integrity and protect the church's mission and legacy.

**ADULT LUNCH**

(PRE-PAID TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED TO EAT ON PQC CAMPUS)

**CLERGY AND LAY INSTITUTE LEARNING SESSION (CLASS LEADERS)****REV. DR. RODERICK BELIN**, PRESIDENT/PUBLISHER AMEC SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE- COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION (SBU)**

Equipping AME Class Leaders to nurture spiritual growth, strengthen member care, and build deeper connections within the church community. Lead with compassion, accountability, and purpose.

**"I AM ANDREW!"-RELATIONAL EVANGELISM IN AN OUT- OF- TOUCH WORLD****SIS. VERONICA-CAROL BRAILSFORD**, FORMER CLASS LEADER, MINISTRY LEADER**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE- COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION (SBU)**You don't have to be a preacher to make a powerful impact for the Kingdom! Sometimes, all it takes is one **bold** invitation, one **meaningful** introduction, and one **committed** prayer. In this interactive Learning Lab, we'll explore the life of Andrew — the quiet disciple with a bold reach — and unpack what it means to be an everyday evangelist and disciple-maker in your own circles of influence.



# **FRIDAY, JULY 18 (cont'd.)** **DETAILED AGENDA**

## **CLERGY & CHURCH LEADERSHIP / CEU TRACK**

in partnership with Payne Theological Seminary

**4:30 PM –**

**5:30 PM**

### **A GROWN GLOWN UP CONVERSATION**

**YOUNG ADULTS ROUNDTABLE WITH BISHOP BRAILSFORD (AGES 18-45)**

**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE - COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION**

Join Bishop Brailsford for an intergenerational roundtable where young adults and 10<sup>th</sup> District leaders come together for a real conversation rooted in faith, purpose, and growth. This is a space to ask bold questions, share life experiences, and ignite new ideas—together.

**5:00 PM –**

**6:45 PM**

### **DINNER**

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**7:00 PM**

### **TEXAS GOT TALENT**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

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**10:00 PM**

### **GLOW AFTER HOURS FOR YOUNG ADULTS**

**RAYAC FELLOWSHIP (AGES 18-45)**

**LOCATION: DAVE & BUSTERS, 9450 N CENTRAL EXPY, DALLAS, TX 75231**

*Unwind. Connect. Recharge.* After the sessions are done, the glow keeps glowing! Join us for a laid-back evening designed just for young adults to relax, vibe, and build authentic connections. Whether you're meeting new people, catching up with old friends, or just enjoying the atmosphere, this after-hours experience is all about community, laughter, and real conversation.





THURSDAY, JULY 17

# DETAILED AGENDA

CHILDREN & YOUTH (17 & under)

11:00 AM –  
6:00 PM

## REGISTRATION (PICK UP PRE-PAID REGISTRATION KITS)

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL ANNEX**

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12:00 PM –  
12:45 PM

## SUPER SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONVOCATION ORIENTATION

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

**MANDATORY FOR ALL CHAPERONES & YOUTH ATTENDEES**

1:00 PM –  
4:00 PM

## CHILDREN & YOUTH WELCOME AND BIBLE ENRICHMENT: GLOW EDITION

**LOCATION: KIPP GYM**

GLOW with Faith, Fun & Fellowship! This is where young hearts shine bright! Our GLOW-themed Bible Enrichment experience is designed just for children and youth to explore God's Word through dynamic lessons, hands-on crafts, energetic games, and friendly competitions—all wrapped in joy and purpose. We're lighting up learning with faith-filled fun that helps every child and teen grow spiritually and shine their light wherever they go! Activities Include:

- GLOW Crafts that Spark Creativity
- Team Challenges & Friendly Competitions
- High-Energy Games
- Bible Lessons That Help You GLOW for Christ

4:30 PM –  
5:45 PM

## MORE THAN A JOYFUL NOISE PRAISE & WORSHIP LEARNING LAB, PART I (YOUTH AND ADULTS; AGES 11 AND UP)

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5:00 PM –  
6:45 PM

## DINNER

(PRE-PAID TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED TO EAT ON PQC CAMPUS)

5:45 PM –  
6:30 PM

## LITURGICAL DANCE REHEARSAL

**BRITTANY WHITEHEAD, INSTRUCTOR**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL ANNEX UPPER LEVEL**

7:00 PM

## OPENING WORSHIP SERVICE

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

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+ GLOW UP PRAYER FOR OUR WORLD****REV. DR. MICHAEL WATERS, PASTOR, ABUNDANT LIFE AMEC, DALLAS, TX****LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY****GO LIGHT OUR WORLD LEARNING LAB (YOUTH SESSIONS)****VARIOUS INSTRUCTORS/LOCATIONS LISTED ON PAGE 19**

These interactive youth sessions are more than workshops—they're fuel for your faith journey. Designed for teens and tweens, each lab is rooted in the GLOW theme, empowering young people to discover their purpose, deepen their walk with Christ, and boldly shine His light in the world.

**CHILDREN & YOUTH LUNCH****(PRE-PAID TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED TO EAT ON PQC CAMPUS)****GO LIGHT OUR WORLD FIELD DAY (ALL AGES)****LOCATION: PAUL QUINN COLLEGE FIELD**

Faith. Fun. Fellowship. Let's GLOW... OUTSIDE!

Get ready to shine on the field! GLOW Field Day is a high-energy, joy-filled experience for all ages that combines classic outdoor games and team challenges. Activities may include: relay races, obstacle courses, 3-on-3 Basketball, bounce houses, music, sno-cones, and more! Come ready to laugh, compete, and GLOW with greatness—because when we move with purpose, we light up the world!

**MORE THAN A JOYFUL NOISE PRAISE & WORSHIP LEARNING LAB, PART II  
(CHILDREN & TEENS; AGES 5-17)****REV. CAROLYN ELIZABETH IRVIN BRAILSFORD, EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR****LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

This fun and faith-filled worship lab is designed just for young voices and hearts who love to praise! Whether you sing in the choir, dance, play an instrument, or just love worship time, this experience will help you understand that worship isn't about performing—it's about honoring God. In this lab, young worshippers will learn to:

- Use their voices and gifts to worship God with joy and purpose
- Understand worship as a way to connect with God, not just sing songs

**LITURGICAL DANCE REHEARSAL****BRITTANY WHITEHEAD, INSTRUCTOR****LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**



# FRIDAY, JULY 18 (cont'd.) **DETAILED AGENDA**

## CHILDREN & YOUTH (17 & under)

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**9:30 PM – 11:30 PM**

### **GLOW AFTER HOURS (CHILDREN & TEENS, AGES 5-17)**

#### **LOCATION: KIPP GYM**

It's a party like no other! When the talent show ends, the party lights come on! Get ready for a one-of-a-kind GLOW After Hours Party where kids can dance, sing, and celebrate with Silent DJ Headphones—each child gets their own headset and can choose from different music channels to move to their own beat. We'll bring the glow sticks, you bring the moves!





THURSDAY, JULY 17

# DETAILED AGENDA

NON-CLERGY ADULTS / NON-CEU TRACK

11:00 AM –

6:00 PM

12:00 PM –

12:45 PM

2:00 PM –

3:30 PM

3:45 PM –

4:30 PM

4:30 PM –

5:45 PM

5:00 PM –

6:45 PM

7:00 PM

## REGISTRATION (PICK UP PRE-PAID REGISTRATION KITS)

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## SUPER SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONVOCATION ORIENTATION

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

**MANDATORY FOR ALL CHAPERONES & YOUTH ATTENDEES**

## GLOW-LISTIC STEPPIN' (LINE DANCE WORKOUT CLASS)

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL ANNEX UPPER LEVEL**

Get your heart pumping and your spirit lifted at GLOW-Listic Steppin'—a line dance workout class that blends fun, fellowship, and fitness! This high-energy session is perfect for all ages and fitness levels, combining easy-to-follow choreography with uplifting music that keeps your body moving and your soul glowing. Whether you're a seasoned stepper or brand new to the beat, this class is all about celebrating movement, wellness, and joy—mind, body, and spirit.

## GLOWING FROM THE INSIDE OUT: A HOLISTIC HEALTH LEARNING LAB

**REV. CAROLYN ELIZABETH IRVIN BRAILSFORD, EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR**

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**REV. CAROLYN ELIZABETH IRVIN BRAILSFORD, EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

It's not just a training—it's a transformational encounter. This dynamic learning lab is designed to shift your sound from performance to true prophetic ministry. Whether you're on the praise team, in the choir, or a worshipper at heart, this lab will equip you to:

- Deepen your understanding of worship as a calling, not a performance
- Strengthen your spiritual foundation and vocal gifting
- Cultivate unity, flow, and discernment within your team
- Usher in the presence of God with authenticity and power

## DINNER

(PRE-PAID TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED TO EAT ON PQC CAMPUS)

## OPENING WORSHIP SERVICE

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

**BISHOP GREGORY VAUGHN EASON, 148TH ELECTED AND CONSECRATED BISHOP  
PRESIDING PRELATE OF THE 20TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OF THE AMEC**





FRIDAY, JULY 18

# DETAILED AGENDA

NON-CLERGY ADULTS / NON-CEU TRACK

**BREAKFAST** *(On your own)*

7:30 AM –  
10:30 AM

**REGISTRATION (PICK UP PRE-PAID REGISTRATION KITS)**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL ANNEX**

A chaperone must be present to pick up registration packets for all attendees 12 and under. Registration will close for the Worship Service.

8:30 AM –  
9:30 AM

**MORNING GLORY HOUR OF POWER**

**REV. LAMAR JONES**, PASTOR, EDWARDS CHAPEL AMEC, WACO, TEXAS

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

9:30 AM –  
10:30 AM

**RISE UP, SPEAK OUT, & ACT: A CALL TO SOCIAL ACTION  
+ GLOW UP PRAYER FOR OUR WORLD**

**REV. DR. MICHAEL WATERS**, PASTOR, ABUNDANT LIFE AMEC, DALLAS, TX  
**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

10:45 AM –  
1:00 PM

**GO LIGHT OUR WORLD LEARNING LAB (ADULT SESSIONS)**

**VARIOUS INSTRUCTORS/ LOCATION: JOHN HURST ADAMS BUILDING/ RM 311**

These interactive youth sessions are more than workshops—they're fuel for your faith journey. Designed for teens and tweens, each lab is rooted in the GLOW theme, empowering young people to discover their purpose, deepen their walk with Christ, and boldly shine His light in the world.

1:00 PM –  
2:00 PM

**ADULT LUNCH**

(PRE-PAID TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED TO EAT ON PQC CAMPUS)

2:00 PM –  
4:00 PM

**GLOW: FUN IN THE SON**

**LOCATION: PAUL QUINN COLLEGE FIELD**

Step outside and soak up the SON-shine at this vibrant outdoor experience just for adults! GLOW: Fun in the SON is your chance to join the Field Day activities outside OR relax, reconnect, and enjoy good company with great energy. Whether you're playing games, sharing stories, or simply enjoying the breeze, this time of fellowship is all about joy, renewal, and community.

3:15 PM –  
4:30 PM

**"I AM ANDREW!"-RELATIONAL EVANGELISM IN AN OUT- OF- TOUCH WORLD  
SIS. VERONICA-CAROL BRAILSFORD**

MINISTRY LEADER & FORMER CLASS LEADER, REID TEMPLE AMEC, GLENN DALE, MD

**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE - COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION (SBU)**

You don't have to be a preacher to make a powerful impact for the Kingdom! Sometimes, all it takes is one **bold** invitation, one **meaningful** introduction, and one **committed** prayer. In this interactive Learning Lab, we'll explore the life of Andrew — the quiet disciple with a bold reach — and unpack what it means to be an everyday evangelist and disciple-maker in your own circles of influence.





FRIDAY, JULY 18 (cont'd.)

## DETAILED AGENDA

NON-CLERGY ADULTS / NON-CEU TRACK

4:30 PM –

5:30 PM

### A GROWN GLOWN UP CONVERSATION

**YOUNG ADULTS ROUNDTABLE WITH BISHOP BRAILSFORD (AGES 18-45)**

**LOCATION: GRAND LOUNGE - COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION**

Join Bishop Brailsford for an intergenerational roundtable where young adults and 10<sup>th</sup> District leaders come together for a real conversation rooted in faith, purpose, and growth. This is a space to ask bold questions, share life experiences, and ignite new ideas—together.

5:00 PM –

6:45 PM

### DINNER

(PRE-PAID TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED TO EAT ON PQC CAMPUS)

7:00 PM

### TEXAS GOT TALENT

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

Get ready for a show that only Texas could deliver! Texas Got Talent is bringing the heat with an electrifying showcase of the Tenth Episcopal District's most gifted singers, dancers, musicians, poets, and performers of all ages! From jaw-dropping acts to soul-stirring moments, come and celebrate the incredible gifts and talents God has blessed us with—Expect it to be Totally Texas. Totally Tenth.

10:00 PM

### GLOW AFTER HOURS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

**RAYAC FELLOWSHIP (AGES 18-45)**

**LOCATION: DAVE & BUSTERS, 9450 N CENTRAL EXPY, DALLAS, TX**

75231GRAND BALLROOM - COMER COTTRELL STUDENT UNION (SBU)

*Unwind. Connect. Recharge.* After the sessions are done, the glow keeps glowing! Join us for a laid-back evening designed just for young adults to relax, vibe, and build authentic connections. Whether you're meeting new people, catching up with old friends, or just enjoying the atmosphere, this after-hours experience is all about community, laughter, and real conversation.

**ALL TRACKS**

**7**:00  
AM –  
**8**:45  
AM

**BREAKFAST** *(On your own)*

**7**:45  
AM –  
**8**:45  
AM

**CHRISTIAN DEBUTANTE AND MASTERS COMMISSION  
CEREMONY REHEARSAL**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

**8**:45  
AM –  
**9**:45  
AM

**CHRISTIAN DEBUTANTE AND MASTERS COMMISSION CEREMONY**

**BRO. RODRECUS JOHNSON III, SPEAKER,  
ANDERSON CHAPEL AMEC, KILLEEN, TX**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

**10**:00  
AM

**CLOSING WORSHIP SERVICE**

**REV. CRYSTAL C. OKOLI, ASSOCIATE MINISTER,  
GREATER WARD AMEC, HOUSTON, TX**

**LOCATION: RICHARD ALLEN CHAPEL SANCTUARY**

**GO LIGHT OUR WORLD LEARNING LAB LOCATIONS:**

**Ages 4-6: Richard Allen Chapel Annex/Welcome Room**

**Ages 7-9: Richard Allen Chapel Annex/Lower Level, Room 1**

**Ages 10-12: Richard Allen Chapel Annex/Lower Level,  
Rooms 2 & 3**

**Ages 13-15: John Hurst Adams Building/ Room 209AB**

**Ages 16-17: Richard Allen Chapel Annex Lower-Level #4**



## Henry Wade Juvenile Justice Center



# RISE UP STAND UP “AND ACT”

### 2025 INITIATIVES

- **AMEC ADVOCACY DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL:** More than 150 clergy, laity, and young people from the 10<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District traveled to Austin, Texas, for Advocacy Day at the Texas State Capitol.
- **JUSTICE FOR OUR YOUTH:** The 10th Episcopal District showed its commitment to justice as AME clergy and families gathered at the Henry Wade Juvenile Justice Center in Dallas to protest abuse and poor conditions.

**“WE AIN’T  
GOING  
BACK!”**

Watch this video from  
“AMEC Day at the Capitol”  
March 2025



# OPENING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Rev. Dr. Leonard Lee, Worship Leader

## Praise and Worship

### The Call to Worship

Rev. Gician Roberson-Ury

#### **GLOW – Go Light Our World**

*based on Matthew 5:14-16 (NLT)*

**Leader:** You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.

**Congregation:** We are the lights—called to shine, not to shrink, to rise, not to hide!

**Leader:** “Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.”

**Congregation:** Lord, place us where we can shine. At home, at school, online—we want to be seen for You!

**Leader:** In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

**Congregation:** We will shine with kindness. We will glow with truth. We will light the way with love.

**Leader:** The world may be dark, but God has placed His light in you.

**Congregation:** We are not afraid of the dark—we are the glow in the dark.

**Leader:** Let your words glow with wisdom. Let your hearts burn with compassion. Let your lives reflect Jesus.

**Congregation:** We are the light. We are the hope. We are the glow. We WILL Go Light Our World!

**All Together:** GLOW: Go Light Our World—For His glory, by His power, through our lives! Amen.

Rev. Sherrell Watson

### The Opening Hymn

#### “The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation”

The Lord is my light and my salvation  
The Lord is my light and my salvation  
The Lord is my light and my salvation  
Whom shall I fear?

[Chorus]

Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the strength of my life  
Whom shall I fear?

In the time of trouble, He shall hide me  
In the time of trouble, He shall hide me  
In the time of trouble, He shall hide me  
Whom shall I fear? [Chorus]

Wait on the Lord and be of good courage  
Wait on the Lord and be of good courage  
Wait on the Lord and be of good courage  
He shall strengthen thine heart. [Chorus]

# OPENING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

**The Prayer of Invocation**

Rev. Joann Donaldson

**The Choral Response**

*“Walk in the Light”*  
Walk in the Light,  
Beautiful Light,  
Come where the dewdrops of mercy are bright,  
Shine all around us by day and by night,  
Jesus, the Light of the world.

**The Reading of the Holy Scripture**

Rev. Sheila Sidberry Thomas

Matthew 5:14-16 NLT

**The Ministry of Music**

10th District Youth & Young Adult Choir

**The Offering for Nehemiah Ministry**

10th District Finance Committee

**The Announcements and Acknowledgements**

Rev. Deon J. Collins  
Convocation Chair

**The Ministry of Dance**

10th District Liturgical Dance

**The Offering**

10th District Finance Committee

**The Presentation of the Bishop**

**The Presentation of the Preacher**

The Right Reverend Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.  
Presiding Prelate, 10th Episcopal District

**The Sermonic Selection**

10th District Youth & Young Adult Choir

**The Sermon**

The Right Reverend Gregory Vaughn Eason  
Presiding Prelate, 20th Episcopal District

**The Invitation to Discipleship**

*“My Life Is In Your Hands”*

**Closing Remarks**

Bishop Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.

**The Benediction**

Bishop Gregory Vaughn Eason



# HOUR OF POWER WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Bro. Sham Lovelace, Worship Leader

**Praise and Worship**

Sis. Presleigh McCall

**The Prayer of Invocation**

**The Reading of the Holy Scripture**

Sis. Jaylah Masterson

John 9: 3-5

**The Presentation of the Preacher**

The Right Reverend Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.  
Presiding Prelate, 10th Episcopal District

**The Sermonic Selection**

Praise Team

**The Sermon**

Rev. Lamar Jones, Pastor  
Edwards AMEC, Waco

**The Invitation to Discipleship**

*"I Love You Lord Today"*

**The Offering**

10th District Finance Committee

**Closing Remarks**

Bishop Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.

**The Benediction**

Rev. Lamar Jones

# CLOSING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Bro. Jaelyn Maladdie, 10<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District YPD President, Worship Leader)

## Praise and Worship

### The Call to Worship

Sis. Jameria Hughes

**GLOW – Go Light Our World**  
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**All Together:** GLOW: Go Light Our World—For His glory, by His power, through our lives! Amen.

### The Opening Hymn

“Hold to God’s Unchanging Hand”

Time is filled with swift transitions,  
naught of earth unmoved can stand;  
Build your hopes on things eternal,  
hold to God’s unchanging hand!

[Chorus]

Hold to God’s unchanging hand!  
Hold to God’s unchanging hand!  
Build your hopes on things eternal,  
hold to God’s unchanging hand!

Trust in Him who will not leave you,  
whatsoever years may bring;  
If by earthly friends forsaken,  
still more closely to Him cling. [Chorus]

Covet not this world’s vain riches  
that so rapidly decay;  
Seek to gain the heavenly treasures,  
they will never pass away! [Chorus]

When your journey is completed,  
if to God you have been true,  
fair and bright the home in glory,  
your enraptured soul will view! [Chorus]



# CLOSING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

<b>The Prayer of Invocation</b>	Bro. Dezrean Green
<b>The Choral Response</b>	“Let the Church Say Amen”
<b>The Reading of the Holy Scripture</b>	Bro. Jackson Evans
John 8:10-12, 31-32	
<b>The Ministry of Music</b>	10th District Youth Choir
<b>The Offering for Nehemiah Ministry</b>	10th District Finance Committee
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<b>The Presentation of the Preacher</b>	The Right Reverend Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr. Presiding Prelate, 10th Episcopal District
<b>The Sermonic Selection</b>	10th District Youth Choir
<b>The Sermon</b>	Rev. Crystal Okoli, Associate Minister Greater Ward (The ForWARD Church) AMEC, Houston
<b>The Invitation to Discipleship</b>	“My Life Is In Your Hands”
<b>Closing Remarks</b>	Bishop Ronnie Elijah Brailsford, Sr.
<b>The Benediction</b>	Rev. Crystal Okoli



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## BISHOP RONNIE ELIJAH BRAILSFORD, SR.

A native of South Carolina, he was born and raised in Clarendon County. He was elected and consecrated the 136th Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church during the 50th Quadrennial General Conference held in Philadelphia, PA, July 2016. He has served as President of the AMEC Council of Bishops. Since August 2024, he serves proudly as the Presiding Prelate of the 10<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District of the AMEC for the state of Texas.

Prior, he served the 19th Episcopal District, comprised of 246 churches and over 54,000 members in South Africa from July 2021–August 2024. Also, he served the 20th Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church with 223 churches and over 23,000 members in the African countries of Malawi, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Uganda, and Mozambique from July 2016 to July 2021. During his tenure in Africa, 28 churches and over 5,000 new members were added. Fourteen churches were built, 19 churches were dedicated, 12 churches were planted and 16 churches joined the AMEC.

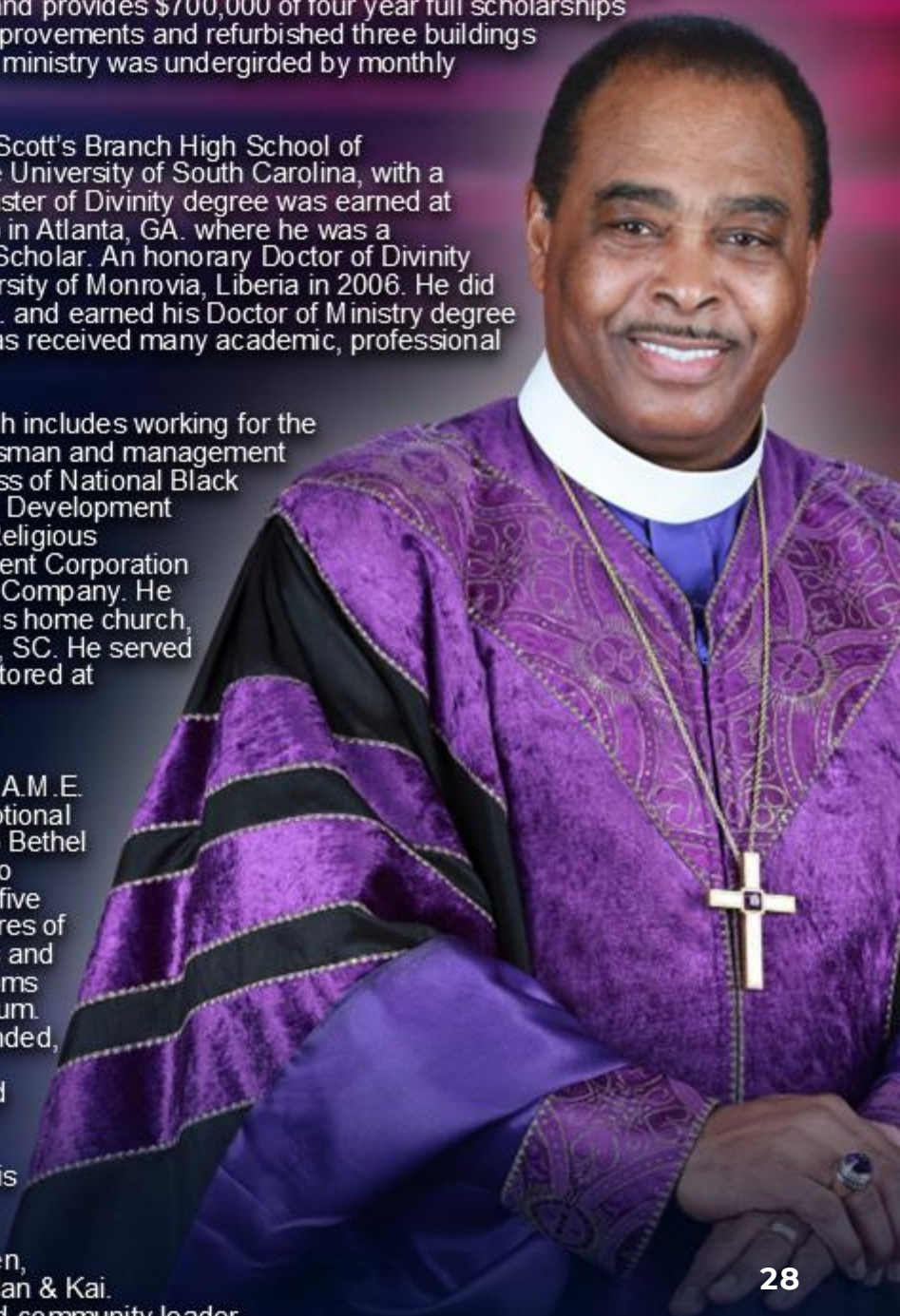
Bishop and Supervisor Brailsford visited over 240 churches and 28 AMEC schools, even in rural and remote areas, where safe to travel. Funds were raised to help provide school supplies for over 20,000 students and the staff. They provided funds and food for disaster relief for over 2,500 families. Medical mission trips served over 11,000 people with medical, dental, eye and dermatology services. They partnered to provide scholarships and school fees for 100 plus students. In addition, the United Methodist Church and Africa University partnership was started August 2020 and provides \$700,000 of four year full scholarships for 32 students. They raised funds for campus improvements and refurbished three buildings on Wilberforce Community College campus. The ministry was undergirded by monthly Episcopal District wide prayer time!

Having graduated in 1976 as Valedictorian from Scott's Branch High School of Summerton, SC, he went on to graduate from the University of South Carolina, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing. His Master of Divinity degree was earned at the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, GA. where he was a Benjamin E. Mays Fellow and a John Middleton Scholar. An honorary Doctor of Divinity degree was bestowed upon him by A.M.E. University of Monrovia, Liberia in 2006. He did Studies in the Doctor of Ministry program at I.T.C. and earned his Doctor of Ministry degree in 2007 from United Theological Seminary. He has received many academic, professional and community honors.

His diverse professional career beyond the church includes working for the Southwestern Publishing Company with top salesman and management recognitions; Fellow and Mentor with the Congress of National Black Churches (CNBC); Fellow with Atlanta Economic Development Corporation (AEDC); Community Development Religious Consultant with Atlanta Neighborhood Development Corporation (ANDP) and Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company. He was licensed to preach on January 20, 1980 at his home church, Historic Liberty Hill A.M.E. Church in Summerton, SC. He served at Big Bethel AMEC in Atlanta, GA. Later, he pastored at Mt. Carmel AMEC, Gray Court, SC and Amanda Flipper AMEC, Decatur, Georgia.

His twenty-four years, from 1992-2016, at Bethel A.M.E. Church, Columbia, SC were highlighted by exceptional spiritual, numerical, and financial growth. In 1995 Bethel relocated from its landlocked Sumter Street site to 819 Woodrow Street, a \$5,000,000 campus with five connected buildings, 86,000 square feet, on 5 acres of land. The 1.5 city blocks offer 366 parking spaces and modern accommodations, including 120 classrooms and offices, a Christian Life Center and Gymnasium. A new school, Bethel Learning Centers, was founded, and accredited since 1995, educating thousands. A \$3,000,000 new school building was completed in 2008.

In 1983, he married Carolyn Elizabeth Irvin. She is an Itinerant Elder. They have three children: Veronica-Carol, Ronnie, Jr. and David; a daughter-in love, Erica; and seven grandchildren, Harper, Kyndal, Gracen, Dawson, Roman, Brendan & Kai. He is a very devoted husband, father, bishop, and community leader.





## REV. CAROLYN ELIZABETH IRVIN BRAILSFORD

Rev. Carolyn Elizabeth Irvin Brailsford is the Episcopal Supervisor of the Tenth (Totally Texas!) Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and is an ordained Itinerant Elder. A native of Valdosta, GA (she was the first Miss Black Valdosta), Supervisor Brailsford received her vocal training at Spelman College with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, Magna Cum Laude; and Indiana University (IU) at Bloomington with a Master of Music Degree, With Distinction. She undertook further studies in Ethnomusicology while at IU.

Prior to serving in the Tenth Episcopal District, she served in the Triumphant Twentieth Episcopal District and launched The WMS Education Project with Sarah's Scholars, a collaboration with the Sixth Episcopal District North Atlanta Conference WMS. This education initiative in Malawi and Zimbabwe provided tuition for over 100 students in primary, secondary, and professional schools. Additionally, she and Bishop Brailsford raised funds for school supplies for over 20,000 students in the 35 AME Church schools. She involved the missionaries in three Medical Health Initiatives that were brought to the District, which served over 11,000 people with dental, eye, dermatology and general health exams and services. She and Bishop provided funds and food for disaster relief for over 2,500 families. In addition, the United Methodist Church and Africa University partnership was started in August, 2020, and provides \$700,000 of four year full scholarships for 32 students.

Supervisor Brailsford also served in the Noble Nineteenth Episcopal District in South Africa where she provided outstanding leadership for their exceptional WMS and YPD (who often ministered in song with her); the Women In Ministry and MSWAWO, for which she and Bishop Brailsford inspired and organized the powerful Family Enrichment Seminar series for both clergy and lay families. Supervisor Brailsford was the creative force and organizer for "A Taste of Africa", the night of entertainment for the Global Development Council 2024 in Johannesburg, South Africa, where leaders of the global AME church were treated to African cuisine, African fashions, choral music, dance, and a Spiritual Experience not to be forgotten!

An accomplished musician, Supervisor Brailsford has served on the faculties of Spelman College (14 years), and Allen University as Vocal Instructor, Choir Directress, and Instructor of African American Music, a class which she initiated at both institutions. She also served as Minister of Music & Worship Arts and Choir Directress at Bethel AME Church (Columbia, SC), from which Bishop Brailsford was elected. She was Founder of the highly recognized CaBrailSong School of Vocal Arts, a life-changing ministry of spiritual enrichment, vocal training, and choral experiences for hundreds of youths and young adults for over 24 years.

A Spirit-filled Worship Leader and Recording Artist, Supervisor Brailsford has performed extensively in the United States, and internationally in the Caribbeans and on the continent of Africa. She has shared the stage with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, Leontyne Price, David and Tamala Mann, CeCe Winans, Kirk Franklin, Shirley Caesar, Dorothy Norwood, Norman Hutchins, and many others.

When not traveling, Supervisor Brailsford enjoys spending time with her husband of 41 years, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Ronnie E. Brailsford, Sr.; their three children, Veronica-Carol, Ronnie Jr., and David; and their seven grandchildren, Harper, Kyndal, Gracen, Dawson, Roman, Brendan, and Kai David.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY; GREAT THINGS HE HAS DONE!





## BISHOP GREGORY VAUGHN EASON, SR.

The Right Reverend Gregory Vaughn Eason, Sr., was born in Metter, Ga., and is the son of Reverend William and Mrs. Geneva Washington Eason. He graduated from East Georgia State College in Swainsboro, Georgia in 1981 with an Associate of Arts Degree. He matriculated at Morris Brown College, in Atlanta, Georgia in 1983 (where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree in Political Science). He continued his education and was conferred the Master of Divinity degree from Turner Theological Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, GA., in 1986. He received his Master of Theology degree from Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, GA., in 1988, where his thesis was titled, "Suffering, Liberation and Violence: A Study of God's Presence in the History of Black America." Bishop Eason received his Doctor of Ministry degree from Columbia Theological Seminary in May 2011. His project dissertation was titled, "Radical Hospitality, Re-envisioning a Downtown Historic Congregation."

**Bishop Eason's** denominational service in the A.M.E. Church includes President, Connectional Council for the A.M.E. Church; Vice Chairperson, Trustee Board Atlanta North Georgia Annual Conference; Chairperson, Search Committee for President/Dean, Turner Theological Seminary, ITC; Chairperson, Georgia Annual Conference Board of Examiners; and Chairperson, Atlanta North Georgia Annual Conference Board of Examiners, where he was responsible for training new ministers for ordination in the A.M.E. Church.

Bishop Eason serves on the following boards: The World Methodist Evangelism Institute; Morris Brown College Trustee Board (Emeritus), and the Trustee Board of Turner Theological Seminary.

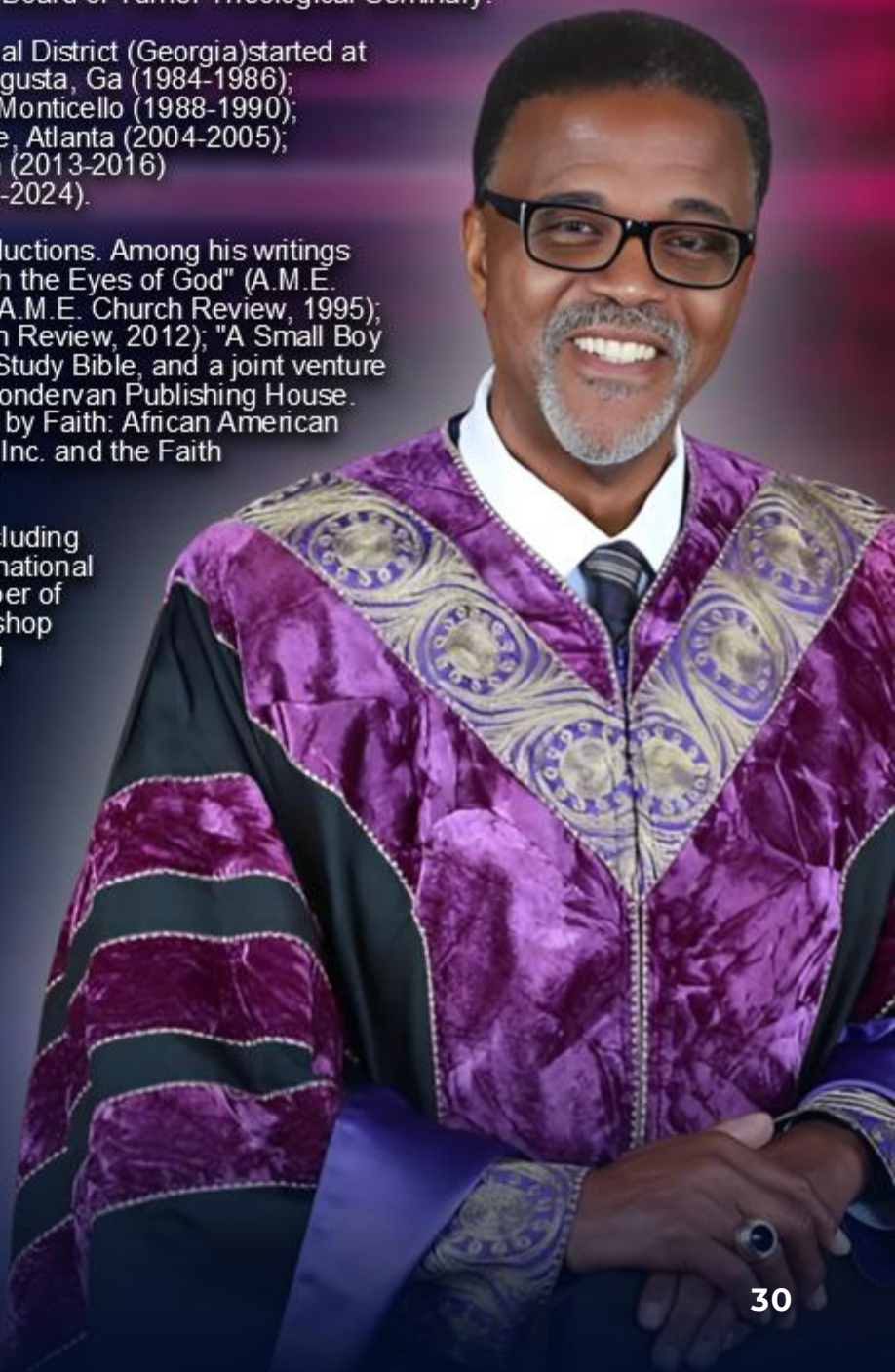
Bishop Eason's pastoral ministry in the 6th Episcopal District (Georgia) started at Saint Mark, Wadley and Hickman Tabernacle in Augusta, Ga (1984-1986); Saint James, Thomson (1986-1988); Saint James, Monticello (1988-1990); Saint Philip, Savannah (1990-2004); Flipper Temple, Atlanta (2004-2005); Big Bethel, Atlanta (2005-2013); Saint Paul, Atlanta (2013-2016) and Flipper Temple A.M.E. Church in Atlanta (2016-2024).

He has contributed to several publications and productions. Among his writings and published works are, "Looking at AIDS Through the Eyes of God" (A.M.E. Church Review, 1990); "Dreams and Nightmares" (A.M.E. Church Review, 1995); Evidence of Transformative Ministry (A.M.E. Church Review, 2012); "A Small Boy with a Big Fish," an article in the African American Study Bible, and a joint venture of The Congress of National Black Churches and Zondervan Publishing House. He has also served as a commentator for "This Far by Faith: African American Spiritual Journeys," a joint production of Blackside, Inc. and the Faith Project, which aired on PBS Television.

Bishop Eason has been bestowed many honors including being inducted into the Martin Luther King, Jr. International Board of Preachers at Morehouse College; a member of The International Society of Theta Phi, ITC; The Bishop Henry McNeal Turner Image Award for Outstanding Community Service and Hall of Fame, Turner Theological Seminary; and a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

At the 52nd Quadrennial Session of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in August 2024, he was elected and consecrated the 148th Bishop in the history of the A.M.E. Church. Bishop Eason currently serves as the Presiding Prelate of the 20th Episcopal District encompassing Malawi, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Uganda and a portion of Mozambique. He presides over 7 annual conferences, 238 churches and 33 schools (primary, secondary and high schools). Bishop Eason was also nominated to serve as Chairperson of the International Health Commission of the A.M.E. Church.

Bishop Eason is the husband of Mrs. Linda Tyson Eason. They are the blessed parents of the late Carmen Jovonne Eason and Gregory Vaughn Eason, Jr. and their daughter in love Kimberly Delk Eason and their granddaughter Kimberly Eason, Jr. (Junie).





## REV. DR. RODERICK D. BELIN

Reverend Dr. Roderick Dwayne Belin is an accomplished spiritual leader, educator, and innovator with over 35 years of experience in Christian ministry. As President and Publisher of the AME Sunday School Union, he has revolutionized the publishing arm of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, making essential resources more accessible and inclusive.

Dr. Belin's educational background includes degrees from Morehouse College, Union Theological Seminary (where he was a "Union Scholar"), and a Doctor of Ministry in Adaptive Leadership from Payne Theological Seminary. This solid foundation has informed his adaptive and visionary approach to ministry.

Throughout his career, Dr. Belin has served in various leadership roles, including Executive Minister at Greater Allen AME Cathedral in New York and Pastor of several churches, each marked by significant growth and development. Notable among these was his leadership at Lee Chapel AME Church in Nashville, where he oversaw the construction of a multi-million dollar facility.

As Publisher, Dr. Belin has spearheaded numerous innovations, including the first Spanish translation of the AME Book of Discipline and the digitization of key church resources. He also led the construction of a new, award-winning headquarters for the AME Publishing House. Adding to his contributions to church literature, Dr. Belin has authored three essential books in the "Local Church Leadership Series": "The Role of the Local Church Trustee," "The Sacred Role of the Steward," and "The Class Leader System Today." These works provide crucial guidance for church leaders in various roles.

Dr. Belin's ministry extends globally, with speaking engagements and workshops conducted across the Americas, Africa, Europe, and the Middle East. His ability to foster interfaith dialogue has made him a respected figure in international religious circles.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Belin launched "INSIGHT: Life in the Spirit," a daily digital prayer service, and "Virtual Grace," a program specifically designed for African American seniors. These initiatives demonstrate his commitment to leveraging technology for spiritual enrichment and community building.

Recognized for his contributions, Dr. Belin was inducted into the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers at Morehouse College in 2014. He is also a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and proudly represents the third generation of ministers in his family.

Dr. Belin's ministry is characterized by his focus on Abundance, Overflow, and Enlightenment, as he continues to inspire and empower individuals to reach their full potential and fulfill their divine purposes.





## REV. DR. MICHAEL WATERS

Dr. Michael W. Waters is the founder and Lead Pastor of the Abundant Life African Methodist Episcopal Church in Dallas, Texas. A pastor, professor, award-winning author, activist, and social commentator, Waters' words of hope and empowerment inspire national and international audiences.

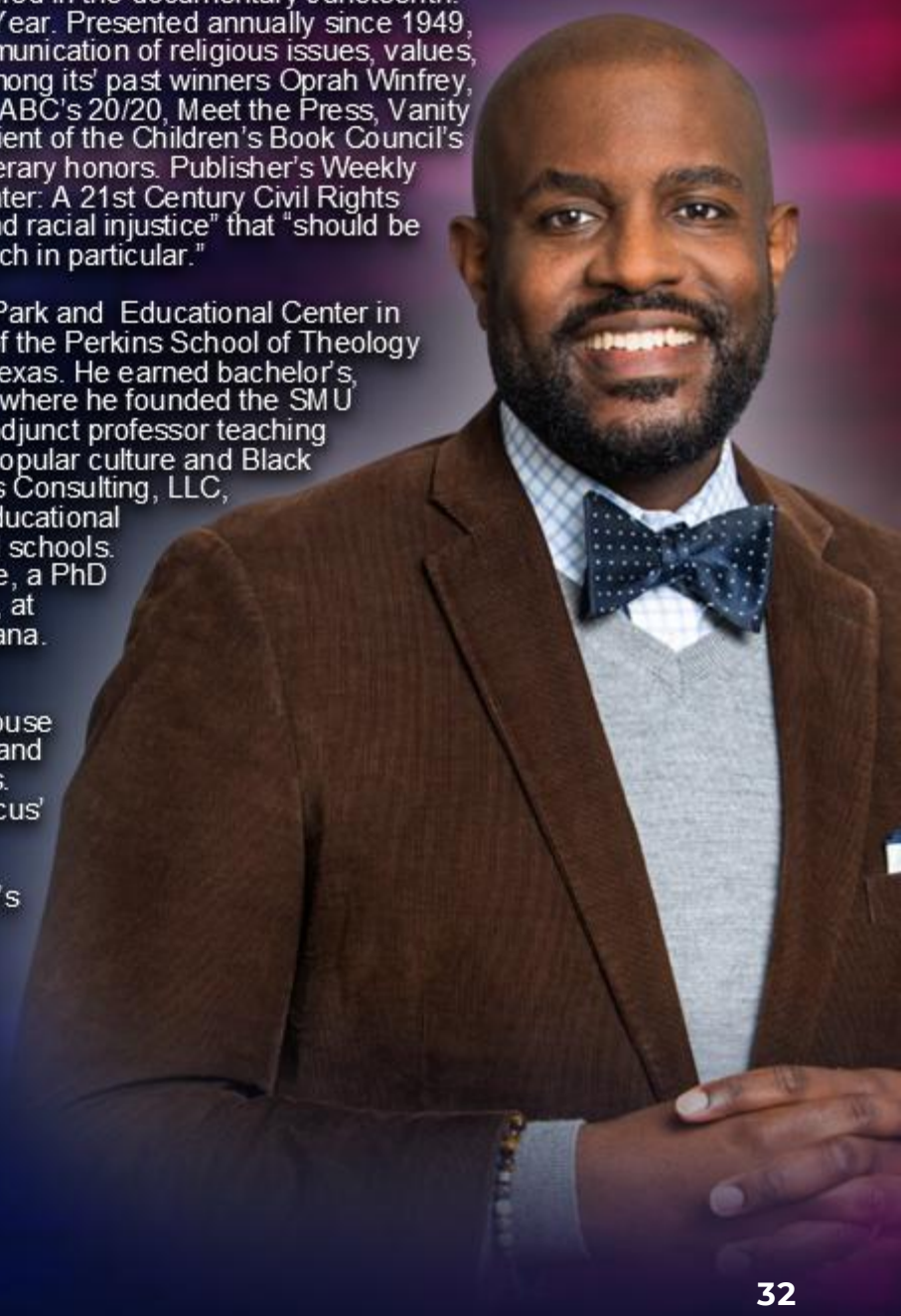
Dr. Waters has appeared on ABC Nightline, AJ+, BBC World News, CBS This Morning, C-SPAN, Fox Soul, MSNBC Live, NPR, The NBC Nightly News, PBS Newshour, and VICE on HBO. He has also been featured or mentioned in/on The Associated Press, The Chicago Tribune, The Christian Century, CNN, the Dallas Business Journal, D Magazine, Ebony Magazine, Epitome Magazine, Essence Magazine, Faith and Leadership, GQ Magazine, The Huffington Post, Last Week Tonight with John Oliver, The Library Journal, The Los Angeles Times, The New Yorker, The New York Times, Publishers Weekly, Reading Religion, Reuters, SiriusXM, Sojourners Magazine, Texas Monthly, The Today Show, Yahoo! News, and The Washington Post among other media outlets. Dr. Waters has addressed such esteemed institutions as the Muhammad Ali Center, American Airlines, Duke University, Facebook, the National Civil Rights Museum, the National Museum of African American History and Culture, Oxford University, the United States House of Representatives, and the World Methodist Conference.

A best-selling, national award-winning author, Dr. Waters is a three-time winner of the prestigious Wilbur Award for Stakes Is High: Race, Faith, and Hope for America, named Non-fiction Book of the Year, and for For Beautiful Black Boys Who Believe in a Better World and Liberty's Civil Rights Road Trip, both named Children's Book of the Year. Dr. Waters is also featured in the documentary Juneteenth: Faith and Freedom, winner for Documentary of the Year. Presented annually since 1949, the Wilbur Awards recognize excellence in the communication of religious issues, values, and themes in public secular media and includes among its' past winners Oprah Winfrey, Jane Pauley, Mister Rogers, CBS Sunday Morning, ABC's 20/20, Meet the Press, Vanity Fair, and The New York Times. He is also the recipient of the Children's Book Council's Youth Book Prize for Social Justice, among other literary honors. Publisher's Weekly calls his latest non-fiction book Something in the Water: A 21st Century Civil Rights Odyssey a "blistering critique of white supremacy and racial injustice" that "should be a wake-up call to Americans in general and the church in particular."

Dr. Waters is the former vice chair of Foot Soldiers Park and Educational Center in Selma, Alabama, and an executive board member of the Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University (SMU) in Dallas, Texas. He earned bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees with honors at SMU where he founded the SMU Civil Rights Pilgrimage and presently serves as an adjunct professor teaching doctoral and masters-level courses in ministry and popular culture and Black church studies. He is also a principal with MYWaters Consulting, LLC, which offers racial equity training, consulting, and educational resources to leaders in business, organizations, and schools. Presently, Dr. Waters is pursuing a second doctorate, a PhD in African American Preaching and Sacred Rhetoric, at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The recipient of numerous honors, Dr. Waters has Received formal commendations from The White House and Special Congressional Recognition for Service and Leadership from the U. S. House of Representatives. He is a recipient of the Texas Legislative Black Caucus' Outstanding Texan Award, the DFW Council on American-Islamic Relations' Community Leader of the Year Award, the Center for Theological Activism's Pastor of the Year Award, the Dallas Peace and Justice Center's Peacemaker of the Year Award, and the South Dallas Business and Professional Women's Club's Humanitarian of the Year Award. He is also a recipient of the B'nai B'rith Harold M. Kaufman Memorial Award in Social Ethics and Southern Methodist University's Distinguished Alumni Emerging Leader Award. An Emerson Collective Fellow, Dr. Waters has conducted research on storytelling and democracy.

Dr. Waters is married to the Reverend Attorney Yulise Reaves Waters. They are the proud parents of four children.





## REV. CRYSTAL C. OKOLI



Rev. Crystal Chioma Okoli was born in Houston, Texas to parents, Presiding Elder Chuma Okoli and the late Ellen Okoli. Rev. Crystal is their only daughter and the youngest of three children. Her spirit-filled family instilled strong Christian values in Rev. Crystal at a young age. She was an active youth participant in the Young People's Division (YPD), obtaining the honor of serving the 10th District in various leadership positions resulting in a passion for Youth Ministry.

Although born in Houston, Rev. Crystal moved to San Antonio in 2008 to continue her undergraduate education. While attending college, Rev. Crystal found the sisters she never had having become a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Rev. Crystal graduated from the University of the Incarnate Word in May 2011. Her desire to work with people led her to achieve a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a minor in Sociology. With a deep passion and call to serve orphans and children who have been abused and neglected and the parents and/or families who care for them, Rev. Crystal has upheld a career in child welfare for the past 13 years. Currently, Rev. Crystal is using her skills and knowledge through her employment at The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services as a Child Protective Services (CPS) Senior Advanced Training and Development Specialist for their Learning and Development Division.

Finally surrendering to God's will, Rev. Crystal accepted her calling to the ministry in March 2013. She was ordained an Itinerant Deacon in the A.M.E. Church during the 151st Session of the Texas Annual Conference in October 2017. Rev. Crystal currently serves under the guidance and leadership of Pastor Ricky D. Warren at Greater Ward A.M.E. Church, also known as The ForWARD Church, in Houston, TX. She describes herself as a 'Lover of Christ' and her love for Him is transformed from feeling to action as she continues to serve those in her community and local church faithfully as the Assistant Pastor, as well as a member and leader of various auxiliaries.

Rev. Crystal's earnest desire in ministry is to not only preach and teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, but to live the Gospel, until every man, woman, boy, and girl have come to know and experience the depths of God's love, grace, and mercy towards us, His children.

## REV. LAMAR M. JONES



Born on August 9, 1984, in Waco, Texas, Pastor Lamar M. Jones is the son of Elder William Jones and Alicia Breedlove. He accepted his call to ministry as a youth in Suffolk, Virginia, where he also completed high school.

In 2003, he returned to Waco and joined St. Luke AME Church, becoming active in the Young People's Division (YPD) of the AME Church. He served in several leadership roles, including Conference President and 1st Vice President of the 10th District YPD.

Licensed to preach in 2009, Pastor Jones served as Youth Minister at St. Luke AME for five years. He led the development of a thriving Youth Church and launched a successful Spring Break Camp.

In 2012, he was appointed Pastor of Mount Zion AME Church in Italy, Texas. Under his leadership, the church experienced spiritual renewal and was named "Comeback Church of the Year" in 2013.

Since 2016, Pastor Jones has served as Senior Pastor of Edwards Chapel AME Church ("ECAME") in Waco. Known for his passionate preaching, humility, and heart for service, he continues to lead the church with faith, vision, and a focus on community impact.

Pastor Jones holds Associate and Bachelor's degrees in Business Management from the University of Phoenix and is considering further theological studies. Professionally, he has worked in education and technology, currently teaching and coaching at Marlin Secondary School.

Beyond the pulpit, he is active in mentoring youth, community outreach, and co-founded the Generation Now Youth Choir in Waco. Deeply respected for his work with young people, Pastor Jones remains committed to shaping lives through love, leadership, and faith.





## VERONICA-CAROL BRAILSFORD

Veronica-Carol Brailsford is an organizational psychology practitioner with over 15 years of experience in Human Capital Management and Workforce Development. She partners with leaders across industries and ministries to build inclusive, high-performing cultures through data-informed, human-centered strategies. Her expertise spans change management, employee engagement, and the employee experience, equipping organizations to thrive during transition and growth.

Veronica-Carol holds a Master's degree in Industrial-Organizational Psychology from Adler University, a Bachelor's in Communications and History from Liberty University, and has completed additional studies at Morgan State University. She also holds multiple certifications in HR and Talent Development.

A dynamic speaker and servant leader, Veronica-Carol has served in various capacities in ministries around the world. She currently leads the Tenth Episcopal District Media, Communications, Outreach, and Technology team (MCOT). Passionate about amplifying the message of Jesus Christ in relevant, transformative ways, she is a proud member of Ebenezer AME Church in Fort Washington, MD, in the Second Episcopal District.



## KATHY DRAYTON

Kathy Drayton is a seasoned financial professional and dedicated leader in the African Methodist Episcopal Church. She currently serves as Treasurer of the Connectional Lay Organization (CLO) and Director of Lay Activities for the 10th Episcopal District.

A Certified Public Accountant, licensed in Colorado, California, and Texas, Kathy operates a private practice serving nonprofits and small businesses. She is also a former instructor of Computerized Accounting and Accounting Principles at the community college extension, where she combined technical knowledge with practical applications to equip students for real-world success. Her professional background includes a successful career in administrative and financial services management in the public transportation sector.

Within the AME Church, Kathy's lay leadership spans the Fifth and Tenth Episcopal Districts. She has served as Director of Lay Activities, chaired fundraisers and scholarship receptions, and led transitions from manual accounting systems to computerized systems. She has developed and taught workshops on financial management and organizational development, blending spiritual stewardship with professional best practices.

At the local level, she has held roles as Lay President, Steward, Trustee, Bible study teacher, and class leader. Known for her integrity, innovation, and service, Kathy continues to support the mission of the AME Church by promoting transparency, accountability, and faithful stewardship across all levels of church life.



## RODRECUS JOHNSON III

Rodrecus Johnson III was born July 31, 2009, in Cleveland, Ohio. He is the son of Rev. Dr. Rodrecus M. Johnson Jr. and Rev. Ayonna D. Johnson who pastor Anderson Chapel A.M.E. Church in Killeen, Texas. He attends Ellison High School as a rising 11th grader who aspires to be an impactful artist and a professional athlete. In 2023 and 2025 he traveled to Nakuru and Nairobi, Kenya where he along with members from Anderson Chapel went to help, give and learn from the local communities. In Nakuru, Kenya, Rodrecus, along with his brother Christopher, were blessed to have the opportunity to speak in front of over 1,000 students at Flamingo Secondary School. He shared with them the essence to never give up and strive for greatness. He is a young man who is not only athletic, but also a young scholar who takes college and honors level classes to secure his goals. Along with his academic achievement, he was recently inducted into the National Honors Society. His favorite scripture is Proverbs 16:32 which tells us that with patients comes power. As God continues to use this young man on his journey to success he grows and learns everyday.

His motto is "If you want to reach your goals, then you much start working to reach on the now."





**TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OF THE A.M.E. CHURCH**

# DISTRICT CALENDAR **2025**

## **TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT FOUNDER'S DAY OBSERVANCE**

February 6-8, 2025

St. Paul AME Church, Dallas, Host Church  
*Dallas, Texas*

## **TENTHFUTURE, INC. DR. STAN MCKENZIE GOLF CLASSIC**

May 7, 2025

Golf Club of Texas  
*San Antonio, Texas*

## **TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT SPRING MIDYEAR CONVOCATION**

May 8-10, 2025

Emmanuel AME Church, Host Church  
*San Antonio, Texas*

## **TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUMMER CONVOCATION**

July 17-19, 2025

Paul Quinn College  
*Dallas, Texas*

## **NORTHWEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE (142<sup>ND</sup> Session)**

September 16-20, 2025

Anderson Chapel AME Church, Killeen, Host Church  
Rev. Dr. Rodrecus M. Johnson, Jr., Host Pastor

## **NORTH TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE (105<sup>TH</sup> Session)**

September 30 – October 4, 2025

Smith Chapel AME Church, Dallas, Host Church  
Rev. Dr. Mittie C. Muse, Jr., Host Pastor

## **SOUTHWEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE (158<sup>TH</sup> Session)**

October 14-18, 2025

Bethel AME Church, San Antonio, Co-Host Church  
Rev. Dr. Melvin Wilson Jr., Co-Host Pastor

Emmanuel AME Church, San Antonio, Co-Host Church  
Rev. Carl Garmon, Sr., Co-Host Pastor

## **TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE (159<sup>TH</sup> Session)**

October 28 – November 1, 2025

Clear Lake AME Church, Houston, Host Church  
Rev. Derrick A. Cyprian, Host Pastor

## **TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT PLANNING MEETING**

November 13-15, 2025

Joshua Chapel AME Church, Host Church  
*Waxahachie, Texas*

## **TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT ADVENT SERVICE**

December 11, 2025

Wayman Chapel AME Church, Host Church  
*Temple, Texas*



INTRODUCING MCOT: THE TENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

# MEDIA, COMMUNICATIONS, OUTREACH & TECHNOLOGY TEAM

The Media, Communications, Outreach & Technology Team (MCOT) plays a vital role in amplifying the 10th Episcopal District's message by creating and sharing impactful content across multiple platforms. Our team is dedicated to enhancing worship, expanding reach, and fostering spiritual growth through strategic communication and outreach. By connecting and engaging with both online and offline communities, we work to build a stronger, more vibrant community of faith.

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