

# 2024 THIRD EPISCOPAL DISTRICT JOINT ANNUAL CONFERENCE



**JULY**  
21-24

**CONFERENCE  
AGENDA**



**BISHOP SYLVESTER WILLIAMS, SR.**  
PRESIDING PRELATE OF THE THIRD EPISCOPAL  
DISTRICT OF THE CME CHURCH

## THE COUNCIL OF PRESIDING ELDERS

Rev. Willie F.  
**DOCKERY**

Rev. Anthony  
**HILL**

Rev. Dr. Patricia A.  
**HAVIS**

Rev. Dr. Janci  
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Rev. Dr. Tiggs  
**WASHINGTON**

Rev. Dr. Curlee  
**ADAMS**

Rev. Dr. Twana A.  
**HARRIS**



*Sunday, July 21, 2024*  
**Theme: “Can These Bones Live”**  
**Ezekiel 37:3**

**6:30 P.M.**

**Annual Conference Banquet**  
(FORMAL AFRICAN ATTIRE)

**Master of Ceremony: Dr. Twana Harris & Rev. Zachary Mullens**

**Sheraton Detroit Metro Airport Hotel**  
**8000 Merriman Road**  
**Romulus, MI 48174**

**In lieu of Communion Offering, Please purchase Banquet Tickets (\$100)**  
(See your Elders for tickets)

**Guest Artist**

**Evangelist Twinkie Clark-Terrell**

**Communion**

**Chief Celebrant:**

**Bishop Sylvester Williams, Sr.**

**Soloist**

**Rev. Barbara Holt, Pastor St. James/Dozier Memorial**

**Homily:**

**Dr. Curlee Adams, Presiding Elder, Gary District**

**Sharing of the Elements:**

**Presiding Elder Dr. Janci Finkley, Sr.**

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*Monday, July 22, 2024*

**7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.**

**BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION**

(Registration is \$100.00 per person)

**The Joint Business Session**  
(All Annual Conferences)

**8:00 – 8:30 A.M.**

**Devotion**

**Kansas Missouri**

**Understanding the theme: Rev. Terry Wheat, Pastor**  
**Wheeler Chapel**

**8:30 – 11:00 A.M.**

- **ROLL CALL OF MINISTERS**
- **ROLL CALL OF LAY DELEGATES**
- **ELECTION OF THE SECRETARY AND STAFF**
- **SETTING OF THE BAR OF THE CONFERENCE**

- SELECTION OF CONFERENCE ORDERLIES
- ADOPTION OF CONFERENCE PROGRAM
- REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
- DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS
- THE BOOK OF DISCIPLINE OF THE C.M.E. CHURCH, 2022
- SECTION A. CONFERENCE RELATIONS 1-23, PAGES 48-50  
MINISTERIAL EXAMINATION COMMITTEE
- SECTION B. STATISTICS 24-42, PAGES 50-51  
STATISTICIAN
- SECTION C. FINANCE 43-49, PAGES 51  
JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE
- SECTION D. INSURANCE 50, PAGE 51-52
- SECTION E. MISCELLANEOUS 51-53, PAGES 52  
RECORDS CLERK

**11:00 – 12:30 P.M.**

**Joint New Birth/Worship Service**  
Led by the Laity

Preacher: Rev. Gayle Mack-Mason, Pastor, St. Peter CME Church

**12:30 – 2:00 P.M.**

**Lunch**

**2:00 – 3:30 P.M.**

**Church Initiatives**

**3D Strategic Plan - Rev. Zachary Mullens**

Audio/Visual Pastoral Reports

**Compelling Preaching – Dr. Joseph Gordon**

**Bold Money Matters – Dr. Victor Taylor**

**3:30 – 5:00 P.M.**

**Breakout Sessions**

Joint Board of Finance, Ministers' Spouses, Widows & Widowers Department, Economic Development Committee, Stewardesses, Missionaries, Commission on Social Concerns, Lay Ministry, Ministerial Examination Committee, Department of Christian Education, Young Adults, and the Board of Evangelism & Mission

**6:30 P.M. – 8.00 P.M.**

**KING AND QUEEN PAGEANT – Board of Christian Education**

Mrs. Paula Cathy, Kansas Missouri

Rev. Octavious Wilson, Michigan Indiana

Min. Chanda Dockery-Lee, SE Missouri, Illinois & Wisconsin

**8:00 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.**

**Missionary March**

Mrs. Carolyn Pettus, Kansas Missouri  
Dr. Linda Logan, Michigan Indiana  
Mrs. Marguerite Guy, SE Missouri, Illinois & Wisconsin

9:30 P.M.

Break-out Sessions (Cont.)

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*TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024*  
*THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE*

**7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M. BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION**  
(Registration is \$100.00 per person)

**8:00 – 8:15 A.M. Devotion SE Missouri, Illinois & Wisconsin**

**8:15 – 11:00 A.M. The Joint Regional Business Session**

- REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES
- THE TREASURER'S REPORT – Mr. Montagga Wright  
Rev. Willie Weaver  
Dr. David L. Bryant
- ELECTION OF TREASURER
- ELDER'S REPORTS/CHARACTER
- SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE CHRISTIAN INDEX AND THE MISSIONARY
- MESSENGER
- ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORTS
- PASSING THE BUDGET  
RECEIVING OF LAY PLEDGES

**11:00 – 12:30 P.M. RECOGNITION OF RETIREMENTS**  
Led by MINISTERS' SPOUSES, WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS DEPARTMENT

**RECOGNITION OF RETIREES**

**Retirees:** Rev. Rhonda Mitchell/Tribute by Elder Patricia A. Havis  
Dr. Patricia A. Havis/Tribute by Elder Anthony Hill

**Preacher: TBA**

**12:30 – 2:00 P.M. Lunch**

**2:00 – 5:00 P.M. Conference Business Session**

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**7:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. THE SERVICE OF ORDINATION/COMMISIONING**

**WORSHIP LEADERS:** Presiding Elders/Committee on Ministerial Examination  
Music: 3D Choir

**THE ORDINATION SERMON:** Rev. Willie F. Dockery, Presiding Elder,  
Chicago District

**ORDINATION SERVICE**

**SERVICE OF INSTALLATION OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE OFFICERS**

**READING OF THE PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS**

**CLOSING PRAYER/BENEDICTION**

**THE POSTLUDE**