



# 34th Biennial Session

of

## The Connectional Lay Organization African Methodist Episcopal Church



### AGENDA

July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 – August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

North Charleston, South Carolina

*“Laity Fulfilling the Great Commission”*

*Matthew 28:16 -20*



The Right Rev. John Richard Bryant - Senior Bishop

The Right Rev. William Phillips DeVeaux Sr. - Chair of the Lay Commission

The Right Rev. Richard Franklin Norris – General Board President and Host  
Bishop, Seventh Episcopal District

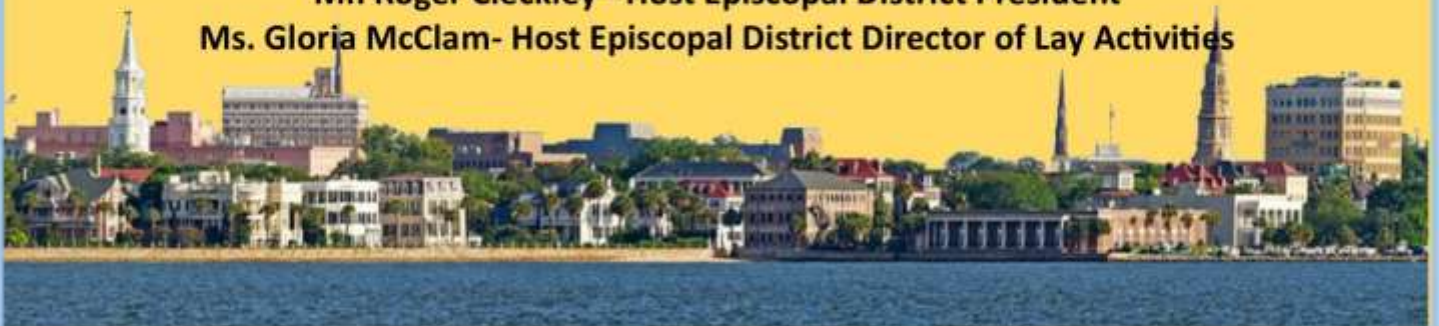
The Right Rev. Julius Harrison McAllister Sr. - President, Council of Bishops

Dr. Willie C. Glover, President - Global Connectional Lay Organization M

Mrs. Edith Bartley Cartledge - Director of Lay Activities

Mr. Roger Cleckley - Host Episcopal District President

Ms. Gloria McClam- Host Episcopal District Director of Lay Activities



## DAILY SCHEDULE

**Friday, July 31, 2015**

### Pre-Biennial Activities

Time	Activity	Location
2 p.m.	Kit Stuffing Registration Committee	

**Saturday, August 1, 2015**

Time	Activity	Location
10 a.m.	Kit Stuffing	
10 a.m.	Tours and Sightseeing of the City	
1 p.m. – 3 p.m.	Connectional Lay Economic Development Corporation (CLEDC)	
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Biennial Mass Choir Rehearsal	
2 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Registration Open	
3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Convention Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs Meeting	

**Sunday, August 2, 2015**

Time	Activity	Location
8 a.m. and 11 a.m.	Local Church Worship Services	
12 Noon – 5 p.m.	Registration Open	
1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Executive Board Meeting	
2:30 p.m. 3:30	First Timers Meeting	
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Historiographer's Class	
2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Connectional Lay Economic Development Corporation	
4:30 p.m.	<b>WELCOME RECEPTION, "A Taste of Charleston"</b> Hosted by the Seventh Episcopal District Mr. Roger Cleckley, President	
9 p.m. – Midnight	Episcopal Districts and Convention Committees Meet at the Call of Presidents and Chairs	

**OFFICIAL OPENING**  
**OF THE 34<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL SESSION OF THE CONNECTIONAL LAY ORGANIZATION**

**Monday, August 3, 2015**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
7 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Morning Worship, Mrs. Alice Belden Connectional Chaplain Speaker, the Rev. James Cornelius Brown Itinerate Deacon at Mt. Zion AME, Florence, S.C.	
9 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	BUSINESS SESSION I Willie C. Glover, President, Presiding Seating of the Delegates by Episcopal Districts Selection, “Lift Every Voice” (Please follow tape) Prayer, Mrs. Belden <b>“We Remember”</b> Mr. Simeon Rhoden and Social Action Team “Lay Hymn” Report of Committees Registration Credentials Roll Call and Minutes Rules Committee Report Ms. Gloria T. Byrd, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President, Presiding Introduction of the Lay Commission Chair, Bishop William Phillips DeVeaux, Sr. Introduction of the Convention Planner, Ms. Anita Rankin Adoption of Agenda for the 34 <sup>th</sup> Biennial Session Presentation of President, Ms. Kimberly Gordon Brooks, Third Episcopal District Director of Lay Activities Presidential Address Dr. Willie C. Glover Recess ( 10 minutes)	

Introduction of the Director of Lay Activities

Mrs. Edith Bartley Cartledge

Presentation of Keynoter

Keynote Address

12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. Lunch (on your own)

2 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Business Session II  
Dr. Glover, Presiding

Greetings, Ms. Acacia Bamberg Salatti, Director Center for  
Faith Based Neighborhood Partnerships, U.S. Dept. of  
Health and Human Services

Financial Report, Mr. Darwin Eldridge and Mr. Richard Bowden

Budget and Finance Committee Report  
Ms. Arlene Lawson, Chairperson

Constitution and Bylaws Committee  
Other Reports

6:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Worship Participants invited to Holding Room

7:30 p.m. **SERVICE OF THE WORD AND SACRAMENT**

9:30 p.m. – Midnight **Episcopal Districts and Convention Committees**

**Tuesday, August 4, 2015**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
7 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Morning worship Mrs. Alice Belden, Connectional Chaplain, Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Betty Deas Clark, Pastor of Mt. Pisgah AME, Sumter, S. C.	
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Business Session III Mr. Matikane Abednego Makiti Second Vice President  Committee Reports  Reports of Elected Officers	

**TRAINING FROM 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
DIRECTOR OF LAY ACTIVITIES, CO-ORDINATOR**

7 p.m.                   **THE JESSE L. BURNS BLACK TIE SOIREE**  
Benefit for Edward Waters College  
Mrs. Doris Bell, Chairperson

9:30 p.m.               Business Session IV  
Mrs. Starr Battle, Esq., Presiding  
Third Vice President  
  
Constitution and Bylaws  
Committees Report

**Wednesday, August 5, 2015**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
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7 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Mrs. Alice Belden, Connectional Chaplain Speaker, the Rev. Andre L. Spivey, Pastor, St. Paul AME, Detroit, Mich.	
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9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Director of Lay Activities	
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12 noon – 1:30 p.m.	Young Adults Hour of Power Young Adult Representative, Dr. Felicia Commodore Speaker, the Rev. Derrick Scott, Pastor, St. Paul AME, Irmo, S. C.	
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1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)	
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3:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	General Conference Candidates Forum Mrs. Jackie Dupont Walker, Coordinator	
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7 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Program Participants Invited to the Holding Room	
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7:30 p.m.	<b>Awards Banquet</b> Speaker, Rev. Cornell William Brooks, Esq. President and CEO National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) CLO Director of Lay Activities Coordinator	
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**Thursday, August 6, 2015**

7 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Morning Worship  
Mrs. Alice Belden, Connectional Chaplain  
Speaker, the Rev. Mila Patrice Cooper,  
Itinerant Elder, serves in ministry at  
Wayman AME, Dayton, Ohio

Business Session V  
Dr. Glover presiding

9 a.m.

Memorial Service  
Legislation Worship  
Constitution and Bylaws

Break

General Conference Buzz Session  
Lay strategies  
Project  
Other concerns

35<sup>th</sup> Biennial Session of the Connectional Lay Organization,  
Presentation by the Third Episcopal District Lay Organization  
Ms. Ametta L. Reaves, President

Time and Place Committee

Evaluation Committee

Resolution Committee

Executive Summary Committee

Closing Remarks

Love Circle

**Lay Benediction (Singing)**

Fellowship Luncheon