AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH 59th ANNUAL SESSION FIFTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT LAY ORGANIZATION 2016 SYNERGY MINI-CONVENTION

3rd VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT "Laity Fulfilling the Great Commission"

Introduction:

To: Bishop T. Larry Kirkland, Presiding Prelate of the Fifth Episcopal District; Mrs. Mary Kirkland, Episcopal Supervisor; Dr. Willie Glover, Connectional Lay President; Connectional Officers; Mr. Simeon Rhoden, President, Fifth Episcopal District lay Organization; Fifth District Lay Officers; Presiding Elders; Pastors; Members of the Clergy; Delegates, Visitors and Friends:

Duties/Responsibilities Elected at the Discretion of Divisions:

As Third Vice President in addition to presiding at meetings and assuming all the duties of the office of the President in the absence of the President, First and Second Vice Presidents, I am responsible for coordinating Personal Evangelism.

MAJOR ACTIVIIES

Projects/Engagements:

- Personal Evangelism (Primary focus for this Conference Year)
- Personal Evangelism Team has grown to 11 Members
- Prepared material on 10 Basic Fundamentals of Christianity following the tenets of Jesus Christ.

Fundamentals:

1.Bible, 2.God, 3.Jesus Christ, 4.The Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ,
5.Man and Sin, 6.Salvation, 7.The Holy Spirit, 8.Angels, Demons and Satan,
9.The Church, and 10.Things to Come

Condensing Material:

- Each Team Member served as its own individual Focus Group.
- From questions presented material was extracted for each Fundamental and a Summary prepared.

Major Meetings:

- Meetings attended:
- Connectional Lay Organization 34th Biennial August 2 6, 2015, No. Charleston, So. Carolina was District Delegate
- 5th District Planning Meeting October 26-27, 2015, Los Angeles, CA
- Connectional Lay Organization Executive Board and Strategic Planning Meeting, October 29-November 1, 2015, Los Angeles CA.
- 5th District Mid-Year Convocation, March 9-10,2016, Los Angeles, CA
- 59th Annual Session 5th District 2016 Synergy Mini-Convention, March 11-12, 2016, Los Angeles, CA.

Future Plans:

- Fundamentals 1 through 4 are complete.
- Complete the process for summarizing the remaining 6 Fundamentals.

• Work with Conference Presidents and Conference Team Representative on coordinating with Local Presidents to implement process.

Recommendations:

- Post Raw Data along with the Condensed version of each Fundamental on the District Website for all to use in the 3rd VPs Corner.
- Post Bibliography

Prayerfully Submitted Barbara Moore 3rd Vice President