

20-21 SIXTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE DEPARTMENTAL/OFFICER REPORT

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Department/Office: Lay Ministry

List of Current Officers

FVSD Lay Leader – Mr. Eugene Felton MBD Lay Leader - TBD

Mission/Purpose

- 1. To reach, teach and minister to all God's people.
- 2. To work in partnership with Pastors and other departments to develop activities that contribute to the nurture, education, and spiritual growth of all members of the CME Church.

Objectives

- 1. To observe and participate in the District's Lay activities as well as National Lay Day.
- 2. To develop a lay teaching ministry.
- 3. To engage our youth and young adults in the ministries of the CME Church.

Accomplishments

- 1. Attended the Sixth Episcopal District's Planning Meeting in August 2023.
- 2. Attended several virtual Connectional meetings conducted by the General Secretary of Lay Ministries, Shannon Faulks.
- 3. Speaking Engagements: Lay Day Speaker for Saint James C.M.E. Church in Perry, GA (October 8, 2023) and Saint James C.M.E. Church in Dublin, GA (October 15, 2023).
- 4. Attended the Balm of Gilead's Healthy Churches Conference via Zoom in November 2023.

Challenges

- 1. Being able to establish a leadership team for a District has made it difficult to communicate with local church leaders.
- 2. Increase participation in the local, Districts and Regional level.

Recommendations

During the District meetings have the Lay (including the Missionary, Stewardess, Ushers, Ministry to Men, etc.) to establish a preliminary calendar for the year.

Respectfully submitted to Presiding Prelate Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr.,

Name of Chair/President/Director Sandra Alexander Hill

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