The Women’s Missionary Council
Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

The Executive Board Meeting

Convening at
IP Casino Resort Spa
Biloxi, MS
February 28-March 4, 2016

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OFFICIAL PROGRAM AGENDA
2016 Women’s Missionary Council
Executive Board Meeting
Theme: Investing in the Future through Education, Outreach and Service

Sunday, February 28

3:00 a.m. Arrival of Administrative Committee, Registration and Kit packing Committees
   Arrival of the Staff
   Arrival of the Executive Committee
   College of Bishops – Boardroom – Four (4) day - 24 Hour Hold

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Administrative Staff Committee Meeting – Fuse Room
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Vendors’ set up – Foyer AB
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting – Fuse Room

- The Plenary/Business Sessions will be held in Ballrooms CD
- All food events will be held in Ballrooms AB

Monday, February 29

Attire: Casual

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration - Promenade Foyer
9:00 a.m.-9:30 WMC Administrative Staff Meeting - Fuse Room
2:30 p.m. 2:40 p.m. Devotion......................... Mrs. G. Bernice Richardson, Secretary
   Spiritual Life and Message Team
2:40 p.m. -2:45 p.m. Welcome................................................... President Pegues
   Response......................................................Ms. Juliet Waddell, Editor
   The Missionary Messenger
2:45 p.m. -2:50 p.m. So Glad You’re Here .................................President Pegues
2:50 p.m.-2:55 p.m. Announcements........................................... Ms. Theresa Duhart
   Council Secretary
   Announcement of Orientation Meeting Rooms........Mrs. Theresa Duhart
   (A list of the meeting rooms is also on page 12 in the Program Book).
Orientation Committee Meetings

3:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.  Regional Presidents – Dr. Nellie B. King, President of Presidents
3:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.  Regional Vice Presidents – Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott, Council Vice President

3:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.  Departmental and Commission Meetings
Division I – Mrs. Deborah L. Dickenson, Leader
Structure: Rossie T. Hollis, Mattie E. Coleman, Phyllis H. Bedford, Pauline B. Grant Status of Women, and Organization and Promotion

Division II – Mrs. Renee Woodruff, Leader
Program: Literature and Publication, Thelma J. Dudley
Missionary Education, Spiritual Life and Message, Fine Arts

Division III – Mrs. Doris Boyd, Leader
Service and Outreach: Overseas Mission, Hunger and Meals for Millions, Educational Services

Commissions: Meet with your respective chair:
Health Initiative, Ms. Sonia Brown; History, Dr. Judith E. Grant;
Communication, Ms. Juliet Waddell; Education-Mrs. Jacqueline Scott

4:45 p.m. 5:45 p.m.  Committee Meetings – Meet with the Chair

5:45 p.m.  Dinner (On your own)

Tuesday, March 1

Attire: Red (Go Red) in recognition of American Heart Association Month
7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.  WMC Administrative Staff Meeting
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Registration – Promenade Foyer
8:00 a.m.-8:15 a.m.  Devotion  Spiritual Life and Message Team
Mrs. G. Bernice Richardson, Secretary

8:15 a.m.- 8:25 a.m.  Welcome  Mrs. Ardelia Briggs
Region President, North East Mississippi WMS
Greetings  Mrs. Jackie Wagner
Region President, Louisiana WMS

8:25 a.m. – 11:20 p.m.  Introduction of 2016 Study Course  Ms. Terri Dyer, Secretary
10:00 a.m-11:00a.m.      All You Ever Wanted to Know about the Missionaries, but didn't know who to Ask........................................................President Pegues  
(Class for Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Laity) –   Fuse Room

11:20p.m.-11:30a.m.      Q & A
11:30 – 11:40 - Meet our Bishops (Episcopal Leaders)...............Patron Bishop James B. Walker
11:40 - 11:45 - Announcements..............................................................Ms. Theresa Duhart
11:45 – 11:50 -Presentation of Visitors....................................................President Pegues
11:50 -12:00   - Preparation for Luncheon
12:00noon- 2:00p.m.   4th Episcopal Lunch (by invitation only)

2:15p.m. – 2:20 p.m. Welcome...............................................................The Honorable Andrew “FoFo” Gilich
Mayor, Biloxi, MS
2:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  - **FORUM**

Moderator: Mrs.

- There is Nothing Wrong with Black Students! Educating Black Girls and Boys  
  *Dr. Kyseta Warner Armstrong*

- Women’s Health Matters.................................................................Ms. Sonia Brown

- The Black Lives Matter Movement- Is it the new Civil Rights Movement?  
  *Antonius (Tony) Pegues*

- Millennium Development Goal #1- How to Eradicate extreme Poverty and Hunger  
  *Mrs. Sue Alexander, Overseas Mission Secretary*

4:30 – 4:45 - Q & A
4:45 p.m.– 4:50 p.m. Announcements..................................................Ms. Theresa Duhart
4:50p.m. 5:00 p.m. Presentation of Visitors and Wrap Up..........................President Pegues

7:00 p.m........................................................................................................Holy Communion  
Attire: White (Program under separate cover – College of Bishops in charge)

**Wednesday, March 2**

Attire: White

7:00 a.m.  9:00 a.m.       **Prayer Breakfast** .................Phyllis H. Bedford Young Adult Department
  *Mrs. Deresser Armstrong, Secretary*

8:00 a.m. -.5:00 p.m.   **Registration - Promenade Foyer**
9:00-10:00    **Bible Study**......  *Rev. Dr. Regina Reese Young, Pastor*
  Hopps’ Memorial CME Church, Syracuse, New York

10:00 -10:15    **Devotion**  
  *Spiritual Life and Message Team*
  *Mrs. G Bernice Richardson, Secretary*

10:15 – 10:30 Plenary Session
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Council Officers’ Reports**

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11:35 - 12:00 Preparation for Luncheon

12:00 noon – 2:00 Presidents’ Luncheon

**(Program under separate cover)** Speaker........... Dr. John D. Calhoun, Ph.D.

2:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Plenary Session

**Division Leaders’ Reports**

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**Committees’ Reports (Special)**

1. E. W. F. Life Membership Mrs. Virginia Marshall, Chairperson
2. Home & Family Life Mrs. Vicki Johnson, Chairperson
3. Compilation & Statistics Mrs. Evelyn Gosey, Chairperson

**Affiliate Reports**

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5:00 p.m. Presentation of Visitors & Wrap Up President Pegues

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**Thursday, March 3**

7:00 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. WMC Administrative Staff Meeting
8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Registration - Promenade Foyer
8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Bible Study Rev. Dr. Regina Reese Young
9:15 a.m. - 12:00 noon PLENARY SESSION
9:15 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.  Devotion
                      Spiritual Life and Message Team
                      Mrs. G Bernice Richardson, Secretary

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. Here I Am Ministry
                      Region Presidents and Departmental Secretaries
                      “Share and Tell” - It worked for me

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Overseas Mission Update
                      Mrs. Sue Alexander
                      Secretary, Overseas Mission

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **The Commissions’ Reports**
                      Historical Commission
                      Dr. Judith Grant, Chairperson
                      Health Initiative
                      Mrs. Sonia Brown, National Coordinator
                      Communication
                      Ms. Juliet Waddell, Chairperson
                      Education
                      Mrs. Jacqueline Scott, Chairperson

11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Gift to Biloxi
                      (Leaving the City a little Better than we found it)
                      Gorenflo Elementary School

11:45 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. Announcements
                      Ms. Theresa Duhart, Secretary

11:50 a.m. – 12:00 noon Presentation of visitors and wrap up
                      President Pegues

12:00 noon -  Lunch and Free Afternoon and Evening (to visit the Exhibitors and the city)

**7:00 p.m.** Executive Board Banquet
                      Mr. W. Jean Moore, Chair (Attire: After Five) Program under separate cover
                      Dr. Steve Perry, Speaker

Friday, March 4

**8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.** - EXECUTIVE BOARD BUSINESS

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
                      Devotion and Service of Necrology
                      Spiritual Life and Message Team
                      Mrs. G Bernice Richardson, Secretary

**Conclusion of Reports**

Resolutions
                      Mrs. W. Jean Moore, Chairperson

Registrar’s Report
                      Mrs. Laura Morrow, Chairperson

Finance Report
                      Mrs. Thelma Henderson

Invitations to Host Executive Board in 2017 and 2018

Invitations to the 2019 Quadrennial Assembly

Rededication Service
                      Senior Bishop L. L. Reddick, III

Meditation
                      Bishop James B. Walker

Remarks
                      Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr., Host Bishop
                      Bishop James B. Walker, Patron Bishop
                      Dr. Princess Pegues, Council President

Closing Prayer
10:30 a.m. - THE 2016 EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICIALLY CLOSED

Opening Session - Monday, February 29, 2016
2:30 p.m.

Greetings were extended by Dr. Princess Ann Rogers Pegues, the International President of the Women’s Missionary Council of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church.

President Pegues introduced Ms. G. Bernice Richardson, Secretary of Spiritual Life and Message, and Worship Leader who conducted the Devotions.

Devotions: Spiritual Life & Message Team

Opening Song
“Missionary Hymn”

Prayer
Ms. G. Bernice Richardson

Scripture: Psalm 133:1-3
Mrs. Mary A. Washington

Today’s Thought
Ms. G. Bernice Richardson

“God is saying to you today, “Everything will work out. I’m in complete control. I know what the medical report says. I know what the financial situation looks like. I see people who are coming against you. I know how big your dreams are. And hear me clearly; I will not fail you.” Say Amen and Claim it.

President Pegues thanked Ms. Richardson for the Devotion.

President Pegues introduced Mrs. Faye Foster, President of the Mississippi South Region Missionary Society.

The Welcome was given by Mrs. Faye Foster.

The Response was given by Ms. Juliet Waddell, Editor of The Missionary Messenger.

President Pegues thanked Mrs. Foster for the warm welcome and Ms. Waddell for the response.

President Pegues introduced the Host Bishop of the Fourth Episcopal District, Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr.
President Pegues thanked the Executive Committee, the President of Presidents (Dr. Nellie King), her executive secretary, Mrs. Vickie Rogers, and her executive assistant, Mrs. Evelyn Gosey.

Recording Secretary Ms. Theresa Duhart read the following announcements.

- Overview of meetings and locations were provided:

**Orientation Meeting Rooms** (See page 12 of Program Schedule)

**Monday, February 29, 2016**

3:00 – 4:45 pm Ballroom C Regional Presidents
Ballroom C Regional Vice Presidents
Ballroom D Division I – Structure
Ballroom F Division II – Program
Ballroom F Division III – Service & Outreach

**AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS** Christian Social Relations
Ballroom G ............................... American Bible Society
Church Women United
National Council of Negro Women
WFM&UCW
Bread for the World

4:45 -5:45 pm COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS
Ballroom C .............. Constitution & Bylaws
Finance
Resolution/ Executive Board Banquet
Nominating
Ballroom D ............. Compilation & Statistics
Credentials
E. W. F. Harris Life Membership
Ballroom F .............. Registration
Evaluation
Technology
Hostesses
Ballroom G .............. History
Communications
Education
Ballroom H .............. Home and Family Life
Health Initiative
Ballroom A .............. Presidents’ Luncheon

- Pauline B. Grant Status of Women books left over from the Quadrennial Assembly are available for purchase.
- A WMC blanket left on the shuttle van is at the Executive Committee’s table.
• The Fourth Episcopal District choir rehearsal will be held tonight at 6:00 p.m. Vans will depart at 5:30 pm to transport choir to rehearsal site. Meet at front entrance of the hotel.

President Pegues introduced Mrs. Angelique Walker Smith, representative from Bread for the World. Mrs. Walker Smith extended greetings and informed the missionaries about resources available from Bread for the World.

President Pegues announced that a Smart Phone charging station is outside of Ballroom A.

President Pegues dismissed the session at 3:15 pm, which was followed by the Orientation Committee meetings.

Tuesday, March 1, 2016

Dr. Princess Pegues called the session to order at 8:00 am and introduced the Chair of the Spiritual Life and Message Team, Ms. G. Bernice Richardson, Secretary.

Devotions: Spiritual Life & Message Team
(Note: The Handouts are included in Attachment H)

Opening Song “This is the Day”

Prayer Mrs. Louise Hardy

Scripture (Psalm 112:1-6) Mrs. Carolyn Piper

Inspirational Message “No Deposit No Return” Mrs. Louise Ballard

“If you don’t take the time to deposit the Word in your heart now, it won’t be there later when you really need it. You’ll end up in a crisis with only doubt and unbelief instead of the faith and power you need to see you through. The victory is already won when you have studied the Word and prayed in the Spirit well before the crisis hit. It will be won because you spent time building a rock-solid foundation! Don’t wait around until you’re faced with a crisis. Get the Word in your heard in abundance now, so when you really need it, it will flow in power. Remember: No Deposit – No Return. Start making those precious deposits today! Your blessings are on the way!”

Today’s Thought Mrs. G. Bernice Richardson

“Warm thoughts can make the sun seem a little brighter, the sky seem a little clearer, the world seem a little nicer. So today, my missionary sister, you can have them all By thinking only warm thoughts.”
President Pegues thanked Mrs. Richardson and the Spiritual Life and Message Team.

President Pegues introduced Mrs. Jackie Wagner, Louisiana Region President. The welcome was extended by Mrs. Jackie Wagner, Louisiana Region President.

President Pegues introduced the first presenter, Ms. Terri Dyer, Secretary of the Thelma K. Dudley Missionary Education.

**Presentation, Introduction of 2016 Study Course**
Ms. Terri Dyer, Thelma J. Dudley Missionary Education Secretary, presented the 2016 Course of Study.

(See Attachment D)

**Adult Study Book: The Battle Plan for Prayer: From Basic Training to Targeted Strategies Book and Bible Study Supplement**
Author: Stephen Kendrick and Alex Kendrick
Mattie E. Coleman Study Book: The Battle Plan for Prayer - Teen Bible Study
Authors: Stephen Kendrick and Brian Mills
Children’s Study Book: What Happens When I Talk to God?: The Power of Prayer for Boys and Girls
Author: Stormie Omartian

The presentation was depicted in a creative skit based on the movie, “War Room.” The overall theme was there is an enemy that is out to destroy us and our best weapon is prayer. We were encouraged to order books from Amazon via the official CME Web site <www.thecmecurch.org>.

President Pegues thanked Ms. Dyer for a great presentation and skit!

President Pegues introduced the Patron Bishop and Presiding Prelate of the Seventh Episcopal District, Bishop James B. Walker. Bishop James B. Walker greeted the Executive Board.

Bishop Walker introduced Bishop Teresa E. Snorton, the 59th Bishop of the CME Church and Presiding Prelate of the Fifth Episcopal District. Bishop Snorton greeted the Executive Board members and guests.

President Pegues left the session to teach class, “All You Ever Wanted to Know about the Missionaries, but didn’t know who to Ask.” This class was for preachers and pastors.

Vice President Mrs. Jacqueline Scott presided over the session in the absence of President Pegues, and thanked all participants on the program.

Dismissal for a break at 11:00 a.m.
Fourth Episcopal District Luncheon
2016 Executive Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 1, 2016 ~ 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Luncheon Program

Gathering Music Mrs. Pene Woods
Call to Celebrate (Emcee) Mrs. W. Jean Moore
Hymn of Praise “Lift Every Voice and Sing” Assemblage Mrs. Mathilda Martin, Directress
Invocation Mrs. Neyoma G. Beverly
Scripture (I Corinthians 13) Mrs. Rose Lockey
Solo: The Lord is Blessing Me” Mrs. Beverly K. Dixon
Greetings and Occasion Mrs. Jackie Wagner
Table Blessings Mrs. Linda Whitlock
Serving of Meal
Presentation of Entertainment Mrs. Sandra Berry
“Precious Lord, Take My Hand” Katrina White
Praise Dancers
Comedian Rita B. Brent
Tokens of Love Fourth Episcopal District
Mrs. Patsy Holbrook Bishops and Spouses
Mrs. Frankie Williams General Officers & Heads of Connectional Institutions
Mrs. Virginia Wilson Other Officers & Heads of Connectional Institutions
Mrs. Ardelia Briggs Executive Board, Conference Presidents & Other Guests
Special Presentations Mrs. Annie Williams and Mrs. Faye Foster
Gifts to Dr. Princess Pegues and Bishop Thomas L. and Dr. Louise Brown
WMC Executive Board Afternoon Session
Tuesday, March 1, 2016

President Dr. Princess Pegues called the session to order at 2:20 p.m.

President Pegues introduced The Honorable Andrew Gilch, Mayor of Biloxi, MS. Mayor Gilch extended greetings to the Conference. President Pegues thanked Mayor Gilch for taking the time to visit the Executive Board Meeting.

President Pegues introduced the moderator of the Forum, Mrs. Deborah L. Dickerson.

Forums

Mrs. Deborah L. Dickerson introduced the first presenter, Dr. Kyseta Warner Armstrong.

Dr. Armstrong’s topic was, **There is Nothing Wrong with Black Students! Educating Black Girls and Boys.** Dr. Armstrong’s presentation was excellent.

Ms. Dickerson introduced the second presenter, Dr. Sonia Brown. Her topic was, **Women’s Health Matter** presentation by Dr. Sonia Brown, Elnora P. Hamb Health initiative Coordinator for the Women’s Missionary Council.

Mrs. Dickerson introduced the third presenter, Mr. Antonius (Tony) Pegues. His topic was, **The Black Lives Matter Movements – Is it the new Civil Rights Movement?**

Mrs. Dickerson introduced the third presenter, Mrs. Sue Alexander, Overseas Mission Secretary for the Women’s Missionary Council. Mrs. Alexander provided information on **Millennium Development Goal #1 – How to Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger.**

Mrs. Dickerson thanked Mrs. Alexander and all of the other presenters for sharing valuable information on their topics.

President Pegues thanked everyone for the informative topics!
Ms. Theresa Duhart read the following announcements:

- Mrs. Dereeser Armstrong would like to meet with the following persons: Katrina Wiley, Thelma Woodard, Heather Armstrong and LaToya McQueen.
- Merit Health Biloxi is providing blood pressure checks in the vendor area.
- Please turn in your Reimbursement Form to Treasurer, Carol Ferrell.
- If you have not done so already, please stop by the Organization and Promotion table and make a purchase. We have some new items and returning items that we know you will enjoy wearing.
- The Communion Service is tonight at 7:00 pm. The attire is white.
- The Prayer Breakfast is tomorrow morning at 7:00 a.m.
- Our Bible Study session will be tomorrow from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

President Pegues recognized the first time attendees to the Executive Board meeting.

Dr, Pegues explained about the ticketed events. The ticket count was given to the IP Casino Resort Spa at their request last week.

Ticketed

Banquets: 225 Can Sell: 16
Luncheon: 250 Sold 212 Can Sell 36 more
Prayer Breakfast: No tickets available

Mrs. Laura Morrow has the tickets for the ticketed events and will distribute at the registration desk.

President Pegues stated that the Executive Board Meeting in 2017 would be held in the Seventh Episcopal District.

President Pegues dismissed the session at 4:55 pm.
The Service of Holy Communion
Tuesday, March 1, 2016 ~ 7:00 PM

The Prelude Reverend Lisa Clayton
The Processional “All Hail The Power” (Diadem) CME Hymnal #523
The Call to Worship Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr.
The Hymn of Praise “O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing” CME Hymnal #17
The Affirmation of Faith Bishop Brown
The Prayer Bishop Henry M. Williamson, Sr.
The Choral Response “He Is Lord”
Song of Rejoicing “Do You Have Good Religion” Fourth Episcopal District Choir
The Old Testament Lesson (Isaiah 53:1-5) Bishop Paul A.G. Stewart, Sr.
The Gloria Patri
The Confession
Song of Rejoicing “I Don’t Know Who Holds Tomorrow” Mrs. Beverly Dixon
The Offering Bishop Kenneth W. Carter
The Announcements Dr. Princess A. Pegues
Bishop Teresa E. Snorton
  • Acknowledgements: Dr. Princess Pegues, Executive Committee, General Officers, Connectional Officers, Retired Bishops, Presiding Bishops, Senior Bishop Lawrence L. Reddick Sr.
  • The Lenten, iFast, iPray, We Grow Prayer Conference Call is Sunday, March 6 at 7 PM all Time Zones. Resources are online at the CME Web site at www.thecmechurch.org
  • The Connectional Youth and Young Adult Conference will be held July 11-15, 2016 in Memphis, TN.

The Presentation of the Preacher Bishop Sylvester Williams, Sr.
The Hymn of Preparation “The Solid Rock” CME Hymnal #223
The Sermon
Bishop C. James King, Jr.
Bishop King’s topic was, “Communion: A Major Investment Factor for Unity”
Presiding Prelate
Eleventh Episcopal District, Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

The Invitation To Christian Discipleship
Bishop Bobby R. Best
Hymn: “Oh, It is Jesus”

The Hymn “There Is Power In the Blood”
CME Hymnal #137

The Service of Holy Communion
Bishop L. L. Reddick III, Presiding

Presenting the Gifts (Uncovering of the elements)

Great Thanksgiving

The Preface

The Lord’s Prayer

The Breaking Of Bread

Sharing of the Bread And The Cup

The Prayer

The Closing Hymn “There Is A Fountain”
CME Hymnal #84

The Benediction
Bishop James B. Walker

The Recession

Dismissal at 9:45 p.m.
Wednesday, March 2, 2016

Prayer Breakfast
7:00-9:00 A.M.
Women’s Missionary Council
Executive Board 2016

Theme: What's In Your Bag? “Prayers from the Hearts of our PHB Young Adult”

IP Casino and Resort Spa
Biloxi, MS

Mrs. Deborah L. Dickerson Worship Leader
Leader, Division One – Structure

Musical Prelude Mrs. Pene Woods

Call to Worship

The Hymn of Praise “Somebody Prayed for Me”

Invocation Mrs. Renee Woodruff
Division II Leader of WMC

The Written Word Mrs. Doris Boyd
Division III Leader of WMC

Solo: Medley of Songs Mrs. Adrienne Speas
Carolina Region President

Grace Mrs. Sue Alexander
Secretary of Overseas Mission

Breakfast is Served

Prayers from the Hearts of our Phyllis H. Bedford Young Adults

Pray for Our CME Church Ms. Katrina Wiley

Peace Ms. Thelma Woodard

Love Ms. Heather Armstrong

Justice Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott
Bishop Walker introduced the Bishops of the CME Church in attendance.

- Retired Bishop E. Lynn Brown
- Retired Bishop Paul A.G. Stewart
- Bishop C. James King, Jr.
- Bishop Bobby R. Best
- Bishop Teresa E. Snorton
- Bishop Sylvester Williams
- Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr.
- Bishop Henry M. Williamson, Sr.
- Senior Bishop Lawrence L. Reddick III

(Absent: Bishop Marvin F. Thomas, Sr., Bishop Kenneth W. Carter, and Bishop Godwin T. Umoette)

Benediction

Bishop James B. Walker

Dismissal at 8:55 a.m.

**Bible Study**

Wednesday, March 2, 2016  9:00-10:00 A.M.

Dr. Princess Pegues, International President of the Women’s Missionary Council, introduced the Bible Study instructor, Rev. Dr. Regina Reese-Young, pastor of Hopps Memorial CME Church in Syracuse, New York.

Bible Study: “**Hagar in a Sarah World: Revisiting Genesis 16 & 21**”

Instructor:  Rev. Dr. Regina Reese-Young

President Pegues thanked Rev. Dr. Regina Reese-Young for the Bible Study session.

President Pegues called on the Spiritual Life and Message Team, Ms. G. Bernice Richardson, Secretary.
Devotions: Spiritual Life & Message Team

Opening Song
“In the Name of Jesus”

Prayer
Virgie Phillips

Scripture (2 Chronicles 7:12-15)
Ann Tutt-Denmark

Inspirational Message
Rev. Carole E. Richardson
“If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.” No nation is so far gone that God can’t change it. God’s power resting on a group of men and women can surely change a nation for the better. But notice in the above scripture that it says, if MY people which are called by MY name…” God did not say it would take everybody in the nation to get things turned around. He said, if MY people will get out there and sign petitions and drum up a majority vote, He said, Pray.” In other words, we’re going to have to quit trying to work this thing out by ourselves. GOD himself will do the healing in this land. Our job is to pray, to believe, and to seek His face. Diligently see Him today and watch Him work!

Today’s Thought:
G. Bernice Richardson
Most worries are like puddles. By tomorrow they will have evaporated.
Lord today be my comfort, free me from worries
And fill me with trust in Your love for me.

President Pegues thanked G. Bernice Richardson and the Spiritual Life & Message Team for the devotional and their diligence this week.

Wednesday, March 2, 2016
Plenary Session

Dr. Princess Pegues called the Plenary Session to order at 10:24 a.m.

President Pegues informed the Executive Board that the Executive Board Governing Rules appeared on the inside cover of the Report Book (reports from the Region Presidents, Division Leaders, Secretaries, Chairpersons and Correspondents).

Dr. Pegues requested for Dr. Velma Lois Jones, the Parliamentarian, to read and review the Executive Board Governing Rules.
Dr. Velma Lois Jones, the Parliamentarian, read the Executive Board Governing Rules which were printed on the inside cover of The Report Book.

**Action:** It was moved by G. Bernice Richardson to adopt the Governing Rules, and seconded by Paulette O'Neill and Virgie Phillips. The motion carried.

**Credentials Committee Report**  
*(See Attachment E)*  

Ms. Pamela Springfield, Chairperson of the Credential Committee, called the Roll of Executive Board members.

**Roll Call:**  
- **Number of Members Present:** 63 (It was noted that Calandra Hunter was counted twice as Assistant Secretary and Region President, reducing the number of persons present from 64 to 63)  
- **Number of Members Absent:** 9

**Adoption of the Agenda**  
Dr. Velma Lois Jones moved to adopt the agenda as printed with modifications, and seconded by Dr. Nellie B. King. The motion carried.

**Minutes of the 18th Quadrennial Assembly**  
Ms. Theresa Duhart, Recording Secretary, stated that Mrs. Daisy Banks, the former Recording Secretary of the Council, prepared the Minutes of the 18th Quadrennial Assembly and they were sent on September 1, 2015 and again on February 24, 2016.

The following corrections to the Minutes of the 18th Quadrennial Assembly were noted:
- Page 28 Recommendations: Ms. G. Bernice Richardson stated that there was a misprint. The recommendations were from Evelyn Gosey and not part of the Registration Report.  
- Treasurer’s Report: Mrs. Carol Ferrell stated that Josef Serrells of the Eighth Episcopal District Dallas-Ft. Worth Region, made the motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report.

**Action:** Mrs. W. Jean Moore moved for acceptance of the minutes and that the minutes stand approved with the corrections by the body, and seconded by Donna Mayes. The motion carried.

Permission requested by Mrs. Faye Foster and Dr. Nellie King for Region Presidents to be excused to prepare for the Presidents’ Luncheon.
Council Officers’ Reports
(The Reports are included in Attachment A)

President’s Report
(For the full report, see Attachment A)

Mrs. Jacqueline Scott introduced the International President of the Women’s Missionary Council, Dr. Princess A. Rogers Pegues.

President Pegues provided her report.

It was moved by Dr. Judith E. Grant, the Past President of the Women’s Missionary Council, to accept the progressive, inclusive, dynamic report of Dr. Princess Pegues and the recommendations be accepted and referred to the appropriate committees, and seconded by Dr. Elnora P. Hamb, Immediate Past President and Jackie Wagner of the Louisiana Region. The motion carried.

President Pegues stated that the report of the Vice President, Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott, will be delayed until the afternoon session due to the Presidents’ Luncheon.

President Pegues dismissed the session at 11:45 a.m.

The Presidents’ Luncheon
12:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
(See Programs, Attachment C)

Wednesday, March 2, 2016
Plenary Session ~ 2:15-5:00 PM

President Princess Pegues called the session to order at 2:20 p.m.

President Pegues introduced Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott, the Vice President of the Council.

Council Officers’ Reports (Continued)

Vice President’s Report
(For the full report, see Attachment A)

Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott, the Vice President, gave her report.
It was moved by Sheila Holman (West Tennessee Region) to accept the report of the Vice President with high commendations and for the recommendations to be referred to the appropriate committee, and seconded by Adrienne Speas (Carolina Region). The motion carried.


President Pegues thanked Mrs. Scott for her fine report.

President Pegues introduced Mrs. Carol Ferrell, the Treasurer of the Council.

**Treasurer’s Report**  
*(For the full report, see Attachment A)*

Mrs. Carol Ferrell, Treasurer, gave her report. Additional handouts were provided (See Attachment B)

It was moved by Crystal Woods of the Eighth Episcopal District to receive the report and seconded by Dr. Elnora P. Hamb and Sue Alexander. The motion carried.

President Pegues thanked Mrs. Ferrell for the compilation report.

President Pegues introduced the new Editor of the Missionary Messenger, Ms. Juliet Waddell.

**EDITOR OF THE MISSIONARY MESSENGER**  
*(For the full report, see Attachment A)*

Ms. Juliet Waddell, Editor of the Missionary Messenger, gave her report. Additional handouts were provided (See Attachment B).

It was moved by Doris F Boyd (West Tennessee Region) to accept the informative and efficient report with highest commendation and the recommendations be referred to the appropriate committees, and seconded by Pamela Springfield (West Tennessee Region) and Paulette O’Neil (New York-Washington Region). The motion carried.

President Pegues thanked Juliet Waddell for the great report. President Pegues stated that she is pleased that the Missionary Messenger is back on track with the schedule!
Division Leaders Reports
(See Attachment D)

Division I – Structure

Mrs. Deborah L. Dickerson, Division I Structure Leader reported that the Division I Structure is working hard to advance the Kingdom.

Departments and Secretaries:
Rossie T. Hollis  Frances B. Evins
Mattie E. Coleman  Wanda McNeil
Phyllis H. Bedford  Deresser Armstrong
Organization & Promotion  Rosetta Edwards
Pauline B. Grant Status of Women  Paulette O’Neill

The Recommendations from Division I, Structure (See Report Book, pages 74 and 78) were read by Mrs. Dickson:

1. Provide updated contact information for all Region Presidents and identify opportunities to increase communication between Department Secretaries and Regions. This will be accomplished by developing a database of all Departmental Secretaries for the Rossie T. Hollis, Mattie E. Coleman and Phyllis H. Bedford Departments.


3. That the Phyllis H. Bedford Young Adults Department have a uniformed color that differentiates them from the other age groups. The color will be missionary white with a touch of Kelly Green.

The third recommendation concerning the uniformed color for the Phyllis H. Bedford Young Adults Department was presented at the 18th Quadrennial Assembly of the Women’s Missionary Council.

Ms. Duhart read from page 23 of the minutes of the 18th Quadrennial Assembly of the Women’s Missionary Council concerning the Resolution for the uniformed color for the Phyllis H. Bedford Young Adults Department:

“2. A resolution has been written and given to the committee, and we are hopeful of approval that the Phyllis H. Bedford will now represent wearing the colors “White and with a touch of Green.”
Dr. Nellie King moved that the recommendations coming from the Division I Structure (See Report Book, page 74 & 78) be referred to the appropriate committee, and seconded by Sue Alexander. The motion carried.

Organization & Promotion reported a variety of new products:
T-Shirt: white, blue
Scarf
Bling Hat
Ballerina slippers, fan

Pauline B. Grant Status of Women reported that five (5) booklets were left to sell from the 18th Quadrennial Assembly.

President Pegues requested for all missionaries to purchase a T-shirt and to wear it on Friday. Friday is set aside as our T-shirt day.

President Pegues called for the Division II Program report.

**Division II Program**

Division Leader Renee Woodruff introduced the Division II Program Secretaries:

Spiritual Life and Message   G. Bernice Richardson  
Missionary Education        Terri Dyer  
Literature & Publications   Hilda Buie  
Fine Arts                   Laura Anderson-Holloway

Division Leader Renee Woodruff stated that the blankets are available for those persons who pre-ordered and paid for the blankets.

Recommendations from the Program Division were read from page 84 of the Report Book:

- Each Episcopal District and/or Region appoint a person to work with the Spiritual Life and Message Secretary to assist in developing monthly meditations.
- Publish a WMC Devotional book that will include devotions from every Region.
- Incorporate plays, pageants, art, and other aspects of fine arts into Council programs.
- Encourage local missionary societies to place special emphasis on involving children, youth, adults and older adults in art and fine arts project and program focusing on our rich religious and cultural heritage.
- Encourage local missionary societies to involve children, youth, and young adults in missionary workshops.
• Develop Missionary Certificate Template for training participants.
• Use technology and social media to expand participation in missionary education.

It was moved by Renee Woodruff to accept report and the recommendations referred to the appropriate committee, and seconded by the Division II Program team. The motion carried.

Renee Woodruff reported that we have 89 sweaters sold and need 61 additional ones to make 150 orders.

President Pegues requested missionaries to purchase the additional sweaters in order for the Program team to make 150 orders.

President Pegues acknowledged the presence of Bishop Henry M. Williamson, Sr. and Dr. Doris Y. Williamson, the Presiding Prelate and First Lady of the First Episcopal District, and Mrs. Elizabeth Coleman.

Dr. Yvonne Williamson and Bishop Williamson greeted the Executive Board. Bishop Williamson thanked President Pegues for her support of One Church One School. Bishop Williamson thanked Council officers Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott and Ms. Juliet Waddell of the First Episcopal District for their support, and Mrs. Deborah Dickerson of the Fifth Episcopal District.

President Pegues thanked Bishop and Dr. Williamson for their remarks and support.

President Pegues called on Division III – Service and Outreach – and Division Leader, Mrs. Doris Boyd.

**Division III – Service and Outreach**

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It was reported that the grand total for Overseas Mission is $32,762.95 and replaces the amount of $12,247 on page 101 of the Report Book.

Hunger and Meals for Millions reported today a total amount of $25,388.85.
**Educational Services:** reported by Vice President Mrs. Jacqueline Scott.

The Recommendations 1-4 from The Report Book (pages 94 and 101) were read:

**Page 94**
1. Increase the involvement of the Education Commission.
2. Reports of Hunger & Meals for Millions Departments of each Region are submitted to the Council Hunger & Meals for Millions Secretary no later than 60 days after the close of the annual conference.
3. Reports of Overseas Missions Departments of each Region are submitted to the Council Overseas Mission Secretary no later than 60 days after the close of the annual conference.
4. Continue to promote support of the efforts of the Division on all levels of the church.

**Page 101**
1. Regions become consistent in contributing a yearly increase to overseas missions.
2. Region presidents send a copy of funds reported for Overseas Missions and Hope to Council Overseas Missions Secretary.
3. Missionary Societies on all levels elect an Overseas Missions Secretary.
4. Overseas Missions Secretaries organize a committee to assist with soliciting contributions.
5. The Women’s Missionary Council assist with paying the salaries of the teachers at the W.E. Lockett City of Hope, our complex in Haiti.

It was moved by Doris Boyd that the recommendations coming from the Division III – Service & Outreach- on page 94 and 101 be accepted, and seconded by Jacqueline I. Scott.

Dr. Nellie King stated that recommendation #3 is already in effect and that the Resolution is re-enacted.

Dr. King added that Resolution #5 be referred to the Finance Committee. This committee would give the salary of the teachers at the W.E. Lockett City of Hope, our complex in Haiti.

The motion carried.

President Pegues called for the end of today’s session and for missionaries to return tomorrow at 8:00 am for Bible Study.
Dr. Nellie B. King announced that Dr. John Calhoun would serve on the Board of Trustees at Lane College.

The session ended at 5:13 p.m.

**Thursday, March 3, 2016**

**Bible Study**

9:00-10:00 A.M.

Dr. Princess Pegues, International President of the Women's Missionary Council, introduced the Bible Study instructor, Rev. Dr. Regina Reese-Young, pastor of Hopps Memorial CME Church in Syracuse, New York.

**Bible Study:** “Hagar in a Sarah World: Revisiting Genesis 16 & 21”
Instructor: Rev. Dr. Regina Reese Young

President Pegues thanked Rev. Dr. Regina Reese-Young for the informative Bible Study.

President Pegues called for the devotion by Spiritual Life and Message led by G. Bernice Richardson, Secretary.

**Devotions: Spiritual Life & Message Team**

Opening Song

“**Oh How I Love Jesus**”

Prayer

Belinda Webb-Young

Scripture (Psalm 27:11:14)

Sandra R. Chambers

Inspirational Message

Margaret Pender

Wait on the Lord

“Sometime we feel that God has let us down because He doesn’t provide an immediate answer to our prayer. But waiting for the Lord can transform us into a people of growing faith. David spent many years waiting to be crowned King and fleeing from Saul’s wrath and in Psalm 40, he encourages to wait patiently for the Lord. He’ll hear us and set up upon a rock and establish our steps. David grew into a man after God’s own heart. When we become frustrated with what seems to be God’s delay in answering our prayer, it is good to remember that He is interested in developing our character. God does not want us to hesitate to trust Him, but to have faith to run to the Rock, the Solid Rock and wait – **For His promises are Yes, and Amen!**
Today’s Thought:
There is always something of beauty to be found if you look for it.
Lord, teach me to have a loving attitude toward life and people.

President Pegues thanked Ms. G. Bernice Richardson and the Spiritual Life & Message team for the devotion.

President Pegues presented Patron Bishop James B. Walker with a new stole. President Pegues requested for Dr. Elnora Hamb, Immediate Past President and Dr. Judith Grant, Past President, to place the stole on Bishop Walker.

President Pegues called the plenary session to order. President Pegues stated that we will work on page 14 of the Program Book.

Commissions Reports
(See Attachment E)
The Commissions Reports are available in The Report Book on pages 118-122.

**Christian Social Relations Commissions:** Mrs. Marian A. Hannah, Chairperson

Commission members and Correspondents include:

- American Bible Society: Mrs. Emma Cox Lovelace
- Bread for the World: Mrs. Sallie Lindsey
- Church Women United: Mrs. Willie Mae Tabb
- Elnora P. Hamb Health Initiative: Dr. Sonia Brown
- Home and Family Life: Mrs. Vickie Johnson
- National Council of Negro Women: Mrs. Sandra Chambers
- World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women: Mrs. Mary E. Stallings

The Christian Social Relations Commission encouraged all members to vote and vote well and to become more familiar with Affiliate organizations.

The Christian Social Relations Commission will develop a communication tree.

The Commission read the recommendations on page 119 in the Report Book.

Recommendations:
• Continue to promote fellowship with members of affiliate organizations through attendance at meetings and sharing in love.
• Seek ways to incorporate all Missionaries in activities with affiliate organizations.
• Study affiliate programs for tools to advance the WMC.
• Adhere to program of emphasis as outlined by the WMC.
• Additional: Develop a communication tree.

Mary Stallings distributed a copy of Interesting Facts of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Women.

Action:
It was moved by G. Bernice Richardson to accept the report from Christian Social Relations Commission and the recommendations be implemented, and seconded by Marian Hannah. The motion carried.

President Pegues thanked Mrs. Marian Hannah for her work and first report.

President Pegues pointed out the facts about Louisiana and Mississippi on page 117 of the Report Book.

**Report of Affiliate Organizations**
(See Attachment F)
The Reports of the Affiliate Organizations are available in The Report Book on pages 123-127

**Church Women United**
Correspondent Mrs. Willie Tabb was not present. The report of Church Women United is available beginning on page 125 of the Report Book.

**World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Women**

Correspondent Mrs. Mary Stallings presented report on the upcoming 13th World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women in Houston, Texas – August 29 through September 3-4, 2016.

Mrs. Stallings thanked President Pegues for providing information about the 13th World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women.
An updated report of funds collected for the World Federation for $5,137.53 was provided.

President Pegues thanked Mrs. Stallings for her report.

President Pegues reported that she had requested for Dr. Elnora P. Hamb to serve as the representative to the World Federation North American meeting in her absence.

Dr. Elnora P. Hamb reported that the World Federation North American President and Vice President positions are rotated, and Dr. Princess Pegues will be the World Federation North American President. Dr. Hamb stated that the action taken at the meeting was moved by Mrs. Satter that the North American President be from North America, seconded by Mrs. Brenda Vanderpol; and the motion carried.

Dr. Hamb reported that registration is online for $499 for the World Methodist and World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women. The hotel room is $140 per night with up to four occupants. A meeting will be held next Monday and Tuesday to finalize the report for the meeting.

Dr. Hamb stated that participation is needed by CMEs for meditation. President Pegues will be installed as President of the World Federation North America.

President Pegues thanked Dr. Hamb for attending the North American Meeting of World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women.

President Pegues requested for Mrs. Sue Alexander to attend the meeting in Houston on Monday and Tuesday.

President Pegues stated that she wrote the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women to allow for CME inclusion in teaching.

Three delegates to the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women are needed: President Pegues, the Correspondent, and one extra person.

President Pegues acknowledged the presence of Bishop C. James King, Jr., the Presiding Prelate of the Eleventh Episcopal District.

Bishop C. James King, Jr. greeted the Executive Board and stated that he will be making a report later to the body. Bishop King introduced Sis. Elizabeth Omondi from Kenya. Sis. Omondi reported on the missionary work in Kenya and requested missionaries to visit Kenya.

Bishop King stated that two schools would soon be started:
- Dr. Princess A. Pegues School
• Dr. Nellie B. King School

Bishop King was appreciative of the assistance from Bishop Walker and President Pegues, and thanked the missionaries for their support.

**National Council of Negro Women:** reported by Ms. Sandra R. Chambers. The National Council of Negro Women Report is available in The Report Book on page 127.

Ms. Chambers reported that she will submit a calendar of events and affiliates.

President Pegues stated that we can attend meetings of affiliate organizations since the Women’s Missionary Council pays membership dues to the affiliate organizations.

**Here I Am Ministry**
The Here I Am Ministry report is available in The Report Book on page 122 as reported by Dr. Judith E. Grant.

President Pegues thanked the Region Presidents for their work in the Here I Am Ministry.

Dr. Judith E. Grant reported on a Here I Am Ministry service at Holsey Temple CME Church in Philadelphia, PA that served food and provided a coat drive.

Other events are listed in the Report Book on page 122:

The past year events included the following:
- Community Thanksgiving Dinner sponsored by the local Missionary Society. This year we fed close to 150 persons. The Diner is cooked and donated by members of the Missionary Society.
- Assisting a shelter with toiletries, socks and other needy items throughout the year.
- Participating in a coat drive. Persons of all ages are given coats that are donated by members of the church.
- Health Initiative – Each member is asked to highlight something of interest. Topics include Heart Disease, Diabetes, Cancer and Cancer Research, Kidney/Renal, Hypertension, Weight Control, Children’s diseases and many more.
- Our church and many others sponsored a Feeding Ministry were people visit weekly for a hot meal. This ministry has serviced the community for over twenty years.
We also encourage participation from our children at seasonal events (Thanksgiving and Christmas and special observances such as Helena B. Cobb and Student Recognition Day).

Testimonies:
Mrs. Gladys Pendergraft Brandon reported that St. Joseph Church as a full food bank ministry, Heavenly Grocery, that serves clients five days a week. Fellowships is set up in the sanctuary.

Mrs. Anner Gatewood reported on ministries at Newell Chapel CME Church and the collection of non-perishable items for tornado victims.

**Overseas Mission**: reported by Mrs. Sue Alexander.

*(See Attachment D)*

A financial report was passed out. 100% of Regions sent in contributions to Overseas Mission! Grand total collected: $32,762.95.

The Recommendations from Overseas Mission appear on page 101 of the Report Book as noted below.

1. Regions become consistent in contributing a yearly increase to overseas missions.
2. Region Presidents send a copy of funds reported for Overseas Missions and Hope to Council Overseas Missions Secretary.
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Mrs. Alexander provided a slide show of Overseas Missions. She reported that a mission trip to Jamaica is scheduled June 13-17, 2016.

A gift was presented to Mrs. Elizabeth Omondi.

President Pegues thanked Sue Alexander for her informative report and good work.

**Historical Commission**: reported by Dr. Judith E. Grant.

The Historical Commission consists of all past presidents of the Women's Missionary Council, Dr. Elnora P. Hamb, Dr. Judith E. Grant and Dr. Sylvia M. Faulk.
Dr. Grant noted that Ideas for the Centennial Celebration were submitted. An awareness of the upcoming centennial celebration of the Women’s Missionary Council milestones and accomplishments will be made.

All Region Presidents will be contacted regarding our 100th Centennial Celebration.

1. Plan to have a pamphlet of updated history including the work of our 10th Council President for the period of 1918-2018.

2. We want to have a Do You Know segment (historical facts) in The Missionary Messenger.

3. Continuous slide show of all missionaries who attended Executive Board, Quadrennial Assembly and meetings.

4. Everyone will be involved. Each missionary should plan on giving $100.

President Pegues stated that ideas for the 100th Celebration should be sent to Dr. Nellie B. King. During this meeting, please send your ideas to the Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Calandra Hunter.

**Elnora P. Hamb Health Initiative:** reported by Dr. Sonia P. Brown.

The Report of the Elnora P. Hamb Health Initiative is available on page 120 of the Report Book.

Dr. Brown reported that the Secured Merit Health Biloxi AMR provided hands-on CPR instructions and stroke awareness information in the vendor area.

Dr. Brown is in the process of identifying Health Initiative Coordinators for each program.

Dr. Elnora Hamb stated that she would like the Elnora P. Hamb Health Initiative listed in all places with the full name.

**Communication:** reported by Ms. Juliet Waddell.

(Attachment F)

The Committee reported the following:

- That each Region should have a reporter for the *Missionary Messenger.*
• That subscription funds should be collected and reported to the Missionary/Conference Treasurer. The check and a list of names, telephone number and address of the subscriber should be forwarded to the Editor within 30 days of the close of the Conference.
• The reporter is to provide articles to the Editor.
• Discussed subscription sales and the Daily Messenger.
• Discussed the fact that the members of this committee are to assist the Editor with the Daily Messenger.
• Assigned articles about events of the Executive Board Meeting, to be written for the Missionary Messenger.

The 100th Anniversary Celebration suggestion – To create a special 100 Anniversary commemorative edition of the Missionary Messenger

Parliamentarian: reported by Dr. Velma Lois Jones.

Dr. Velma Lois Jones will provide a corner in the Missionary Messenger on parliamentary procedure.

Dr. Jones addressed how members were not courteous and respectful to the body.

Compilation & Statistics: reported by Mrs. Evelyn Gosey.

Recommendations:
1. Please do not submit report in PDF format. Most reports have to be edited for printed and page numbered.
2. All reports be done in Microsoft Word with margins allowing for printing.
3. Please adhere to deadline for submitting reports.

Mrs. Gosey shared that she wanted to make the Report Book interesting. She is excited about the Here I Am Ministry. This year’s book includes information on why education is important and why most church outreach programs fail.

In accordance with the Recommendations, Mrs. Gosey stated that reports for the Report Book are due by December 15th of each year. Mrs. Gosey requested for missionaries to send their reports in a timely manner.

Commission on Education: reported by Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott.
The Commission met on February 29. Additional information will be forthcoming on raising funds for Helena B. Cobb and SOS Scholarships. Please send funds to the Treasurer Carol Ferrell and a copy of the check to Jacqueline Scott.

President Pegues requested for women to purchase The Daily Messenger and to share with members in their congregation.

President Pegues introduced our Patron Bishop James B. Walker.

Bishop Walker greeted the Executive Board.

Bishop Walker stated that during the upcoming Centennial Celebration, President Pegues will be President of the North America World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Women. Bishop Walker remarked President Pegues is very busy and we must support the President in tangible ways and to make her work as easy as we can.

Bishop Walker reminded the Executive Board of the Lenten Prayer Conference Call this Sunday at 7:00 pm in all time zones. Look for an e-blast from CME Church Communications.

**Resolutions Committee:** reported by Mrs. W. Jean Moore, Chairperson.


Mrs. Moore reported on the Resolution from the Phyllis H. Bedford Young Adult Department regarding the uniform color that was originally presented at the 2015 Quadrennial Assembly.

It was moved by Mrs. Neyoma Beverly to accept the report and refer to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, and seconded by Mrs. W. Jean Moore.

Unreadiness by Mrs. Deresser Armstrong. The color of green for the uniform is Kelly Green.

The motion carried.

The Resolution referred to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee:

“That the Phyllis H. Bedford Young Adults Department have a uniformed color that differentiates from the other age groups. The color will be Missionary White with a touch of Kelly Green.”

President Pegues noted that Dr. Nellie B. King and Mrs. Jacqueline I. Scott will be leaving the meeting to meet the principal of Gorenflo Elementary School in Biloxi. Supplies from the missionaries will be given, too.
President Pegues introduced Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr., the Presiding Prelate of the Fourth Episcopal District and host bishop.

Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr. greeted the Executive Board and stated that one of his former members created the Missionary Hand. He thanked Sister Omondi for the gift.

President Pegues thanked the missionaries for bringing school supplies. The principal of Gorenflo Elementary School, Dr. Robinson, thanked the missionaries for their gifts. President Pegues thanked Dr. Robinson for providing the list of school supplies.

Besides school supplies, cash and checks were included and the following funds reported:

- $40.00 cash  Donna Mayes
- $256.56  Renee Woodruff
- $100.00  Georgia North
- $50.00  Southern California Region
- $50.00  New York-Washington Region

Announcements were given by Ms. Theresa Duhart.

President Pegues acknowledged her sons, Anthony and Tony Pegues.

Mrs. Vickie Rogers and the staff presented a gift to Dr. Eddie Jumpier. The Executive Board sang Happy Birthday to Dr. Jumper.

President Pegues stated that the missionaries were free for the rest of the afternoon and to visit the city and vendors.

President Pegues thanked Dr. Faith Allen, the General Secretary of Evangelism and Missions, for a $200 donation to Gorenflo Elementary School.

The session was dismissed at 12:11 p.m.

Friday, March 4, 2016 - 8:00 a.m.

President Princess Pegues called the session to order at 8:04 a.m.

President Pegues thanked everyone for their presence and support for last evening’s Gala Banquet.

President Pegues called on Ms. G. Bernice Richardson for the Devotion and Necrology Service.
Necrology Service
(See Attachment H)

President Pegues thanked Ms. Richardson and the Spiritual Life and Message team for the Necrology Service.

President Pegues called on the Registrar, Mrs. Laura Morrow, for her report.

Registrar’s Report: by Mrs. Laura Morrow
The Report of the Registration Committee is available on page 111 of the Report Book.
(See Attachment E)

Total Pre-Registrants for the Executive Board 2016:  353
On-Site Registrants: 20
Total Registrants 373

Recommendation:
Event tickets be given to the Registrar on Sunday prior to the start of the Executive Board meeting.

It was noted that the event tickets will be given to the Registrar by Theresa Duhart or President Pegues.

President Pegues thanked Mrs. Morrow for the report.

Finance Report: reported by Mrs. Thelma Henderson
(See Attachment E)

The following reports were passed out.

- On Site Income report
- 2016-2017 Budget
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Leave a City Better

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GRAND TOTAL $29,483.09
**Women’s Missionary Council Christian Methodist Church**  
**PROJECTED OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2016-2017**

**SOURCE OF INCOME**

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**Finance Committee:**

- Thelma Henderson
- Dr. Nellie B. King
- Carol Ferrell
- W. Jean Moore
- Ida Suggs

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It was moved by Dr. Nellie B. King that the 2016-2017 budget be approved and seconded by Mrs. Thelma Henderson. The motion carried.

President Pegues thanked the Finance Committee for their work.

**Invitations to Host the Executive Board Meeting in 2017 and 2018**

Mrs. Sandra Chambers and Mrs. Adrienne Speas and members of the Seventh Episcopal District invited the Executive Board Meeting to meet in the Seventh Episcopal District in 2017.

President Pegues thanked Bishop Walker and the Seventh Episcopal District for the invitation to host the 2017 Executive Board meeting.

President Pegues stated that is her tradition to visit hotels and spend one night on the premises. When she submits a Request for Proposal (RFP), she and a committee will visit at least three hotels.

President Pegues stated that the Executive Board Meeting in 2018 will be historical as the Women’s Missionary Council celebrates its 100th anniversary. The Council could not identify a hotel in Nashville for the Executive Board Meeting in 2018 due to rising market hotel costs.

President Pegues announced that the 2018 Executive Board Meeting will be held in the First Episcopal District. Bishop Henry M. Williamson, Sr. and the First Episcopal invited the Executive Board. President Pegues thanked Bishop Williamson and the First Episcopal District for the invitation.

President Pegues thanked Bishop and Dr. Williamson, Bishop C. James King, Jr., and Bishop E. Lynn Brown for their presence.

President Pegues stated that Senior Bishop Lawrence L. Reddick III could not be in attendance at today's meeting session. President Pegues stated that Bishop Williamson would be filling in for Senior Bishop Reddick.

Bishop Williamson gave encouraging words and introduced Bishop C. James King, Jr. Bishop King led the Rededication Service.

President Pegues stated that Bishop Walker had to leave early and the meditation preacher would be Rev. Omar Dykes, pastor of St. John CME Church in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.


President Pegues thanked Rev. Dykes for the meditation.
President Pegues introduced Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr.

Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr., the host bishop of the Fourth Episcopal District, greeted the Executive Board. Bishop Brown thanked the Fourth Episcopal District Region Coordinator, Annie Williams, Dr. Nellie B. King, and President Pegues.

President Pegues acknowledged the presence of retired Bishop E. Lynn Brown and requested that he greet the Executive Board.

Bishop E. Lynn Brown greeted the Executive Board and thanked President Pegues for a great meeting.

Dr. Velma Lois Jones greeted the Executive Board and expressed her appreciation for the First Episcopal District and Dr. Willie Mae Willett for coordinating the trip for the missionaries.

Dr. Willie Mae Willett was grateful for the support of bringing missionaries from the First Episcopal District on a bus to the Executive Board meeting.

Ms. Theresa Duhart gave two announcements:

- Copies of *The Daily Messenger* are on sale – 2 for $1.50.
- A WMC blanket was found and may be picked up at the podium.

President Pegues thanked the Episcopal leaders and everyone for their support. President Pegues thanked the past Council Presidents, Dr. Elnora P. Hamb and Dr. Judith E. Grant.

President Pegues stated that she and Carol Ferrell had written reimbursement checks and some of the checks were ready.

Dr. Nellie B. King provided a Resolution expressing thanks to the Fourth Episcopal District for hosting the 2016 Executive Board meeting.

President Pegues acknowledged Bishop Bobby R. Best, the Chair of the College of Bishops and Presiding Prelate of the Ninth Episcopal District.

Bishop Bobby R. Best greeted the Executive Board and thanked President Pegues and the missionaries for a fine meeting.

President Pegues closed the 2016 Executive Board meeting at 9:46 a.m.