115TH
Holy Convocation

THEME: “OUR MISSION MADE POSSIBLE”
ZECHARIAH 4:6 (KJV)

NOVEMBER 7-14, 2023

Historic Mason Temple
930 Mason Street
Memphis, TN 38126

Rena sant Convention Center
255 N. Main Street
Memphis, TN 38103

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Bishop Charles Harrison Mason

Founder, Senior Bishop and First Apostle
Bishop Charles Harrison Mason

Bishop Charles Harrison Mason was the founder and first Senior Bishop of the Church Of God In Christ (COGIC), presently the largest African-American Pentecostal church in the United States.

Born to former slaves Jerry and Eliza Mason in Shelby County, Tenn., on September 8, 1864, Mason worked with his family as a sharecropper and did not receive a formal education as a child. From an early age, he was influenced by his parents’ religion.

Mason joined the African-American Missionary Baptist Church when he was an adolescent and later received his license to preach from the Mount Gale Missionary Baptist Church in Preston, Ark. In November 1893, Mason enrolled at the Arkansas Baptist College, but withdrew after three months to transfer to the Minister's Institute at the College. He graduated from the Institute in 1895.

In 1895, Mason met Charles Price Jones, a popular Baptist preacher from Mississippi. Mason and Jones soon began preaching the doctrine of holiness and sanctification in the local Baptist churches, which led to their expulsion from the Baptist Convention.

Mason and Jones decided to form a new fellowship of churches. Mason suggested the name Church Of God In Christ, after what he described as a vision in Little Rock, Ark., to distinguish the church from a number of “Church of God” groups forming at that time.

Due to disagreements in the new Pentecostal teachings, the two men split their group in 1907. Mason won the legal rights to the Church Of God In Christ name and charter, and established his work in Memphis.

After moving the COGIC headquarters to Memphis, Mason established additional departments and auxiliaries, created dioceses, and appointed overseers throughout the country.

In 1945, Mason dedicated Mason Temple in Memphis as the church’s national meeting site and the international headquarters of the Church Of God In Christ.

At the time of Mason’s death on November 17, 1961, COGIC had a membership of more than 400,000 and more than 4,000 churches in the United States as well as congregations in Europe, South America, Africa, and Asia.

Today, it has an estimated 6.5 million members. The church can be found in every state in the United States and in more than 12,000 churches in 105 countries around the world.
Our Former Leaders

The Most Reverend
Ozro Thurston Jones, Sr.
(1891-1972)
Second Senior Bishop
Served From 1961 to 1968
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The Most Reverend
James Oglethorpe Patterson, Sr.
(1912-1989)
First Presiding Bishop
Served From 1968 to 1989
Memphis, Tennessee

The Most Reverend
Louis Henry Ford
(1914-1995)
Second Presiding Bishop
Served From 1989 to 1995
Chicago, Illinois

The Most Reverend
Chandler David Owens
(1931-2011)
Third Presiding Bishop
Served From 1995 to 2000
Atlanta, Georgia

The Most Reverend
Gilbert Earl Patterson
(1939-2007)
Fourth Presiding Bishop
Served From 2000 to 2007
Memphis, Tennessee

The Most Reverend
Charles Edward Blake, Sr.
Fifth Presiding Bishop
Served From 2007 to 2021
Los Angeles, California
Bishop John Drew Sheard was born on January 1, 1959, in Detroit, Michigan, to the late Bishop John Henry Sheard and the late Mother Willie Mae Sheard. He was saved at a young age under the pastorate of the late Bishop John Seth Bailey and later acknowledged his call to the ministry.

He obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education and a Master of Education in Mathematics from Wayne State University. In 1988, he began his pastoral ministry at Great Emmanuel Church.

Bishop Sheard has worked diligently locally and nationally and in various civic capacities, including as International Youth Department President for the Church Of God In Christ, Inc., Vice-Chairman of the Church Of God In Christ, Inc.’s Auxiliaries in Ministries (AIM) convention, and Chairman of the Auxiliaries in Ministries (AIM) convention.

Bishop Sheard has received multiple honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees and has been inducted into the prestigious Morehouse College Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers. In 2009, he and his wife, Lady Karen Clark-Sheard, founded Karew Records, a faith-based record label focusing on various forms of gospel, Christian, and inspirational music.

Bishop Sheard was elevated to the office of jurisdictional bishop in 2010. Then, in 2012, he was elected to the Presidium of the Church Of God In Christ, Inc. In 2021, the delegates of the General Assembly re-elected Bishop Sheard as a member of the Presidium of the Church Of God In Christ, Inc., and subsequently, he was elected to the Office of the Presiding Bishop as Chief Apostle, the leader of the worldwide organization.

As a humanitarian, he donated to pastors across the country in need due to natural disasters. Later, he organized and led an ecumenical effort to raise $100,000 to support ministerial leaders during COVID-19 and other life-threatening catastrophes.

Currently, he is a member of the Housing and Community Development Corporation in Wayne County, Michigan; the Detroit Medical Center Ministerial Advisory Council; the Executive Committee of the Urban Alliance of Michigan (UAM); the Governor’s Religious Advisory Board; the Conference of National Black Churches; the Pentecostal Charismatic Churches of North America; UNCF; the Advisory Council of the National Faith and Educational Initiative; and the Pentecostal Word Fellowship.

His accomplishments as the eighth leader of the Church Of God In Christ include raising $2.5 million through the "I Love My Church" Initiative in less than a year. Developing a partnership with Waste Management (WM) that trains and employs formerly incarcerated individuals at a living wage.

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In 2023, Bishop Sheard formed an innovative partnership with Tennessee Governor Bill Lee, the Tennessee Department of Children Services, and the Shelby County Department of Children Services to provide transitional housing for juveniles entering the state's foster care system.

His financial acumen and extraordinary stewardship enabled him to eliminate the Church Of God In Christ's entire debt in 2023.

Bishop Sheard and Lady Karen Clark-Sheard have two children, Kierra Sheard Kelly and John Drew Sheard, II; one son-in-law, Jordan Kelly; and two grandchildren, Jacob and Kali Drew.
The Most Reverend
John Drew Sheard
Presiding Bishop & Chief Apostle
Eighth in Succession

The Right Reverend
Jerry Wayne Macklin
First Assistant Presiding Bishop and First Vice President

The Right Reverend
Lawrence Marcellus Wooten, Sr.
Second Assistant Presiding Bishop and Second Vice President

The Right Reverend
Brandon Burdett Porter
Secretary to the General Board

The Right Reverend
Michael Eugene Hill, Sr.
Assistant Secretary to the General Board

The Right Reverend
Sedgwick Charles Daniels

The Presidium
The Right Reverend Darrell Lynn Hines, Sr.

The Right Reverend Prince Earl William Bryant, Sr.

The Right Reverend David Allen Hall, Sr.

The Right Reverend Malcolm Winslow Coby

The Right Reverend Charles Henry McClelland

The Right Reverend Elijah Hosea Hankerson III
Dear Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

It is with immense joy and anticipation that I extend my warmest greetings to each and every one of you as we gather in Memphis, Tennessee, for the 115th Holy Convocation of the Church Of God In Christ. As we come together under the theme "Our Mission Made Possible," inspired by Zechariah 4:6, we are reminded of the boundless power and grace of our Heavenly Father, who empowers us to fulfill our mission and calling.

This Holy Convocation is a sacred assembly of souls that are fervently dedicated to the task that our Lord has entrusted to us, not just a gathering of devoted believers. Throughout this week, we will reflect on the scripture from Zechariah 4:6, which states, "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit," says the Lord Almighty." This verse reminds us that our mission is not accomplished through human strength alone, but by the divine guidance and power of the Holy Spirit. It is a reminder that God is the driving force behind all that we do in His name.

During our time together, I encourage you to immerse yourselves in prayer, worship, fellowship, the O.T. Jones Institute, COGIC Charities Presiding Bishop’s “We Care” Banquet and all that is being made available. Let us seek a deeper understanding of how the Spirit of the Lord enables us to carry out our mission effectively. As we engage in workshops, sermons, and various activities, may we leave this Convocation spiritually refreshed and empowered to make an even greater impact on our communities and the world.

In closing, I pray that this 115th Holy Convocation will be a time of spiritual renewal, divine revelation, and unity among us all. May the love of Christ continue to bind us together as we strive to fulfill the mission set before us.

May God’s grace and blessings be upon you all throughout this convocation and in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Bishop John Drew Sheard
Presiding Bishop and Chief Apostle
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.
The Eighth in Succession
There is always joy and gladness as the saints gather for another historical Annual Holy Convocation in our Jerusalem. Only God has the divine capacity to maintain an accurate record of the souls that have been saved, filled, reclaimed, and healed over the past 115 years. Our predecessors would be astonished if they could behold the remarkable accomplishments and advancements of our church. We have been favored to witness the goodness and faithfulness of God from generation to generation.

I am confident that this Convocation will be filled with testimonies of hearing the voice of God and understanding His mission for your life. “Our Mission Made Possible” is a reminder that it is only through the power of the Holy Spirit can we fulfill The Great Commission in our local churches, districts, jurisdictions, and beyond.

May God continue to bless our visionary Presiding Bishop and Chief Apostle J. Drew Sheard and the aromatic fragrance of our First Lady Karen Clark Sheard. Our prayers are with you daily. We are grateful for your leadership and your heart to meet the needs of humanity. May the Lord’s favor and wisdom continue to rest upon each member of the Presidium as well as all of the leaders of our great church.

My gratitude extends to our Assistant General Supervisors Mother Wilma Hughey, Mother Vanessa Winbush-Gatlin, Mother Mary Jane Walton, and the Administrative Facilitators who are pillars in the International Department of Women. Beloved women of God at every level together, we continue to Progress With Team Effort.

*Follow peace with all men, HOLINESS without which no man shall see the Lord (Hebrews 12:14).*

I am serving to bring glory to my Father,

Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis
General Supervisor, International Department of Women
“A CRY AT MIDNIGHT”
ALL NIGHT PRAYER

HISTORIC MASON TEMPLE
WORLD HEADQUARTERS
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC.

BISHOP LARRY PERKINS & MOTHER FRANCES KELLEY, CO-CHAIRPERSONS
THE INTERNATIONAL PRAYER MINISTRY

Church Of God In Christ 2023 Theme:
OUR MISSION MADE POSSIBLE

“Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, said the Lord of hosts.”

Zechariah 4:6 (KJV)
Friday, November 10, 2023
(Immediately following Evening Service)

THE INTERNATIONAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS
The 115th Holy Convocation Midnight Musical
The Renasant Convention Center - Main Hall
$25.00 General Registration
Dr. Myron Williams, President, International Music Department

COGIC CHARITIES PRESENTS
The Presiding Bishop’s

“We Care” Banquet
Guest Speaker:
Mr. Derrick Johnson, President, NAACP
The Renasant Convention Center
Grand Ballroom
Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 3:00pm

The International Department of Evangelism Presents

PREACHERAMA
(Immediately after Evening Service)
Tuesday, November 7, 2023
The Renasant Convention Center
Ballroom A
Pastor Gary Sprewell, IDOE President
Dr. Dorinda Clark Cole, IDOE Elect Lady
**PRESIDING BISHOP’S FORUM**

Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 12:00 Noon
The Renasant Convention Center
The Cannon Center
For more information go to
www.COGIC.org

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**Youth Church**
Friday, November 10, 2023 at 7:00pm
The Renasant Convention Center
Ballroom A
Superintendent Nathaniel Green, IYD President
Evangelist Vandalyn Kennedy, IYD Chairlady

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**Revival Fire Services**
(Immediately after Evening Service)
Wednesday, November 8, 2023 & Thursday, November 9, 2023
Historic Mason Temple
Pastor Gary Sprewell, IDOE President
Dr. Dorinda Clark Cole, IDOE Elect Lady

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**2023 Global HEALTH & WELNESS FAIR**
The Renasant Convention Center
November 8-11, 2023
10:00am—2:00pm
For More Information go to
www.COGIC.org

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**World Sunday School Day**
Sunday, November 12, 2023
At 7:30am
The Renasant Convention Center
Superintendent Mark Ellis, ISSD President
Mother Cloella Wells-Penix, ISSD Field Representative
Affirmation of Faith

We affirm our faith in the Bible.

*Congregation:* We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible written Word of God.

We affirm our faith in God.

*Congregation:* We believe that there is only One God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son and, God the Holy Spirit.

We affirm our faith in the blessed Hope.

*Congregation:* We believe in the blessed Hope, which is the rapture of the Church of God, which is in Christ, at His return.

We affirm our faith in repentance.

*Congregation:* We believe that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious Blood of Jesus Christ.

We affirm our faith in salvation.

*Congregation:* We believe that regeneration by the Holy Ghost is absolutely essential for personal salvation.

We affirm our faith in Jesus Christ.

*Congregation:* We believe that the redemptive work of Christ on the Cross provides healing for the human body in answer to believing prayer.

We affirm our faith in the Holy Spirit.

*Congregation:* We believe that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it.

We affirm our faith in sanctification.

*Congregation:* We believe in the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy and separated life in the present world.
1 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word,
2 How I love to trust in Jesus, Just to trust His cleansing blood,
3 Yes, I've learned to trust in Jesus, And from sin and self to cease,
4 I'm so glad I learned to trust Him, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;

1 Just to rest up - on His promise, Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."
2 Just in simple faith to plunge me Neath the healing, cleansing flood!
3 Now from Jesus simply taking Life and rest and joy and peace.
4 And I know that He is with me, He'll be with me to the end.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

COGIC Yes Lord Hymnal
TUESDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-THREE ANNO DOMINI
AT NINE O’CLOCK IN THE MORNING
Historic Mason Temple, World Headquarters
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.
THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)
WORSHIP LEADER - BISHOP CHARLES H. MCCLELLAND
General Board Member - Prelate, Wisconsin Northwest Jurisdiction
The season of all night prayer and supplication having ended, we receive

The Official Opening and Declaration of the 115th Annual Holy Convocation

HIS GRACE
BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

The Call to Worship

Leader: O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.
Congregation: Let Israel now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.
Leader: Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.
Congregation: Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy endureth for ever.
Leader: O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for His mercy endureth for ever.
Congregation: O give thanks unto the God of gods: for His mercy endureth for ever. O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for His mercy endureth for ever.
Leader: To him who alone doeth great wonders: for His mercy endureth for ever.
To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for His mercy endureth for ever.
Congregation: Who remembered us in our low estate: for His mercy endureth for ever: And has redeemed us from our enemies: for His mercy endureth for ever.
Leader: Who giveth food to all flesh: for His mercy endureth for ever.
ALL: O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for His mercy endureth for ever.

+The Invocation

Bishop Otis A. Eanes, Sr.
Prelate, Illinois Southeast Jurisdiction

Bishop Willie Harris, Jr.
Prelate, Wyoming Jurisdiction

Bishop Luther J. Dupree, Jr.
Prelate, Nevada Northern Jurisdiction

+The Old Testament Reading  (Zechariah 4:5-10 KJV)

+The New Testament Reading  (Mark 16:14-20 KJV)
+The Hymn  “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”  The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir & Congregation
Dr. Myron Williams, President
International Music Department

+The Affirmation of Faith  Bishop Alvin C. Moore, Sr.
Prelate, Washington State Jurisdiction

Greetings and Observations  Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis
General Supervisor
International Department of Women

OFFICIAL GREETINGS & PRESENTATION OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP
BISHOP JERRY W. MACKLIN
First Assistant Presiding Bishop
Prelate, California Nor-Cal Metropolitan Jurisdiction

THE VOICE OF OUR LEADER
BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC.

The Ministry of Music  The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

The Season of Prayer  Supervisor Romanetha Stallworth
Kentucky First Jurisdiction
Bishop John W. Fleming, Prelate
Bishop Michael A. Jones
Prelate, Arkansas Third Jurisdiction

The Ministry of Giving  Bishop Anthony W. Gilyard
Prelate, Florida Southwestern Jurisdiction

Official Greetings And Observations  Bishop Joel H. Lyles, Jr.
General Secretary
Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction

The Presentation of the Messenger
HIS GRACE, BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE

The Sermonic Selection  The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

THE WORD OF GOD  Bishop Mark Walden
Prelate, Georgia Northern Second Jurisdiction

+The Invitation

The Service of Anointing
The Prayer of Sanctification & Distribution of Holy Anointing Oil
HIS GRACE, BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE
ASSISTED BY THE GENERAL BOARD & THE COLLEGE OF BISHOPS

+The Benediction  Bishop Hillrie Murphy
Prelate, California Southwest Jurisdiction
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023 — 7:00PM
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE
Civic Night

WORSHIP LEADER - Bishop Prince E. W. Bryant, Sr.
General Board Member - Prelate
Texas South Central Jurisdiction

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

The Call to Worship       Bishop Prince E.W. Bryant, Sr.
    General Board Member
    Prelate, Texas South Central Jurisdiction

+The Invocation

+The Old Testament Reading (Psalms 37:1-6 KJV)
    Superintendent John Perez
    New York Eastern First Jurisdiction
    Bishop James Pullings, Jr., Prelate

    Superintendent Phillip White
    California Southern First Jurisdiction
    Bishop Joe L. Early, Prelate

The Celebrative Praise
    Send Judah First International Worship Team
    Minister Terrill Hall, Coordinator

Greetings
    Bishop Frank A. White
    Financial Secretary
    Prelate, New York Eastern Third Jurisdiction

*WELCOME TO MEMPHIS*
Presentation of Civic Leaders
Brother Robert Coleman, Jr. – Global Director, Public Relations and Communications
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

Inspirational Message       Evangelist Bridgette Wright
    Texas Gulf Coast Jurisdiction
    Bishop Destry C. Bell, Sr., Prelate

The Ministry of Music       The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
    Dr. Myron Williams, President
    International Music Department

    Auxiliary Bishop, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction
    Bishop Joel Lyles, Jr., Prelate

The Observations
    Bishop Joel H. Lyles, Jr.
    General Secretary
    Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction
THE VOICE OF OUR LEADER

THE HONORABLE BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE

The Presentation of the Messenger

The Sermonic Selection

THE WORD OF GOD

+The Invitation, Prayer of Healing & Deliverance

+The Benediction

The Presentation of the Presiding Bishop

Bishop Lawrence M. Wooten, Sr.
Second Assistant Presiding Bishop
Prelate, Missouri Eastern Second Illinois Western Jurisdiction

THE HONORABLE BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE

THE WORD OF GOD

Bishop Darrell L. Hines, Sr.
General Board Member
Prelate, Illinois Midwest Jurisdiction

Evangelist Felecia Foster
Kenya Cornerstone Jurisdiction
Bishop Francis M. Kamau, Prelate

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023 — 7:45AM
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

THE BISHOP G.E. PATTERSON MORNING MANNA
PRESIDING BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD, PRESIDING

BISHOP BOBBY R. HENDERSON
Prelate, Republic of Uganda, East Africa Jurisdiction

(Where indicated, Please Stand)

7:45 AM  The Prayer of Supplication
International Prayer Ministry
Bishop Larry Perkins, Co-Chairperson
Prelate, Florida Western Second Jurisdiction
Evangelist Frances Kelley, Co-Chairperson
Guatemala Jurisdiction
Bishop Charles H. M. Patterson, Prelate

8:15 AM  Testimony
Elder Alphonso Mason, Jr.
Nevada First Jurisdiction
Bishop Jerry W. Macklin
1st Assistant Presiding Bishop, Interim Prelate

Introduction of Morning Manna Speaker

The Morning Manna Speaker

BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE

Evangelist Jennifer Armon
Mississippi Southern First Jurisdiction
Bishop Daniel T. Littleton, Prelate

The O. T. Jones, Sr., Institute

Bishop Charles E. Brown
Prelate, Louisiana Greater New Orleans Jurisdiction
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

MIDDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

WORSHIP LEADER - BISHOP DAVID A. HALL, SR.
*General Board Member* - Prelate, Tennessee Headquarters Jurisdiction

**The Order Of Divine Worship**
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

The Call to Worship
Bishop David A. Hall, Sr.
*General Board Member*
Prelate, Tennessee Headquarters Jurisdiction

+The Invocation
Bishop William T. Cahoon
Prelate, New Jersey Garden State Jurisdiction

+The Old Testament Reading  (Psalm 37:7-11, 17-19 KJV)
Bishop John W. Fleming
Prelate, Kentucky First Jurisdiction

+The New Testament Reading  (1 Corinthians 2:1-5 KJV)
Evangelist Yolanda Johnson
New York Eastern Fifth Jurisdiction
Bishop Harrison Hale, Prelate

The Celebrative Praise
Send Judah First International Worship Team
Minister Terrill Hall, Coordinator

Greetings
Administrative Assistant Michael Eaddy
*Chairman, General Council of Pastors/Elders*
Illinois First Jurisdiction
Bishop Ocie Booker, Prelate

Inspirational Message
Administrative Assistant Rodney Douglas
Illinois Southeast Jurisdiction
Bishop Otis A. Lanes, Prelate

The Ministry of Music
The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
Dr. Myron Williams, President
International Music Department

The Ministry of Giving
Superintendent Aaron Robbins
Wisconsin First Jurisdiction
Bishop Sedgwick C. Daniels, General Board Member, Prelate

The Observations
Bishop Joel H. Lyles, Jr.
*General Secretary*
Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction
THE VOICE OF OUR LEADER
THE HONORABLE BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE

The Presentation of the Messenger

The Sermonic Selection

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

THE WORD OF GOD

Bishop James W. Proctor
Prelate, Louisiana First Jurisdiction

+ The Invitation, Prayer of Healing & Deliverance

Pastor Lawrence Boles
Washington State Jurisdiction
Bishop Alvin C. Moore, Sr., Prelate

+ The Benediction

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COGIC WORLD MISSIONS SERVICE

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

Service Facilitator: Bishop Glenn R. Plummer
Vice President, COGIC World Missions
Prelate, Israel Jurisdiction

+ Invocation

Supervisor Tiffanie Y. Lewis
Brazil First Jurisdiction
Bishop Terence P. Rhone, Prelate

+ Scripture Reading

Bishop Nate’ M. Jefferson
Vice President, COGIC World Missions
Prelate, Brazil Second Jurisdiction

Special Video Presentation
COGIC World Missions Partners

Special Video Report of Missions Workers/Staff Initiatives - 10/40 Window Highlights

Introduction by Supervisor Sideary Moody King
Vice President, COGIC World Missions
Supervisor, Department of Women India Fourth Jurisdiction
Bishop Joseph J. Norfleet, Prelate

Words of Greetings

Elect Lady Lee Van Zandt
Elect Lady of COGIC World Missions
Supervisor, Department of Women
Maryland Eastern Shore Jurisdiction
Bishop Paul R. Harmon, Prelate
Words of Missions Encouragement

Bishop Solomon Omo-Osagie II
Prelate, Kenya Third Impact Jurisdiction
Dir. COGIC Office of International & Diplomatic Affairs

Video Presentation
Youth on A Mission Recap
Introduction by Elder Christian Jackson
Georgia Metro Jurisdiction, Bishop Michael J. Paden, Sr., Prelate

Message from the Field: Saving From Human Trafficking
Evangelist Felecia Foster
Resident Missionary, Kenya Cornerstone Jurisdiction
Bishop Frances M. Kaman, Prelate

Prayer Focus for the World
Supervisor Fay M. Butler
Vice President, COGIC World Missions
Supervisor, Department of Women Malawi Second Jurisdiction
Bishop Chifundo Mwanandi, Prelate

Closing Remarks
Bishop Vincent E. Mathews
President, COGIC World Missions
Prelate, South Africa First Jurisdiction

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023 — 7:00PM
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

WORSHIP LEADER - BISHOP ELIJAH H. HANKERSON III
General Board Member - Prelate, Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

The Call to Worship

Bishop Elijah H. Hankerson III
General Board Member
Prelate, Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction

+The Invocation

Bishop Augustus D. Pullen
Prelate, Connecticut Second Jurisdiction

+The Old Testament Reading (Psalm 37:34-40 KJV)

Assistant Supervisor Quanda Allen
Oklahoma Northeast Jurisdiction
Bishop Brandon Porter, General Board Member, Interim Prelate

+The New Testament Reading (Matthew 16:13-19 KJV)

Pastor Jack Spencer
Arizona Jurisdiction
Bishop Harvey T. Young, Prelate
The Celebrative Praise
Send Judah First International Worship Team
Minister Terrill Hall, Coordinator

Official Greetings
Bishop Charles H. M. Patterson, Sr.
Treasurer
Prelate, Guatemala Jurisdiction

Inspirational Message
Elder Aaron Macklin
California Nor-Cal Metropolitan Jurisdiction
Bishop Jerry W. Macklin, 1st Assistant Presiding Bishop, Prelate

The Ministry of Music
The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
Dr. Myron Williams, President
International Music Department

The Ministry of Giving
Bishop Frank A. White
Financial Secretary
Prelate, New York Eastern Third Jurisdiction

The Observations
Bishop Joel H. Lyles, Jr.
General Secretary
Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction

THE VOICE OF OUR LEADER
THE HONORABLE BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING Bishop & CHIEF APOSTLE

The Presentation of the Messenger

The Sermonic Selection
The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

THE WORD OF GOD/CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP
Evangelist Lashun Dillard-Berry
Tennessee Metropolitan Jurisdiction
Bishop Linwood E. Dillard II, Prelate

+The Invitation, Prayer of Healing & Deliverance

+Bishop Bobby R. Allen
Prelate, Utah Jurisdiction

+Bishop Bobby R. Allen
Prelate, Utah Jurisdiction
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023 — 7:45AM
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

THE BISHOP G.E. PATTERSON MORNING MANNA
PRESIDING BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD, PRESIDING

WORSHIP LEADER
BISHOP BOBBY R. HENDERSON
Prelate, Republic of Uganda, East Africa Jurisdiction
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

7:45 AM  The Prayer of Supplication
International Prayer Ministry
Bishop Larry Perkins, Co-Chairperson
Prelate, Florida Western Second Jurisdiction
Evangelist Frances Kelley, Co-Chairperson
Guatemala Jurisdiction
Bishop Charles H. M. Patterson, Sr., Prelate

8:15 AM  Introduction of Morning Manna Speaker
BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE
The Morning Manna Speaker
Administrative Assistant Daryl Randolph
Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction
Bishop Elijah H. Hankerson III, Prelate

+The Invitation, Prayer of Healing & Deliverance
The O. T. Jones, Sr., Institute
Bishop Charles E. Brown
Prelate, Louisiana Greater New Orleans Jurisdiction

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023 — 12:00 NOON
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

MIDDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

WORSHIP LEADER - BISHOP MALCOLM W. COBY
General Board Member - Prelate, Oklahoma Southwest Jurisdiction

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

The Call to Worship
Bishop Malcolm W. Coby
General Board Member
Prelate, Oklahoma Southwest Jurisdiction

+The Invocation
Evangelist Judith Christie McAllister
California Southern First Jurisdiction
Bishop Joe L. Early, Prelate

+The Old Testament Reading  (Psalm 37: 25-34 KJV)
Administrative Assistant Thomas Rodgers
Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction
Bishop Elijah H. Hankerson III, General Board Member, Prelate
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THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

MILITARY AND INSTITUTIONAL CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

“Honoring Our Veterans”

CHAPLAIN CARLOS R. BELL
COMMISSIONER/ENDORSER OF CHAPLAINS

THE ORDER OF REMEMBERANCE
(+When indicated, Please Stand)

The Call to Order       Chaplain (Lt. Colonel) Linda Lesane
United States Army

+The National Anthem (See Subsequent Page)       The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
Dr. Myron Williams, President
International Music Department

+Tribute to the Colors       The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
“My Country ‘Tis of Thee”
The Flag of The United States
The Flag of the U.S. Army
The Flag of the U.S. Navy
The Flag of the U.S. Coast Guard
The Flag of the U.S. Marine Corps
The Flag of the U.S. Air Force
The Flag of the U.S. Space Force
The Flag of the Prisoners of War

+Tribute to the Church       The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
“This is the Church Of God In Christ”       (Anthem-Style)
The Christian Flag
The Flag of the Church Of God In Christ
The Ensign of the General Board
The Coat of Arms of the Presiding Bishop
The Flag of the Church’s Chaplaincy

+The Reading of the Holy Scriptures       Chaplain (Major) Rochelle Coles
(II Samuel 22: 2-4 KJV )
New Jersey Wing Chaplain, Civil Air Patrol

Greetings to all Veterans from the Chaplaincy       Chaplain (Lt. Colonel) Van Don Williams
Civil Air Patrol
Salute to the Services

U.S. Army
U.S. Marine Corps
U.S. Navy
U.S. Air Force
U.S. Coast Guard

Introduction of Speaker

“Fit for the Mission on the Forward Edge”

Blessing of the Chaplaincy for Service

+Taps

The Star-Spangled Banner

Lyrics by Francis Scott Key (1814)

Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars thru the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?

And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.

Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023 — 7:00PM
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

WORSHIP LEADER - BISHOP MICHAEL E. HILL, SR.
Assistant Secretary, General Board - Prelate, Michigan Great Lakes First Jurisdiction

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

The Call to Worship
Bishop Michael E. Hill, Sr.
Assistant Secretary, General Board
Prelate, Michigan Great Lakes First Jurisdiction

+The Invocation
Superintendent Courtney Sanders
Missouri Eastern Second Illinois Western Jurisdiction
Bishop Lawrence M. Wooten, Sr.,
Second Assistant Presiding Bishop, Prelate

+The Old Testament Reading (2 Samuel 22:29-38, 40, 47 KJV)
Bishop John Oscar Ford
Prelate, Nebraska First Jurisdiction

+The New Testament Reading (Mark 11:21-26 KJV)
Superintendent Michael E. Robinson
Alabama First Jurisdiction
Bishop Oscar L. Meadows, Prelate

The Celebrative Praise
Send Judah First International Worship Team
Minister Terrill Hall, Coordinator

Official Greetings
Bishop Dwight E. Walls, Sr.
Chairman, National Board of Trustees
Prelate, Michigan Great Lakes Second Jurisdiction

The Ministry of Music
The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
Dr. Myron Williams, President
International Music Department

Inspirational Message
Superintendent Paul Gatlin
Louisiana Central Jurisdiction
Bishop Alton E. Gatlin, Prelate

The Ministry of Giving
Bishop Jimmy L. Williams
Prelate, Florida Eastern Jurisdiction

The Observations
Bishop Joel H. Lyles, Jr.
General Secretary
Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction
THE VOICE OF OUR LEADER
THE HONORABLE BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE

The Presentation of the Messenger

The Sermonic Selection

THE WORD OF GOD/CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

Bishop Sedgwick C. Daniels
General Board Member
Prelate, Wisconsin First Jurisdiction

+The Invitation, Prayer of Healing & Deliverance

Elder Cameron Martin
Kansas Southwest Jurisdiction
Bishop Mark L. Gilkey, Prelate

+The Benediction
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

Annual Women’s Day Service

Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis
Presiding
General Supervisor, International Department of Women

Morning Manna 7:45AM - 9:00AM
Annual Women’s Day Service 9:00AM - 11:30AM

INTERNATIONAL MARSHALS
Supervisor Vanessa Winbush Gatlin
Second Assistant General Supervisor, International Department of Women
Louisiana Central Jurisdiction

Lady Shirley Wooten
National Evangelist & Wife of the Second Assistant Presiding Bishop
Missouri Eastern Second Illinois Western Jurisdiction

Bishop Larry Perkins & Mother Frances Kelley
National Prayer Leaders

Call to Worship
International Department of Women Marshal

MORNING MANNA SPEAKER
Mother Mary J. Walton
Third Assistant General Supervisor, International Department of Women
Michigan Southwest Fourth Jurisdiction

Melody of Praise
International Department of Women Praise Team

PROCEDURE OF SUPERVISOR DESIGNATES

The Invocation
Lady Virdena Gilkey
Kansas Southwest Jurisdiction

Old Testament Scripture Reading
Supervisor Corrine Huffman
Oklahoma Northwest Jurisdiction

New Testament Scripture Reading
Lady Kamiya Brewer
Connecticut First Jurisdiction

Affirmation of Faith
Supervisor Erma B. Parker
Texas Northeast Fourth Jurisdiction

Morning Hymn
Lady Kathy Bowman
New York Central Jurisdiction

The Ministry of Music
Women’s Choir
Evangelist Barbara Jackson Sago,
Music Ministry Coordinator - International Department of Women
Dr. Myron Williams, President, International Music Department
How Great Thou Art

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.
Psalm 48:1

Stuart K. Hine

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder Consider
2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander And hear the
3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to
4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, And take me

1. all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I
2. birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from
3. die, I scarce can take it in: That on the cross, my
4. home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in

1. hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displays
2. lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle
3. burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my
4. humble adoration, And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou

1. played:
2. breeze:
3. sin:
4. art!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee:

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COGIC Yes Lord Hymnal
THE NECROLOGY
Supervisor Ruby Terry
Louisiana First Jurisdiction

WE PAUSE TO REMEMBER OUR PREDECESSORS
BISHOP CHARLES HARRISON MASON, Founder/First Senior Bishop, CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
BISHOP O.T. JONES, SR., Second Senior Bishop
BISHOP J.O. PATTERSON, SR., First Elected Presiding Bishop
BISHOP L.H. FORD, Second Elected Presiding Bishop
BISHOP CHANDLER D. OWENS, Third Elected Presiding Bishop
BISHOP GILBERT EARL. PATTERSON, Fourth Elected Presiding Bishop
MOTHER LIZZIE WOODS ROBINSON, First General Mother
MOTHER LILLIAN BROOKS COFFEY, Second General Mother
Organizer, Women’s International Convention
MOTHER ANNIE L. BAILEY, Third General Mother
MOTHER MATTIE MCGLOTHEN, Fourth General Mother
MOTHER EMMA F. CROUCH, Fifth General Mother
MRS. ELSIE WASHINGTON MASON, Wife of our Founder Bishop C. H. Mason
MRS. DEBORAH MASON PATTERSON, Wife of Our First Presiding Bishop
DR. ARENIA C. MALLORY, President-Saints Jr. College

Roll Call NOVEMBER 2022 - NOVEMBER 2023

Bishop James L. Whitehead, Jr. – Michigan Southwest 2nd Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Levi E. Willis II – Virginia 3rd Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Wilbert Lee Daniels, Sr. – Virginia Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Clyde David Jones – Michigan Southwest Agape Jurisdiction
Bishop William L. Harper – Missouri Eastern Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Lee Vicker Broom – Oklahoma Northwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Robert L. Webbs, Sr. – New Hampshire Greater Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Leon Smith – Nevada First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Simeon William Cage – Louisiana South Central
Bishop Welton Lee Lawrence, Prelate Emeritus – Canada-Michigan Jurisdiction
Bishop Henderson Wheeler, Sr., Prelate Emeritus – West Virginia Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Robert L. Hargrove, Auxiliary Episcopate – Pennsylvania Commonwealth Jurisdiction
Bishop Marcus Lee Butler, Auxiliary Episcopate – Mississippi Southern First Jurisdiction
Bishop Napolean Bill Harris Sr., Auxiliary Episcopate – Illinois 1st Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Dennis James McMurray, Auxiliary Episcopate – Western Michigan Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Talbert W. Swan, Auxiliary Episcopate – Vermont Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Charles Henry Milton Mason Gordon, Auxiliary Episcopate – Louisiana Eastern 1st Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Derrick W. Hutchins, Sr. – former prelate of Venezuela Jurisdiction
Supervisor Gloria Lynch – California Southern 2nd Jurisdiction
Supervisor Jacqueline Adside – Great Lakes 2nd Jurisdiction of Michigan
Supervisor Fanneree Baymon – Massachusetts First Jurisdiction
Supervisor Emerita Wynona Tucker Usher – Missouri Southeast 3rd Jurisdiction
Supervisor Emerita Julia Silva Monsalve – Chile Jurisdiction
Supervisor Sharon Manning, Supervisor Emerita – Connecticut
Supervisor Gail Smith, Supervisor Emerita – Eastern New York 2nd Jurisdiction
Mother Ruth Eiland - Supervisor Without Charge, Grand Prairie, Texas
Mother Louise D. Patterson, widow of Bishop Gilbert Earl Patterson, former Presiding Bishop, Church of God in Christ
Mother Thelma Alexander Sexton, widow of the late Bishop Clarence L. Sexton, Sr.
Mother Carrie B. Kinsey, widow of Bishop C.D. Kinsey – Florida Central 1st Jurisdiction
Mother Josephine Murphy, wife of Bishop Hillrie Murphy – California Southwest Jurisdiction
Lady Delores Jean Matheney, wife of Bishop Willie Joe Matheney - Florida Western Jurisdiction
District Missionary Gloria Patterson, IDOW International District Missionaries Without Charge Chair
Mother Vernon Oliver Price, Faithful Singer in Women’s Chorus

Audience: Please Stand with Bowed Heads for a Moment of Silent Prayer
~ T A P S ~
Congregational Singing

Supervisor Geneva Daniel
Arkansas Fourth Jurisdiction

Inspirational Message
Evangelist Tahaiti L. Tinsley
Southern California Second Jurisdiction

Acknowledgment of Guests and Wives of General Board Members
Mother Yolanda Bryant
President, Bishops’ Wives’ & Wife of General Board Member

Presentation of our First Lady
Lady Shirley Wooten
Wife of the Second Assistant Presiding Bishop

Greetings from our First Lady
LADY KAREN CLARK SHEARD
Wife of our Presiding Bishop

THE VOICE OF OUR PRESIDING BISHOP
BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE
Eighth in Succession
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

The Ministry of Giving
National Evangelist Renee Winston
California West Coast Jurisdiction

Financial Officers
District Missionary Helen Massey, Financial Secretary
Supervisor Mary Barnes, Finance Committee Chairperson

Observations & Recognition of Veterans
Dr. Lawanne’ S. Grant
Administrative Facilitator, Programming for Worship
North Carolina Second Jurisdiction

WELCOME TO THE 2024
WOMEN’S INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
Lady Barbara J. McKinney, Esq.
Administrative Facilitator - Women’s International Convention
Southern California Second Jurisdiction
Presentation of the General Supervisor

Mother Mary K. Sims
Administrative Facilitator, Benevolent Units & Empowerment Initiatives
Executive Board President
Missouri Western Second Jurisdiction

Sermonic Selection

Lady Elizabeth Rhone
Brazil First Jurisdiction

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS

Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis
General Supervisor,
International Department Of Women
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

Call to Discipleship

The Ministry of Music

Women’s Choir

THE INSTALLATION AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW SUPERVISORS, JURISDICTIONAL ASSISTANT SUPERVISORS AND NATIONAL EVANGELISTS

Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis - Presiding
General Supervisor, International Department of Women
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

Assisted By
Mother Wilma J. Hughey
First Assistant General Supervisor, International Department of Women
Credentials and Licensing
New York Western Second Jurisdiction

Supervisor Gwendolyn Lawson Townsend
Executive Secretary, International Department of Women
Washington State Jurisdiction

Supervisor Jerrine Montague Hicks
Deputy Adjutant Mother
Liaison to the International Department of Women
Tennessee Eastern First Jurisdiction
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023 — 9:30AM

Men’s Day Service
HISTORIC MASON TEMPLE
WORLD HEADQUARTERS
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC.

Facilitators
Administrative Assistant Daryl Randolph, Sr.
Mid-Central Regional Director
Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction, Bishop Elijah H. Hankerson III, Prelate

Superintendent DeWitt Jackson
Executive Board Member
Indiana Second Jurisdiction, Bishop Benjamin A. Sanders, Prelate

Men’s Day Panel Discussion
“MAN TALK”
(Moderators: Bishop Herbert R. Davis & Pastor Charles Stephenson)

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

THE VETERANS’ & DEACONS’ PROCESSIONAL
(Chaplain Carlos R. Bell and Deacon Walter Kimble, Sr.)

The Call to Worship

Superintendent Anthony Hudson
Michigan Southwest Fifth Jurisdiction
Bishop Don Shelby, Jr., Prelate

+The Invocational Prayer

Superintendent Elwood J. Gatlin
North Carolina Second Jurisdiction
Bishop Stenneth E. Powell, Prelate

+The Old Testament Reading

Superintendent Jimmy Bention, Jr.
North Carolina Greater Jurisdiction
Bishop LeRoy Jackson Woolard, Prelate

+The New Testament Reading

Superintendent William Cooper
North Carolina Third Jurisdiction
Bishop Patrick L. Wooden, Sr., Prelate
The Celebrative Praise
Minister Terrill Hall and
Send Judah First Men's Team

The Ministry of Music
The Convocation Men's Choir
Elder Michael Hunt,
International Men’s Ministry Music Coordinator

Voice Of The Youth
Ted J.C. Thomas
Virginia First Jurisdiction
Bishop Marc A. Thomas, Sr., Prelate

Video Observations / Acknowledgements

MPM Honors
Bishop Michael B. Golden, Jr.
Bishop Patrick L. Wooden, Sr.
The Men Perfecting Men Co-Directors

The Ministry of Music
The Convocation Men's Choir

The Ministry of Giving
Bishop Michael B. Golden, Jr.
International Men's Ministry Co-Director
Prelate, Virginia Second Jurisdiction

The Voice of the Leader
BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
Presiding Bishop & Chief Apostle

The Presentation of the Messenger
Elder Anthony Wilson
North Carolina Third Jurisdiction
Bishop Patrick L. Wooden, Sr., Prelate

The Sermonic Selection
Pastor Michael Lampkin
Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction
Bishop Elijah H. Hankerson III, Prelate

THE WORD OF GOD
Bishop Patrick L. Wooden, Sr.
International Men’s Ministry Co-Director
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.
Prelate, North Carolina Third Jurisdiction

+The Prayer of Benediction
Superintendent Thomas B. Campbell
Virginia Second Jurisdiction
Bishop Michael B. Golden, Jr., Prelate
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023 — 6:00PM – 6:55PM

WOMEN’S DAY
EVENING SERVICE
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

INTERNATIONAL MARSHALS
Supervisor Vanessa Winbush Gatlin
Second Assistant General Supervisor, International Department of Women
Louisiana Central Jurisdiction

Lady Shirley Wooten
National Evangelist & Wife of the Second Assistant Presiding Bishop
Missouri Eastern Second Illinois Western Jurisdiction

Call to Worship
International Department of Women Marshal

Invocation
Supervisor Lenora Carpenter-Beets
Iowa Jurisdiction, Department of Women

Scripture Declaration
Supervisor Regina Cook
Ohio Northwest Jurisdiction, Department of Women

PRESENTING OUR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Mother Darlene Bartlett Stone
Administrative Facilitator, Auxiliaries, Bands, and Units
Indiana First Jurisdiction

SUNSHINE BAND
Coordinators: Elder Charleston Sanders & Sister Algerita Sanders

PURITY CLASS
Coordinators: Evangelist Bonnie Madlock Williams

The Ministry of Giving
National Evangelist Renee Winston
California West Coast Jurisdiction

Financial Officers
District Missionary Helen Massey, Financial Secretary
Supervisor Mary Barnes, Finance Committee Chairperson

Presentation of the General Supervisor
Mother Vanessa Winbush Gatlin
Second Assistant General Supervisor,
International Department of Women

CLOSING EXHORTATIONS AND WORDS OF WISDOM
Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis
GENERAL SUPERVISOR, INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023 — 7:00PM  
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

WORSHIP LEADER – BISHOP BRANDON B. PORTER  
Secretary, General Board - Prelate, Tennessee Central Jurisdiction

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP  
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| The Call To Worship | Bishop Brandon B. Porter  
Secretary, General Board  
Prelate, Tennessee Central Jurisdiction |
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Auxiliary Bishop, Michigan Southwest First Jurisdiction  
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Georgia Central Jurisdiction  
Bishop Joseph E. Hogan, Sr., Prelate |
| +The New Testament Reading (2 Corinthians 4:5-10, 16-17 KJV) | Supervisor Arelesha Freeman  
Nevada First Jurisdiction  
Bishop Jerry W. Macklin, 1st Assistant Presiding Bishop, Interim Prelate |
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Minister Terrill Hall, Coordinator |
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Chief Justice, Judiciary Board  
Prelate, New Jersey First Jurisdiction |
| | Bishop Lemuel F. Thuston  
Chairman, General Assembly  
Prelate, Kansas East Jurisdiction |
| Inspirational Message | Administrative Assistant  
Kenyarda T. Feathers, Sr.  
Florida Central First Jurisdiction  
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Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction |
The Presentation of the Messenger

The Sermonic Selection

THE WORD OF GOD/CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

Bishop Lambert Gates
Presiding Bishop
Pentecostal Churches of the Apostolic Faith International (PCAFI)

+ The Invitation, Prayer of Healing & Deliverance

+ The Benediction

Evangelist Sylvia Reeves
Ohio Northern First Jurisdiction
Bishop Edward T. Cook, Prelate

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
SATURDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-THREE
ANNO DOMINI AT NINE O’CLOCK IN THE MORNING

THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER
Memphis, Tennessee

The Service of Episcopal Consecration and Installation

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

WORSHIP LEADER
THE RIGHT REVEREND JERRY W. MACKLIN
First Assistant Presiding Bishop
Prelate, California Nor-Cal Metropolitan Jurisdiction

+ Organ Prelude

+ The Apostolic Procession
   THE NATIONAL ADJUTANCY
   +THE PRESIDING BISHOP
   +THE FIRST ASSISTANT PRESIDING BISHOP
   +THE SECOND ASSISTANT PRESIDING BISHOP
   +THE GENERAL BOARD
   THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
   THE GENERAL SECRETARY
   THE GENERAL TREASURER
   THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY
   THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
   THE CHIEF JUSTICE, NATIONAL JUDICIARY BOARD
   THE CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
   THE COLLEGE OF BISHOPS, LED BY THE CHAIRMAN
   THE BISHOP-DESIGNATES [WITH EPISCOPAL ESCORTS]

Call To Worship         The Right Reverend Dickerson L. S. Wells
                        Adjutant General

The Responsive Reading      The Right Reverend Jerry W. Macklin
                            First Assistant Presiding Bishop
                            Prelate, California Nor-Cal Metropolitan Jurisdiction

THE LEADER: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

THE PEOPLE: Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations. For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also is to be feared above all gods.

THE LEADER: Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength. Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

THE PEOPLE: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations, The LORD reigneth. Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein.

THE LEADER: Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.

ALL: O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Psalm 48:1-2, 1 Chronicles 16:24-25, 28-29, 31-34 (KJV)
The Invocation

The Right Reverend Michael E. Hill, Sr.
Assistant Secretary, General Board
Prelate, Michigan Great Lakes First Jurisdiction

Old Testament Reading
(Isaiah 40:27-31 KJV)

The Right Reverend Malcolm W. Coby
General Board Member
Prelate, Oklahoma Southeast Jurisdiction

New Testament Reading
(I Timothy 3:1-7 KJV)

The Right Reverend Charles H. McClelland
General Board Member
Prelate, Wisconsin Northwest Jurisdiction

The Hymn
“Lift Him Up”

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
Dr. Myron Williams, President
International Music Department

The Affirmation of Faith

The Right Reverend Brandon B. Porter
Secretary, General Board
Prelate, Tennessee Central Jurisdiction

The Anthem

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

The Statement of Purpose

The Right Reverend James R. Wright, Sr.
Prelate, New York Western First Jurisdiction

The Sacred Ministry of Giving

The Right Reverend Prince E.W. Bryant, Sr.
General Board Member
Prelate, Texas South Central Jurisdiction

The Ministry of Music

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

THE VOICE OF OUR LEADER & PRESENTATION OF THE MESSENGER
HIS GRACE
THE MOST REVEREND JOHN DREW SHEARD
PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

The Sermonic Selection

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

THE WORD OF GOD

The Right Reverend Stenneth E. Powell, Sr.
Prelate, North Carolina Second Jurisdiction

Prayer of Healing & Deliverance

The Right Reverend Darrell L. Hines, Sr.
General Board Member
Prelate, Illinois Midwest Jurisdiction
Lift Him Up

By Him, therefore, let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually...
Hebrews 13:15

Johnson Oatman, Jr.  B. B. Beall

1 How to reach the masses, men of every birth, For an
2 O the world is hungry for the Living Bread, Lift the
3 Don't exalt the preacher, don't exalt the pew, Preach the
4 Lift Him up by living as a Christian ought, Let the

1 answer Jesus gave the key: "And I, if I be lifted
2 Savior up for them to see; Trust Him and do not doubt the
3 Gospel simple, full and free; Prove Him and you will find that
4 world in you the Savior see; Then men will gladly follow

1 up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me."
2 words that He said, "I'll draw all men unto Me."
3 promise is true, "I'll draw all men unto Me."
4 Him who once taught, "I'll draw all men unto Me."

Lift Him up,
Lift the precious Savior up,
Still He
The Service of
Episcopal Consecration & Installation
His Grace
The Most Reverend John Drew Sheard
Chief Celebrant

This is a true saying, if a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour; given to hospitality, apt to teach; Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?) Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover, he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

(1 Timothy 3:1-7)

Preface to the Ordinal

The Holy Scriptures and ancient Christian writers make it clear that from the Apostles time, there have been different ministries within the church. In particular, since the time of the New Testament, three distinct orders of ordained ministers have been characteristic of Christ holy (universal) Church. First, there is the order of bishops who carry on the apostolic work of leading, supervising, and uniting the Church. Secondly, associated with them are the presbyters, or ordained elders, prior to the New Testament Church, they were known as priests. Together with the bishops, they take part in the governance of the church, in the carrying out of its missionary and pastoral work, and in the preaching of the Word of God and administering His holy sacraments. Thirdly, there are deacons who assist bishops and elders in all of this work. It is also a special responsibility of deacons to minister in Christ name to the poor, the sick, the suffering, and the helpless.

The persons who are chosen and recognized by the church as being called by God to the ordained ministry are admitted to these sacred orders by solemn prayer and the laying on of hands by the Apostles. It has been, and is, the intention and purpose of the church to maintain and continue these three orders; and for this purpose, these Services of Ordination and Consecration are appointed. No persons are allowed to exercise the offices of bishop, priest, or elder, or deacon, or wear their insignia in the church unless they are so ordained or have already received such ordination with the laying on of hands by bishops who are themselves duly qualified to confer Holy Orders.
The Service of
Episcopal Consecration & Installation

HIS GRACE
THE MOST REVEREND JOHN DREW SHEARD
CHIEF CELEBRANT

The Order of Worship completed and the Word of God having been preached, the Service of Consecration begins. The Presiding Bishop will summon the Elders to the main altar for consecration.

The Presentation

The Chairman of the College of Bishops shall present the Elders to the Presiding Bishop saying:

“YOUR GRACE, BY THE WILL OF GOD I PRESENT THE ELDERS TO YOU FOR PUBLIC CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED OFFICE OF BISHOP IN THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST.”

(Having received the Elders, the Presiding Bishop begins the charge)

The Charge

The Church Of God In Christ has expressed confidence in you, in your character, in your devotion to Christ and the church, and in your ability to direct the affairs and promote the general interests of the entire church in that she has signally honored you by selecting you to this high office. The Apostle Paul warns “that a Bishop must then be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach. Moreover, he must have a good report of them which are without, lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.”

The General Assembly of the Church Of God In Christ has assigned to you as Bishop, the following duties:

♦ To uphold, obey and defend the Word of God.
♦ To obey and defend the Constitution of the Church Of God In Christ.
♦ Where applicable, to function as the administrative head of the ecclesiastical jurisdiction to which you are assigned.
♦ Where applicable, to seek out and discover, suitable pastors for each congregation under your care.
♦ To encourage Ministerial Improvement and Leadership Training by planning Pastors Study Groups, In-Service Training, Ministerial Retreats and supporting the Charles Harrison Mason System of Bible Colleges.
♦ To inspire pastors to spiritual growth and personal improvement for more effective witnessing for Christ and His Kingdom.
♦ To encourage visitation among pastors in homes, hospitals and penal institutions.
♦ To stimulate by your life example as well as by your preaching, the outlook and vision of your people and inspire them to holy living and more dedication to the total program of the church.
♦ To submit yourself to your superiors in the church with all prayerful humility and by your example, teaching those under your charge to do the same.
♦ To seek out communities in your jurisdiction into which a Christian witness might be effective.
The Inquiry

The Presiding Bishop: In as much as the Holy Scriptures enjoins that no man be placed hastily in supervision of the affairs of God’s Holy Church and in order that those here may know your mind and purpose concerning this sacred office will you, in the fear of God, answer the questions I ask you in the name of Christ and His Church?

The Bishop Designate: I will.

The Presiding Bishop: Will you endeavor to live soberly, righteously and godly as a Bishop in the Church so that you may be an example to all others in Christian living?

The Bishop Designate: I will by the help of God.

The Presiding Bishop: Will you instruct those who come under your charge, in the Word of God to the edification of the whole church?

The Bishop Designate: I will do so, the Lord being my helper.

The Presiding Bishop: Will you give diligence to faithfully perform all the duties assigned to you as Bishop in the Church Of God In Christ as directed by your Superiors?

The Bishop Designate: I will, by the help of God.

The Presiding Bishop: Will you ever seek, in true humility, to deal justly and kindly with your brethren in the ministry and with all others over which you shall be placed as Bishop?

The Bishop Designate: I will do so by the help and grace of God the Holy Spirit being my strength.

The Acceptance

(The Elders will now turn and face the standing congregation)

The Presiding Bishop: Saints of Christ, do you under God, accept these men into this office and will you give them your cooperation, support and prayers as they seek to carry out the responsibilities of this office?

The Congregation: We will do so, God being our helper.

The Investiture

The Ring: The Symbol of priestly authority.

The Cassock: The robe which is worn during the service, is the symbol of an Elder and Servant. The Bishop is first and foremost, a servant and one among his brethren.

The Cincture: This garment is a symbol of Christ. It speaks of the Bishop’s willingness to “wash his brethren’s feet” pursuant to the example of His Lord.

The Rochet: This white linen garment is a symbol of the Priesthood. Aaron’s ephod is found in the book of Leviticus and is a reminder to the Bishop that his role as Celebrant and Worship Leader is prominent in the total Mandate of the Office.

The Chimere: This garment is a symbol of a Prophet. Where applicable, the Bishop of the Church becomes the Chief Defender of the faith and the Preacher of the doctrines in the Jurisdiction. This is the one symbol that sets him apart from Elders, for he alone wears this Mantle of Office.

The Pectoral Cross: This cross of gold is hung around the Bishop’s neck as a symbol of his imprisonment for Christ.

The Tippet: The tippet is the symbol of a slave. It is the tippet that binds the Bishop to the Church. Inscribed on the tippet, is the seal of the Church Of God In Christ and the Seal of the Bishop. They are the symbols of Jurisdiction or Assignment. The tippet signifies that the Bishop is a man under authority.

(The Presiding Bishop now places the Tippet about the neck of the newly consecrated Bishops.)
The Installation of Bishops

The Presiding Bishop: My brothers, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Great Head of the Church and by the authority vested in me by the General Assembly of the Church, I do hereby install you as Bishops in the Church Of God In Christ.

(The newly installed Bishops now kneel at the main altar)

The Prayer of Consecration

The Right Reverend Lawrence M. Wooten, Sr.
Second Assistant Presiding Bishop
Prelate, Missouri Eastern Second Illinois Western Jurisdiction

(The newly installed Bishops will rise and return to their seats.)

The Issuance of Certificates of Appointment & Episcopal Assignment

Bishop Joel H. Lyles Jr.
General Secretary
Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction

The Holy Communion Celebration

“This do ye in remembrance of me”

The Scripture Reading

General Board Member
Prelate, Tennessee Headquarters Jurisdiction

The Blessing of the Elements

His Grace

The Most Reverend John Drew Sheard

The Purification

*The Consecration and Distribution of the Hosts

While the Presiding Bishop prepares to serve the Eucharist to the General Board, the College of Bishops along with the Adjutant Elders will move toward their communion stations. After the blessing of the Eucharist has been given and the General Board has been served, the communion will be distributed to the congregation while they remain seated.

The congregation will be instructed by the Presiding Bishop when to partake of the Lord's Body and Blood.

The Ministry of Music

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
The Washing of the Apostles’ Feet

“I have given you an example, that ye also should do as I have done unto you.” St. John 13:15 KJV

The Scripture Reading  (St. John 13:1-7 KJV)

The Reverend John B. Smith
Deputy Adjutant General

The Chant

“Humble Thyself”

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

Musical Postlude

The Right Reverend Sedgwick C. Daniels
General Board Member
Prelate, Wisconsin First Jurisdiction

+The Prayer of Benediction

In observance of the Recessional, please remain at your seat until the Presiding Bishop, the General Board
and the College of Bishops have recessed.

“The blessing of the Lord be upon you; we bless you in the name of the Lord.”
Psalm 129:8 KJV

+The Recessional
“These are the men who the Lord delighteth to honor”

**Jurisdictional Bishops**

Bishop Designate Robert Earl Barber  
Prelate, Mississippi Northwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Marquello Anthonio Futrell, Sr.  
Prelate, Missouri Eastern First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Frederick Douglas Jenkins  
Prelate, Rome Italy Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Marvin Cornelia Moreland  
Prelate, Pennsylvania Western First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Andrei Vashon Newbon  
Prelate, Illinois Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Tomas Juan Reyes  
Prelate, Mexico Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Robert Delano Taylor, Sr.  
Prelate, Michigan Southwest Agape Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Jonathan Gerard Willis, Sr.  
Prelate, Virginia Third Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

**Bishops with Auxiliary Designation**

Bishop Designate Hurley Jay Coleman, Jr.  
Michigan North Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Charles Henry Greggs  
Texas Southeast Third Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Ronald Larry Griffin  
Michigan Southwest First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Garon Joseph Harden, Sr.  
California Southern First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Herman Lorenzo Hicks  
Kansas Southwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Allen Thomas Pulliam  
New York Eastern First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Melvin Joseph Williams, Sr.  
Alaska Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate James Melvin Willis  
Alaska Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

**Episcopal Assignments**

Bishop Alton Ervin Gatlin  
Prelate, Louisiana Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Michael Burl Golden, Jr.  
Prelate, Virginia Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Nate’ Montree Jefferson  
Prelate, Brazil Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
Bishop Designate Marquaello Anthonio Futrell, Sr.
Prelate, Missouri Eastern First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Marquaello Futrell, Sr., serves as the Senior Pastor of All Creation Northview Holiness Family Church of God in Christ, in Ferguson, MO. Most recently he served as an Administrative Assistant, District Superintendent, and CFO of Missouri Eastern First Jurisdiction. Pastor Futrell is also community minded in the Ferguson and St. Louis North County communities. He, along with his congregation, sponsor annual SOS (Saint on the Streets) events. These events allow his local congregation to give back to the community by offering hope in Christ, free food, school supplies, educational scholarships, and so much more especially to the EMFJ Education Dept. He is the Founder and President of Destined 2 Win Ministries (D2W-501c3). Destined 2 Win Ministries organizes annual conferences and community day giveaways.

Pastor Futrell served nine years with the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department as a Field Training Police Officer. Before resigning as police officer to pastor full-time he was on the promotion cluster track to become a Sergeant (Field Supervisor). In April 2022, he completed his studies earning a Doctor of Education degree from Maryville University with an emphasis in Higher Education Leadership. He earned a graduate degree from Washington University- St. Louis (School of Law) in Legal Studies and also earned a graduate certificate in Conflict Resolution. He also earned a bachelor’s degree from Webster University with emphasis in American Studies after transferring from Oral Roberts University. Dr. Futrell and his wife, Lady Kanesha Futrell, own a salon with over 17 stylists and estheticians and a boutique. They have five children Rory, Christopher, Rodrick, Josiah, and Marquaello II.

Bishop Designate
Robert Earl Barber
Prelate, Mississippi Northwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Robert Earl Barber is a 21st Century Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor, Teacher and a man of integrity and faith who believes in and practices divine healing, raising the dead, opening blinded eyes, lame walking, the mute to speak, etc. From his experience in the sunshine band, purity class, youth choir, YPWW President, Superintendent of Sunday school, Evangelist President, District Chairman, and District Superintendent, his steps have been ordered by the Lord. He is a visionary that walks with purpose and holiness.

His greatest achievement as a role-model is being the husband of the love of his life Malesia Denise for 42 years, a father to his 2 daughters, Erica Barber and Tiffany Barber-Taylor (Terrian), his son Xavier Barber and grandfather to Jaylin, Terrian ll and Ta’Niyah. Bishop Designate Barber is also a planter of seven (7) churches, a song writer, book author, and the Founder of the New Dimension Community Development.
Bishop Designate

Frederick Douglas Jenkins

Prelate, Rome Italy Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Dr. Frederick Douglas Jenkins accepted the Lord as his personal Savior and received the Holy Ghost in 1969. He was called by the Lord to preach and was licensed as a minister in 1971. He was later ordained by the late Bishop Charles H. McCoy, prelate of New York Western Second Jurisdiction. Dr. Jenkins had a long distinguished career in the United States Military and received a plethora of decorations, awards and commendations. His religious education includes a Bachelor of Theology, Master of Divinity and Doctor of Sacred Theology from Texas Lutheran University Seguin, Texas. Dr. Jenkins’ church endeavors include serving as Pastor, District Superintendent, Administrative Assistant, and Jurisdictional Secretary. His National service includes Chief Appeals Court Judge with the General Council of Pastors and Elders. He was Secretary, Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Rules Committee of the General Assembly, where he increased the scope and depth of the General Assembly rules, which are now being used. Dr. Jenkins was Chairman of the Job Descriptions and Remuneration Committee producing the first ever Job Description Handbook in 2015.

Dr. Jenkins co-authored the first Jurisdictional Secretarial Handbook and authored the first officially approved Handbook for the General Council of Pastors and Elders in 2010. Dr. Jenkins has also authored nine additional books. Dr. Jenkins’ community and civic involvement are too numerous to list, however he served with the Religious Community Managers Association and as a Research Analyst for the American Center for Law and Justice. He is an expert analyst in ecclesiastical canon and church law. His marriage of 53 years to Supervisor Diane L. Jenkins has been blessed with two adult daughters, four adult granddaughters and two grandsons.

Bishop Designate

Marvin Cornelia Moreland

Prelate, Pennsylvania Western First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

The ministry of Bishop Designate Marvin C. Moreland has been touching lives for more than 35 years. Marvin Moreland was saved and filled with the gift of the Holy Ghost during a Spirit-filled revival that changed his life forever. He served faithfully and assisted in ministry at the Deliverance Temple Ministries Church Of God In Christ until the demise of his late pastor. Bishop Designate Moreland began his pastoral ministry and was appointed as Senior Pastor of Deliverance Temple Ministries Church Of God In Christ in August of 1998. A true servant at heart, he is a very personable, touchable leader who is selfless in his efforts to reach the lost. One of the highlights of his ministry was being a featured guest of the Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN).

Bishop Designate Moreland ministers to many who are incarcerated, assisting with homelessness, re-entry and recovery programs throughout the county. He has been blessed to serve in ministry at every level of the church. Bishop Designate Moreland received education at the Airco Technical Institute of Pittsburgh, California State University, Harty Bible Institute, Moody Bible Institute and Liberty University. Bishop Designate Moreland is married to his companion in ministry Evangelist Charisse D. Moreland, and they are the parents of six children and seventeen grandchildren. Bishop Moreland stands on the fact that “PREACHING IS EFFECTIVE BECAUSE OF THE ANOINTING”.

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Bishop Designate
Andrei Vashon Newbon
Prelate, Illinois Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Andrei Vashon Newbon proudly serves as the Pastor of Community Temple Church of God in Christ in Decatur, Illinois. His greatest love is the gospel of Jesus Christ. It has been a constant in his life and has given him direction, comfort and guidance. Bishop Designate Newbon is a lifelong resident of Decatur, Illinois. He is the son of the late Bishop Willie F. Newbon and Lady Pat Newbon. He was educated in the Decatur Illinois School System and continued his studies at Richland College, where he studied architectural drafting. He retired from Ameren Elec. & Gas Utility after 37 years of service.

He was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost in 1974, at the early age of 13 years old. Bishop Designate Newbon was ordained an Elder in 1998, by the late Bishop Theodore Taylor Rose.

Because of his unwavering love for the Church Of God In Christ, he has served the church in various administrative capacities, including: Jurisdictional Y.P.W.W. President, AIM Chairman, Assistant State Minister of Music, Jurisdictional Finance Committeeman, Instructor for the C.H. Mason Bible College, Administrative Assistant, Personal Adjutant to the Bishop, Special Assistant to the Bishop, District Superintendent and many more. Bishop Designate Newbon has faithfully attended and supported the National Holy Convocation and the General Assembly. He has attended the meetings since age 11, only missing one (1) in 49 years. As a musician, Bishop Designate Newbon continues to have a love for music. He has been married to Marcia Newbon for 33 years. They are the blessed parents of two children, Andrenique and Alexander and one daughter-in-love, Ashley.

Bishop Designate
Tomas Juan Reyes
Prelate, Mexico Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Tomas Reyes has been married to his beautiful wife, Claudia, for 35 years. Together, they have five children who support everything at home and in the ministry. God has given them four beautiful grandchildren and together they are a blessed family. The Reyes family started the ministry in 1988 from the moment they got married.

They founded the Directo con Dios Evangelistic Ministry in 2004, the name with which they traveled through Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean. He was the founder of the Patmos Vision of Life Church in the City of Reynosa Tamaulipas Mexico in 2011, where the offices of the Church of God in Christ Mexico are located. The church’s constitutive registration in Mexico is SGAR-4912-2022.

Bishop Designate Reyes is also the co-founder of Arbol de Vida para la Naciones Church in Cuba, where they have twenty-four churches. He is a translator from English to Spanish, which has given him the ability to carry out large evangelistic campaigns with guests from England, Norway, Australia, the United States, India and other countries. In 2012 while translating for Bishop Maurice Green, Jr. in the City of Hidalgo Texas, their friendship and work relationship began to grow within the Church of God in Christ. Soon after, the Jurisdiction of Mexico was opened and had grown from one church to fifty-four churches, under his leadership.

Today, they have clear goals in God: to be a blessing to many from the Mexico Jurisdiction, to reach many souls for Christ in evangelical work, and to grow from 62 churches to 500 churches by the year 2030, for the Glory of God. He also desires to support other Bishops in the Jurisdictions in Central America and the Caribbean.
Bishop Designate
Robert Delano Taylor, Sr.
Prelate, Michigan Southwest Agape Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Robert Delano Taylor, Sr. is a Godly man who has served as Senior Pastor of Glad Tidings Church Of God In Christ of Detroit, Michigan for the past thirty years.

He is the Superintendent of the Dunamis District (which is comprised of nine churches) and serves as Senior Administrative Assistant in the Southwest Michigan Agape Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

He received a Doctorate of Humanities Degree and continues to broaden his knowledge and perspective for the purpose of making disciples and preparing the people for the Kingdom of God. Through his ministry, many ministers have been ordained and churches have been birthed. He is viewed by many as a solid example of Godly leadership, often sought after by church leaders for counsel and mentorship.

For more than fifty-six years, he has been the husband of one wife to Mother Effie M. Sykes-Taylor (the embodiment of love and grace), father of three accomplished sons (who follow him in ministry), ten grandchildren, and a father figure to many.

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Bishop Designate
Jonathan Gerard Willis, Sr.
Prelate, Virginia Third Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Administrative Assistant Willis knew at an early age that there was an anointing on his life to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. Raised in the Hampton Roads area, a graduate of Norfolk Theological Seminary, and under the leadership of his grandfather, the late Bishop L. E. Willis Sr., and his father, the late Bishop L. E. Willis II. He has served in various capacities on the local, district, and jurisdictional levels. Eager to continue a legacy of servanthood and ministry development, he became a licensed minister at the age of fifteen, an ordained elder at the age of twenty, and appointed Pastor of Prayer of Faith Temple on August 31, 2004. At the age of twenty-four he was appointed an Administrative Assistant to Bishop L. E. Willis II, overseeing the Dominion Region, at the age of twenty-nine. Administrative Assistant Willis was appointed Pastor of Garden of Prayer Temple on October 2, 2022, after the retirement of his father. Then, in April 2023, shortly after his father's demise, he was appointed Bishop-Designate of the Virginia Third Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction at the COGIC April Call Meeting in Memphis, TN.

As the pastor of two great ministries, the Garden of Prayer Temple Church of God in Christ – Zion City East and the Prayer of Faith Temple Church of God in Christ – Zion City West, Administrative Assistant Willis is focused on community transformation, as they journey together along one path as “A City of Builders: Pursuing God, Changing Lives.” He has proven to be an innovative and strategic visionary, who expands the spiritual and physical footprint of the ministries he leads and the lives of those he covers. Through his anointed preaching and teaching of God’s Holy Word and as an accomplished recording artist with the release of his debut album, The Zion City Experience, he has been able to bring believers closer to God and touch the hearts of listeners across the country through worship. Bishop-Designate Jonathan G. Willis Sr. is joyfully married to the beautiful Felicia Dixon Willis and he is proud to be the father of four wonderful children: Niyah, Jonathan II, Jami, and Journi.
Bishop Designate

Hurley Jay Coleman, Jr.
Auxiliary Bishop, Michigan North Central
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Hurley Jay Coleman, Jr. is the Pastor at the World Outreach Campus of Greater Coleman Temple Ministries in Saginaw, Michigan. The church was founded by the late Dr. H.J. Coleman, Sr. in 1957, and led by H. J. Coleman, Jr for the past 22 years. The church has grown exponentially under his leadership with discipleship, educational, and community engagement opportunities for the membership and public.

Hurley matriculated through the Saginaw Public School system and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from Eastern Michigan University. He is presently enrolled in M. Div. at Cornerstone University. He presently serves as Administrative Assistant to Bishop J. Drew Sheard, Presiding Bishop of the Church Of God In Christ and the Prelate of the Michigan North Central Jurisdiction. Furthermore, he serves as the Superintendent of Fresh Wind District. He is the husband of Sandra (44 years), and father of Natoya, Hurley III, and Tasha.

Bishop Designate

Charles Henry Greggs
Auxiliary Bishop, Texas Southeast Third
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Charles Henry Greggs has dedicated over 30 years to his professional and ecumenical service, positively impacting the lives he has touched. Born and raised in Trinity, Texas, he pursued an education at Prairie View A&M University, where he excelled in public speaking and history. In 1986, Supt. Greggs experienced a transformative moment when he received the Holy Ghost's baptism during a revival service, igniting his passion for serving God's people. His journey began as an ordained Deacon at Westside Church of God in Christ, and he later became a licensed Minister. Through his dedication and leadership, he was appointed District Secretary and ultimately ordained as an Elder in the Texas Southeast Third Jurisdiction. In 1997, he assumed a leadership role at the Robinson Memorial Church of God in Christ, now Greater Robinson Memorial C.O.G.I.C. Under his guidance, the church expanded its ministries to cater to the community's diverse needs, including educational initiatives such as C.O.R.E. and the G.R.M.C. Scholarship, programs supporting the less fortunate. Supt. Greggs has created an inclusive environment of faith, love, and service, through which he has just completed a new sanctuary.

Beyond his local church, Supt. Greggs has played significant roles in the Texas Southeast Third Jurisdiction. As Superintendent of the Huntsville-Trinity District and in various leadership positions, he has mentored aspiring ministers and contributed to the growth of the Church of God in Christ. Moreover, he has been actively involved in his community, advocating for children's welfare as a CASA member and supporting educational programs.

Bishop Designate Greggs' unwavering faith, exceptional leadership, and commitment to service are deeply rooted in his role as a devoted husband to his high school sweetheart, Missionary Susie C. Greggs. With 40 years of marriage, they have been a constant source of love and support for each other as they serve God's precious people. They are blessed with two successful adult children, Schyl (and his wife, Nicole) and Katrena (and her husband, Joshua), whose lives are a testament to Proverbs 22:6. They have four amazing grandchildren Eliana, Adonis, Gracelyn, and Isaiah.
Bishop Designate
Garon Joseph Harden, Sr.
Auxiliary Bishop, California Southern First
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Ronald L. Griffin has steadfastly fulfilled his role as the Pastor of the Rose of Sharon Church of God in Christ in Detroit, Michigan, exemplifying the timeless wisdom of St. Matthew 10:16: "Be ye therefore wise as serpents and harmless as doves." Pastor Griffin's ecclesiastical mission radiates these profound qualities, as he artfully combines resoluteness with tenderness and discernment with compassion.

Pastor Griffin's remarkable leadership skills, unwavering character, and resolute devotion to serving God have garnered him countless commendations and esteemed appointments to various church and community boards. Among his esteemed positions are those of District Superintendent of "The Rose of Sharon District," Chairman of Superintendents for the First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Michigan Southwest, Chairman of Public Relations and esteemed member of the Executive Board for the same jurisdiction, Jurisdictional Pulpit Chair, Administrative Assistant, Member of the Ordination board, as well as Chair or Co-Chair of Inaugural Dinners commemorating the legacies of the late Bishop L. Harris and the late Bishop J.H. Sheard. Bishop Designate Griffin humbly acknowledges that his ability to wholeheartedly follow God's guidance is bolstered by the unwavering support of his devoted wife, Linda F. Griffin, with whom he has shared 52 years of unwavering companionship. He derives immeasurable joy from fulfilling his role as a loving father to his two adult children, Ronald H. Griffin and Dianne Brooks, a source of immense pride as a grandfather to his eight grandchildren, and a deeply devoted great-grandfather to his two great-grandchildren.

Bishop Designate
Ronald Larry Griffin
Auxiliary Bishop, Michigan Southwest First
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Dr. Garon Harden loves the Lord with all of his soul and might. He was saved in May 1964 and filled with the Holy Ghost June 12, 1964. Dr. Harden yielded to the divine call to the ministry in October 1965. Ordained a Church of God in Christ Elder in 1978, under the leadership of the late Bishop J.A. Blake, Dr. Harden currently serves as the founding Pastor of the Greater Open Door Church of God In Christ (1980). He was later appointed as the District Superintendent of the Greater Open Door District (2006), under the leadership of Bishop Charles E. Blake, Presiding Bishop Emeritus of the COGIC, Inc. and Jurisdictional Prelate Emeritus, of the First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Southern California. Other appointments include the Regional Superintendent of the West Los Angeles Region (2010) and Administrative Assistant (2021), under the leadership of Bishop Joe L. Ealy, Jurisdictional Prelate of First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Southern California.

Higher education has been a focal point of Dr. Harden's quest for effective ministry. He earned a Ph.D. in Family Christian Counseling and a Master of Divinity at M.T.I., also receiving an Honorary Doctor of Divinity and Bachelor of Theology from Southern California Bible College, a Conferred Doctor of Philosophy in Theology and Master of Christian Psychology from Glendale University. His commitment to education and desire for God’s people to be sound in His word, led him to establish the Long Beach Christian College where he currently serves as Chancellor. Dr. Harden models family devotion. He has been married to his childhood sweetheart, Dr. Betty J. Harden for fifty-eight years. They are the proud parents of five children, and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
Bishop Designate

Herman Lorenzo Hicks
Auxiliary Bishop, Kansas Southwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate Herman Hicks was born in West Point, Mississippi and grew up in Greenville, MS. After graduating from the University of Mississippi with a Bachelor of Political Science/Criminal Justice in 1980, he joined the Air Force as a Second Lieutenant and was stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota. There he was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, under the leadership of the late Bishop Lorenzo Kelly, Prelate of South Dakota. He completed his Master’s Degree in Political Science from the University of South Dakota in 1982. While on active duty, he was one of the founders and Pastor of Maranatha Tabernacle of Praise COGIC in MacKenzbach, Germany (one of the largest off-base COGIC churches in Germany/Europe). His most memorable military assignment was when he served as the 1st black Deputy Chief of Protocol for the United States Air Force Europe as a Major. After 25 years on active duty in the United States Air Force, he retired from the military in the rank of Colonel. His final military assignment was Commander, 22nd Mission Support Group at McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas. He was responsible for overseeing the support of over 4,000 civilian and military personnel with an annual budget of $98 Million and $416 Million in infrastructure.

In April 2021, Bishop Designate Herman Hicks was appointed by Presiding Bishop J. Drew Sheard to serve as the Assistant Commissioner/Endorser, Military/Institutional Chaplaincy for the Church of God in Christ. He served in the Church of God in Christ International Men Perfecting Men Conference for 18 years, spending the last 10 years as the Vice Chairman. He currently serves on the General Assembly’s 10 years Strategic Planning Committee, and the Judicial Investigating Committee. He proudly serves as the 1st Administrative Assistant for the Prelate of Kansas Southwest Jurisdiction, Bishop Mark L. Gilkey. He is the District Superintendent of the James Watson District in Kansas Southwest Jurisdiction. He has served as the Senior Pastor of Greater Pentecostal Church of God in Christ in Wichita, Kansas, for 20 years. He and his wife (of 36 years), Anadina Hicks have four adult children and one grandson.

Bishop Designate

Allen Thomas Pulliam
Auxiliary Bishop, New York Eastern First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Thomas Pulliam was born September 15, 1936, the eldest of seven children born to Pink Allen and Helen B. Pulliam in Roxboro, North Carolina. Upon graduation from Person County High School, he relocated to New Rochelle, New York and he was drafted into the United States Army. He served two years, including an 18-month tour in Korea, and was discharged with honors. He attended Empire Beauty School in New York City and was officially licensed by the State of New York as a Barber. He opened Al’s Barber Shop in New Rochelle, and it became the neighborhood shop where he was known for his engaging personality and kindness. He has been saved and sanctified for more than 62 years and a member of Faith Temple Church of God in Christ where he served as Assistant Pastor to Elder Fetson Leak for many years. He has been the Pastor of Faith Temple COGIC for the past thirty years. He attended the Otha Miema Kelly (OMK) Religious Training Institute and was licensed to preach while serving under Elder Fetson Leak. He was ordained as an Elder by Bishop Fredrick D. Washington. He has worked faithfully over the years in the local church in various capacities, in the district as District Sunday School Superintendent and in the Jurisdiction, also serving as State Sunday School Superintendent, and Jurisdictional Finance Committee member. He has served as Jurisdictional Executive Secretary of New York Eastern First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction for the past 30 years. Serving with Bishop Ithiel Clemmons, Bishop James Gaylord and Bishop James Pullings Jr. at the present time. He has been married to Mother Hazel Pulliam for 61 years, and they are the parents of four children and two grandchildren.
Bishop Designate
Melvin Joseph Williams, Sr.
Auxiliary Bishop, Alaska
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Pastor Melvin Williams (affectionately known as Pastor Mel) is an anointed and energetic teacher/preacher led by God. Pastor Mel has accumulated over 35 years of leadership experience in the Federal Government & corporate sector, as well as within the church organism. He believes that men and women in the body of Christ should be equipped with the necessary leadership and ministry skills to enhance the growth of the church.

As a native of Gary, Indiana, while stationed at Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage, Alaska, Pastor Mel accepted Christ in 1968 under the ministry of the late Bishop C.D. Williams. For more than 35 years, he has held various positions on the Local, District, and State levels within the Alaska Jurisdiction. Before accepting the call to Pastor, he also served as Assistant Pastor, under Bishop Williams at the Greater Friendly Temple, COGIC. He is currently the Pastor of Dominion Ministries COGIC in Anchorage and serves as one of the Administrative Assistants under Bishop Otis McCormick. He has conducted Leadership Development Seminars for many churches around the country and has taught at the COGIC National Leadership Conference. Pastor Mel is certified as a Church Consultant. He holds a BS degree in Business Administration, Masters in Church Administration, and an Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree. Pastor Williams has been married to his lovely bride, Avis Bonita Williams (Bonnie) for 46 years. Together, they have six children, nine grandchildren and two great grandsons.

Bishop Designate
James Melvin Willis
Auxiliary Bishop, Alaska
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Designate James M. Willis, born in Columbia, Mississippi to Leon and Edna R. Willis on July 25, 1957, moved to San Francisco until 1966 when his family moved to Fairbanks, Alaska. He is a graduate of the University of Alaska in Fairbanks, Alaska in Criminal Justice. As a student at All Saints College in Lexington, Mississippi, James Willis was filled with the Holy Ghost and called to the ministry in 1975. He retired from the Alaska State Police Department on May 23, 2002 after 21 years of service.

Brother James Willis attended First Church, Church of God in Christ and Lily of the Valley Church of God in Christ while living in Fairbanks, Alaska. He later moved to Anchorage, Alaska where he attended Antioch Church of God in Christ. On March 15, 1998, Bishop Designate Willis was elected and installed as Pastor of Antioch COGIC, by the late Bishop Charles D. Williams, Alaska Prelate. He served the Alaska Jurisdiction as Jurisdictional Secretary (1998-Present) Third Administrative Assistant (Sept 2003-2012) Second Administrative Assistant (Sept 2012-2020), First Administrative Assistant (2020-Present); and Alaska Jurisdictional AIM Chairman (2012-2014). He also wrote and developed the Ministerial Elective Leadership Training (MELT) for the State of Alaska Ministers and Elders Training. Pastor James Willis currently serves as the Superintendent of the South-Central District in Anchorage, Alaska since March 2020 and the Acting Superintendent of the Northern District, Fairbanks, Alaska as of March 2023. On September 24, 1983, he married the lovely Robin S. Gibbons. God Blessed the union with children Yolanda, Anthony, Darius, Dorena and Jessica. God blessed them with two additional children: Desiree Springer and Dontrell Willis as well as other foster children.
Bishop

Alton Ervin Gatlin
Prelate, Louisiana Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Alton E. Gatlin is a visionary with a desire to see the people of the Lord “prosper and be in health, as their souls prosper!” Receiving his formal training from Mississippi Valley State University and the University of Southwestern Louisiana he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. He holds a Master of Divinity from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

God has favored the labor and ministry of Bishop Alton E. Gatlin promoting him to the leadership of the Trinidad & Tobago Jurisdiction and now currently Prelate of Louisiana Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction. Bishop Gatlin served as International Superintendent (President) of the Sunday School Department of the Church Of God In Christ for twenty years. He continues to spread his love for learning, training and growth through the work of the Sunday School Ministry. He is currently serving as the Vice President of the Church Of God In Christ Publishing Board.

He is the Pastor of the First Church of God in Christ, Crowley, Louisiana and the Gethsemane Church of God in Christ as he continues to faithfully promote the legacy of Bishop Roy L. H. Winbush. He is a motivational speaker conducting seminars, workshops and meetings on a national and international level. He is currently the President of the Louisiana chapters of the C. H. Mason Bible College. He has a sincere passion for cultivating ministries and church growth. His apostolic ministry has established churches in Iota, Mermentau, Ville Platte, Lake Arthur and Church Point, Louisiana. His love for young people prompted the organization of the ‘Love Alive’ Campus Ministry, comprised of nine universities in Louisiana.

In addition to his ministerial duty, Bishop Gatlin is a great supporter of family and community. He is married to Supervisor Vanessa Winbush Gatlin. They have two sons, two daughters by marriage, five beautiful granddaughters and two handsome grandsons.

Bishop

Michael Burl Golden, Jr.
Prelate, Virginia Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Michael B. Golden, Jr. a native of Hampton, Virginia is a proven leader, businessman, strategic planner, and orator of God’s word. As a son of the church, born and raised, he has shown commitment and faithfulness to the success of his local ministry, District, Jurisdiction and now our national church at the pleasure of our Presiding Bishop, The Most Reverend Bishop J. Drew Sheard. Bishop Golden received his ministry tutelage under the leadership of his grandfather the late Bishop Samuel L. Green, Jr. General Board Member Emeritus and currently is the Prelate of the Iconic Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Virginia. Bishop Golden also currently serves as the Pastor of Greater Emmanuel Temple Church Of God In Christ of Hampton, Virginia and Suffolk, Virginia; One Church in Two Locations. His passion for ministry and community collaborations has led him to be the founder and CEO of the GET Empowered Community Development Corporation, which is a pillar in the Hampton Roads Community.

Bishop Golden’s first-hand experience extends to the following roles: Church Of God In Christ, Inc. International Men’s Ministry Director, Leadership Conference Executive Board Member, Advisory Board Member of the Seymour Institute at Princeton University and the former Chief Financial Officer of the Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Virginia. Bishop Golden was also elected for two terms as a National Trustee Board Member and former Vice Chairman of the Capital Asset and Management Committee for the National Board of Trustees in the Church Of God In Christ, Inc. Bishop Golden has served as Vice Chairman of the International Auxiliary In Ministry Department, Chairman of the CE Blake Legacy Conference, and the former Vice President of the International Youth Department. He attended the Hampton Public Schools and in May 2005 graduated from Norfolk Seminary and College with his Bachelor of Arts in Theology. Most recently, Bishop Golden has earned his Master of Divinity Degree from the Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University in Richmond, Virginia. Bishop Golden is the husband of Lady Trina S. Golden. To this union were born three beautiful children: Michael B. Golden III, Malaya Angelina Golden and Samuel Lee Green Golden.
Bishop

Nate’ Montree Jefferson
Prelate, Brazil Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Bishop Nate’ M. Jefferson serves as the Senior Pastor and Founder of the All Nations C.O.G.I.C in Columbia, South Carolina. Bishop Jefferson was ordained in 1999 under the leadership of Bishop Leroy Jackson Woolard (Greater NC Jurisdiction COGIC).

He served in the Jurisdiction of Brazil South America for 15 years under his spiritual father the late Bishop Samuel L. Moore. Bishop Jefferson continued to serve the Brazil Jurisdiction under the leadership of Bishop Terence P. Rhone. Bishop Jefferson served as the First Administrative Assistant in the Brazil Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction COGIC and District Superintendent of District 5 in Salvador Bahia Brazil, where he has constructed and built the "New Jerusalem Men's Rehab Facility". Bishop Jefferson serves stateside in the South Carolina Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, under the leadership of Bishop William A. Prioleau and General Supervisor Emerita Mother Willie Mae Rivers. He also serves as a Vice President of COGIC World Missions, Executive Board Member for the International Prayer Ministry and establishmentarian of the Portugal Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction. Bishop Nate’ M. Jefferson has received numerous, notable accolades, past and present, to include but not limited to: Vice-Chairman of the Executive Board International Evangelism Dept. COGIC; CEO, Food for Sole Foundation - Columbia, South Carolina; Executive Assistant to the Bishop, COGIC Brazil Jurisdiction; District Superintendent, Salvador Bahia Brazil COGIC; Jurisdictional Secretary, COGIC Brazil; Adjutant Overseer of Protocol, COGIC South Carolina Jurisdiction; Featured in Gospel Today Magazine as one of the "Most Loved Pastors in America"; and Executive Director and Partner of C&J Healthcare, Gastonia NC. He has been married for 23 years to Evangelist Missionary Tarsha Jefferson. He is the father of three children: Talysha, Chase and Lauryn, who are also actively engaged in the work committed to the charge of Bishop Jefferson.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023 — 7:00PM
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DEPARTMENT HOUR 6:00PM - 7:00PM
WORLD YOUTH NIGHT

Worship Leaders
Pastor Bruce Howard
Northern Georgia Second Jurisdiction
Bishop Mark Walden, Prelate

Evangelist T. Nicole Allen
Massachusetts First Jurisdiction
Bishop Samuel B. Hogan, Jr.

Intercessory Prayer
International Youth Department Prayer Team

Praise and Worship
International Youth Praise Team

Prayer
Elder Earldwin Johnson
Tennessee Metro Jurisdiction
Bishop Linwood E. Dillard, Prelate
Scripture Reading

Sister Faith Dillard
Tennessee Metro Jurisdiction
Bishop Linwood E. Dillard, Prelate

The Ministry of Music

International Youth Choir
Evangelist Kierra Sharee Kelly, Vice President
International Music Department

Inspirational Message

Evangelist Sheree Andrews
Texas Covenant Jurisdiction
Bishop Gilbert I. Gillum Jr., Prelate

Greetings

Chairlady Vandalyn Kennedy
Chairlady, International Youth Department
New York Eastern Fourth Jurisdiction
Bishop Clarence L. Sexton, Prelate

Special Presentations

Supersident Nathaniel L. Green, Sr.
President, International Youth Department
Texas Northeast Third Jurisdiction
Bishop Nelson J. Gatlin, Prelate

The Ministry of Music

International Youth Choir

The Ministry of Giving

Superintendent Paul Gatlin
Louisiana Central Jurisdiction
Bishop Alton E. Gatlin, Prelate

Announcements

Assistant Chairlady Tiffany Glover
California Southwest First Jurisdiction
Bishop Joe L. Early, Prelate

Introduction of Speaker

Superintendent Nathaniel L. Green, Sr.
President, International Youth Department
Texas Northeast Third Jurisdiction
Bishop Nelson J. Gatlin, Prelate

Sermonic Selection

International Youth Choir

WORD OF GOD/ALTAR CALL

Pastor Gary Lee
South Carolina Jurisdiction
Bishop William A Prioleau, Prelate

Benediction

Elder Tirrell McCoy
Michigan Southwest First Jurisdiction
Bishop Marcus Ways, Prelate
SUPERINTENDENT/TEACHER: Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! Psalm 133:1

SCHOOL/CLASS: But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Hebrews 13:16

SUPERINTENDENT/TEACHER: All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. 2 Timothy 3:16

SCHOOL/CLASS: Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

SUPERINTENDENT/TEACHER: Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. Philippians 2:4

SCHOOL/CLASS: He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor. Proverbs 22:9

SUPERINTENDENT/TEACHER: Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. Ephesians 4:8

SCHOOL/CLASS: As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 1 Peter 4:10

SUPERINTENDENT/TEACHER: For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. 1 Corinthians 12:12

SCHOOL/CLASS: For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office. Romans 12:4

SUPERINTENDENT/TEACHER: By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. John 13:35

SCHOOL/CLASS: For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. Galatians 5:13

SUPERINTENDENT/ALL: But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen. 2 Peter 3:18
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THE RIGHT REVEREND LAWRENCE M. WOOTEN, SR.
Second Assistant Presiding Bishop
Prelate, Missouri Eastern Second Illinois Western Jurisdiction

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

The Worship Prelude

The J.O. Patterson Fine Arts Orchestra
Maestro Terrance Curry, Director

The Apostolic Procession

The Right Reverend Dickerson L. S. Wells
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The Chairman, General Council of Pastors and Elders
The College of Bishops, led by the Chairman
Chairman, National Board of Trustees
The Chief Justice, National Judiciary Board
The Vice-Chairman, General Assembly
+The General Board
+The Second Assistant Presiding Bishop
+The First Assistant Presiding Bishop
+The Presiding Bishop

+The Call and Response

The Right Reverend Michael E. Hill, Sr.
Assistant Secretary, General Board
Prelate, Michigan Great Lakes First Jurisdiction

The Leader -
This is the day which the LORD hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The People -
I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.

The Leader -
The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore, my heart greatly rejoiceeth; and with my song will I praise him.

The People -
I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;

The Leader -
Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright.

The People -
Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.

The Leader -
Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.

The People -
Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?

The Leader -
Let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

The People -
Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of His holiness.

ALL -
This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it!
+The Invocation

The Right Reverend Prince E. W. Bryant, Sr.
General Board Member
Prelate, Texas South Central Jurisdiction

The Levitical Affirmation

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
Dr. Myron Williams, President
International Music Department

+The Old Testament Reading (Zechariah 4:5-10 KJV)

The Right Reverend Brandon B. Porter
Secretary, General Board
Prelate, Tennessee Central Jurisdiction

+The New Testament Reading (St. Mark 16:14-20 KJV)

The Right Reverend Elijah H. Hankerson III
General Board Member
Prelate, Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction

The Congregational Hymn “A Follower of Christ”

Choir & Congregation

+The Affirmation of Faith

The Right Reverend Darrell L. Hines, Sr.
General Board Member
Prelate, Illinois Midwest Jurisdiction

The Celebrative Praise

Send Judah First International Worship Team
Minister Terrill Hall, Coordinator

The Anthem

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
Official Greetings

Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis  
_General Supervisor, International Department of Women_

The Right Reverend Albert E. Galbraith  
_Chamber, College of Bishops_
_Prelate, California Northern First Jurisdiction_

The Right Reverend Charles H. McClelland  
_General Board Member_
_Prelate, Wisconsin Northwest Jurisdiction_

The Ministry of Music  

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

The Sacred Ministry of Giving  

The Right Reverend Sedgwick C. Daniels  
_General Board Member_
_Prelate, Wisconsin First Jurisdiction_

The Observations  

The Right Reverend Joel H. Lyles, Jr.  
_General Secretary_
_Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction_

The Introduction of the Presiding Bishop  

The Right Reverend Jerry W. Macklin  
_First Assistant Presiding Bishop_
_Prelate, California Nor-Cal Metropolitan Jurisdiction_

The Sermonic Selection  

The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

The Official Message

HIS GRACE, THE MOST REVEREND  
JOHN DREW SHEARD  
_PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE_
_Chaeur Of God In Christ, Inc._

+The Invitation

The Prayer of Salvation, Healing & Deliverance  

The Right Reverend David A. Hall, Sr.  
_General Board Member_
_Prelate, Tennessee Headquarters Jurisdiction_

+Benediction  

The Right Reverend Malcolm W. Coby  
_General Board Member_
_Prelate, Oklahoma Southwest Jurisdiction_

+The Recessional

In observance of the recessional, please remain at your seat until The Presiding Bishop, The General Board, The General Officers and The College of Bishops have recessed.

_“The blessing of the Lord be upon you; we bless you in the name of the Lord.”_
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_Psalm 129:8_
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023
THE RENASANT CONVENTION CENTER

PRAYER AND PRAISE — 6:00PM - 7:00PM
BISHOP LARRY PERKINS & MOTHER FRANCES KELLEY, CO-CHAIRPERSONS
THE INTERNATIONAL PRAYER MINISTRY &
SEND JUDAH FIRST INTERNATIONAL WORSHIP TEAM
Minister Terrill Hall, Coordinator

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE — 7:00PM
WORSHIP LEADER - BISHOP DARRELL L. HINES, SR.
*General Board Member, Prelate*
Illinois Midwest Jurisdiction

THE ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
(+Where indicated, Please Stand)

The Call To Worship       Bishop Darrell L. Hines, Sr.
*General Board Member*
Prelate, Illinois Midwest Jurisdiction

+The Invocation       Bishop Roger Thomas
Prelate, California Southern Third Jurisdiction

+The Old Testament Reading  (Psalm 68:32-35 KJV) Superintendent Samuel L. Green III
*Virginia Second Jurisdiction*
Bishop Michael B. Golden, Jr., Prelate

*Arkansas Second Jurisdiction*
Bishop Frank J. Anderson Jr., Prelate

The Celebrative Praise
Send Judah First International Worship Team

The Ministry of Music
The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
*Dr. Myron Williams, President*
International Music Department

The Ministry of Giving
Bishop Destry C. Bell, Sr.
Prelate, Texas Gulf Coast Jurisdiction

The Observations/Highlights
Bishop Joel H. Lyles, Jr.
*General Secretary*
Prelate, Maryland Greater First Jurisdiction

THE VOICE OF OUR LEADER
THE HONORABLE BISHOP JOHN DREW SHEARD
*PRESIDING BISHOP & CHIEF APOSTLE*

The Presentation of the Messenger

The Sermonic Selection       The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

THE WORD OF GOD/CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP
Bishop Elijah H. Hankerson III
*General Board Member*
Prelate, Missouri Midwest Jurisdiction

+The Invitation, Prayer of Healing & Deliverance

+The Benediction
Lady Stacey Hopkins
*Togo West Africa Jurisdiction*
Bishop Archie R. Hopkins, Jr., Prelate
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