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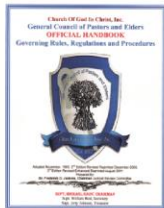
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# GCPE QUARTERLY



GCPE CHAIRMAN  
Elder Michael Eaddy

## 2017 RESOURCES for EVERY Pastor & Elder



**GCPE OFFICIAL HANDBOOK**  
A must for Jurisdictional Council Chairmen, Bishops, Pastors and Elders. A necessary resource and teaching tool outlining council structure, policy and procedures.  
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## CHAIRMAN'S VISION

DVD



This 18 minute DVD is a must view for all elders, pastors, Council Chairmen and Jurisdictional leaders.

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# THE MAIN THING

## CHAIRMAN SPEAKS

*"Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in earth as it is in Heaven"*  
Matthew 6:10.

As we enter into 2017 and the second term of this administration, there is a passionate desire to assure the constituents of pastors and Melters in the Church of God

in Christ, that there exists a will, commitment and dutiful focus on the constitutionally mandated operation of this important entity which participates in the judicial process of our great church.

GCPE will take IT'S CUES in the EARTH from the PLATFORM Established in GOD'S KINGDOM: *Hebrews 12:14* - "Follow PEACE with ALL MEN, and HOLINESS WITHOUT which no man shall see the Lord

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

JANUARY 16 - 19, 2017  
LITTLE ROCK, AK

GCPE GENERAL  
SESSION MEETS:  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17  
MARRIOTT HOTEL BALLROOM  
SALON A | LEVEL 2  
1:30P - 3:30P

### SPRING CALL

APRIL 3 - 5, 2017  
MEMPHIS, TN

### SHEPHERDS' CONFERENCE

MAY 8-11, 2017  
LAS VEGAS, NV

### AIM CONFERENCE

JULY 3-7, 2017  
CHARLOTTE, NC

## THE MAIN THING

CHAIRMAN SPEAKS continued



MATTHEW 6:10

I urge the General Council of Pastors and Elders at large, every jurisdictional pastors and elders councils elected officers, as well as, elected & appointed officials, executive committee members, pastors and elders in general to embrace a noble disposition to individually become:

### EXALTERS OF THE VIRTUES *in the Kingdom*

Virtue is defined to mean behavior representing *high moral standards*. Embracing every practice that is morally good, always demonstrating and exhibiting qualities that are useful in fulfilling God's agenda in his church and serves as advocacy for the benefits of others I call on the greater good in us all and the exceptional dimension we each possess through the power of the Holy Ghost to commit individually to be *prime*...



### EXAMPLES OF THE VALUES *in the Earth*

Values which represent what is held by God and his word in *high importance or worth*, as they relate to principles, standards and judgment reflective of people of God. A commitment to FOCUS on the MAIN THING will require a review of the General Council of Pastors and Elders' ALLEGIANCE, ALIGNMENT & ASSIGNMENT and to ask:

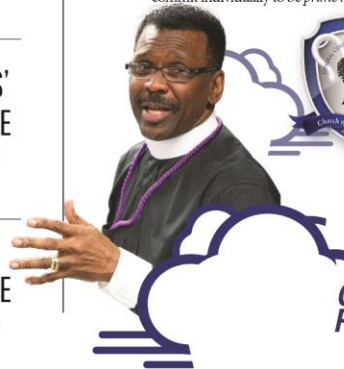
- 1 Where is our LOYALTY?**  
*To the constitution of the Church of God in Christ, its leadership and the due process expected for every pastor and elder of the church engaged in matters of dispute*
- 2 What is our COMPASS?**  
*The inspired and infallible written Word of God, all wise direction of the Holy Ghost, bylaws, policy and procedures of the General Council of Pastors and Elders*
- 3 What were we CREATED TO DO?**  
*Evaluate, Consult, Advise, Mediate, Deliberate and Adjudicate matters which could impact the reputation, compensation and continuation of professional careers of pastors and elders in the Church of God in Christ*

### WE COMMIT TO

|  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <b>ALLEGIANCE</b>  | <b>ALIGNMENT</b>   | <b>ASSIGNMENT</b>  |
| Loyalty and commitment to pastors and elders, the general church & due process | Correct, appropriate arrangements positionally and relationally with church leadership | Fulfill biblically founded remedies to disputes upheld in the GCPE manual and bylaws |

**GOD HAS DECREED 2017 THE YEAR FOR VIRTUES, VALUES & VICTORIES**

*Let's Do This Together*





## FROM THE VICE CHAIR

A STATEMENT OF LOYALTY AND ALLEGIANCE

First, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Bishops, Pastors & Elders for your vote of confidence in my re-election as Vice Chairman of "The General Council of Pastors & Elders".

I am *humbled and fortunate* to serve with such distinguished gentlemen as, Chairman Michael Eaddy, Secretary Prince Bryant, Jr., and Treasurer Thomas May. It is an honor to begin our second term of office, as we continue **"To Follow Peaceful Resolutions"** taking The GCPE global in collaboration with the vision of our Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake, Sr., and the Department of Missions. It is in that spirit, and with that charge, that I will work faithfully and diligently to assist Chairman Eaddy in solving the challenges facing every Pastor & Elder in the Church Of God In Christ. Lastly, know that it is my pleasure and purpose to serve and be available for you.

Thank you again for your prayers, support, and friendship.

Dr. Destry C. Bell, Sr.  
Vice Chairman GCPE

## THE MISSION OF THE GCPE QUARTERLY RELAUNCH

FRESH FOCUS CORNER

A fresh image and vision for the General Council of Pastors and Elders, includes learning how to keep a positive disposition, overcoming stigmas and ministry Development. These are in addition to: Improved communication with COGIC population in general, increasing membership to support the PB's vision. Connecting to other intellectually, spiritually and emotionally, teaching mediation over litigation and making relevant communications for connectivity.

Remaining true to our purpose, we will support the identified Jurisdictional Goals, orienting New Pastors so they too will operate true to our origin, adjusting and modifying to move forward, maintaining open communication with upper leadership and an overall commitment to the wellness of the Church of God in Christ. We will invest the necessary time and fervor to insure this comes to pass.

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# 2017 SHEPHERD'S CONFERENCE

## Highlights

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2017

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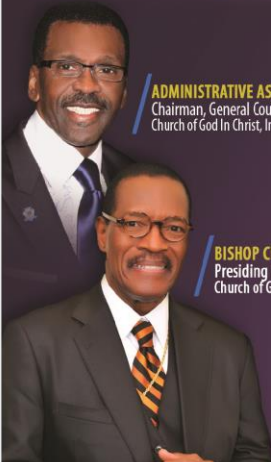
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# SHEPHERDS CONFERENCE & ELDERS ACADEMY

*Mightily Pulling Down Strongholds  
In Cities Globally* 2 Cor. 10:3-5

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| ELDERS             | \$200 |
| CHURCH STAFF       | \$150 |

# SHEPHERD'S CONFERENCE & ELDERS ACADEMY WEEKS AWAY

A GCPE COGIC IN-DEPTH HIGHLIGHT

With this annual gathering of the Pastors and Elders of the Church of God in Christ approximately 4 months away, it is the council's desire to get the minds and hearts of all those participating in this Shepherd's Conference, geared towards participation, early registration and provocation of the Main Thing, this year's conference is focusing on.



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It goes without saying, we are in the midst of what the bible describes as *perilous times*. However, God in His infinite wisdom always provides us with great leadership. With great leadership God also supplies great provision. Just as God has provided our Gand Ole Church, our *Chief Apostle and Presiding Bishop Charles Edward Blake*; so He has provided the General Council of Pastors and Elders, our leader, Chairman Micheal Eaddy. Therefore, no Pastor or Elder in the Church Of God In Christ can

afford to miss this years Annual Gathering of the Presbyter, The General Council of Pastors and Elders Shepherds Conference and Elders Academy 2017.

This year the General Council of Pastors and Elders will be converging upon the beautiful city of Las Vegas, Nevada. The most exquisite food and lodging has been made available to us at the Hilton Lake Las Vegas Resort and Spa in Henderson, Nevada. Also the Host Area Committee under the leadership of Bishop Leon Smith

(Las Vegas), Bishop Luther Dupree (Reno), Bishop Taro Golden (Idaho) and Bishop Bobby Allen (Utah) have been working with great anticipation of receiving all of the Saints, our International Leadership as well as all of the many Pastor's and Elder' from across the globe.

Among the numerous leisure activities planned for this



2017 CONFERENCE ACCOMMODATIONS SUITES AND ROOMS

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year's conference is: the GCPE Annual Golf Tournament; a Las Vegas Sight Seeing Tour; a Shopping Spree *and* the Couples Night Out *at the Stratosphere Restaurant*. They have literally left *no stone unturned* as this promises to be one of the greatest conferences we've ever seen *in the life* of the General Council of Pastors and Elders.



This year Chairman Eaddy has also invoked challenge for change through our theme; *"Mightily Pulling Down Strongholds in Cities Globally!"* The Franklin D. Knight-Solomon L. Williams Institute spearheaded by

our Dean, Dr. Karl King, will offer a wide range of instruction that promises to fill each day with enlightenment, impartation and empowerment! In conjunction with the sessions that focus on our theme, there will also be special sessions offered by **Bishop Edwin Bass** (*Urban Initiatives*), **Bishop Roderick Hennings** (*Church Growth*), **Bishop Elijah Hankerson** (*Department of Evangelism*), **Bishop David Hall** (*Standardized Ordination*) as well as **Mother Winifred Morris** and **Lady Christine Eaddy** *who will be* facilitating a power packed Women's Tract. In addition to all of this, we are in expectation of *our very own General Supervisor, Mother Willie May Rivers*, who will be giving a special address on Women in Ministry!

Along with the *myriad of*

*opportunities provided* for instruction and training, *will also be* a number of empowering worship experiences. The word of God will be rendered by *our Chairman, Administrative Assistant Micheal Eaddy on Tuesday Night, May 9, 2017*. Then we will hear from *our Chief Apostle, Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake on Wednesday Night, May 10, 2017*. Again, you don't want to miss this time of sharing and impartation in the Word!



Finally, *It's not too late to register*. Be sure to view the conference brochure for complete registration details. Registration is available online at **www.cogic.org**. You may also register *by mail* at P.O. Box 15365, Chicago, IL 60615. Registration is also available *by phone* at (901)292-3690. For more details stop by the GCPE Booth.

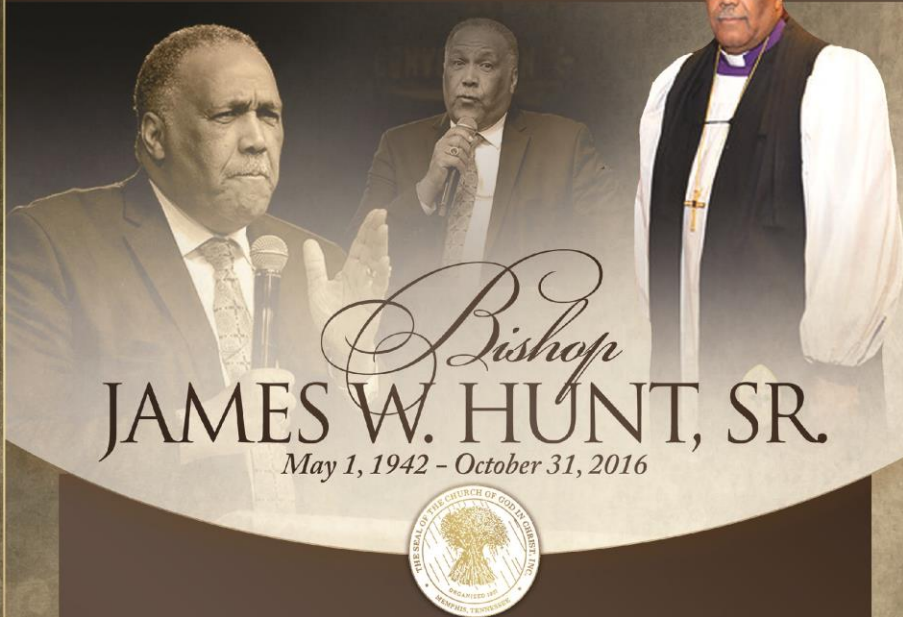


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**PASTOR MARC THOMAS**  
GCPE Conference Co-Chair

*Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake, Sr., The General Board &  
The Entire Church of God in Christ*

*Mourn The Passing of*



Bishop James Hunt acknowledged God's call to the Ministry in 1971. He received his Minister's license in April 1973 and was ordained an Elder in September 1974. He was appointed Pastor of Ebenezer COGIC on the first Sunday in May, 1979. He has left an indelible mark in Ebenezer.

In 1982, he attended the 13th Pentecostal World Conference in Nairobi, Kenya. East Africa. September of 1983, he returned to Africa and led a missionary delegation to Liberia and the Ivory Coast.

Bishop Hunt was elected Vice Chairman of the General Assembly on April 18, 2001. He was re-elected three (3) times as Vice Chairman and served over ten (10) years being the longest Elected Vice Chairman in the history of the Church Of God In Christ, Inc. On June 25, 2011, he became the Chairman of the General Assembly.

His life verse is, "*O taste and see that the Lord is good, blessed is the man that trusteth in Him.*" Psalm 34:8

Please pray for the his wife, Mrs. Julia A. Hunt, the Hunt family and the Ebenezer Church of God in Christ.

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*Let me dwell in your tent forever! Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings! Selah Psalm 61:4*

*"And they desired of Him that they might only touch the hem of His garment. And as many as touched it were made perfectly well." Matthew 14:36*




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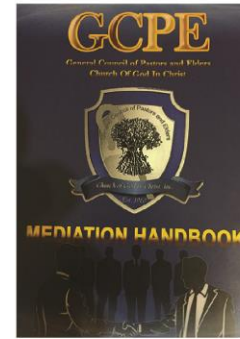
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*Handbook, Shipping and Handling* **\$15**

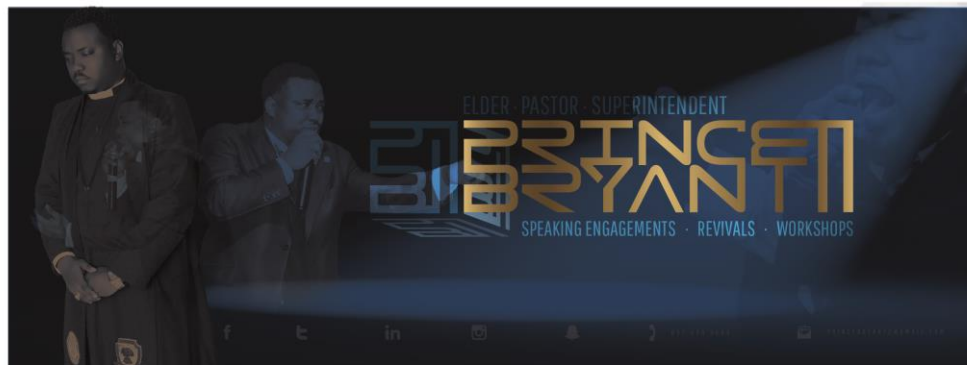


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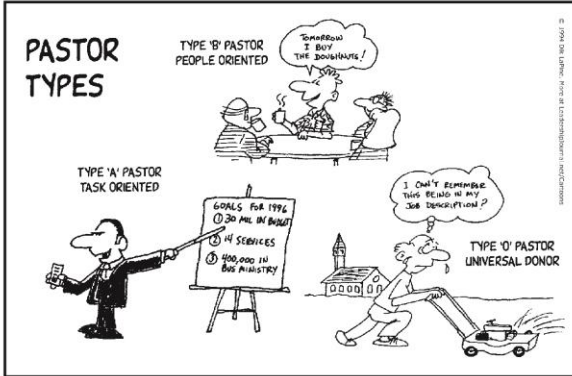
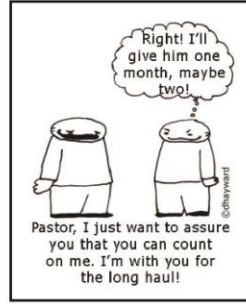
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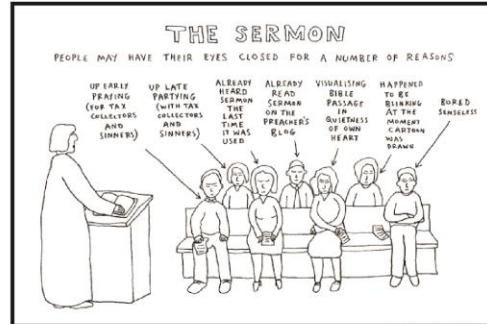
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## COMIC RELIEF FOR THE PASTOR



A MINISTER MAY FILL HIS PEWS, HIS COMMUNION ROLL, THE MOUTHS OF THE PUBLIC, BUT WHAT THAT MINISTER IS ON HIS KNEES IN SECRET BEFORE GOD ALMIGHTY, THAT HE IS AND NO MORE.



# GCPE QUARTERLY



# AD ORDER FORM

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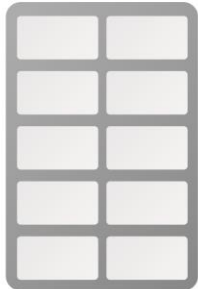
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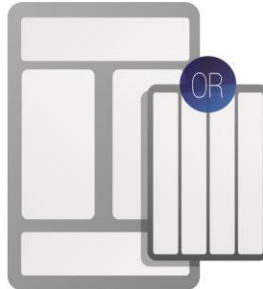
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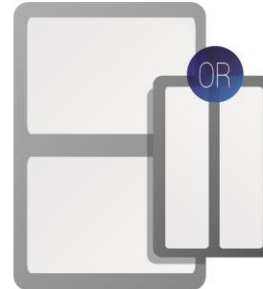
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