

25th Annual Holy Convocation

July 23-27, 2007

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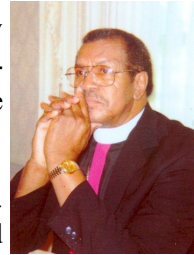
OFFICIAL NOTICE FROM THE BISHOP'S DESK ...

During the last week of July, our **Annual Jurisdictional Holy Convocation will convene in Hattiesburg at the McDowell-Nance Convention Center.** God has been so good to us. We are blessed beyond measure.

On Friday the 7th Day of October 2003 in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Bishop J. O. Patterson issued the Official Proclamation establishing the Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Southern Mississippi. This was done on the Official Night of our 1st Annual Holy Convocation. (*Our 1st Annual Ministers and Workers Meeting was not held until the next year, 1984.*) During our 21st Annual Holy Convocation in 2003, we celebrated the completion of 20 years as a jurisdiction. The 2007 Convocation will be a significant part of our history. Although we will not be 25 year old until next year (2008), this convocation will be our **25th Annual Holy Convocation.**

From 1983 until 2007, so many things have changed and many who was a part of our beginning have gone to their reward. **WE REMEMBER** the legacy left to us by great leaders among us such as Bishop J. O. Patterson, Bishop L. H. Ford, Bishop Elson McDowell, Bishop Robert Nance, Bishop Jessie Eaton, Superintendent J. B. Harrell, Pastor Rome Graves, Pastor Clide Ross, Pastor Robert Cole, Superintendent Sam Quin, Mother Lillian Jordan, Missionary Wilene Magee, Missionary Wilma McSwain, and many other faithful men and women of God who served in the Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Southern Mississippi. **WE REMEMBER** the glorious gatherings for meetings at Nicholson Temple in Hattiesburg (know by many as Mobile Street), Eaton Temple in Columbia, Jackson State University in Jackson, William-Carey College in Hattiesburg, Bennett Auditorium on USM's campus, Saenger Theater in downtown Hattiesburg, and now McDowell-Nance Convention Center on our property at 120 Old Airport Road (Palmer's Crossing Community) in Hattiesburg, MS.

In order to better serve the saints during this **25th Year**, we hope to begin a major face-lift in the **Main Sanctuary** in our convention center. We started this project a little over a month ago. The project includes installing **NEW SANCTUARY SEATING** (Phase 1) and installing **NEW CARPET** (Phase 2). The same types of pew chairs which have been used each year for seating on the stage will be used for the stage, audience, and choir stand. **After we set a goal of 1200 chairs** for this special **"Buy-a-Chair"** project, the superintendents, district missionaries, pastors, leaders and saints were so generous in launching this project. With support for 603 given, we have reached 50% of our goal! Yet, we **need your help** to **complete** this project. **We are asking the saints to help us reach our with "Buy-a-Chair" for \$42.** The new chairs were pre-ordered (*with a short term loan*) and will arrive on or about the 16th of July, and the carpet will be replaced as soon as possible.



Bishop Albert V. Jordan



Mother Ruby Harris



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WE NEED YOUR PARTNERSHIP!



To support the
“Buy-a-Chair”
 Project

Mail Your Gift To:

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 SECOND JURISDICTION
 SANCTUARY SEATING
 PO BOX 172
 HATTIESBURG MS
 39403-0172

**Unpaid
 National
 Report?**

National Reports received
 during the Convocation
 will be reported to
 Memphis in August 2007.



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 Jurisdiction & National
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OFFICIAL NOTICE FROM THE BISHOP’S DESK ...

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When you support the \$42 “Buy-a-Chair” Project, your donation covers the cost of the new sanctuary seat as well as the carpet under it. This project is worthy of all our support. I have personally supported this effort with **30 chairs for \$1260**. Some have with **10 chairs for \$420**. Others have given **5 chairs for \$210**. As you read this letter, prayerfully consider what you can do to support the \$42 “Buy-a-Chair” Project. In fact, we have enclosed a pre-addressed envelope for your convenience. You don’t have to wait until our convocation; you can give today. Stop now and write that check or secure that money order. Drop that gift in the mail to us today. Furthermore, please make sure that everyone at your home church knows about the project and encourage them to support it. No gift is too large; no gift is too small. We know that the saints of Mississippi Southern Second Jurisdiction are supporting the \$42 “Buy-a-Chair” Project, but **ANYONE can give. Let us hear from you TODAY!**

THIS YEAR’S CONVOCATION

As our the *Church of God in Christ celebrates 100 Years of Ministry*, we will celebrate this *25th Year* that the saints from all over Southern Mississippi have been favored of the Lord to come together to praise and magnify the Lord because we too are *“Celebrating a Glorious Past, and Embracing a Promising Future.”* Come praying and expecting God to meet us during our Annual Holy Convocation.

The Musical will be held on Monday, July 23. The convention will officially open on Tuesday Evening, July 24 at 7:30 p.m. with our *Second Annual Jurisdictional Communion Service*. Our special guest for this convocation is Bishop Howard E. Quillen who serves as the Jurisdictional Bishop of Eastern Louisiana’s Third Jurisdiction. **Bishop Quillen will be speaking on Wednesday, July 25 during the evening worship.** We will have day sessions on Wednesday through Friday. For further details, please refer to the additional convention information on page 4.

By the grace of God, we will continue to be *“Southern Mississippi Saints United for Ministry.”*

Bishop A. V. Jordan, *Jurisdictional Bishop*

<i>Annual Holy Convocation Schedule of Services</i>			
DAY	TIME	SERVICES	SPEAKERS
Monday	7:30 p.m.	Convocation Musical	
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Communion Service	Pastor Amos McSwain
Wednesday	Noon	COGIC Institute Worship Service	Pastor Micah Scott Pastor Rome Boyd Graves
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Bishop Howard Quillen
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Day	Mother Ruby Harris
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Women’s Day Evening	Missionary Erma Smith
Friday	Noon	COGIC Institute ORDINATION Service	Pastor Micah Scott Pastor James Moffett
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Official Day Evening Service	Bishop A. V. Jordan



SCHEDULE FOR REPORTS AND ASSESSMENTS

DUE DATES FOR ALL REPORTS

REPORTS	DUE DATES	PURPOSE or AMOUNT
Jurisdictional Rally	January 8	Annual Support of the Temple
Monthly Salary for the Jurisdictional Bishop	1st Day of Each Month	Bishop's Compensation
Ministers and Workers Meeting	March 15 (2nd day of the meeting)	See Official Assessments listed below
National Credential Holder's Report	March 15 (2nd day of the meeting)	PLEASE PAY BY THE DUE DATE because the National Church has difficulty in handling reports paid after the April Call Meeting.
District Meetings	April 11 through April 27	District Official Offerings same as listed below
Jurisdictional Women's Convention	May 11	\$30 per church
UJAC	June 13	\$25 (small) or \$35 (large) per church per auxiliary
Jurisdictional Convocation	July 25th (2nd day of the meeting)	See Official Assessments listed below
National Laity Report	September 6	\$20 per member per year

OFFICIAL ASSESSMENTS

(All Reports Can Be Paid at ANY TIME BEFORE THE DUE DATE)

Credential Holder	Credential Holders	WORKER'S MEETING		CONVOCATION		ANNUAL TOTAL
		Bishop	Supervisor	Bishop	Supervisor	
New National Reports for 2007						
Jurisdictional Bishop	\$2,000					\$2,000
Auxiliary Bishop	1,000					\$1,000
Administrative Assistants	750	125	75	125	75	\$1,150
District Superintendents	500	100	60	100	60	\$820
Pastors	400	75	45	75	45	\$640
Elders	150	50	30	50	30	\$310
Licensed Ministers	50	25	20	25	20	\$140
Department of WOMEN						
Jurisdictional Supervisor	750					\$750
District Missionaries	175	60	40	60	40	\$375
Evangelist/Licensed Missionaries	75	30	25	30	25	\$185
Deaconess Missionaries	50	25	20	25	20	\$140
Band Leaders		25	20	25	20	\$90
UJAC Departments						
Sunday School, YPWW, Evangelist, Music, and Missions Presidents	350	100	60	100	60	\$670
Sunday School <i>Representative</i> , YPWW <i>Chairlady</i> , and Evangelist <i>Elect Lady</i>	150	60	40	60	40	\$350
Church MEMBERSHIP REPORT (per member)	\$20	\$5 per member		\$10 per member		\$35

DISTRICTS

Columbia District
Elder Fred Idom
Missionary Mary Eaton

Fernwood District
Elder Spedy Ross
Missionary Brenda Ross

Foxworth District
Elder Arnold Galloway
Missionary Evelyn Wade

Gulf Coast District
Elder John Monroe
Missionary Lirrell Graves

Gulfport District
Elder Morris Robinson
Missionary Shirley Chambers

Hattiesburg District
Elder Reuben McSwain
Missionary **VACANT**

Hattiesburg East District
Elder Johnnie A. R. Magee
Missionary Erma Smith

Jackson District
Elder Jesse Kelly
Missionary Dorothy Preston

Louisville District
Elder Marcus Smith
Missionary Janice Paige

Lucedale District
Elder Larry Burney
Missionary Joanna Bradley

Magnolia District
Elder Wonzel Carter
Missionary Earnestine Dillion

McComb District
Elder L. E. Carter
Missionary Erma Brent

Seminary District
Elder A. Lynn McLaughlin
Missionary Cora Keys

U J A C

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Chairman

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James Harrell, *President*

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Catherine Evans, *President*

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Southern Mississippi**

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Jurisdictional Calendar of Events

JULY

- 21 **Choir Rehearsal, 11:00 a.m.**
McDowell-Nance Convention Center
- 23-27 **Jurisdictional Holy Convocation**

AUGUST

- 21-24 **National Pastors and Elders Conference**
Philadelphia PA

SEPTEMBER

- 17-20 **Bishop's Conference**
Cleveland OH

NOVEMBER

- 3 **Jurisdictional Call Meeting**
- 5-12 **100th Annual International
Holy Convocation**
The Centennial Celebration

DECEMBER

- 8 **Jurisdictional
Call Meeting**
Annual Planning Summit
McDowell-Nance Convention Center

