THE "TREMENDOUS" TAMPA DISTRICT
PRESENTS

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2015

Healthy Systems Healthy Church

To Convene:
February 18 - 20
Worship Service Nightly @ 6:45 PM

Conference Venue...

ALLEN CHAPEL AME CHURCH
1109 E. LAURA ST, PLANT CITY, FL 33566
The Rev. Larry D. Keys, Host Pastor

Presiding Elder James O. Williams, Sr.
Mrs. Evelyn T. Williams, District Consultant
Conference Host

Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr., Presiding Prelate
Mrs. Connie Speights Richardson, Episcopal Supervisor
Eleventh Episcopal District

Guest Preachers...

Bishop Frank C. Cummings
Elected and Consecrated 95th
Bishop AMEC Retired

The Rev. Ronnie Clark
Pastor-Hurst Chapel AMEC
Winter Haven

The Rev. James V. Williams
Pastor-Mt. Olive AMEC
Clearwater

The Rev. Dr. John Green
President/Dean of Turner
Theological Seminary

WED 2/18
Opening Worship Service

THURS. 2/19
Worship Service

FRI. 2/20
Closing Worship Service

THURS. & FRI. 2/19-2/20
Workshop Presenter
We greet you in the Joy of Jesus. Evelyn and I are excited to have each of you with us for this Annual District Conference. We extend a special thank you to the Rev. Larry and Sybil Keys, and the Allen Chapel family for your willingness to host.

My goal as your Elder, is not to draw a following that results in a crowd. However, my goal is to develop leaders who become a movement. We introduced to you during Planning Meeting and our Leader’s Institute; Healthy Systems, Healthy Church. We are gathered here today, to continue with this initiative. Within every church there is potential to grow a leader and with growing a leader; you will grow the church. Everything rises and falls on leadership. Fellow leaders do more than work with the leader, they think like the leader. They lighten the load because they share the load.

This leadership mind-set of sharing the load is demonstrated best when you see geese heading south for the winter flying along in a “V” formation. Research has revealed that as each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately behind it. By flying in a “V” formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range that if each bird flew on its own. (People who share a common direction and sense of community get where they are going more quickly and easily because they are traveling on one another’s thrust.)

Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone. It quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front. (If we as people have as much sense as a goose, we will stay in formation and so will those who are headed the same way we are.) When the lead goose gets tired, he rotates back in the “V” and another goose flies the point. (It pays to take turns doing hard jobs.)

These geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed. (What do we say when we honk from behind?) And finally, when a goose gets sick, or is wounded by gunfire and falls out, two other geese fall out of formation and follow it down to help protect it. They stay with the goose until it is either able to fly again or dead, and then they launch out on their own or with another formation to catch up with their group. (If we have the sense of a goose, we will stand by each other like that.)

My Brothers and Sisters, it takes a leader to know a leader, grow a leader, and show a leader. It is my desire that we attract and develop potential leaders who are capable of carrying the load, so we will not become fatigued and burnt out. Therefore, let’s embrace a Healthy System, so we may have a Healthy Church, and uplift the “Tremendous” Tampa District.

Peace, Power, and Love,

The Rev. James O. Williams, Sr.
Presiding Elder
## The “Tremendous” Tampa District Conference
### “Healthy Systems, Healthy Church”
#### Agenda
The Rev. James O. Williams, Sr., Presiding Elder
Allen Chapel AME Church, 1109 E Laura St, Plant City, FL
The Rev. Larry D. Keys, Host Pastor

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Bishop Frank Curtis Cummings was elected and consecrated the 95th Bishop in the African Methodist Episcopal Church in 1976 in Atlanta, Georgia. For over twenty eight years he served as a Servant Bishop in four different episcopal districts.

In 1992 he was assigned to Florida and Bahamas, which is the Eleventh Episcopal District by the 44th General Conference. While in the 11th district, Edward Waters College was completely renovated including the boys and girls dormitories; several pieces of property were purchased and paid for surrounding the campus and a health center was built. The college was moved from manual reimbursements, probation with SACS and the debt with the Department of Education was erased. The Historic Afro-American Insurance Company was purchased and renovated to become the Eleventh District Headquarters. After the devastation of Hurricane Andrews, the district developed Sarah Allen outreach centers throughout the 11th district and established the Academy of Excellence, which was a Pre-K thru 6th grade school.

Bishop Cummings has served on numerous boards and has received much recognition for his outstanding leadership including President of NAACP - Santa Barbara, CA, First African American to serve on Civil Service Commission - St. Louis, MO, Board member of the Urban League in New Orleans, LA. In addition to serving as a member on several advisory boards for various banks, Bishop Cummings is also one of the founding board members of the National Bank of Pennsylvania. He is also a Life member both of the NAACP and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Bishop Frank Cummings authored a book entitled, “To Whom Much is Given, Much Is Required”. He is a native of Richmond, Alabama and the seventh of nine children of Annie and Edmond Cummings. He and his lovely wife Mrs. Martha C. Cummings are the proud parents of one daughter, Paschell C. Mix (Gregory Mix, son-in-law deceased) and the proud grandparents of three grandchildren- Martinique, Olympia and Naja-Paschell.

THE REV. LEROY KENNON preached his trial sermon in January 1961 at Mt. Zion AME Church, Mulberry, Florida, under the pastorate of Rev. W. E. Spells. He was licensed in 1961 by the late Presiding Elder George Anderson Rutledge. He entered the Orlando Conference in November, 1961 at Mt. Moriah AME Church, Cocoa Beach, Florida under the tenure of the late Bishop Sherman Lawrence Green, Presiding Bishop.

In 1976 he received the Honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from B.F. Lee Seminary. Before his appointment as a Presiding Elder, he served as a most able pastor of St. James AME Loughman, Florida; Mt. Olive AME, Sanford, Florida; Zion Hill AME Church, St. James AME Church, Tampa; Mt Zion, Arcadia and Mt. Olive, and St. Paul AME Church all located in Tampa, Florida and St. Mark, Orlando. While at St. Mark, Rev. Kennon served as most capable and effective Administrator and loving Pastor, liquidated the mortgage, and built the state of the art parking lot. He served as a most successful pastor for 27 years prior to being appointed Presiding Elder. On May 3, 2008 Edward Waters College conferred the Doctor of Divinity upon the Rev. Leroy Kennon at the Commencement Exercise.

For 50 years, Reverend Kennon has been married to Vida McGill Kennon. They are the parents of Michael L. Kennon (Gail), Cynthia E. Gibson (Larry), Clover Jean Hayden (Michael) and Alicia D. Kennon-Brown and grandparents of Vanessa, Jermaine, Ruben, Latricia, Araina, Michael, Jr., Takiya, Stephanie, Joshua, Jacob and Jada and the great grandparents of Kia, Galvin and Cameron.

On May 13, 2011, Rev. & Mrs. Kennon celebrated 50 years of Christian Ministry in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and retired in September, 2011 at the seat of the 112th Session of the Central Annual Conference.
The Reverend Ronnie L. Clark was born and raised in Quincy, Florida. He is the father of two children and is the loving husband of Angela Clark. Rev. Clark is a graduate of James A. Shanks High School and Florida A&M University. After graduating from Florida A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, he began his professional career as an officer in the United States Army specializing in Tactical Nuclear Weapons. Upon completing his military commitment, he returned to his hometown of Quincy to fulfill his calling to become a Pastor. While in Quincy, he completed graduate course studies in Behavior Science and was certified by the Department of Professional Regulations in the State of Florida as a Certified Behavior Analyst.

He moved to Winter Haven, Florida in November 2003 to become the Pastor of Hurst Chapel A.M.E. Church. Rev. Clark leads this great Zion with an undying zeal for God and a passion to serve the surrounding community. The Church has grown from over 300 members to over 1,000 members. He continues to live a legacy of community service and social activism that spills into the hearts and minds of the congregation he pastors. Presently, he serves as: Executive Board Member of P.E.A.C.E. (Polk Ecumenical Action Council for Empowerment); Board Member of the Interfaith Ministerial Alliance; Chairman-Florence Villa CRA; and member of the Board of Trustees-Edward Waters College in Jacksonville, Florida. Rev. Clark is a Lifetime Member of the NAACP. God continues to use Rev. Ronnie L. Clark as an instrument to bring restoration, reconciliation, and liberation in the lives of all people and positive transformation in the community.

The Reverend James V. Williams is the second oldest child of Presiding Elder James O. and Mrs. Evelyn Williams Sr. of Orlando, Florida. Rev. Williams began his formal education in Orange County Schools, graduating from West Orange High School. Rev. Williams graduated with a Bachelor of Science/Education degree from Livingstone College in Salisbury, North Carolina and earned a Master of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary in Orlando, Florida. It was through humility and obedience that led me to center mass of God’s Will and I was able to accept the will of God for my life as Pastor and teacher. Shortly, thereafter in 2011 I was appointed by Bishop McKinley Young to serve as Senior Pastor of Mt. Olive African Methodist Episcopal Church in Clearwater, Florida where as pastor I engage the congregation to “Think Big.” The motto leading this charge is, “One Team, One Heart, Unified To Impact Lives for the Kingdom of God”.

Rev. Williams is joined in ministry and married to Angela F. Williams, they have 3 children, Brianna, Dylan and Morgan. He is the brother of Rev. Sandara Williams, James O. Williams Jr. and Michael J. Williams. Rev. Williams and Angela model service and a benevolent heart, understanding that through the grace of God restoration of strength, firmness and steadfastness is certain.
Sis. Kimberly Fleming is currently a Licentiate in the African Methodist Episcopal Church. She is a graduate of Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (Tallahassee, Florida). She is currently at Payne Theological Seminary where she is working towards her Masters of Divinity. She is also the author of the book “When the Thunder Roars...Will You Choose Victory or Defeat?” She is the proud mother of two children (Juquan and Erika) and a proud grandmother (Aaden). But most of all, she is a woman of God who is not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. She says to know God is to understand His unconditional love. Sis. Kim is excited about the Word of God and strives every day to rest in the Perfect One, Jesus Christ. She is a firm believer that God is a healer, a deliverer, a preserver and a sustainer. If you ask her, how does she know? She would tell you, “Because He said it, He did it and that Settles it! Now it’s time to do what God has commanded me to do and that is to spread the Good News! Only what you do for Christ will last! To God Be the Glory!!!”

The Reverend Dr. John Frank Green joined the Interdenominational Theological Center team as the seventh president/dean of Turner Theological Seminary. Dr. Green is a preacher and a teacher; a church-builder and an administrator; a community activist and a theological leader. He shows a passion for realizing the church’s commission to service the needs of those who are lost, struggling for survival, and is in need of spiritual, physical and/or emotional healing.

Prior to taking the helm at Turner, Dr. Green was the senior pastor at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Tallahassee, FL for twelve years. He has completed twenty-four years of experience in the pastoral ministry of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, primarily in the Eleventh Episcopal District. During this tenure, he pastored Hurst Chapel AME Church, Orlando, FL; Hurst Chapel A.M.E. Church in Winter Haven, FL; and Allen Temple AME Church in Tampa, FL. His success in these charges resulted from the unabashed manner in which he demonstrates his skills as a servant leader. Since leaving the pulpit, he has served as Interim Pastor of St. Paul A.M.E. Church, Vidalia, Georgia, and St. Mark A.M.E. Church in Columbus, Georgia.

A native of Kissimmee, FL, Dr. Green comes from a family of men in the ministry. He is the son of the late Reverend Henry E. and Mrs. Irene W. Green. His love for the African Methodist Episcopal Church grew out of the legacy of his father, who served as a pastor and presiding elder in the Eleventh Episcopal District for forty years before his demise in 1991. Dr. Green’s male siblings are distinctive spiritual warriors in the ministry of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. His brothers are the Reverend Dr. Henry E. Green, Jr., Pastor, Mount Hermon AMEC, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; the Right Reverend Samuel L. Green, Sr., Presiding Bishop of the 12th Episcopal District, and the Reverend Dr. David W. Green, Sr. is the Pastor of Allen Temple AMEC, Tampa, Florida.

Currently, Dr. Green serves as Adjunct Instructor in A.M.E. Church History and Polity, at the ITC and has served as Adjunct Instructor for its Ministry and Context, with an emphasis on Professional Readiness, Adjunct Professor for the Doctor of Ministry Program, Exploring Theory and Practicing Ministry. In 2013, he also served as Adjunct Professor in A.M.E. Church Polity at Emory University’s Candler School of Theology. From 2011 to the present, Dr. Green has served as Chair of the Council of CEOs (President-Deans) of the ITC.

John Frank Green is the husband of Phyllis McClendon Green, Episcopal Supervisor of the Twelfth Episcopal District and the proud father of Courtney S. Green, a senior at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, majoring in Public Relations and Communications.
“Healthy Systems, Healthy Church”
Rev. Dr. John F. Green
The Opening Service
“Ash Wednesday”
Wednesday, February 18, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

The Reverend Dr. David W. Green, Sr., Worship Leader

The Musical Prelude

The Processional

Praise the Lord, He has done great things for me.
Praise the Lord, He gave me the victory.
Praise the Lord, He is shelter from the storm.
Praise the Lord, He is worthy to be praised.

He has brought me a mighty long way, (a mighty long way),
He has taught me how to pray.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
I've got to let men know, Everywhere that I go.

Let's just praise the Lord, Glory hallelujah.
(Bishop T.D. Jakes)

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Call to Worship

Leader: Awesome God, Holy and Reverend is Your name! We praise You for Your glorious and mighty acts in Creation, Salvation, and Liberation.

People: In Creation, You made us; in Salvation, You saved us; in Liberation You delivered us.

Leader: Awesome God, we worship and adore You for Your gracious call upon our lives through Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ: in Your Church, in the world; in the ministry of proclamation, pastoral care, and the myriad means of outreach – that the world may know Jesus and be reconciled to You.

People: To ministry You have called us, and into the world You have sent us – to be Your ambassadors of love, liberation, reconciliation and empowerment for Your people. Our soul shouts, Thank You! Holy and Reverend is Your name!

(A Call to Worship by Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr.)

The Song of Praise

“Near The Cross”

Jesus keep me near the cross, There's a precious fountain;
Free to all a healing stream, Flows from Calvary's mountain.

In the cross I'll watch and wait, Hoping, trusting ever;
Til I reach that golden strand, It's just beyond the river.

In the cross, In the cross, Be my glory ever;
Til my raptured soul shall find, Rest beyond the river.
(Mississippi Mass Choir)
The Prayer of Invocation
The Reverend Robert Freeman

The Choral Response
“Bless Me (Prayer of Jabez)”

Bless me, Bless me, Oh Lord Bless me indeed
Enlarge My territory, Oh Lord Bless me indeed
(I pray for increase) Bless me indeed (I pray for increase)
Increase, Increase Oh Lord Bless me indeed
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(Donald Lawrence)

The Worship Through Music
The Tampa District Choir

The Scripture Reading
The Reverend James T. Golden
The Reverend Delores Washington
The Reverend Jean Davis

Old Testament Joel 2:1-2, 12-17
The Epistle II Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
The Gospel Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

The Introt to the Decalogue (#69 AMECH)
Choir and Congregation
From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator’s praise arise;
Let the redeemer’s name be sung, through every land by every tongue.
(Isaac Watts)

The Summary of the Decalogue
The Reverend Clarence Honor
Leader: Hear what Christ our Savior says, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, you shall love your neighbor as you love yourself. On these two Commandments depends all the Law and the prophets.

The Gloria Patri
Choir and Congregation
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.
(Henry W. Greatorex)

The Offering For Nehemiah Ministry
The Reverend Beverly Lane

The Worship Through Music
The Tampa District Choir

The Presentation of the Presiding Elder
The Reverend Ronald Williams
Presiding Elder James O. Williams, Sr.

The Presentation of the Preacher
The Tampa District Choir

The Sermon
Bishop Frank C. Cummings, Retired

The Invitation To Discipleship
The Reverend Patricia Mosley

The Worship In Giving
The Stewardship Committee

The Announcements
The Reverend Larry Keys
Presiding Elder James O. Williams, Sr.

The Remarks
*The Service of Ash Wednesday*

**Hymn of Preparation**

*I Am Thine, O Lord* (#283 AMECH)

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy Voice, And it told Thy love to me;  
But I long to rise in the arms of faith, And be closer drawn to Thee.

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, To the cross where Thou hast died;*  
*Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, To Thy precious, bleeding side.*

Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord, By the power of grace divine;  
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope, And my will be lost in Thine.

**Imposition of Ashes**

The Reverend Dr. David W. Green, Sr.

**Preparation of Ashes**

The Reverend Ronald Williams

The Ashes we used this night are a sign of repentance – of our sorrow and grief concerning our sins. They have been prepared in the traditional manner. Palm Crosses that were used in the Palm Sunday Processional from last year were sprinkled with salt and burned and the ashes collected and made ready in this pottery container. I now light one such cross so that the smoke may rise up to God in your presence and place it in the container as a reminder of how the triumph of Holy Week quickly turned to sorrow. Finally, to prepare the ashes for use on this Holy Night, I sprinkle them with the Sacred Oil of Anointing, oil made from Frankincense and Myrrh.

**Solicitation**

The Reverend Patricia Mosley

We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes. This ancient sign speaks of the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and calls us to place our hope in God alone. I invite you, therefore, in the name of Christ, to observe a holy Lent by self-examination and penitence, by prayer and fasting, by works of love, and by reading and meditating on the Word of God. You are welcome to come forward to receive the ashes on your bared forehead or the palm of your hand.

**Ashen Prayer**

Unison

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be for us a sign of our frailty and penitence, and a reminder that only by your gracious gift are we given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Then the Minister shall make the sign of the cross on the forehead of each person with ashes, saying: “remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

**Sharing of the Peace**

Congregants are asked to exchange a hug or a handshake saying as they do: “The peace of the Lord be with you.”

**The Doxology**

Bishop Frank C. Cummings, Retired

Lord, during this time of Lent, teach us how to pray, so that those for whom we pray may know your help, and that we may rely on you for all our needs. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

~Please depart in silence~
The Hour of Power Service  
Thursday, February 19, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

The Brother Thedartis Demps, Worship Leader

The Musical Prelude

The Doxology  
Choir and Congregation
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The Call to Worship  
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(A Call to Worship by Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr.)

The Hymn of Praise  
(#450 AMECH)  
Brother Prince Crawford

“Blessed Assurance”

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.  
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;  
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The Prayer of Invocation  
Brother Clifford Miller

The Choral Response  
(#580 AAHH)  
“I Love You”  

I love You. I love You. I love You Lord, today Because You care for me in such a special way.  
And yes I praise You. I lift You up. I magnify Your name. That’s why my heart is filled with  
praise. My heart, my mind, my soul belong to You. You paid the price for me way back on  
Calvary. And yes I praise You. I lift You up. I magnify Your name. That’s why my heart is  
filled with praise. Amen.  
(William F. Hubbard)

The Scripture Reading  
Sister Gayle Flowers
The Hymn of Preparation  (#448 AMECH)  Sister Charlette Anderson

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows, like a sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well; it is well with my soul.
It is well, It is well, with my soul, with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Thou Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.
It is well, It is well, with my soul, with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

The Sermon  Sister Kimberly Fleming

The Invitation To Discipleship  The Reverend Esther Eva

The Worship In Giving  The Stewardship Committee

The Announcements  The Reverend Larry Keys

The Doxology

The Blessing and Benediction  The Reverend Esther Eva

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The Worship Service

Thursday, February 19, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

The Reverend Gregory V. Gay, Worship Leader

The Musical Prelude

The Doxology

Choir and Congregation

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The Call to Worship

The Reverend Gregory V. Gay

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(A Call to Worship by Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr.)

The Song of Praise

The Reverend James Murphy

‘Every Praise is to Our God”

Every word of worship with one accord; Every praise every praise is to our God.
Sing hallelujah to our God. Glory hallelujah is due our God.
Every praise every praise is to our God.

God my Savior, God my Healer, God my Deliverer
Yes He is, yes He is!
(Hezekiah Walker)

The Prayer of Invocation

The Reverend Michael B. Price, Sr.

The Choral Response

“Let The Church Say Amen”

Let the church say amen, let the church say amen;
God has spoken, so let the church say amen.
(Andraé Crouch)

The Worship Through Music

Hurst Chapel AMEC Choir

The Scripture Reading

Old Testament The Reverend Jimmy D. Howard
New Testament The Reverend Bryant Fayson
The Introit to the Decalogue  (#69 AMECH)  Choir and Congregation
From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator’s praise arise;
Let the redeemer’s name be sung, through every land by every tongue.
(Isaac Watts)

The Summary of the Decalogue  The Reverend James Crews
Leader:  Hear what Christ our Savior says, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, you shall love your neighbor as you love yourself. On these two Commandments depends all the Law and the prophets.

The Gloria Patri  Choir and Congregation
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.
(Henry W. Greatorex)

The Offering For Nehemiah Ministry  The Reverend Cheryl L. Ferrell
The Worship Through Music  Hurst Chapel AMEC Choir
The Presentation of the Presiding Elder  The Reverend Belinda Alexander
The Presentation of the Preacher  Presiding Elder James O. Williams, Sr.
The Worship Through Music  Hurst Chapel AMEC Choir
The Sermon  The Reverend Ronnie Clark
The Invitation To Discipleship  The Reverend William Taylor
The Worship In Giving  The Stewardship Committee
The Announcements  The Reverend Larry Keys
The Remarks  Presiding Elder James O. Williams, Sr.
The Doxology  The Reverend Ronnie Clark
The Benediction  The Reverend Ronnie Clark

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The Hour of Power Service
Friday, February 20, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

The Reverend Byron Pressley, Worship Leader

The Musical Prelude

The Doxology

Choir and Congregation
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
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The Call to Worship

The Reverend Byron Pressley
Leader: Awesome God, Holy and Reverend is Your name! We praise You for Your
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(A Call to Worship by Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr.)

The Hymn of Praise

(Sister Wanda Wilson)

"We Are often Tossed and Driven"

We are tossed and driv’n on the restless sea of time;
Somber skies and howling tempests oft succeed a bright sunshine;
In that land of perfect day, when the mists have rolled away,
We will understand it better by and by.

Refrain: By and by, when the morning comes, When the saints of God are gathered home,
We’ll tell the story how we’ve overcome, For we’ll understand it better by and by.

We are often destitute of the things that life demands,
Want of food and want of shelter, thirsty hills and barren lands;
We are trusting in the Lord, and according to God’s Word,
We will understand it better by and by.

The Prayer

The Reverend Sandra Bell

The Choral Response

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine can peace afford.
I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee. Amen.

The Scripture Reading

The Reverend Clarence Green
The Presentation of the Preacher
Presiding Elder James. O. Williams, Sr.

The Hymn of Preparation
(#226 AMECH)
The Reverend Orenthia Mitchell

“Amazing Grace”

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we first begun.

The Sermon
The Reverend Leroy Kennon, Retired Presiding Elder

The Invitation To Discipleship
The Reverend Clarence Honor

The Worship In Giving
The Stewardship Committee

The Announcements
The Reverend Larry Keys

The Doxology

The Blessing and Benediction
The Reverend Leroy Kennon

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The Closing Worship Service
Friday, February 20, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

The Reverend Larry Keys, Worship Leader

The Musical Prelude

The Doxology
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(A Call to Worship by Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr.)

The Song of Praise..........................The Reverend Joseph Bunts
“I Cannot Tell It All”

God’s Been So Good To Me. I Can Not, Can Not Tell It All.
He’s Opened Doors For Me. I Can Not, Can Not Tell It All.
He’s Made A Way For Me. I Can Not, Can Not Tell It All.
He Supplies My Every Need. I Can Not, Can Not Tell It All.

Loosed My Shackels, Set Me Free
You Don’t Know Like I Know, What He’s Done For Me
I Can Not Tell It All, I Can Not Tell It All

(Chicago Mass Choir)

The Prayer of Invocation

The Choral Response

Bless me, Bless me, Oh Lord Bless me indeed
Enlarge My territory, Oh Lord Bless me indeed
(I pray for increase) Bless me indeed (I pray for increase)
Increase, Increase Oh Lord Bless me indeed
Enlarge my territory, Oh Lord bless me indeed
(I pray for increase) Bless me indeed (I pray for increase)

(Donald Lawrence)
The Scripture Reading

Old Testament  The Reverend Curtis F. Lane, III
New Testament  The Reverend Vivian-Louise G. Williams-Agama

The Introit to the Decalogue  (#69 AMECH)  Choir and Congregation
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The Summary of the Decalogue  The Reverend Jean Davis
Leader:  Hear what Christ our Savior says, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, you shall love your neighbor as you love yourself. On these two Commandments depends all the Law and the prophets.

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The Worship Through Music  The Tampa District Choir

The Presentation of the Presiding Elder  The Reverend James T. Golden, Esq.
The Presentation of the Preacher  Presiding Elder James. O. Williams, Sr.
The Worship Through Music  Mt. Olive AMEC Choir

The Sermon  The Reverend James V. Williams
The Invitation To Discipleship  The Reverend Belinda Alexander
The Worship In Giving  The Stewardship Committee
The Presentation of Licenses and Remarks  Presiding Elder James O. Williams, Sr.
The Doxology
The Benediction  The Reverend James V. Williams