

2005
OFFICIAL CALENDAR
NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT
OF THE
CHRISTIAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

QUADRENNIAL THEME:
“Refocusing: From Survival to Revival and Renewal of the Church”



NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT THEME:
“Together We Can: Refocus, and Renew the Local Church

Regions:
Alaska-Pacific
Arizona-New Mexico
Northern California
Oklahoma-Muskogee
Southern California

BISHOP HENRY M. WILLIAMSON, SR.
PRESIDING PRELATE

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

This is your 2005 Official Calendar for the Ninth Episcopal District. It contains the special days and events that are to be observed on the Connectional, Regional and Local District levels. It also includes the Liturgical Calendar for the year of 2005 with an explanation of each season and their corresponding colors. We trust this will be a helpful tool in preparing for the work of the ministry this Conference Year and winning souls and making disciples in the local church.

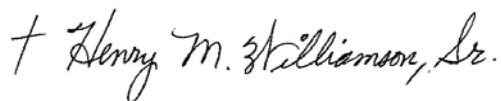
We will bring all five Regions of the Ninth District together April 6-8, 2005 in Los Angeles for our Ninth District Convocation and Leadership School and Missionary Institute. We need your prayers, support and early registration from each Presiding Elder, Pastor, Missionary, Laity, CMMF and local church officer. Our young people will gather on a college campus July 12-15, 2005 in Northern California for their Leadership Training School.

We are focusing this year on the "Purpose Driven Church" as we renew our commitment to the Great Commission. The purpose of each local church is to reach the lost, teach the found and preach the cross of Jesus Christ.

We want to continue developing our Ninth District *One Church One School* network. Each Presiding Elder has appointed a coordinator on his district to work with each church in developing and maintaining a significant partnership with a public school. Each Pastor should appoint a local OCOS coordinator to work with their school. This "need-oriented outreach" is critical to the lives of our children and their families and is a powerful way for our churches to make a lasting impact in each of their communities

Philippians 4:13 tells us *we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us*. God will give us His power as we achieve His Purpose for the church to make disciples of all people for Jesus Christ.

Your Servant in Christ Jesus,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry M. Williamson, Sr." The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the left of the printed name below.

Bishop Henry M. Williamson, Sr.
Presiding Prelate, Ninth Episcopal District
Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

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EVENT

DATE

College of Bishops, Atlanta, GA	January 1-6, 2005
Phillips School of Theology Founders Day & Pastors Conference, Atlanta, GA	January 3-6, 2005
MLK Sunday (ALL Regions)	January 19, 2005
National Youth and Young Adult Week	January 30 through February 6, 2005
Women’s Missionary Council Executive Board (Detroit)	February 21-27, 2005
Ninth District Spring Convocation (Los Angeles) Missionary, Lay & Ministers Institute / PE’s Spring Reporting	April 6-8, 2005
Ministers’ Spouses Retreat (OK-MU)	March 2005
College of Bishops—General Connectional Board, Memphis, TN	May 3-5, 2005
AKPC Annual Conference	June 13-17, 2005
AZNM Annual Conference	June 27-30, 2005
9th District Leadership Training / Children Youth and Young Adults (St. Mary’s College - Oakland, CA)	July 12-15, 2005
OKMU Annual Conference	July 25-28, 2005
Mrs. Williamson’s Birthday	July 29, 2005
NCA Annual Conference	August 8-11, 2005
SCA Annual Conference	August 15-18, 2005
CME Convocation—Louisville, KY	October 3-6, 2005
National Lay Day	October 9, 2005
One Church One School Partnership Conference	October 20-21, 2005
AZNM Mid Winter Council	November 3-5, 2005
Bishop Williamson’s Birthday	November 22, 2005

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AKPC Mid Winter Council

December 1-3, 2005

NCA/SCA Mid Winter Council

December 8-10, 2005

135th Anniversary of CME Church

December 16, 2005

Bishop and Mrs. Williamson’s 32nd Wedding Anniversary

December 22, 2005

**The ABC’s of Natural Church Development
Eight Qualities of a Growing Church**

Empowering Leadership

Inspiring Worship Service

Gift-Oriented Ministry

Holistic Small Groups

Passionate Spirituality

Need-Oriented Evangelism

Functional Structures

Loving Relationships

*Source: “The ABC’s of Natural Church Development
By Christian A. Schwarz*

“TOGETHER WE CAN!” -Philippians 4:13

- Share the love of Jesus Christ as we witness in our communities (Love Journeys Monthly)
- Help our churches become Spirit-filled, Prayer and Discipling centers
- Increase the membership growth in local churches by 10%
- Give 10% of our Time, Talent and Treasure to strengthen each local church
- Read through the Bible in One Year (Focus: Mark, Genesis and Acts)
- Strengthen and help each local church to involve more Men, Youth and Young Adults in ministry and discipleship
- Implement a *One Church, One School Partnership* in every local church
- Send a young man and woman to a CME College
- Initiate a Computer Ministry in every local church
- Plant new CME churches in all Five Regions
- Educate and Prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS
- Help Register and Get Out the Vote in every Election

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ANNUAL CONFERENCES

ALASKA-PACIFIC

June 13-16, 2005

**Host Church: Miles Memorial
Tacoma, WA
Rev. David Isom**

ARIZONA-NEW MEXICO

June 27-July 1, 2005

**Host Church: Phillips
Phoenix, AZ
Rev. J. L. Henderson**

OKLAHOMA-MUSKOGEE

July 25-29, 2005

**Host Church: Greater Cleaves
Oklahoma City, OK
Rev. Julius Clay**

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

August 8-12, 2005

**Host Church: Beebe Memorial
Oakland, CA
Rev. Dr. Charley Hames, Jr.**

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

August 15-18, 2005

**Host Church: Phillips Temple
Los Angeles, CA
Rev. John DeRon Johnson**

MID WINTER COUNCILS

ARIZONA-NEW MEXICO

November 3-5, 2005

Tucson, AZ

OKLAHOMA-NEW MEXICO

November 17-19, 2005

Oklahoma City, OK

ALASKA-PACIFIC

December 1-3, 2005

Seattle, WA

NORTHERN & SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

December 8-10, 2005

Oakland, CA

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES

Alaska District Conference	April 1-2, 2005
Arizona District Conference	April 29-30, 2005
Los Angeles District Conference	February 24-26, 2005
Los Angeles/San Diego District Conference	February 17-19, 2005
New Mexico District Conference	April 15-16, 2005
Oakland District Conference	March 10-11, 2005
Oklahoma City District Conference	March 10-12, 2005
Oregon-Washington District Conference	March 10-12, 2005
San Francisco District Conference	February 10-12, 2005
Tulsa District Conference	March 17-19, 2005

NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT & CONNECTIONAL MEETINGS

2005 CME Convocation, Louisville, KY	October 3-6, 2005
Ninth District Ministers & Spouses Retreat (OKMU)	March 2005
Ninth District Ministers & Spouses Retreat (N/S CA)	November 2005

SPECIAL EVENT DATES

Anniversary of CME Church	December 16, 2005
Baccalaureate Service for N CA Region	June 5, 2005
Baccalaureate Service for S CA Region	June 12, 2005
Birth date — Bishop Williamson	November 22, 2005
Birth date— Mrs. Williamson	July 29, 2005
Lane College Day	TBA
Marian Scipio Vespers Service	TBA
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration (OKMU)	January 16, 2005
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration (NCA) Beebe Memorial - Oakland, CA	January 17, 2005
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration (SCA) Phillips Temple - Los Angeles, CA	January 16, 2005
Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday	January 16, 2005
Ministers' & Spouses Retreat (OKM)	TBA
Ministers' & Spouses Retreat (N/S CA)	TBA
Texas College Day	TBA

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2005 LITURGICAL CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Liturgical Season</u>	<u>Color</u>
January 2	2nd Sunday Christmastide Holy Communion	White
January 9	1st Sunday of Epiphany	White
January 16	2nd Sunday of Epiphany	White
January 23	3rd Sunday of Epiphany	White
January 30	4th Sunday of Epiphany	White
February 6	5th Sunday of Epiphany Holy Communion	White
February 9	Ash Wednesday	Black/Purple
February 13	1st Sunday of Lent	Purple
February 20	2nd Sunday of Lent	Purple
February 27	3rd Sunday of Lent	Purple
March 6	4th Sunday of Lent- Holy Communion	White/Purple
March 13	5th Sunday of Lent	Purple
March 20	6th Sunday of Lent Palm Sunday—Beginning of Holy Week	Purple
March 25	Good Friday	Black/Purple
March 27	Resurrection (Easter) Sunday	White
April 3	2nd Sunday of Resurrection	White
April 10	3rd Sunday of Resurrection	White
April 17	4th Sunday of Resurrection	White

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April 24	5th Sunday of Resurrection	White
May 1	6th Sunday of Resurrection Holy Communion	White
May 5	Ascension Day	White
May 15	1st Sunday if Pentecost	Red
May 22	2nd Sunday of Pentecost	Red
May 29	3rd Sunday of Pentecost	Red
June 5	4th Sunday of Pentecost Holy Communion	White/Red
June 12	5th Sunday of Pentecost	Red
June 19	6th Sunday of Pentecost	Red
June 26	7h Sunday of Pentecost	Red
July 3	8h Sunday of Pentecost Holy Communion	White/Red
July 10	9th Sunday of Pentecost	Red
July 17	10th Sunday of Pentecost	Red
July 24	11th Sunday of Pentecost	Red
July 31	12th Sunday of Pentecost	Red/Green
August 7	13th Sunday of Pentecost Holy Communion	White/Red
August 14	14th Sunday of Pentecost	Red
August 21	15th Sunday of Pentecost	Red

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Liturgical Season</u>	<u>Color</u>
August 28	1st Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
September 4	2nd Sunday of Kingdomtide Holy Communion	White/Green
September 11	3rd Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
September 18	4th Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
September 25	5th Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
October 2	6th Sunday of Kingdomtide Holy Communion	White/Green
October 9	7th Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
October 16	8th Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
October 23	9th Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
October 30	Reformation Sunday	Red
November 6	10th Sunday of Kingdomtide Holy Communion	White/Green
November 13	11th Sunday of Kingdomtide	Green
November 20	12th Sunday of Kingdomtide	White/Green
November 24	Thanksgiving	White
November 27	1st Sunday of Advent	Purple
December 4	2nd Sunday of Advent	White/Purple
December 11	3rd Sunday of Advent	Purple
December 18	4th Sunday of Advent	Purple
December 25	Christmas	White

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EXPLANATION OF LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Christmastide

From Christmas Day through January 5, this season represents the birth of Christ. The color for this season is White symbolizing purity.

Epiphany

This season begins January 6 and commemorates the coming of the Magi to see the Child. It represents Christ bring light and life into the world. The liturgical color is White.

Lent

Beginning with Ash Wednesday, this season continues for forty days until Easter and is a season of penance. The color for this season is Purple.

Good Friday

The Friday before Resurrection (Easter) Sunday memorializes the Crucifixion of the Lord. The color for this day is Black.

Resurrection/Eastertide

This season begins with Resurrection (Easter) Sunday and consists of seven Sundays. It celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead and the color for this season is White.

Ascension Day

Christ remained with his disciples for forty days and taught them concerning the Kingdom of God. On the fortieth day, he ascended into heaven. This is remembered by Ascension Day. The color is White.

Pentecost

Pentecost means fifty days and its day is counted fifty days from Resurrection Sunday. This is the day of empowering of the Church with the Holy Spirit. The color is Red symbolized the fire of the Spirit

Kingdomtide

The last Sunday of August begins this season of hope represented in prayer “The Kingdom Come!” The color for this season is Green.

Reformation Sunday

The nearest Sunday to October 31 is Reformation Sunday. This day commemorates the beginning of the Protestant Movement to revive and renew the Church. The color for this day is Red.

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One Church One School
A Community Partnership Program

*Teaching the Value of Life
And
Value of Learning*

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OUR VISION

Our vision is that every school in America will be in partnership with one or more neighboring churches to improve the academic achievement, social behavior, and personal development of our children and youth.

OUR MISSION

One Church One School brings together churches and schools in partnerships that teach children to value life and learning. This national network of church/school partnerships also acts as a catalyst to build bridges between other community-based organizations, social service agencies, business enterprises, and other schools

THE “P” PRINCIPLE

“It Takes a Whole Village to Raise a Child.” One Church One School utilizes *The “P” Principle* of total involvement to provide human and fiscal resources to support a nurturing school and community environment for student development. Pastors and parishioners, principals and school personnel, parents, pupils, politicians, and philanthropists connect the village to the school and child. One Church One School assists the schools, parents, students and the community in addressing education and social needs within the schools. At the foundation of OCOS is a fundamental belief that public schools should develop relations with the parents and the community at-large to ensure a healthy educational environment.