### The Report of

## THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

#### Made to

# The 144th SESSION OF THE WEST TENNESSEE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**October 5, 2018** 

# THE RIGHT REVEREND JEFFREY N. LEATH, SR. Bishop

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BISHOP JEFFREY N. LEATH, SR. and Members of the 144<sup>th</sup> Session of the West Tennessee Annual Conference, your Board of Examiners begs leave to make the following report of our stewardship for this Conference Year.

We have continued to examine these who were presented to us by the Dean and the Committee on Ministerial Training concerning their relationship to the Lord, their Christian service, their personal lives, and their preparation for ministry; including specifically, their status towards meeting the academic requirements.

## CLASS ON ADMISSIONS

Academic Preparedness: To be eligible for Admission to the Annual Conferences in Itinerant Relations, students must have completed a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university.

On referral from the Quarterly Conference of her Local Church, the following person was examined by the South Memphis District Conference of the West Tennessee Annual Conference regarding her Call to Preach and her competence for ministry; and was referred to the West Tennessee Annual Conference Committee on Ministerial Training.

**WASHINGTON, ILETHA MICHELLE** - 41, Saint Andrew. Married, no children. B.S. in Psychology – University of Memphis, 2001. 15 hours toward M.Div. at Memphis Theological Seminary, but not currently enrolled in seminary. Director, United Methodist Neighborhood Center.

Having met the attendance and coursework requirements for the Class on Admissions, and having passed her aggregate exams, she was referred by the Committee on Ministerial Training to this Board for examination.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT ILETHA MICHELLE WASHINGTON BE ADMITTED ON TRIAL
TO THE WEST TENNESSEE ANNUAL CONFERENCE
AND
THAT SHE BE ADVANCED TO THE FIRST YEAR CLASS

## FIRST YEAR CLASS

We have no students in the First Year Class. So ends our report on the First Year Class.

# SECOND YEAR CLASS

**CLAXTON, ROBYN LATRICE CLEVELAND** - 32, Greater Payne Chapel. Married, 1 child. B.A. 2008, Rust College; M.Ed. 2012, Union University; School Counseling Licensure 2014, Freed-Hardeman University; 55 hours toward Ed.D., Freed-Hardeman University. 30 hours toward M.Div. Elementary School Counselor, Haywood County Schools. *In Itinerant Relations*.

Having met the attendance and coursework requirements for the Second Year Class, and having passed her aggregate exams, she was referred by the Committee on Ministerial Training to this Board for examination.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT ROBYN CLEVELAND CLAXTON CONTINUE HER PURSUIT OF THE ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR BOTH ORDINATION AS AN ITINERANT DEACON AND ALSO FOR ADVANCEMENT TO THE THIRD YEAR CLASS,

AND

THAT - WHILE NOT ACTIVELY ATTENDING THE CLASSES OF THE BOARD - SHE MAINTAIN AN ACTIVE LICENSE TO PREACH, BE ANSWERABLE TO THE QUARTERLY CONFERENCE OF HER LOCAL CHURCH, RENDER ACTIVE SERVICE IN THAT CHURCH, AND REMAIN ACCOUNTABLE TO THE BOARD,

AND

THAT THIS ANNUAL CONFERENCE ACKNOWLEDGE AND DOCUMENT HER SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE SECOND YEAR CLASS

# THIRD YEAR CLASS

**HOLLIDAY, CLAY A. JR.** - 34, Chainbreakers AME Church. Married, 4 dependent children. Jackson State University, Southwest Tennessee Community College, Crichton College, Victory University. Reportedly completed his B.S in Bus. Administration, 2013. Transcript pending. Not currently enrolled in seminary. Quality Inspector, KM Logistics. In Conference Year 2009, at the call of the Bishop, he was given an opportunity to begin a new work, where he has served as Supply Pastor faithfully and productively for ten (10) years. *In Local Relations* 

For personal reasons, Rev. Holliday was unable to participate in the Third Year Class this year.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT REV. HOLLIDAY RETURN TO THE THIRD YEAR CLASS TO CONTINUE HIS PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

# FOURTH YEAR CLASS

We have no students in the Fourth Year Class. So ends our report on the Fourth Year Class.

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Bishop Leath, here ends our report.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Kenneth S. Robinson, M.D., M.Div., Chairman of the Board of Examiners

Rev. Walter Henry, M.Div., Dean and Chairman of the Committee on Ministerial Training

Rev. Dave Adams, Sr., M.Div., D.Min.

Rev. Colleen Gibson, M.Div.

Rev. Agnes Henderson, M.Div.

Rev. Benita Livingston, M.Div., D.Min.

Rev. Ouinten Smith, M.Div.

Rev. Sarita Wilson, M.Div., Ed.D.

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Rev. Darrell K. Scott, M.A.R.

Rev. Hilda Taylor, Ed.S.