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St. Paul A.M.E. Church

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

To Bishop Jeffrey N. Leath and members of the 152nd Session of the Kentucky Annual Conference, we, your members of the Board of Examiners beg leave to make the following report:

THE CLASS ON ADMISSIONS

Four (4)

ITINERANT TRACK

A. Brother Philip Gayles Johnson, age 39, (11/10/1979), is a member of Quinn Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Louisville, KY; he is married and has 4 children. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from Murray State University in Murray, KY. He is currently a student in the Master of Divinity program at the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY. He is in possession of all of his books.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that he be admitted on trial and passed to the Class on 1st Year Studies.

LOCAL TRACK

B. Brother Robert Craig Sherrod, age 42 (01/07/1977), is a member of Quinn Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Louisville, KY; he is single and has one child. He is a student at Campbellsville University. He is in possession of all of his books.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that he be admitted on trial and passed to the class on 1st year studies.

C. Sister Lynette Denise Pharr-Ellis, age 45 (03/01/1974), is a member of Embry Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Elizabethtown, KY; she is single and has two children. She is in possession of all of books.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that she be admitted on trial and passed to the Class on 1st Year Studies.

D. Brother Harold Marchale Mason, age 61 (09/01/1958), is a member of Wayman Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Georgetown, KY; he is single and has one child and three grandchildren.

Brother Mason has not completed the Board requirements.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that he be referred to the quarterly conference for consideration for an exhorter license.

- E. Sister Cathy Jacobs**, age 64 (11/05/1954) is a member of Embry Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Elizabethtown, Kentucky; she is single and has no children. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Human Services from the University of Phoenix, and a Master of Arts degree in Organizational Leadership from Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore KY. She is currently enrolled in the Master of Divinity program at Regent University and the Doctor of Ministry program at Asbury Theological Seminary. She is retired from the United States Air Force. She is an ordained Elder in the Tabernacle of Praise Fellowship Alliance, Petersburg, VA. A copy of the certificate of ordination is on file. She is in possession of all of her books.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that she be admitted and passed to the Class on 2nd Year Studies.

FIRST YEAR STUDIES

Five (5)

ITINERANT TRACK

- A. Sister Melissa Wytoya George**, age 29 (10/03/1989), is a member of Embry Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Elizabethtown, KY; she is single and has no children. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Florida Southern College, Lakeland, FL, and a Master of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore KY, where she has been accepted in the Doctor of Ministry program for the Fall 2019. She graduated from Officer Training School's Rhyner Class at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery AL. She is a Chaplain Candidate in the United States Air Force.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that she be passed to the Class on 2nd Year Studies.

- B. Sister Doretha Sanders**, age 56 (02/01/1963), is a member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Campbellsville, KY; she is married and has no children. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Education from Lindsey Wilson College, Radcliff, KY and a Master of Education from Campbellsville University, in Campbellsville, KY. She is currently retired.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that she be passed to the Class on 2nd Year Studies.

- C. Sister Monica Maria Lamb**, age 47 (10/08/1971), is a member of St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, Lexington, KY; she is single and has no children. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Education from the University of Toledo,

Toledo, OH, a Master's degree in Education Policy and Leadership from the Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, and a Master of Divinity from Ashland Theological Seminary, Ashland, OH.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that she be passed to the Class on 2nd Year Studies.

D. Sister Traci M. Thomas

The Board was notified of her withdrawal from ministerial training. The Board recommends that her name be removed from the roll of Licentiates on Trial.

LOCAL TRACK

E. Sister Rachel French, age 39 (10/06/1979), is a member of Embry Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Elizabethtown, KY; she is single and has one child. She is a fulltime supervisor at Molding Solutions.

Sister French has not completed the Board requirements.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that she be referred to the quarterly conference.

SECOND YEAR STUDIES

One (1)

A. Sister Cathy Jacobs, age 64 (11/05/1954) is a member of Embry Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Elizabethtown, Kentucky; she is single and has no children. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Human Services from the University of Phoenix, and a Master of Arts degree in Organizational Leadership from Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore KY. She is currently enrolled in the Master of Divinity program at Regent University and the Doctoral of Ministry program at Asbury Theological Seminary. She is retired from the United States Air Force. She is an ordained Elder in the Tabernacle of Praise Fellowship Alliance, Petersburg, VA. A copy of the certificate of ordination is on file.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that she be elected and ordained a local Deacon for Embry Chapel, Elizabethtown and passed to the Class on 3rd Year Studies.

THIRD YEAR STUDIES

One (1)

LOCAL TRACK

A. Reverend Damien Nichols, age 41 (07/16/1978) is a member of Wayman Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Georgetown, Kentucky. He is currently the supply pastor at St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church in Greenup, KY where he has been serving for four years; he is married and has two

children. He has a High School Diploma. He and his wife currently own and operate their own landscaping business.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that he be passed to the Class on 4th Year Studies.

- B. Reverend Tony Gooch**, age 58 (03/30/1961) is a member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Boneyville, Kentucky. He is currently the supply pastor at St. James African Methodist Episcopal Church in Ashland, KY where he has been serving for four years; he is married and has three children. He is currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Science Program for Pastoral Ministry at Campbellsville University School of Theology where he received both an Associate's degree in General Studies, and a Certificate in Christian Ministry.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend that upon completion of the 4th year requirements, he be ordained a Local Elder at either the Midyear Convocation 2020 or another venue to be determined by the bishop.

FOURTH YEAR STUDIES

Two (2)

LOCAL TRACK

- A. Reverend Dujuana King Wilson**, age 43 (11/12/1975) is a member of St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church, Frankfort, Kentucky; she is married and a mother of two. She is currently employed by Jefferson County Public Schools as an 11th Grade English Teacher. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in English from Texas State University, and a Master of Arts in Teaching and a Master of Arts in School Administration, both from Bellarmine University. She also holds a Doctorate of Jurisprudence from Texas Tech University.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that she receive a certificate of completion.

- B. Reverend Kelly Roberts**, age 51 (07/05/1968) is a member of St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, Lexington, KY. He is currently the supply pastor at Davis Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church where he has been serving for four years; he is married and has three children. He is currently employed at the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. He has earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Berea College in Berea, KY, and Master of Science in Criminal Justice and Business Administration from Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that he receive a certificate of completion and be elected and ordained a Local Elder for St. Paul, Lexington.

This concludes our report.

Respectfully submitted,

The Kentucky Conference Board of Examiners

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