



The 152nd Session The Kentucky Annual Conference

Date of Annual Conference: September 12-15, 2019

Component Report

Name of Component.....**Christian Education Department**

Number of Members in the Annual Conference 21

Average Attendance at Conference Meetings 20

Dates and Locations for CED

Date	Location
September 16-23, 2018	CED WEEK Celebrations
January 19, 2019	KY CED Workshop - Louisville District Asbury Chapel AMEC – Louisville, KY
February 9, 2019	KY Founder’s Day, Bethel AMEC-Shelbyville
March 16, 2019	KY CED Workshop – Bluegrass District Bethel AMEC- Campbellsville, KY
April 13, 2018	KY CED Workshop –Commonwealth District Quinn Chapel AMEC- Lexington, KY
April 13, 2019	Connectional Day of Prayer in KY
July 15-17, 2019	Thirteenth District Learning Academy

Goals for the Conference Year 2018-2019:

The KY CED supports the Connectional CED Mission and Goals: “to provide Christian Educators with the needed resources to assist people in identifying their call and working in their ministry to make and teach disciples. Further endeavor is to create an environment where the connectedness of African Methodism is understood throughout our connection and our global community. An educated pulpit enhances and empowers the pews and an educated and empowered pew shares the Good News in the workplace, school and throughout the community. An educated and empowered pew ministers to the needs of people and community which illuminates the call to Christian Discipleship. “Sheep make sheep and shepherds nurture, protect and provide for sheep”.

Thus the KY CED supports the Departments in the AME Local Church, with **Goals:**

- Promote **Christian Education** throughout the Kentucky Conference
- Develop/ Implement **Training** AME’s in the Kentucky Commonwealth
- Conduct **CE Workshops** in all Presiding Elder Districts
- Empower CEDers to **Certify and Recertify** at all opportunities
- Continue to publish **eDevotionals** for daily spiritual enhancement
- Continue to publish The **God’s Glory Newspaper** on weekly basis

- Assist/ Inspire AMEC Prayer Services with **Prayer Bulletin** weekly
- Acquire Fundraising Entities

Other Opportunities Emphasized:

<p>October 2018 Prayer and Healing Planning Workshops and Services</p>	<p>November 2018 Teaching on the Thanksgiving Tradition</p>	<p>December 2018 Teaching on Christ's Birth 2nd Start of ADVENT 25th CHRISTMAS Celebrating Kwanzaa</p>
<p>January 2019 21st Celebration of Dr. Martin L. King Jr. Day</p>	<p>February 2019 Black Heritage Observance 10th AMEC Founder's Day</p>	<p>March 2019 Teaching and Celebrating Lent/ Easter 6th Ash Wednesday (Lent) 27th -29th Mid-Year- Memphis</p>

<p>April 2019 13th AMEC Connectional Day of Prayer 14th Palm Sunday 18th Maundy Thursday 19th Good Friday 21st EASTER</p>	<p>May 2019 Celebration of Black Family Teaching about Worship</p>	<p>June 2019 Recognition of School Graduates Church School Promotion</p>
<p>July 2019 Vacation Bible School 15th-17th Christian Education Leadership Academy – Bowling Green</p>	<p>August 2019 Teacher Appreciation Teaching About Baptism and Communion</p>	<p>September 2019 Observe/ Celebrate Christian Education Month 12TH-15TH Kentucky Conference -Host: Historic St. Paul AMEC-Lexington 15th-22nd CED WEEK Celebrations</p>

ACCOMPLISHED ON THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE LEVEL:

KY CED continued on the linking of the AME Mission and Identity to Local Church Ministry and Outreach; trained on the AME Connectional Theme of Justice, Prayer, and Church Growth; and we continued to ignite new energies. Christian Education continued to seek excellence and renewal. Our Theme this Conference Year was **“Yearning For Jesus’ Love Within Us.”** Our **Scripture references** were: **“And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?”** Micah 6:8 (NASB) __ and __ **“If anyone obeys His word,**

God's love is truly made complete in Him. This is how we know we are in Him: Whoever claims to live in Him must walk as Jesus did." 1 John 2:5-6 NIV

Participants in this Conference Year's Christian Education Department have been empowered through many opportunities:

- **Materials For "Seasons Of The Church Year"**
- **Proposed CED Projects For The Local Church on AMEC Theme**
- **Distributed CED Materials On Prayer**
- **Distributed CED Materials And Information On Topics:**
 - Daily Devotion, Prayer Life, and Fasting Tips
 - Church Growth and Leadership: 'How to Lead From Where You Are' ___ and ___ 'Who You are Is How You Lead'
 - Lent, Holy Week, Easter - Eastertide, and Pentecost
 - Our AME Beliefs: Bishop Richard Allen, Apostle's Creed, General Confession, The Sacraments, and the Order of Worship
 - CED Calendar with Suggestions For The Local Church
- **AME CONNECTIONAL DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE**
Many Thanks to the Participants: P.E. William R.T. Hale, Reverend Kent Burley, Mrs. Dianna Golphin, Mrs. Priscilla Sullivan, Mrs. Carol Barbour, Mrs. Cheryl Clark, and Mrs. Betty Morton Young.
- **WORKSHOPS:**
Many Thanks to the Presenters and Facilitators: Reverend Carl C. Liggin, Reverend MacArthur Pendleton, Evangelist Norma Bean, Licentiate Robert Sherrod, Dr. Kathy Pendleton, and Ms. Karen Mize.

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT

"CE Impact: How Close Do You Want To Get"

"A Historical Perspective: Inspiring African Methodists"

"God's Unity: Our Church Amid Diversity"

BLUEGRASS DISTRICT

"Are You All In?"

"Grace, With The Power of Prayer"

"Purpose of People, Class, and Sunday School"

COMMONWEALTH DISTRICT

"Discipleship Is For Me and Mine"

"The Call To Ministry"

"Fasting For The Kingdom of God"

CE Learning Academy (Presenters):

1. **P.E. William W. Easley, Jr.** (Youth – grades 9-12)
2. **Reverend Carl C. Liggin** (Adults)
3. **Reverend MacArthur Pendleton** (Youth – grades 6-8)

4. **Evangelist Norma Bean** (Youth – grades 3-5)
5. **Ms. Amanda Johnson** (Youth - grades K-2 and 6-8)
6. **Mrs. Marsha Ingram** (Youth – grades 3-5)
7. **Ms. Melinda Robinson** (Youth – K-2)

GOALS FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR 2019-2020:

September 2019	CED Week Celebrations
October 2019	KY CED Think Tank
December 2019	KY CED Holiday Celebrations
January 2020	KY CE Workshop – Louisville District
March 2020	KY CE Workshop – Bluegrass District
April 2020	KY CE Workshop – Commonwealth District

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Assist the AME Local Churches in the Kentucky Conference with the formation and sustainability of CE Departments, and help inspire and encourage commitment between the Pastor and Members.
2. Encourage Pastors to consider the plan for spiritual development and training proposed by the KY CE Department; and inspire and support their Members to attend these events and get trained.
3. Offer and Inspire Training Programs in Christian Education for Young Adults and Youth.
4. Focus Workshops on **“Economic Justice”**, and continue distribution of CED Literature, pertinent Christian Education information.
5. Continue Publication and Distribution of **eDevotionals, God’s Glory Newspaper, AMEC Prayer Service Bulletins.**
6. Develop **Training Guides/ Manuals** to assist the Local AME Churches in the Kentucky Commonwealth.

COMPONENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Balance in Treasury as of July 1, 2019 **\$0.00**

CED Workshop Registration: Adults \$ 15 - Youth, \$10 (13-18 Yrs Old)
(All Materials and Lunch Included)

***Expenditures included CED Honorariums, Advertising, and Publications.**

****Any CED Expenditures Not Covered By Revenue From Each Event Were Paid by Director.**

The Financial Assessments/Requests On Each Congregation \$0.00

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We invite you to Connect With Us!!! Do this through **Church School, Leadership Development and Empowerment**, and the **Collaboration with other Resource Partners.** We look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve and work with the Christian Education Department. We pray that next year many will take the Steps of Faith toward God's Vision for their lives. We pray for a Faith-Filled, Transformed, and Happy Conference Year! We anticipate more training and more involvement across Kentucky in 2019-2020. Thanks to all who believe and support Kentucky Christian Education, especially our Presiding Prelate, Bishop Jeffrey N. Leath; our Presiding Elders: Reverend Dr. William W. Easley, Jr., Reverend William R. T. Hale, and Reverend Kenneth Golphin; our Thirteenth District CE Director, Dr. Roberta Hill; our Church School Superintendent, Mr. Melvin Allen; and those Pastors who offered their Churches: Reverend Dr. Wallace L. Gunn, Sr., Reverend MacArthur Pendleton, Reverend Laurice Martin, and Reverend William Jenkins; and their Members! Thank You Staff and Presenters all! Thank You for making Kentucky Christian Education real, spiritual, and successful!!!

Always In God's Service,

Amanda Johnson

Amanda Johnson, KY CED Director

Susie Bates, KY CED Chair



“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.”

Timothy 3:16-17 ESV

Greetings and God's blessing upon you! It is with God's grace and mercy that we have come to the end of another conference year. I offer thanks to our Bishop Jeffery N. Leath for his support throughout the conference year.

I also offer a big thank you to Sister Amanda Johnson for all of her work in preparing workshops this conference year. She is very diligent in her work as Director of Christian Education. We pray for another blessed year as we begin our new conference year as we strive to teach as God directed us to do.

Thank you to all Presiding Elders who lend their support to Christian Education, as we go forth to make this coming conference year better than the previous year.

May God shed his grace upon each of you and may you abundantly be blessed!

In the precious name of Jesus the Christ,

Susie Bates