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## **MEDCCE**

### **Metropolitan District Congress of Christian Education**

National Theme: "Growing Disciples for Christ"  
*Ephesians 4:15; Colossians 2:19; I Peter 2:2; Hebrews 5:12-13*

District Theme: "Strengthening Churches and Advancing the  
Kingdom Through Partnership" Hebrews 10:24-25

### **Saturday, January 14, 2017**

Tabernacle Baptist Church  
2080 West Grand Blvd.; Detroit, MI 48208  
Nathan Johnson, D.D, Host Pastor / Moderator

8:45am ..... Worship Experience  
President's Greetings

9:00am ..... Lecture: Rev. Dr. Floyd A. Davis  
Technological Alternatives in Communication  
Focus: Alternatives to Cable TV

9:10am ..... Dean's Directives

9:20am ..... Classes, Workshops, Seminars

11:00am ..... Reassembly in Sanctuary  
Greetings from Moderator / Host Pastor:

Nathan Johnson, D.D, Moderator & Host Pastor

Recognition of Pastors & Associate Ministers

Announcements

11:25am ..... Offering and Recognition of Churches

11:30am ..... Selection by MEDCCE's Choir

Meditation for Ministry

Rev. Dr. Yvette Griffin, Pastor  
Pilgrim (Binder) Baptist Church

Invitation to Discipleship

Closing Song / Prayer

Benediction

## MEDCCE President's Pen

### **Start Over**

When you've trusted Jesus and walked his way  
When you've felt his hand lead you day by day  
But your steps now take you another way,  
start over.

When you've made your plans and they've gone awry  
When you've tried your best and there's no more try  
When you've failed yourself and you don't know why,  
start over.

When you've told your friends what you plan to do  
When you've trusted them and they didn't come through  
And now you're all alone and it's up to you,  
start over.

When you've failed your kids and they're grown and gone  
When you've done your best but it's turned out wrong  
And now your grandchildren have come along,  
start over.

When you've prayed to God so you'll know his will  
When you've prayed and prayed and you don't know still  
When you want to stop cause you've had your fill,  
start over.

When you think you're finished and want to quit  
When you've bottomed out in life's deepest pit  
When you've tried and tried to get out of it,  
start over.

When the year has been long and successes few  
When December comes and you're feeling blue  
God gives a January just for you,  
start over.

Starting over means "Victories Won"  
Starting over means "A Race Well Run"  
Starting over means "The Lords' Will Done"  
We need not just sit there ... START OVER.

**May the Lord bless you all,**

**Pastor Ron**

## MEDCCE Financial Report

# The Worship Experience

**THE BIBLE SPEAKS:** Ephesians 4:20-24 (KJV)

<sup>20</sup> But ye have not so learned Christ;

<sup>21</sup> If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

<sup>22</sup> That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

<sup>23</sup> And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

<sup>24</sup> And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

## **OPENING SONG:**

Time is filled with swift transition,  
Naught of earth unmoved can stand,  
Build your hopes on things eternal,  
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Refrain:

Hold to God's unchanging hand,  
Hold to God's unchanging hand;  
Build your hopes on things eternal,  
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Trust in Him who will not leave you,  
Whatsoever years may bring,  
If by earthly friends forsaken  
Still more closely to Him cling.

Covet not this world's vain riches  
That so rapidly decay,  
Seek to gain the heav'nly treasures,  
They will never pass away.

When your journey is completed,  
If to God you have been true,  
Fair and bright the home in glory  
Your enraptured soul will view.

## **INVOCATION:**

Deacon William Bryant  
Dexter Avenue Baptist Church

## **CLOSING SONG:**

I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,  
I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,  
I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,  
singing glory, hallelujah,  
Jesus lifted me.

Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me,  
Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me,  
Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me,  
singing glory, hallelujah,  
Jesus lifted me.

When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,  
when I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,  
when I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,  
singing glory, hallelujah,  
Jesus lifted me.

## **Announcements**

MEDCCE Annual Skating Fellowship  
Monday 01/16/2017 Northland Skating Rink

African-American Heritage Celebration Luncheon  
Saturday 02/11/2017  
Unity Baptist Church  
Rev. Dr. Lee Winfrey, Sr., Host Pastor

MEDCCE 2017 Annual Session  
Week of 04/24/2017  
Corinthian Baptist Church  
Rev. Wayne Little, Host Pastor

## **Dean's Office Announcement**

Greetings Students and Instructors:

If you completed any Phases of the COPP during this Session time frame, please let us know in the Dean's Office. If you completed the courses for the Dean's Certification or Pastor's Alternative Training Course, we would like to have your names, too. If you don't mind, I would like to make a copy of your Certificate for the Dean's Office Records. If you have a specific course that you need to complete a COPP Phase, the Dean's Office would like to assist you in completion of that/those course(s).

Sincerely,  
Sister Toniya King, Dean, MEDCCE

## **District Announcement**

**What:** Wolverine State Congress Jesus Is Love Banquet  
**When:** February 25, 2017  
**Where:** American Serbian Hall  
19940 Van Duke  
Detroit, Michigan 48234  
**Tickets:** \$20.00  
**Contact:** Michelle Pryor, Director  
Metropolitan District Young People's Department

Young people are needed to model in the fashion show.  
Categories: 1) School; 2) Church; 3) Dinner

Metropolitan needs someone to present, in their own way, concerning the theme. Contact Sister Michelle Pryor if interested.

## **Church Etiquette**

Upon entering the sanctuary, please dispose of all gum, candy, and food.

Please turn off all cell phones.

Please limit walking. Walking is not allowed during the following intervals of service:  
Prayer; Scripture Reading; and Invitation to Discipleship.

MEDCCE Church Attendance (2016-2017)	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	Total
Beulah Baptist Church (Westland)	8	9	18	5				40
Chapel Hill Baptist Church								
Christian Fellowship of Love Baptist Church	3		2	3				8
Church of Our Father Baptist Church	7	5	3	2				17
Corinthian Baptist Church	15	12	13	9				49
Dexter Avenue Baptist Church	15	8	32	11				66
Faithful Mt. Triumph Baptist Church	6							6
Fellowship of Love Baptist Church	13	20	18	16				67
Freedom Fellowship Church	8	13	34	9				64
Garden of Faith Baptist Church	8	2	12	6				28
Greater Morning Star Baptist Church (Mt. Clemens)								
Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church								
Greater Shiloh Baptist Church								
Greater St. John Baptist Church	3	5	9	6				23
Higher Power Baptist Church	8	8	8	8				32
Historic St. James Baptist Church	8	9						17
Hopewell Baptist Church		5	6					
Inkster Springhill Baptist Church								
Jude Baptist Church								
Macedonia Baptist Church	11	1	11	8				31
New Hope Baptist Church (Southfield)	20	20	17	1				58
New Hope Baptist Church (Wayne)								
New Mt. Moriah Baptist Church	2	2	2	2				8
New Salem Baptist Church	26	28	25	20				99
New Westside Central Baptist Church	6	12	10	6				34
Northwest Unity Baptist Church	9	8	8	11				36
Palestine Baptist Church	47	40	53	38				178
Peace Baptist Church								
People's Baptist Church	1	1	1	1				4
People's Community Baptist Church (Westland)		36	30					
Pilgrim Baptist Church (Binder)			1					
Pilgrim Baptist Church (Lumley)		1						
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church	9	5	15	6				35
Prince of Peace Baptist Church	13	15	22	10				60
Russell Street Baptist Church	5			7				12
St. Francis Baptist Church	2			3				5
St. Luke Tabernacle Community Baptist Church		4	2	3				
Steadfast Baptist Church	3	5	7	4				19
Tabernacle Baptist Church	44	53	40	43				180
Third Baptist Church	4	4		2				10
Truth Baptist Church	5	2	6	5				18
Twelfth Street Baptist Church	5	4	15	4				28
Union Grace Baptist Church								
United Prayer Temple Baptist Church								
Unity Baptist Church	33	36	62	34				165
Warren Avenue Baptist Church		3	2	2				7
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF DELEGATES</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>285</b>				<b>1492</b>

**WORSHIP EXPERIENCE:**

Meeting was brought to order at 8:45 a.m. Greetings from Pastor Ronald Burks.

**OPENING:**

Scripture - Luke 2: 7-11  
 Song - Joy to the World  
 Prayer - Deacon Louis Chambers  
 Song - Go Tell It On the Mountain  
 Lecture - Minister Charlene Turner Johnson, 12th Street Missionary Baptist Church /  
**“Building our Potential”**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

2nd Vice President, Sis. Patricia Suber gave the following announcements:  
 MEDCCE Annual Skating Fellowship will be on Monday, 1-16-17 at Northland Skating Rink  
 Tickets are \$5.00. The African American Heritage Celebration Luncheon will be held on  
 Saturday, 02-11-17 at Unity Baptist Church, Rev. Lee Winfry, Sr., Host Pastor. Tickets are  
 \$25.00; also see Sis. Ann Bell. MEDCCE 2017 Annual Session week 04/24/17, at Corinth  
 Baptist Church, Hamtramck, MI, Rev. Wayne Little, Host Pastor.

**DEAN'S DIRECTIVE: Toniya King**

Thanked all churches who opened their doors for rehearsals. Thanked Moderator and  
 President for all their help. 443 students we present last month. Dean asked parents to  
 provide them with their childrens allergies for their record. Rev. Richardson will not be he  
 today.

Nashville conference was great. The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit Class has reached its  
 maximum and is now closed. For those that are here for the first time please look in the  
 bulletin for the correct classroom. Public Speaking is in Rm. 2157. Lighthouse Bookstore is  
 longer with us. It is recommended that you purchase your book that goes with your class  
 Next year we will incorporate Mime & Step and look forward to the Youth Rally for next y  
 Dean dismissed children that were 12 years and under to their class. Youths ages 13-17  
 dismissed.

11:00 a.m. - Reassembly in the sanctuary  
 Greetings from Moderator/Host Pastor Nathan Johnson- Thanked all for the Leadership in  
 Christian Education, Special Thank you to Pastor White and to all who participated in the  
 Youth Rally. Pastor Nathan Johnson announced that Dr. Oscar King will be honored on 1-  
 16 at the Van Dyke Hall.

Recognition of Pastors & Associate Ministers  
 Selection by MEDDCE Choir - **“Let the Glory of the Lord Rise Among Us”.**

Recognition of Churches for their MEDCCE attendance  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Unity with 34 delegates; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Palestine MBC with 38 delegates; 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
 Tabernacle MBC with 43 delegates; Distant 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Beulah MBC with 5 delegates

Pastors - 22 Present; Officers - 12 Present; Instructors - 22 Present; Dean - 6 Present;  
 Delegates - 280 present

The Word was brought forth by Rev. Dr. Terry Thomas, Christian Fellowship of Love Bap  
 Church - Scripture: II Timothy 1: 3, 8-12; **“HIM”**

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**Classes for September 2016 – March 2017**

**Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, 2080 W. Grand Blvd at Grand River, Detroit, MI**

**Nathan Johnson, D.D, Host Pastor**

**Dean Toniya L. King / President Ronald C. Burks / Moderator Nathan Johnson**

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*Hebrews 10:24-25*

#	COURSE NAME	INSTRUCTOR	ROOM #(S)
1001	Introduction to the Bible #1	Sister Joyce Hutcherson	2172-2174
1001	Introduction to the Bible #2	Sister Priscilla Turner	2168-2170
1007	Introduction to the Old Testament	Reverend Beverly McCutcheon	2160-2162
3007	History of Baptists	Reverend Will J. Hawk	2164
3008	Theology & History of Christianity	Reverend Dr. Floyd Davis	2173
4012	The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit	Dr. Willie White	Chapel
5012	Becoming An Effective Deacon	Reverend Bernard Byles	2163
7010	Introduction to Discipleship	Reverend Richard White, III	2156-2158
8018	The Ministry of Church Nursing	Dr. Toni Grant	2165
8035	The African-American Church and Social Justice	Reverend Leroy Burden	2167-2169
9008	Public Speaking	Reverend Dr. Patricia Butler	2157
9024	Computers in the Life of the Church	Reverend Kimberly Elyse, Ph.D.	2153
9909	Fundamentals of Preaching in the African-American Church	Reverend Richard Richardson	2161
SP 0015	<b>SPECIALIZATION PROGRAM</b> Certificate of Leadership Church Administration	Reverend Dr. Anthony J. King, Sr.	2175
WS	Say Yes to No Debt	Reverend Ronald C. Burks	2166
WS	Children's Ministry	Sister Stephaine Williams, Directress Sister Doniele Jackson-Breakout Session	Morris Room Choir Room-R
WS	Children & Youth Workers - Adult Practicum	Reverend Pecola Bell	Morris Room
WS	Youth Ministry Session	Sister Madlyne Dansby, Directress Deacon Eddie Davis—Breakout Session Reverend Maurice Jackson—Breakout Session	2176-2179
Y-WS	Life... What's Up With Yours? (* <b>AGES 15-17 ONLY</b> *)	Reverend Kenneth Pierce, II, Facilitator	Choir Room-L
WS	Metropolitan District Youth/Young Adult Choir Workshop	Reverend Mario Marcus	Choir Stand

Dean's Office & President's Office -- Christian Ed Office -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
 Finance Office -- First Floor Coat Room