

**2005-2006
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, Revive and Renew the Local Church
Through Stewardship”**

Regions:

Alaska-Pacific

Arizona-New Mexico

Northern California

Oklahoma-Muskogee

Southern California

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2006
NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT
“TOGETHER WE CAN”

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 Disciplining centers
- Increase the membership growth in local churches by 10% each year
- Give 10% of our Time, Talent and Treasure to strengthen each local church
- Read through the Bible in One Year (Focus: Exodus, Isaiah, Luke and Ephesians)
- 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 each year
- 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

October, 2005

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

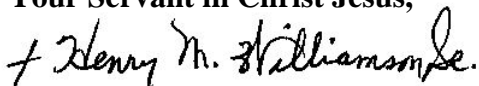
This year we are focusing on, “Together We Can: Refocus, Revive, and Renew the Local Church through Stewardship”. The stewardship of our time, talent and treasures need to be examined, explored and expanded according to the biblical teaching of Jesus the Christ. I hope the recent natural disasters; hurricanes Katrina and Rita, fires in Southern California, floods on the east coast and the tremendous earthquakes in Pakistan comes to alert all of us to the temporary nature of this life. The one certainty in these uncertain times is God’s faithfulness to us and our faithfulness to Him.

We are looking forward to the 9th District’s Convocation and Leadership School and Missionary and Lay Institutes with great anticipation and expectations. As we press forward into another conference year we will gather at the Los Angeles Marriott April 4-7, 2006 to continue the fellowship and training that began in the 2005 9th District Convocation. We are encouraging each Presiding Elder, Pastor, and Missionary, member of the Laity, CMMF members and local church officer to register early. We solicit your prayers and support for the success of this meeting. The Leadership Training School for our young people will convene on the campus of St. Mary’s College in Moraga, CA July 11-14, 2006.

As we studied the “*Purpose Driven Church*” and the “*ABC’s of Natural Church Development*” we were pointed to “need-oriented” outreach or ministries. One Church One School is one such “need-oriented” outreach; an outreach that impacts the lives of our children and their families by combining the efforts of church and school to assist the public schools in meeting their goals. Another “need-oriented” partnership is one that can be developed with Senior Nursing or rehabilitation centers. This outreach could include monthly visits and have worship service where possible to minister to the Seniors and the staff. The Missionaries and laity can donate needed items during the holiday season and throughout the year. These partnerships bring much needed assistance to segments of our population; the young and the old and make a powerful statement about the commitment of the church to the community in which they serve.

Philippians 4:13 (*We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us*) continues to be our rallying cry. God gives us the power and authority to do great things in the name of His Son Jesus.

Your Servant in Christ Jesus,



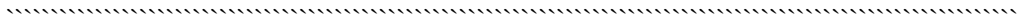
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Presiding Prelate, Ninth Episcopal District
Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

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EVENT

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CME Convocation—Lay Institute / Louisville KY	October 3-8, 2005
National Lay Ministry Day	October 9, 2005
One Church One School Conf. / Chicago IL	October 20-21, 2005
AZNM Mid Winter Council / Tucson AZ	November 3-5, 2005
OKMU Mid Winter Council Oklahoma City OK	November 17-19, 2005
Bishop Williamson’s Birthday	November 22, 2005
NCA/SCA Mid Winter Council / San Ramon CA	December 1-3, 2005
AKPC Mid Winter Council / Portland OR	December 8-10, 2005
135th Anniversary of CME Church	December 16, 2005
Bishop and Mrs. Williamson’s 32nd Wedding Anniversary	December 22, 2005



WHY ARE WE HERE?

5 PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH

5 PURPOSES OF LIVING

Worship

Planned for God’s Pleasure

Evangelism

Formed for God’s Family

Discipleship

Created to become like Christ

Fellowship

Shaped for Serving God

Ministry

Made for a Mission

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Bishop Henry M. Williamson, Sr.
Presiding Prelate
THE YEAR AT A GLANCE**

EVENT

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Prayer Bowl, Los Angeles, CA	January 1, 2006
Phillips School of Theology Founders Day & Pastors Conference, Atlanta, GA	January 9-12, 2006
MLK Celebration / Los Angeles-Phillips Temple	January 8, 2006
MLK Celebration / Oklahoma City	January 15, 2006
MLK Celebration / All Regions—Local Church	January 15, 2006
MLK Celebration / Oakland-Beebe	January 16, 2006
National Youth and Young Adult Week	January 29 through February 5, 2006
Los Angeles District Conference	February 9-11, 2006
Los Angeles/San Diego District Conference	February 16-18, 2006
San Francisco District Conference	February 16-17, 2006
Oakland District Conference	February 23-24, 2006
Women’s Missionary Council Executive Board / Los Angeles	March 1-4, 2006
Lent Begins / Ash Wednesday	March 1, 2006
Arizona District Conference	March 9-11, 2006
Oklahoma City District Conference	March 16-18, 2006
Oregon-Washington District Conference	March 16-18, 2006
Tulsa District Conference	March 23-25, 2006
New Mexico District Conference	March 30 –April 1, 2006
Marian Scipio Vesper Service	April 2, 2006
Ninth District Spring Convocation (Los Angeles) Missionary, Lay & Ministers Institute / PE’s Spring Reporting	April 5-7, 2006
Palm Sunday	April 9, 2006
Good Friday	April 14, 2006
Easter Sunday	April 16, 2006

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THE YEAR AT A GLANCE

EVENT

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Alaska District	April 19-22, 2006
Mother’s Day	May 14, 2006
Children’s Prayer Breakfast / SCA	May 27, 2006
Memorial Day	May 29, 2006
Baccalaureate Service / SCA	June 4, 2006
Arizona New Mexico Annual Conf. / El Paso TX	June 6-9, 2006
Baccalaureate Service / NCA	June 11, 2006
Alaska Pacific Annual Conf. / Pasco WA	June 13-16, 2006
Father’s Day	June 18, 2006
CME General Conference / Memphis TN	June 24-July 2, 2006
9th District LTS (Children, Youth & Young Adults) St. Mary’s College / Moraga CA	July 11-14, 2006
World Methodist Conference Seoul S Korea	July 18-24, 2006
Oklahoma Muskogee Annual Conference / Tulsa OK	July 24-27, 2006
Mrs. Doris Williamson’s Birthday	July 29, 2006
Northern California Annual Conference / Oakland CA	August 7-11, 2006
Southern California Annual Conference / Los Angeles CA	August 14-18, 2006
Labor Day	September 4, 2006
Christian Methodist Men’s Fellowship Retreat 2006	September 15-16,
National Lay Ministry Day	October 8, 2006
One Church One School Conference / Chicago IL	October 19-20, 2006
Bishop Henry M. Williamson’s Birthday	November 22, 2006
Thanksgivings Day	November 23, 2006
CME Church Anniversary	December 16, 2006
Bishop and Mrs. Williamson’s Wedding Anniversary	December 22, 2006
Christmas Day	December 25, 2006

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES

Alaska District Conference	April 19-22 2006
Arizona District Conference	March 9-11, 2006
Los Angeles District Conference	February 9-11, 2006
Los Angeles/San Diego District Conference	February 16-18, 2006
New Mexico District Conference	March 30—April 1, 2006
Oakland District Conference	February 23-24, 2006
Oklahoma City District Conference	March 16-18, 2006
Oregon-Washington District Conference	March 16-18, 2006
San Francisco District Conference	February 16-17, 2006
Tulsa District Conference	March 23-25, 2006

NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT & CONNECTIONAL MEETINGS

Phillips School of Theology Founders Day & Pastors Conf.	January 9-12, 2006
WMC Executive Board—Los Angeles, CA	March 1-4, 2006
9th District Spring Convocation / LTS—Los Angeles, CA	April 5-7, 2006
CME General Conference, Memphis, TN	June 24—July 2, 2006
9th District LTS (Children Youth Young Adults)-Moraga, CA	July 11-15, 2006
World Methodist Conference / Seoul South Korea	July 18-24, 2006

SPECIAL EVENT DATES

Anniversary of CME Church	December 16, 2006
Baccalaureate Service for N CA Region	June 11, 2006
Baccalaureate Service for S CA Region	June 4, 2006
Birthday — Bishop Williamson	November 22, 2006
Birthday— Mrs. Williamson	July 29, 2006
Lane College Day	TBA
Marian Scipio Vespers Service (SCA)	April 1, 2006
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration (OKMU)	January 15, 2006
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration (NCA)	January 16, 2006
Beebe Memorial - Oakland, CA	
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration (SCA)	January 8, 2006
Phillips Temple - Los Angeles, CA	
Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday	ALL LOCAL CHURCHES January 15, 2006
Texas College Day	TBA

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ANNUAL CONFERENCES

ARIZONA NEW MEXICO

June 6-9, 2006

**Host Church: Phillips Chapel—Rev. Michael Grady, Pastor
El Paso TX**

ALASKA PACIFIC

June 13-16, 2006

**Host Church: St. James—Rev. Nolan Welch, pastor
Pasco WA**

OKLAHOMA-MUSKOGEE

July 24-27, 2006

**Host Church: Christ Temple—Rev. Dr. Stacy Cole, Pastor
Tulsa OK**

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

August 7-11, 2006

**Host Church: Missionary Temple—Rev. Dr. Leroy Johnson, Pastor
Berkeley CA**

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

August 14-18, 2006

**Host Church: Hays Tabernacle—Rev. Joseph C. Gardner, Pastor
Los Angeles, CA**

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**MID WINTER COUNCILS**

**ARIZONA-NEW MEXICO**

**November 2-4, 2006**

**Host Church: Phillips Memorial—Rev. Felix Jones, Pastor  
Phoenix AZ**

**OKLAHOMA-MUSKOGEE**

**November 16-18, 2006**

**Host Church: Christ Temple—Rev. Dr. Stacey L. Cole, Pastor  
Tulsa OK**

**ALASKA-PACIFIC**

**November 30 - December 2, 2006**

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

**NORTHERN & SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**December 7-9, 2006**

**Host Church: Curry Temple—Rev. Calvin E. Edgerton, Pastor  
Southern California**

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**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**

| <b><u>Date</u></b> | <b><u>Liturgical Season</u></b>                          | <b><u>Color</u></b> |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| January 1          | 2nd Sunday Christmastide<br>Holy Communion               | White               |
| January 8          | 1st Sunday of Epiphany                                   | White               |
| January 15         | 2nd Sunday of Epiphany                                   | White               |
| January 22         | 3rd Sunday of Epiphany                                   | White               |
| January 29         | 4th Sunday of Epiphany                                   | White               |
| February 5         | 5th Sunday of Epiphany<br>Holy Communion                 | White               |
| March 1            | Ash Wednesday                                            | Black/Purple        |
| March 5            | 1st Sunday of Lent<br>Holy Communion                     | White/Purple        |
| March 12           | 2nd Sunday of Lent                                       | Purple              |
| March 19           | 3rd Sunday of Lent                                       | Purple              |
| March 26           | 4th Sunday of Lent-                                      | Purple              |
| April 2            | 5th Sunday of Lent<br>Holy Communion                     | White/Purple        |
| April 9            | 6th Sunday of Lent<br>Palm Sunday—Beginning of Holy Week | Purple              |
| April 14           | Good Friday                                              | Black/Purple        |
| April 16           | Resurrection (Easter) Sunday                             | White               |
| April 23           | 2nd Sunday of Resurrection                               | White               |
| April 30           | 3rd Sunday of Resurrection                               | White               |
| May 7              | 4th Sunday of Resurrection<br>Holy Communion             | White               |
| May 14             | 5th Sunday of Resurrection                               | White               |
| May 21             | 6th Sunday of Resurrection                               | White               |
| May 25             | Ascension Day                                            | White               |
| June 4             | 1st Sunday of Pentecost<br>Holy Communion                | White/Red           |
| June 11            | 2nd Sunday of Pentecost                                  | Red                 |
| June 18            | 3rd Sunday of Pentecost                                  | Red                 |
| June 25            | 4th Sunday of Pentecost                                  | Red                 |
| July 2             | 5th Sunday of Pentecost<br>Holy Communion                | White/Red           |
| July 9             | 6th Sunday of Pentecost                                  | Red                 |
| July 16            | 7th Sunday of Pentecost                                  | Red                 |
| July 23            | 8th Sunday of Pentecost                                  | Red                 |
| July 30            | 9th Sunday of Pentecost                                  | Red                 |

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| <b><u>Date</u></b> | <b><u>Liturgical Season</u></b>              | <b><u>Color</u></b> |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| August 6           | 10th Sunday of Pentecost<br>Holy Communion   | Red<br>White/Red    |
| August 13          | 11th Sunday of Pentecost                     | Red                 |
| August 20          | 12th Sunday of Pentecost                     | Red                 |
| August 27          | 1st Sunday of Kingdomtide                    | Green               |
| September 3        | 2nd Sunday of Kingdomtide<br>Holy Communion  | White/Green         |
| September 10       | 3rd Sunday of Kingdomtide                    | Green               |
| September 17       | 4th Sunday of Kingdomtide                    | Green               |
| September 24       | 5th Sunday of Kingdomtide                    | Green               |
| October 1          | 6th Sunday of Kingdomtide<br>Holy Communion  | White/Green         |
| October 8          | 7th Sunday of Kingdomtide                    | Green               |
| October 15         | 8th Sunday of Kingdomtide                    | Green               |
| October 22         | 9th Sunday of Kingdomtide                    | Green               |
| October 29         | Reformation Sunday                           | Red                 |
| November 5         | 10th Sunday of Kingdomtide<br>Holy Communion | White/Green         |
| November 12        | 11th Sunday of Kingdomtide                   | Green               |
| November 20        | 12th Sunday of Kingdomtide                   | Green               |
| November 23        | Thanksgiving                                 | White               |
| November 26        | 1st Sunday of Advent                         | Purple              |
| December 3         | 2nd Sunday of Advent<br>Holy Communion       | White/Purple        |
| December 10        | 3rd Sunday of Advent                         | Purple              |
| December 17        | 4th Sunday of Advent                         | Purple              |
| December 25        | Christmas                                    | White               |

**The Lord will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;  
(he) will counsel you and watch over you.**  
**-Psalm 32:8**

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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.