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Quinn Chapel A.M.E. Church

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

To Bishop Jeffrey N. Leath and members of the 153rd 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

None

FIRST YEAR STUDIES

Three (3)

ITINERANT TRACK

A. Brother Philip Gayles Johnson, age 40, (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 passed to the Class on 3rd Year Studies, and be elected and ordained an itinerant deacon under the missionary rule because of need.

LOCAL TRACK

B. Brother Robert Craig Sherrod, age 43 (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. He did not attend all classes and did not submit assignments.

Having been examined by this Board, we recommend he be retained in the Class on 1st Year Studies.

Sister Lynette Denise Pharr-Ellis, age 46 (03/01/1974), is a member of Embry Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Elizabethtown, KY; she is divorced and has two children. She is in possession of all of books, and has been encouraged to pursue an undergraduate degree.

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

SECOND YEAR STUDIES

Three (3)

ITINERANT TRACK

A. Sister Melissa Wytoya George, age 30 (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 has attended basic training for chaplaincy in the United States Air Force. Chaplain, 1st Lieutenant Melissa George graduated from the Air Education and Training Command School of the Air Force Chaplain Corps College-Basic Chaplain Course 20 Charlie Class-from Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery Alabama.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that she be passed to the Class on 3rd Year Studies, and she be elected and ordained an itinerant deacon.

B. Sister Doretha Sanders, age 57 (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 employed with Campbellsville Independent School District. Sister Sanders desires to pursue local deacon orders at this time. Bethel, Campbellsville has requested her ordination for their congregation.

Having been examined by this Board, and given the request of both the candidate and the local congregation, we recommend that she be elected and ordained a local deacon for Bethel, Campbellsville, KY and that she be passed to the Class on 3rd Year Studies.

C. Sister Monica Maria Lamb, age 49 (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 3rd Year Studies, and she be elected and ordained an itinerant deacon.

THIRD YEAR STUDIES

One (1)

LOCAL TRACK

A. Reverend Cathy Jacobs, age 65 (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, a Master of Arts degree in Organizational Leadership from Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore KY, and a Master of Divinity at Regents University. She is currently enrolled in 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 passed to the Class on 4th Year Studies.

FOURTH YEAR STUDIES

One (1)

LOCAL TRACK

A. Reverend Damien Nichols, age 42 (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 receive a certificate of completion and be elected and ordained a local elder for Wayman Chapel, Georgetown.

ITINERANT TRACK

B. Reverend Nachia Woods, age 30 (01/17/1990) is a member of Ralph Avenue African Methodist Episcopal Church, Louisville, Kentucky. She is divorced and has no children. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Louisville, and a Master of Divinity degree from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Having been examined by this Board we recommend that she be elected and ordained an itinerant elder.

This concludes our report.

Respectfully submitted,

The Kentucky Conference Board of Examiners

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