

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018**  
**CLOSING BUSINESS SESSION**

Closing Business Session opened with the uplifting processional of the Payton M. Simms Inspirational Gospel Choir, ministers of the East Tennessee Annual Conference, and Bishop Leath at 10:00 am. Bishop Leath called for review of the previous day's minutes. The Reverend Kenneth D. Love, Sr. moved that the minutes be accepted with necessary corrections. The motion carried. Bishop Leath called for the review of the 13<sup>th</sup> District Audit. The Reverend Kenneth D. Love, Sr. moved that the 13<sup>th</sup> District Audit be approved. The motion carried. Bishop Leath called for the following report.

- Resolution (see attached) – The Reverend Vanessa Holman reported. The Reverend Archie C. Griffin, Jr. moved that the report be accepted with necessary corrections. The Reverend Donna Perkins requested acknowledgement of the excellence of the YPD on Saturday be reflected in the resolution. The motion carried.

Bishop Leath called for the Reverend Kenneth D. Love, Sr., host pastor, to give announcements. The Reverend Kenneth D. Love, Sr. requested prayer for two of St. Paul's members, Brother Linton Simms (wife died at 2:00 am on Saturday morning) and Sister Penny Bradley (daughter died on Saturday).

Bishop Leath acknowledged and recognized the wonderful job of the host pastor, the Reverend Kenneth D. Love, Sr., First Lady Donna Love, and the St. Paul, Chattanooga family in hosting the 118<sup>th</sup> Session of the East Tennessee Annual Conference. The attendees of the East Tennessee Conference agreed with applause of praise. Bishop Leath also acknowledged Presiding Elder Eva M. Settles and First Gentlemen Gene Settles. He thanked PE Settles and PE Mayes for a good conference as he expressed gratitude to all for a great gathering.

Bishop Leath acknowledged the Episcopal Supervisor, Dr. Susan Leath, who addressed and thanked the conference. Bishop Leath recognized and greeted Sister Angel Wilson, Episcopal RAYAC President and Brother Bishaune Battle (Tennessee Conference RAYAC President).

## CLOSING WORSHIP SERVICE

The Closing Worship Service began with Presiding Elder Terence L. Mayes, Sr. as worship leader. Prior to the preaching of the closing sermon, Bishop Jeffrey N. Leath baptized the infant Jazaiah Jamaal Tyrel Wilson, grandson of the Reverend Kenneth D. and First Lady Donna S. Love. The preacher was our great leader, Bishop Jeffrey N. Leath, Presiding Prelate of the 13<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. The text was Mark 7:27-28 for a thought provoking and soul stirring sermon entitled “Faith Over Privilege”.

Bishop Leath announced a benevolent offering of \$2,000. The Reverend Barbara Jackson led the assembled body in the song “A Charge to Keep I Have” followed by commissioning of officers.

Following the singing of “Go Preach My Gospel”, Bishop Leath made the following appointments:

Presiding Elder, Chattanooga District	The Reverend Dr. Eva M. Settles
Presiding Elder, Fayetteville/Pulaski Warren Chapel	The Reverend Dr. Terence L. Mayes, Sr. The Reverend Dr. Pedro K. Basden
Bethel, Knoxville	The Reverend Lee Russell Brown
St. Paul, Chattanooga	The Reverend Kenneth D. Love, Sr.
Bethel, Chattanooga	The Reverend Alan J. Holman, Sr.
St. Paul, Fayetteville	The Reverend Dr. Charles Holsey
Allen Temple	The Reverend Fred Harris
St. Paul, Alcoa	The Reverend Archie C. Griffin, Jr.
Shorter Chapel	The Reverend Coleman March
Mary’s Chapel	The Reverend Ruby Mason Crum
St. John	The Reverend Vanessa Holmon
Joseph Chapel	The Reverend Ronald Glenn
Berry Chapel	The Reverend Dickey Sebastian
Campbell Chapel	The Reverend Ernest Latham
St. Paul, Agnew	The Reverend Dr. Terence L. Mayes, Sr.
Round Hill	The Reverend William Howard Smith
Phoenix Chapel	The Reverend Tylan Orr

Quinn Chapel	The Reverend Pedro K. Basden
Mt. View	The Reverend Alma Herbert
Friendship	The Reverend William Howard Smith
Clayborn Temple	The Reverend Lee Russell Brown
Brown's Temple	The Reverend Lance Shelton
St. James	The Reverend Dr. Sheila Harris
Powell Chapel	The Reverend Vicki Coleman
St. Paul, Aspen Hill	The Reverend Paul Sherrell
Trotter's Chapel	The Reverend Paul Sherrell
Suggs	The Reverend Vanessa Holmon

The East Tennessee Annual Conference was adjourned sine die at 12:05 p.m. with benediction by the Right Reverend Jeffrey N. Leath.