

About Supervisor Deana Young McAllister

Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, is the God-called, Spirit-led Episcopal Supervisor of Missions of the Ninth Episcopal District. The strength of her witness and unwavering faith in the redemptive power of Jesus Christ are strong and compelling.

A third generation first lady of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Supervisor McAllister embraced her divine calling as a Pastor's wife and now a Bishop's wife. For twenty-eight years, she has been a pillar of support for her husband, Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Jr., surrounding him with love and encouragement and partnering with him in his ministry as a senior minister and now Bishop in the AME Church.

Supervisor McAllister has a penchant for service. On every level of the African Methodist Episcopal Church – local, conference, district and connectional – she is recognized and esteemed for her love and compassion toward others through works of mission and outreach as a member of the Women's Missionary Society; and her commitment to the spiritual, educational, and social enhancement of youth through her dedicated work with the Young People's Division (YPD). She has served in a variety of leadership positions in the Women's Missionary Society, including second vice president and third vice president of the Eleventh Episcopal District. She was appointed by the International President, Dr. Deborah Taylor King as the Commission Chair of Education and Scholarship. Supervisor McAllister is a Life Member of the Women's Missionary Society.

Supervisor's love of young people, is evidenced by her distinguished thirty-three-year career in the education profession as a teacher, a curriculum specialist, and an administrator in school systems in the states of Georgia, Michigan, and Illinois. Presently, she is the Assistant Superintendent for School Management in Leon County Schools located in Tallahassee, Florida.

Supervisor McAllister's service organizations such as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the Links, Inc., and Jack and Jill of America, Inc., also bear witness to her concern for the welfare of others. Supervisor McAllister is a graduate of Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Georgia where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and was certified to teach. She received a Master's degree in Educational Leadership/School Administration from the National-Louis University in Wheeling, Illinois.

Supervisor McAllister's greatest role is providing a loving, peaceful, and safe home for her husband, and their three sons: Julius III, Colin McKinley Young, and Dylan David Jeremiah. She and Bishop McAllister are adoring parents who treasure family time by attending sports events, going to movies, traveling, or hanging out at home; and who prioritize and zealously support and encourage each son's interests and pursuits.

Supervisor McAllister is the second of four-daughters born to the late Senior Bishop McKinley Young and Retired Supervisor of Missions Dr. Dorothy Jackson Young of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.



Thanks to all for your kindness, attendance, and participation.
May God bless you.



THE NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT
OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOMES

BISHOP JULIUS HARRISON MCALLISTER, JR.
EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR DEANA YOUNG MCALLISTER
AND FAMILY



Friday, November 15, 2024
4:30 p.m.

Reverends Roosevelt and Sheila Williams
Saint John's AME Church
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

WELCOME CELEBRATION

Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Jr. and Episcopal Supervisor Deana Young McAllister

Date: Friday, November 15, 2024 * Time: 4:30 p.m.

MASTER AND MISTRESS OF CEREMONY

Reverends Paul and Tracey Horn, Hines Chapel AME Church, Dothan, AL

MUSICAL PRELUDE:.....Reverend Maurice Wright
MCAM, St. John AME Church, Huntsville, GA

RECEIVING OF BISHOP AND SUPERVISOR

Escorted by: Reverends Roosevelt and Shelia Williams
Saint John's AME Church, Montgomery, AL 36104

INVOCATION/BLESSING OF THE FOOD:.....Reverend Nicole Slater
Payne Chapel AME Church, Birmingham, AL

SCRIPTURE: OLD TESTAMENT: Reverend Dr. Ronald D. Sterling
St. John AME Church, Birmingham, AL

NEW TESTAMENT: Reverend Dr. Wendell Jones
Nichols Chapel AME Church, Phenix City, AL

WELCOME & OCCASION:.....Ms. Veronica Wiley
Southeast Conference Lay President

SELECTION:.....Presiding Elder Jacquelyn Denson
Alabama River Region Conference

DINNER SERVED

SALUTATIONS (2 MINUTES)

CITY OF MONTGOMERY MAYOR: The Honorable Steven Reed
MONTGOMERY CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Mr. C. C. Calhoun
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN: Mr. Doug Singleton
MONTGOMERY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION CHAIRMAN: Mr. Kelvin Lawrence

SALUTATIONS TO EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR DEANA YOUNG MCALLISTER (2 MINUTES)

9TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY PRESIDENT – Ms. Sherryl Whiting
9TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION DIRECTOR – Ms. Debra Weatherspoon
9TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT M-SWAWO Plus PK'S PRESIDENT – Mrs. Kimberly Marshall
BETA NU OMEGA CHAPTER OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC. PRESIDENT – Mrs. Janeen Bush

SELECTION:.....Reverend Maurice Wright

SALUTATIONS TO BISHOP JULIUS HARRISON MCALLISTER, JR. (2 MINUTES)

PRESIDING ELDER'S COUNCIL PRESIDENT - Presiding Elder Frederick D. Sherrod, III
9th EPISCOPAL DISTRICT WOMEN IN MINISTRY PRESIDENT – Reverend Dr. Carmen Avery Walker
9TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT LAY ORGANIZATION PRESIDENT – Mr. Robert L. Turner
9th EPISCOPAL DISTRICT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR – Ms. Hattie Nathan
9TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT SONS OF ALLEN CO-COORDINATOR – Mr. Terry Jones
9th EPISCOPAL DISTRICT CDMC COMMISSIONER – Mrs. Janice Watts
9TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT RAYAC PRESIDENT – Reverend Brandon Thornton
ALPHA UPSILON LAMBDA CHAPTER OF ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC. PRESIDENT - Mr. Jimmy Morris

SELECTION:.....Ms. Sheila Jackson
St. Paul AME Church, Troy, AL

REMARKS:.....Mrs. Deana Young McAllister, Episcopal Supervisor
Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Jr., Presiding Prelate

BENEDICTION:.....Reverend John Dees, Jr., Emanuel AME Church, Mobile, AL

**ABOUT BISHOP JULIUS HARRISON MCALLISTER, JR.
PRESIDING PRELATE, 9TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OF THE
AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**



Julius Harrison McAllister, Jr. was elected and consecrated the 144th Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in 2024 in Columbus, Ohio. He was assigned to the Ninth Episcopal District which makes up the State of Alabama. During the 2024-2028 Quadrennial, he will serve as Commission Chair of the AME Women in Ministry.

Bishop McAllister is the 35th anointed Senior Minister of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Tallahassee, Florida. A fourth-generation minister, he answered the call to ministry in 1992. Prior to his appointment to the Bethel AME Church in 2008, Bishop McAllister distinguished himself as an outstanding pastor in the Detroit and Chicago areas.

As pastor of the Greater Institutional AME Church in Chicago, Illinois, his devotion to community growth and development led to the creation of Come Home for Christmas that serviced nearly 5,000 homeless, poor, and underprivileged adults and 2000 children; and raised seven hundred thousand dollars to support needy families in Chicago during the Christmas season.

He believes that Bethel's ministry experiences should reflect not only the enduring love for Jesus Christ, but also for one another. He insists that "our focus, as we turn the proverbial pages of time, should show the outside world that we are on the CARING END of ministry." To this end, as President/CEO of the Bethel Community Development Corporation (Bethel CDC), an affiliate church ministry, Bishop McAllister has supervised the construction and rehabilitation of 85 homes for low income families in the City of Tallahassee at a cost of 15 million dollars, and has led the church in the building of ten homes for new construction of single homes for rental for low income families. He is also Chairman of the Board of the A Life Recovery Center that provides drug and alcohol rehabilitation to residential and outpatient clients; nearly a thousand men and women have been able to overcome their drug addiction. Under his leadership, Bethel's Annual Thanksgiving Basket Project provides hearty meals for nearly twenty-five hundred people. A few years ago, Bishop Julius inspired the members of Bethel to renovate Bethel by The Lake. The camp is ten-acre camp site three miles from the main worship, study, and community complex. The commercial swimming pool was renovated, six basketball courts were added, and the fellowship hall was completely restored. The church raised a quarter of a million dollars in 22 months to liquidate the mortgage.

Bishop is passionate about Christian Stewardship. As he has led congregations to understand and accept stewardship as a biblical mandate, he teaches that managing and giving one's time, talent, and material resources to glorify and serve God is an expression of one's faith and an integral part of Christian commitment and responsibility to build up the body of Christ. During his sixteen-year tenure the number of tithers has increased and he has led the Bethel Church in averaging nearly 2 million dollars in tithes and offerings over the last 16 years. This conference year, Bethel Church raised 3.5 million dollars from all sources. The last years, Bethel has raised over Two Million Dollars.

Bishop McAllister, Jr., is the son of Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Sr., Retired Bishop of the AME Church and Mrs. Joan Marla McAllister, Retired Episcopal Supervisor. Bishop McAllister, Jr., and Bishop McAllister, Sr., are the first Father and Son Bishops in the African Methodist Episcopal Church to serve in active Episcopal ministry at the same time in the history of the church which dates back to 1816. Bishop is married to the former Deana Elizabeth Young, a committed Educator, an astute School Administrator, and a compassionate Supervisor. She is currently employed as an Assistant Superintendent for the Leon County School Board. They are the proud parents of three children: Julius Harrison McAllister, III, known also as J. Harrison, Colin McKinley Young McAllister and Dylan David Jeremiah McAllister.