

May 15, 2021 Southwest Region 1 Hybrid CLS Workshop: Zoom and at the Hill, 9:30 am

**June 21-25 Virtual National Baptist Convention and Congress**

**July 19-23 Hammond Hill Congress, TBD**

**TBD Sardis Northeast Congress**

August 7 Sunday School Workshop, TBD, 9:00 am

September 6-9 National Baptist Convention: TBD

September 25 Women's District #2 Salad Fiesta: The Hill-Hernando, 6 p.m.

October 19-21 Mid-South Churches Fall Quarterly Session

**November 29-December 2 Sunday School Publishing Board**

**Conference: TBD**

December 4 Hammond Hill Congress Prayer Breakfast: The Hill-Hernando, 9 am

January 10-12, 2022 NBCUSA Mid-Winter Board Meeting: TBA.

January TBD Super Tax Day Free Income Tax Preparation Kick-off: The Hill-Hernando, 9 am

**February 5 Regional Teachers'/VBS Workshop: TBA**

**March 5 Fourth Annual A Women and Girls Conference**

March 14-18 North Mississippi High Schools' Spring Break

**TBD St. John CLS and BTU Conference: TBA, 6:30 p.m.**

April 2 Flock Around the Block 5K Walk/Run in support of Hernando

Interfaith: Hernando Square

April 5-7 North MS Ministerial Association/Mid-South Churches Revival: TBD

**April 22-23 SSPB Southwest 1 Regional Conference: TBD**

**May 3-5 Mid-South Churches Annual Session: The Hill-Hernando**

### Representation Schedule [MidSouthChurches]

*For churches not paying annual or quarterly support*

Note: It costs the Congress approximately \$40.00 per person to fund our annual budget.

Associations \$400 and above

Founders Circle \$300 and above

Regular Representation \$200

All Other Representations \$199 or less

A registration fee of \$25.00 will be required of class participants who are not a member of a representing church. *Make all checks payable to Mid-South Churches Cooperative Conference or Cash App: \$MidSouthChurches.*

### Suggested Individual Registration Fees and Offerings

Officers, Board Members, and Pastors \$25.00

Local Sunday School Superintendents \$10.00

Teachers (non-officer/pastor/board member) \$10.00

Delegates, Annual Members & Associate Ministers \$ 5.00

President's Challenge Contribution \$25.00

Congress Rally \$15.00

Youth Rally Offering \$10.00

*(Note: You may wish to join the President and the Dean in paying all three offerings, a total of \$50.)*

# Program Guide 2021

## Mid-South Churches Cooperative Conference

### Baptist State Convention

1938

2002

2012



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## The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Session

## The 71<sup>st</sup> Session of the State Congress of

## Christian Education

## May 4-6, 2021

2017-2020

- Voice
- Integrity
- Salvation
- Instruction
- Opportunity
- Neighboring



Habakkuk 2:2, ESV

**Hybrid Session/The Hill-Hernando Baptist Church**

**Dr. Michael O. Minor, Host**

**1775 Memphis Street**

**Hernando, MS**

**National Theme: "Envisioning the Future Exceptionally through Christ Centered Evangelism"**

**(Jeremiah 29.11 and Acts 1.8)**

**2021 State Theme: "Voice: A Voice for the Voiceless"**  
**(Proverbs 31.8-9; Matthew 25.40; 1 John 3.17)**

**Dr. Michael O. Minor, President**

Pastor Bernard Montgomery, Vice President-at-Large

Ms. Phyllistean Albright, General Secretary

Ms. Loretta Henderson Miller, State Dir. of Christian Education

Pastor Dorothy Jones, State Dean

## Official Roster

Dr. Michael O. Minor, President  
Pastor Bernard Montgomery, Vice-President-at-Large  
Ms. Phyllistean Albright, General Secretary  
Pastor Rubin Jones, First Vice-President  
Pastor Callaway Bain, Second Vice-President  
Pastor Glen Newson, Third Vice-President  
Pastor Lacy Reed, Fourth Vice-President  
Ms. Minnie Wilkinson, Ass't. General Secretary & H.O.P.E. Health Coord.  
Ms. Cathy Garrett, Ass't. General Secretary  
Pastor Henry Knox, Treasurer  
Pastor Robert Ruth, Director General

### A Women and Girls Conference Team

Ms. Lottie Minor, Co-Chair	Ms. Sandra Miller
Ms. Lashonda McBride, Co-Chair	Evang. Clara Montgomery
Ms. Bettina Campbell, Co-Chair	Ms. Cametra Ruth
Ms. Jacqueline Bain	Min. Gloria Tate
Ms. Linda Rayborn Carter	Ms. Tara Tate
Ms. Shontia Carter	Ms. Doretha Knox
Ms. Tasha Heard	Ms. Lois Tipton-Curry
Ms. Deborah Marshall	Ms. Mattie Wallace-Stokes

### District Associations and Christian Leadership Schools

#### St. John St. John CLS and BTU Conference

Pastor Grady McKinney, Moderator Ms. Christy McKinney, Dean

#### Walls Institute of Christian Education CLS

Dr. JeVon Marshall, Dean

#### Pastor Ronald Taylor, Sr. Clergy Institute

Pastor Dorothy Jones, Dean

#### Sister Gemenie Bowdre Lifelong Learning Institute

Ms. Mattie Stokes, Dean

## National and Regional Roster

### National Baptist Convention, USA, Incorporated

Dr. Jerry Young, President Dr. Alvin Edwards, General Secretary  
Dr. Melvin Owens, Vice-President, Southwest Region

### National Baptist Congress of Christian Education

Dr. Elliott Cuff, President Dr. Carl Washington, Jr., Dean  
Ms. Monica Mickle, General Secretary  
TBA, Vice President, Southwest Region

### Sunday School Publishing Board

Dr. Derrick Jackson, Executive Director  
Rev. Eric Williams, Associate Director-Church Ministries  
Dr. Michael O. Minor, Coordinator, Southwest Region 1

## Courses, Workshops, and Seminars (continued)

### Effective Interpretation and Application of the Sunday School Text

#### Seminar Zoom Link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_7PNSa3PRRbe9tSLwUqUc1A](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_7PNSa3PRRbe9tSLwUqUc1A)

**Facilitator: Dr. Jevon Marshall, Antioch – Walls, MS**

**Superintendent: Mr. Rubin Wright, New Bethany – Hernando, MS**

**Course Description:** This course will provide basic principles and examples of study/teaching methods to effectively approach the interpretation of the Bible/Sunday school text. This study will help Sunday school teachers prepare their lessons to help students understand what the text is saying and how it is applicable to daily living.

#### This seminar is designed to help teachers:

- Move students from a level of verbalization and memorization to transformation;
- Develop clear biblical interpretation of the text by understanding the world of the text; and
- Present the text in such a way that it not only stirs the emotion but motivates action.

#### Teachers:

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Minister Jerry Harriston, New Bethany – Hernando, MS

Minister Cornelia Jones, Antioch – Walls, MS

May 5, 2021

Pastor Evelyn Taylor, Spirit of Hope - Memphis, TN

Pastor A. Harris

May 6, 2021

Youth Emphasis:

Dr. Krystal Polk, New Fellowship - Southaven, MS

Robin Jones, Antioch - Walls, MS

#### Overviews:

May 4, 2021: Pastor Cedrick Jackson, Askew Grove - Long Town, MS

May 5, 2021: Pastor Darnell Tate, Free Grace - Tunica, MS

May 6, 2021: Pastor William Reynolds, West Canaan - Millington, TN

## Courses, Workshops, and Seminars

Day Class (11:00 am – 1:00 p.m.)

### **Seminar 1. Speaking for the Voiceless or Marginalized: A Theological Approach**

**Seminar Zoom Link:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_wWqlrgGyTr-VsafT8wsiEw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wWqlrgGyTr-VsafT8wsiEw)

**Instructor: Ms. Cathy Garrett, Ebenezer – Como, MS**

**Zoom Host: Pastor Bernard Montgomery, New Bethany – Hernando, MS**

**Course Description:** This course is designed to create an awareness that it is the God-given duty of each member in the body of Christ to provide and speak for the voiceless and the marginalized on all levels: individual, community, and spiritual.

**After completing this seminar, students will be able to:**

- Better identify the Voiceless in their community;
- Give biblical examples of Jesus speaking for and aiding the various segments of society; and
- Discuss ways in which individuals, the church, and organized groups in the community can speak and support the marginalized within the communities in which your local church serves.

Evening Classes: (7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)

### **Seminar 2. A Voice for All: Justice for All! (A Biblical and Historical View)**

**Seminar Zoom Link:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_R5Z-Eq-rS1Kx5xT5FNaT4Q](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_R5Z-Eq-rS1Kx5xT5FNaT4Q)

**Instructor: Pastor Calloway Bain, Mt. Olive – Horn Lake, MS**

**Course Description:** This course will deal with all the issues and experiences of the marginalized and voiceless segments of today's society: the historical development of social injustices. The class will explore how the church can apply God's standards of right and wrong as its defense to serve all of God's people.

**In this seminar, students will:**

- Learn that social justice is an extension of God's love and work to defend the defenseless;
- Explore biblical texts dealing with social justice and human rights. (Psalm 82.3, Isaiah 1.17, Micah 6.8, and Luke 11.42); and
- Explore ways that the church can participate in promoting social justice in their local communities.

## Mid-South Churches Cooperative Conference Baptist State Convention

### From the President's Desk

May 2021

Greetings in the name of our risen Savior! Your Mid-South Churches Leadership Team thanks you for your continuous support and prayers during this year of pandemic. We adjusted and were blessed with a virtual annual session last May. Now, we excitedly look forward to our 2021 combined sessions of our State Convention, Congress, and Affiliates.

Our 71<sup>st</sup> Congress and 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Session will take place nightly May 4-6, 2021, virtually via Zoom and at *The Hill-Hernando Baptist Church*, 1775 Memphis Street, Hernando, Mississippi – yours truly Dr. Michael O. Minor, host pastor. We will follow CDC guidelines including masks and physical distancing. Reflecting our convention's seven-year theme 2020-2026, this year's state theme is "*Voice-A Voice for the Voiceless*" (Proverbs 31.8-9; Matthew 25.40; 1 John 3.17).

Our State Congress Dean Elect Pastor Dorothy Jones, and her team, has prepared a spirit-filled, thought provoking set of seminars. See the back of this program guide for the dates of additional Christian education opportunities or visit our regional calendar at [www.midsouthchurches.com/calendar](http://www.midsouthchurches.com/calendar).

We also want to thank each of you for making our Convention's virtual third "A Women's and Girl's Health Awareness Conference: "Wake Up and Shine: Am I Misaligned?" (Ephesians 5.8-17) a tremendous success on Saturday, March 6. We had nearly 500 same day viewers! Our Convention's First Lady-Lady Lottie Minor, Ms. Bettina Campbell, and the coordinating team did an outstanding job. We look forward to next year.

In closing, we thank God for each of you and your generous support. Let's raise our voices for the voiceless in 2021.

Yours for the cause of Christ,

  
**Dr. Michael O. Minor**  
**Your President**

## Tuesday, May 4, 2021

6:00 p.m. Live on Zoom and at 1775 Memphis Street  
Registration/Church School Representation  
House Called to Order:

President Michael O. Minor  
*Pastor, The Hill-Hernando*

Devotional Period

Secretary's Instructions

**Congress Thematic Message:**

**Pastor Henry Hargrove**

**(Matthew 25.40)** *Mt. Olive - Tunica*

Dean's Observations/Faculty Introductions

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. **Class Period 1**

## Wednesday, May 5, 2021

6:00 p.m. Live on Zoom and at 1775 Memphis Street  
Registration/Church School Representation  
House Called to Order:

Third Vice-President Glen Newson  
*Pastor, Greater Lake Cormorant*

Devotional Period

Secretary's Instructions

Introduction of the Dean

**Dean's First Annual Address**

**Pastor Dorothy Jones (1 John 3.17)**

*New Faith Bible Baptist Church – Memphis, TN*

Dean's Observations/Faculty Introductions

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. **Class Period 2**

## Thursday, May 6, 2021

6:00 p.m. Live on Zoom and at 1775 Memphis Street  
House Called to Order:

Vice-Pres.-at-Large Bernard Montgomery  
*Pastor, New Bethany - Hernando*

Devotional Period

Secretary's Instructions

Introduction of the President:

**President Minor's Twelfth Annual Address**

**Dr. Michael O. Minor (Proverbs 31.8-9)**

*The Hill-Hernando*

Dean's Observations

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. **Class Period 3**

## Nightly Plenary Session Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88560013083?pwd=S3pnK2R5dE5meGk4MS9wdjBETFFZZz09>

Passcode: 163967

**Convention 2021 Theme:** *Voice: A Voice for the Voiceless*

**Scripture:** Proverbs 31.8-9 (The Message Bible)

*"(S)peak up for the people who have no voice, for the rights of all the down-and-outers. Speak out for justice! Stand up for the poor and destitute!"*

### Christian Education Team

Ms. Loretta Henderson Miller, State Director

Pastor Dorothy Jones, State Congress Dean Elect

Dr. JeVon Marshall, Associate Dean

Ms. Mattie Wallace-Stokes, State Congress Dean and Assistant  
State Director Emeritus

Pastor Glen Newson, Children and Youth Director

Ms. Annette Dunbar, Classification Secretary

### Music and Worship Arts Team

Mr. Paul McClough, Jr., Devotional Leader

Ms. Victoria Dandridge, Musician

Ms. Markisha Hudson, Dance & Movement Director

Ms. Lois Tipton-Curry, Performance Arts Director

### Annual Awards and Recognition Opportunities

**Attendance Awards.** The top five participating churches are given awards for overall attendance, youth, and seniors.

**Deacon Dan Robinson Leadership Award** recognizes one or more Christian educators from member churches or supporting entities for outstanding service for the cause of Christian education. The award is named after the first president of the State Congress, who was also a faithful deacon at New Hope-Walls.

**Minister Lena Dean-Bond Lady Leader of the Year Award.** One lady leader of a representing church who exhibits the following qualities:

- Demonstrated faithful commitment to the development of her ministry;
- Exhibits the characteristics of a mentor of women in ministry;
- Exemplifies qualities of gifted leadership and redemptive service;
- Maintains an active role in the ministry of her local church;
- Displays support for the vision, mission, and goals of Mid-South Churches State Convention.

The award is named after the first vice-president-at-large of our State Convention. She was also the first woman to serve in such a position among Mississippi National Baptist State Conventions.