



12TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OF THE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF THE WORLD INC.  
**MIDWESTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL**



*The Year Of*  
**PRAYER**

2 CHRONICLES 7:14 | MATTHEW 18:20

**JULY 6-10, 2026**

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Dear Midwestern District Council Members,

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

It is with great pleasure and honor, I welcome you to the 2026 MDC Summer Council!

It is great for us to convene together in the spirit of Christian fellowship, working together to build one another so we can do great things!

I pray you are enriched through the various seminars, services and MDC Auxiliaries meetings. May your love for the council continue to grow!

Enjoy the council and be blessed!

Your Servant in Christ,

Bishop Larry O. Jones, Diocesan  
First Lady Nina Jones  
Midwestern District Council





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Praise the Lord!

Lady Dorretta and I welcome you and greet you in the wonderful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Our hearts are full, and we are so delighted that the Midwestern District Council is meeting once again for the Summer Council, July 6-10, 2026.

Our theme for this Summer Council is:  
**"The Year Of Prayer" 2 Chronicles 7:14, Matthew 18:20**

We anticipate that this Summer Council will be filled with powerful preaching, anointed praise, fellowship, and life-changing sessions.

A very special thank you to **Bishop Larry O. Jones** for hosting the Summer Midwestern District Council at Greater Grace Church. I want to thank every elected and appointed auxiliary and ministry leader, all support teams, all volunteers from near and far, and every person who worked diligently behind the scenes to make our Summer 2026 Council a success.

Without you, the Midwestern District Council would not be what it is today! Each person willing to put their hands to the plow is what shapes our legacy of our Council. Thank you for helping to make our vision for this Council come alive. From the bottom of my heart: Thank you!

Lady Dorretta and I love you all to life and pray God's richest blessings be upon you!

Yours in Christ,

*Bishop Ronald E. Stephens*

Suffragan Bishop Ronald E. Stephens and Lady Dorretta D. Stephens





## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

**MONDAY  
JULY 6, 2026**

**6:00 PM** Midwestern District Council Institute

Date: Monday, July 6, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87049542751>

Meeting ID: 870 4954 2751

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**Course Name:** God-Honoring Elections: The Role of Emotional Intelligence in Leadership Selection

**Instructor:** Dr. Tara Phelps-Jones

**Course Description:** This course equips participants with a biblical and practical foundation for organizational and church elections, focusing on the selection of executive board members, auxiliary leaders, and officers. Learners will examine the purpose of elections in governance, the responsibilities of voters, and the duty of leaders to uphold bylaws, job descriptions, and emotional intelligence as a key factor in effective service. The training emphasizes prayer, discernment, and accountability to ensure fair, transparent, and God-honoring elections that strengthen the organization, church, and auxiliaries.

**Prerequisite:** None

**This course is a foundation course required for every MDCI certificate.**

Academic Advisor: Dr. Tara Phelps-Jones

Technical Advisor: Dr. Niares Hunn

Director: Dr. Lawrence Morganfield, III

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## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

**TUESDAY  
JULY 7, 2026**

11:00 AM	Suffragan Bishops & District Elders Meeting Meeting ID: 850 2546 9023 Passcode: None. Call 1 312 626 6799	1:00 PM-8:00 PM	Registration
2:00-4:00 PM	International Missions President: Elder Crystal J. Swanigan Location: Sanctuary	2:00-4:00 PM	<i>Health Professionals</i> President: Evangelist Sharonda N. Littleton-Downer Location: Room 112
4:00-6:45PM	Dinner Break		
6:45 PM	Fire Starters Prayer: Pastor Mona Bryant and Intercessory Prayer Team		
7:00 PM	Evening Worship President: Elder Steward Stiles, III Randy Weston & Judah Band Concert Indianapolis, IN		

**WEDNESDAY  
JULY 8, 2026**

9:00 AM	MDC Prayer Line Call 1 312 626 6799 (Chicago) 1 646 558 8656 (New York) Meeting ID: 876 7268 4029	9:30 AM-8:00 PM	Registration
2:00-4:00 PM	<i>Missionary &amp; Christian Women</i> <i>Location: Sanctuary</i> President: Dr. Tara Phelps-Jones	10:00 -11:30 AM	General Business Meeting Location: Sanctuary
2:00-4:00 PM	<i>Men's Ministry</i> <i>Location: Room 112</i> President: Brother Jeffrey Everett	11:30 AM -1:30 PM	Lunch Break
4:00-6:45 PM	Dinner Break		
6:45-7:00 PM	Fire Starters Prayer: Pastor Mona Bryant and Intercessory Prayer Team		
7:00 PM	Evening Worship Speaker: Evangelist Sandra Riley Just For U Ministries Chicago, IL		

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**THURSDAY  
JULY 9, 2026**

9:00 AM	MDC Prayer Line Call 1 312 626 6799 (Chicago) 1 646 558 8656 (New York) Meeting ID: 876 7268 4029	1:00 PM-8:00 PM	Registration
2:00-4:00 PM	<i>Pastors' Advisory Board Meeting</i> All MDC Pastors Facilitator: Pastor Deborah Burch Advisory Board Chairman Location: Room 112	2:00-4:00 PM	<i>Usher Board</i> President: Minister Athalia Harrell Location: Room 117
2:00-4:00 PM	<i>Christian Education</i> President: Elder Herbert "Skip" Brown Location: Sanctuary		
4:00-6:45PM	Dinner Break		
6:45-7:00 PM	Fire Starters Prayer: Pastor Mona Bryant and Intercessory Prayer Team		
7:00 PM	Evening Worship Speaker: Suffragan Bishop Ronald E. Stephens Temple Church of Christ St. Louis, MO		

**FRIDAY  
JULY 10, 2026**

9:00 AM	MDC Prayer Line Call 1 312 626 6799 (Chicago) 1 646 558 8656 (New York) Meeting ID: 876 7268 4029	9:30 AM-8:00 PM	Registration
2:00-4:00 PM	<i>Ministers' Wives &amp; Ministers' Widows</i> President: First Lady Wanda Cummings Location: Room 112	10:00-11:30 AM	General Business Meeting Location: Sanctuary
2:00-4:00PM	<i>Singles' Ministry</i> Executive Pastor LaMyeia Bradshaw Singles' Ministry President Location:	11:30 AM -1:30 PM	Lunch Break
4:00-6:45 PM	Dinner Break		
6:45-7:00 PM	Fire Starters Prayer: Pastor Mona Bryant and Intercessory Prayer Team		
7:00 PM	Evening Worship Speaker: Diocesan Bishop Larry O. Jones Greater Grace Church Ferguson, MO		



2026 COUNCIL DATES

# UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 7-11

SPRING CONFERENCE

JULY 6-10

SUMMER CONFERENCE

JULY 19-25

PAW CONVENTION

NOVEMBER 3-7

FALL CONFERENCE

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Sis. Calandra Flanigan, MDC Program Coordinator  
Eld. Gerald Ledford, Jr., Registration Coordinator**



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## Tuesday, July 7, 2026 Young People's Night

### Order of Service

EVENING WORSHIP 7:00 P.M.

- Fire Starters Prayer.....MDCPYPU
- Praise & Worship.....Neicy Robertson
- Welcome.....Bishop Larry O. Jones & Executive Board
- Offering.....MDCPYPU Staff
- Announcements.....MDCPYPU Staff
- MDC Concert.....Randy Weston & Judah Band
- Benediction .....Pulpit



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## Wednesday, July 8, 2026

### Women's Night

### Order of Service

EVENING WORSHIP 7:00 P.M.

Fire Starters Prayer.....	Pastor Mona Bryant
Master of Ceremonies.....	Evangelist Morristine Hunter
Prayer & Scripture.....	Evangelist Vanteen Bailey
Praise & Worship.....	MDC Praise Team
Welcome.....	Dr. Tara Phelps-Jones
Selection.....	MDC Choir
Offertory.....	First Lady Dorretta Stephens
Announcements.....	Sis. Calandra Flanigan
Introduction of Speaker.....	First Lady Nina Jones
Selection.....	MDC Choir
Keynote Speaker.....	Pastor Sandra Riley Just For U Ministries
Call to Discipleship.....	Pastor Sandra Riley Outreach & Evangelism Staff
Special Remarks.....	Bishop Larry O. Jones Diocesan
Benediction.....	Pulpit



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## Thursday, July 9, 2026 Unity Night

### Order of Service

EVENING WORSHIP 7:00 P.M.

- Fire Starters Prayer.....Pastor Mona Bryant
- Prayer & Scripture.....Elder Caleb Kirksey
- Master of Ceremonies..... Suffragan Bishop Charles J. Cummings  
2nd Vice Chairman
- Praise & Worship.....MDC Praise Team
- Selection.....MDC Choir
- Offertory.....Bishop Larry O. Jones  
Diocesan
- Announcements.....Sis. Calandra Flanigan
- Selection.....MDC Choir
- Keynote Speaker.....Suffragan Bishop Ronald E. Stephens  
Temple Church of Christ
- Call to Discipleship.....Suffragan Bishop Ronald E. Stephens  
Outreach & Evangelism Staff
- Benediction.....Pulpit



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## Friday, July 10, 2026 Bishop's Night Order of Service

EVENING WORSHIP 7:00 P.M.

Fire Starters Prayer.....	Pastor Mona Bryant
Prayer & Scripture.....	Elder Caleb Kirksey
Master of Ceremonies.....	Suffragan Bishop Ronald E. Stephens Chairman
Praise & Worship.....	MDC Praise Team
Selection.....	MDC Choir
Offertory.....	Suffragan Bishop Julian R. Johnson 1st Vice Chairman
Announcements.....	Sis. Calandra Flanigan
Selection.....	MDC Choir
Keynote Speaker.....	Bishop Larry O. Jones Greater Grace Church
Call to Discipleship.....	Bishop Larry O. Jones Outreach & Evangelism Staff
Benediction.....	Pulpit

# Executive Board Members



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# Auxiliary Presidents



Evangelist Crystal J. Swanigan  
International Missions



Pastor Angela Parker  
Evangelism and Outreach



Elder Steward Stiles III  
Young People's Union

*District Elder Delk Webb – Auxiliary Director*



Dr. Tara Phelps-Jones  
Missionary and Christian Women

*Pastor Clarice Howard – Auxiliary Director*



Brother Jeffrey Everett  
Men's Ministry

*Pastor Perris Parker – Auxiliary Director*



Sis. Calandra Mitchell-Flanigan  
MDC Programming Coordinator



Elder Herbert "Skip" Brown  
Christian Education

*Suffragan Bishop Illona Dickson – Auxiliary Director*



Minister Athalia Harrell  
Usher Board

*District Elder Ronnie Carter – Auxiliary Director*



Brother Darren Littles  
Music & Sacred Arts



Evangelist Sharonda Downer  
Health Professionals



Executive Pastor LaMyeia Bradshaw  
Singles' Ministry

*Pastor Mary Young – Auxiliary Director*



First Lady Wanda Cummings  
Ministers' Wives & Widows

*District Elder May Johnson – Auxiliary Director*



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Pastor David Battle  
Pastor Lonnie Grant  
Pastor Gary Hill  
Pastor Perris Parker  
Pastor Joe L. Rice Jr.  
Pastor Dr. Jeanette Taylor  
Pastor Vera Turner

## **Jurisdiction #2**

### ***Jurisdictional Bishop Oscar Houston, Jr.***

Suffragan Bishop Robert Nelson (Emeritus)  
Suffragan Bishop James Coats  
Pastor David Berry  
Pastor Dorothy Brown  
Pastor Deborah Burch  
Pastor Jerry Davis  
Pastor Dorothy Matthews  
Pastor Kimberly Matthews-Smith  
Pastor James Taylor

## **Jurisdiction #3**

### ***Jurisdictional Bishop Eric F. Battle***

Bishop Jesse Battle, Jr.  
Bishop Robert K. Buckner, Sr.  
Suffragan Bishop Paul H. Evans (Emeritus)  
Suffragan Bishop Julian R. Johnson  
District Elder Robert Buckner Jr.  
District Elder Harmon Swanigan  
District Elder Delk Webb  
Pastor Devone Cruesoe  
Pastor Carlton Francis  
Pastor Angela Parker

## **Jurisdiction #4**

### ***Jurisdictional Bishop Illona W. Dickson***

District Elder LaTunya Farr  
District Elder May E. Johnson  
Pastor Mona Bryant  
Pastor Byron Dodson  
Pastor Felicia Gay  
Pastor Doris Gilmore-Graham  
Pastor Clarice Howard  
Pastor Mark Simmons  
Pastor Deborah Smith

## **Jurisdiction #5**

### ***Jurisdictional Bishop Gregory Wells***

Bishop Lawrence Brown, Jr. & Pastor Tanya Brown  
Suffragan Bishop Ronnie Carter  
Suffragan Bishop James Gordon  
District Elder Anthony Fields  
District Elder Gregory Gardner  
District Elder Lazeal Moore (Emeritus)  
District Elder Anthony D. Pettiford, Sr.  
District Elder Allen E. Rudd  
Pastor Kenneth Campbell  
Pastor LeRoy Lattin  
Pastor Angela Pittman-Essien  
Pastor Byron Thompson  
Pastor Mary Young

## **Jurisdiction #6**

### ***Jurisdictional Bishop Charles J. Cummings***

Diocesan Bishop Larry O. Jones  
District Elder LaRue Sutherlin  
Bishop Glen Allen  
Pastor Beverly Dillard  
Pastor Ruby Harvey  
Pastor Ronald Neal  
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