

MEMORANDUM

TO: Second Episcopal District Family

FROM: James Levert Davis

Servant Bishop

DATE: May 16, 2017

SUBJECT: Registration for Summer Summit & Help for Historical

Institutions

Please read carefully this urgent **Two-Fold Purpose Memorandum which addresses Registration for Summer Summit 2017** and **Help for Historical Institutions.** And we request that you give it your immediate attention and response!

Registration for Summer Summit – July 17-20, 2017 Hampton University (VA) Youth under the age of 17 must be registered by June 1, 2017, with Health Forms in a completed packet, if they are staying on the Hampton University Campus. The Health Forms must be signed by a physician to meet Hampton University's health clearance requirement. Registration packets are due in the Episcopal District Office on or before June 1, 2017.

Registration packets as well as explanations related to the Summit, are available on the Second Episcopal District Website: www.ame2.com. For your convenience, you can access the packet and print them out. Mail completed registration packets to the following address:

Summer Summit 2017 Registration

Second Episcopal District – AME Church PO Box 34247 Washington, DC 20043

For stewards and trustees, a **One Day Pass will be issued to those who are attending the workshops only.** We are asking for a donation of \$20.00 to help cover costs of printing the hand-out materials. The workshop will take place on Tuesday, July 18th in two (2) sessions: 10:00 am-12:00p.m. and 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. The courses will be facilitated by Bishop Clement W. Fugh, Bishop James L. Davis and Mrs. Cynthia Gordon-Floyd. All stewards and trustees are

encouraged to attend. This is **NOT** a requirement; however, this would be a tremendous opportunity to heighten awareness, refresh your skills and gain new insights.

Due to the constant movement of the meetings and workshops on the Hampton University campus, we will **NOT** have vendors this year.

To reiterate, Summer Summit 2017 is designed for everyone. The District has planned the following stimulating programs: Christian Debutante & Masters Ceremony, Planning Meeting, Minister's Retreat, Christian Leadership and Training (CEC) for Stewards and Trustees, and special leadership sessions.

HELP FOR HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONS i.e. the NAACP, and the Legal Aid Society (Free-Will Love Offering)

As the saying goes, "Together, we are so much more than the sum of our parts." The 2nd Episcopal District agreed to "Help for Historical Institutions" such as the NAACP and Legal Aid Society by collecting a free-will offering in our churches on the First Sunday in June 2017. Please make your checks payable to the 2nd Episcopal District AME Church; and in the memo line write "Help for Historical Institutions". The District has asked each pastor to submit the church's offering to his/her presiding elder. The presiding elders will report the funds to the Second Episcopal District Office. Subsequently, a check will be written to the "Help for Historical Institutions" recipient. The awards of these offerings will be made during the Summer Summit 2017, at Hampton University in Hampton, VA.

Let us be ever mindful that we are facing critical times in our nation's current political climate. Our core values are being threatened. In these times, the AME church, as it has in the past, must rise up as a potent force in our nation and the world. These times call for us to be more united, more visible, and more forceful than ever before.

May God continue to bless our resources, empower and give us the strength to help those historical institutions that we hope to save and the world we wish to build for our children and future generations.

Thank you for your generous spirit of giving in the past and for your never-give-up-spirit that so defines African Methodism all across the globe.

If you have questions about **Registration for 2017 Summit** and the **Help for Historical Institutions**, please call the Second Episcopal District Headquarters at 202-842-3788.

