



## **WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE LAY ORGANIZATION**

November 15, 2017

I greet you in the Mighty and Matchless name of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ!

The Western North Carolina Conference Lay Organization 2018 membership drive has begun! Membership dues are \$6.00 for adults. Membership dues must be current for voting and election privileges.

The WNCCLLO election for 2018-2020 Conference Lay Officers is scheduled for April 14, 2017 at Springdale AMEC, Burlington, North Carolina. Membership dues must be received on or before March 18, 2018 for election and voting privileges. Please send your membership dues to the Credential/Membership Chair, Sister Niki Allen 2913 Ashwell Court, Raleigh, NC 27603. I have attached an example of the membership roster to be completed.

I implore YOU to join the WNCCLLO, let us put on the Mantle of Unity and use all of our God-given gifts of the Spirit. Let us work together to allow God to be lifted up, and glorified the mission and purpose of our Lay Organization:

1. To proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ (Mark 16:15);
2. To advance the present ministry of Jesus Christ, particularly as it is embodied by the mission of the African Methodist Episcopal Church (2 Corinthians 5:14-20; see mission, vision, and purposes at <http://www.ame-church.com/about-us/mission.php>);
3. To encourage Bible study and to uphold the Bible as our only source for faith and doctrine (2 Timothy 3:16-17; see article of faith #5 at <http://www.ame-church.com/about-us/beliefs.php>);
4. To promote an understanding of The Doctrine and Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church 2012 as an organized source of our laws, government, and belief statements (1 Corinthians 12:4-6; <http://www.ame-church.com/about-us/structure.php>);
5. To teach good stewardship and respect for constituted authority (Matthew 25:14-30; 1 Timothy 2:1-7);
6. To engage the laity in social action ministry, reaching beyond the walls of the Church to champion goodwill toward all (Galatians 6:9-10).

I thank you for your willingness to serve!

The Western North Carolina Conference Lay Organization  
Sister Penny Oliver, President

*Penny S. Oliver, President*

*Wilbert Hooker, Jr., 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President*

*Diane Foy, Recording Secretary*