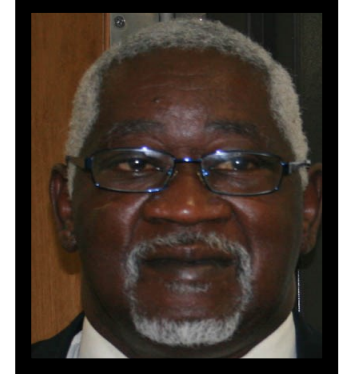




LAY EXPRESS

Licensed Lay Minister Wilbert Hooker



Bro. Wilbert Hooker, Jr. is the First Vice President of the Western North Carolina Conference Lay Organization of the 2nd District of the A.M.E. Church.

A native of Raleigh, NC, he graduated from King's Business College with a Business Management Degree. He received a Certificate of Graduation from the United States Marine Corps Institute, Washington, D.C. in Bookkeeping, Accounting and Apprenticeship in Mortuary Science.

He is the son of the late Wilbert Hooker, Sr. and the late Rev. Annie F. Hooker Perry. He has two brothers and three sisters. He is married to the lovely Barbara Utley Hooker. He has one daughter, Theresa Renee and one granddaughter Nasarah.

Bro. Hooker joined Lincolntonville A.M.E. Church in 1958 and has served as Trustee, Gospel and Senior Choir member and a pinned member of the Missionary Society. Presently, he is the Assistant

Superintendent for Sunday School, President of the Local Lay Organization and has been a member of the Lincolntonville Male Chorus for 30 years.

His love for God, leads him to visit the elderly, have prayer and sing for them. He is a vessel to teaching the love and salvation of God and the Laws and Policies of the A.M.E. Church Discipline.

To God be the glory for the wonderful things He has and is still **DOING!!**



Special points of interest:

- Lay Minister
- Lay Adopts New Theme and Logo
- Elections of Delegates
- Lay Presentation by Lee P. Washington
- Lay Officers

Connectional Lay Organization Adopts New Theme and Logo for 2013-2017



“Laity Fulfilling The Great Commission”
Scriptural References:
Matthew 28:16-20

WNCCLO Election for Biennial Delegates

Membership dues must be received on or before February 17, 2015 for voting and delegate privileges in the Biennial election.

Membership dues are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for youths, 18 years old and under. Membership dues must be current for voting and delegate privileges

The criteria, to be elected as a delegate from the WNCC Lay Organization to the Biennial, are as follows:

- ◆ All elected delegates must be a member in good and regular standing in their local church lay organization (attends ½ of their local lay organization's meetings and pays required dues as set by his/her local lay organization).
- ◆ Must have attended at least ½ of the official established meetings for the WNCCLO (8/2013 – 2/2015).
- ◆ Nominations for delegates will come from the floor.



Elections Seats

There will be three(3) separate elections:

- ◆ Election for delegates for the Biennial:
 - Elect 5 adults
 - One young adult representative (18-30)
 - President, Director of Lay Activities and Young Adult Representative attend the Biennial by virtue of their office.
- ◆ Election of the District Delegate:
 - Only one person from the WNCC Lay will represent the District. This person cannot be

an elected delegate or an alternate delegate.

- ◆ Alternate Delegates:
 - Election of alternate delegates for the Biennial will consist of 5 adult members (same number of delegates elected for the Biennial)
 - Ballot: Secretary will prepare a handwritten ballot based on said names. Copies will be made of the ballot and given to all voting members.

Credential Representative

Sister Janie Wilson, will be prepared to review her records on the said nominees from August 2013-February 2015 to assure all are in order.

Florence Avery– Workshop Presenter on Lay Electoral College Permission Grove A.M.E. Church– Rev. Debora Smith



THANK YOU! Florence Avery

THANKS! Bro. Lamont Upperman
Local Lay President and Permission
Grove Church Officers and Members for
hosting January 10, 2015 WNCC Lay
Meeting and Workshop.



The General Conference
and The Electoral
College Workshop
By Florence Avery

Effective Leaders—by Lee P. Washington

The greatest leader is willing to train people and develop them to the point they eventually surpass him or her in knowledge and ability.

In order to be a great developer of people, a person must be personally secure. Developing and empowering others may take them to a height of their potential that will surpass even the potential of the developer.

A relational dimension, a vocational dimension, and a spiritual dimension characterize the empowerment model of Jesus.

Relationally, Jesus calls His disciples to be with Him to allow Him to mentor them. Vocationally, Jesus empowers His disciples by entrusting to them the work and responsibility of minister. Spiritually, Jesus supernaturally empowers these disciples to carry out the work of ministry far beyond their human capacity.



Growing into leadership

Homegrown Leadership Development

Empowerment happens when leaders teach people things they can do to become less dependent on the leaders.

As people become less dependent, they assume leadership for those areas themselves, accepting responsibility for the success or failure of the enterprise.

New leaders are created and inspired when existing leaders show faith in their followers and help them to develop and hone leadership skills and abilities they didn't know they possess.

It should be obvious that if potential leaders are unaware of the skills and abilities they possess, they will not be inclined to seek leadership development on their own.

Leaders are unaware of the skills and abilities they possess.

Culture

The strongest force in our Church is the culture. Culture simply declares, "this is how we do things here." Control: who is really in charge when you give someone responsibility, do you also have authority? Understanding: Does everyone know where the bus is going and how we are organized, what are standard operating procedures? Leadership: Discover, Develop., Deploy: I do it you watch. Let's do it together. You do it, I watch. You are on your own. Trust: Everything moves at the speed of trust. Unafraid: Fear of innovation. Responsive: Who backs up the traffic.. Execution: Who does what by when.



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