



FIRST DISTRICT
WOMEN'S
MISSIONARY SOCIETY
AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1st Episcopal District WMS-AMEC 2020 Fall Convocation Report

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II Corinthians 4:1

“Therefore seeing we have the
ministry, as we have received mercy,
we faint not”

We are Reimagining!

Re-imagining Ministry

Equals

Re-imagining Missions

Goals Presented at June 2020 Planning Meeting

At the June 2020 Planning Meeting, the WMS, under the direction, of our Supervisor, Rev. Dr Jessica Kendall Ingram, presented 3 **SMART** (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time) bound goals for the 2020-2021 conference year. The goals are:

- Goal 1 - Rebranding, Refreshing, Refocusing
- Goal 2 - Replanning
- Goal 3 - Replanning

Goal: Rebranding, Refreshing, Replanning

- **Rebranding (completed);** A new logo has been created. This gives the WMS a fresh new look.. The new logo is shown on the in this presentation.
- **Refreshing (completed):** WWW.FirstDistrictWMS.org is the new website The website includes presentations that can be used for training as well as all WMS-AME events.
- **Refocusing Stewardship (completed):** A Stewardship Initiative has been established to take the focus of “fundraisers” and to emphasize giving \$100 twice a year to meet the 1st District obligations

Goal 2: Replanning Community Involvement

- **Voting (completed):** Assigned Dr. Charmaine Cohen to work with the 1st District Social Action Committee to encourage all congregations **to vote in the 2020 elections**
- **Social Services (completed):** Assigned D. Ogagan Ms, MSW, LCSW to provide information on social services such as SNAP, unemployment benefits, and services that can be help during this time in our country.
- **Partnering with others:** Presentations held with the Rev John White II and Rev. Maria White for information sharing. And used Layla Nielsen and company to develop the new website and logo

Goal 3: Reorganizing 1st District Gatherings

- **Inspirational presentations (completed):** Scared Stories for Sisters has been created by our Episcopal Supervisor to hear the stories of women who have been triumphant over the trials of life.
- **Having a virtual game night:** This item is in progress. Bible jeopardy and Kahoot are a few options being considered.
- **Virtual Celebrations for Achieving Goals:** This item is in progress. A celebration will be considered when our Stewardship Initiative Goal has been met.

Closing

- The goals of the 1st District WMS-AMEC are inspired by God.
- The WMS-AMEC is not changing the goal or mission but working to continue the missionary of Jesus Christ in this “**new next**”
- The WMS-AMEC give thanks to Bishop and Rev. Jessica for their support to the work of missions the 1st District.
- I personally give thanks to Bishop and Rev. Jessica for allowing me the opportunity to serve the WMS-AMEC in this present age.
- My prayers and thanks to all missionaries who make missions happen in the 1st Episcopal District.