



# THE PARROT OF THE 11TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT CONNECTIONAL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER/BISHOP'S JOURNAL VOL.2

## 2023 SECOND HALF ANNUAL CONFERENCE/EVENTS

### Annual Conferences

Bishop Adjei continued his second-round of 2023 annual conferences in the 11th Episcopal District and below is the summary report of the conferences held in below is the summary report of the conference held in Bujumbura, Burundi.

### BURUNDI REGION ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

Bishop K. Lawson Adjei, the Presiding Prelate of the 11th Episcopal District arrived in Bujumbura, Burundi on the 8th June, 2023. He was met on arrival by the Mission Supervisor, Faustin Sinzinkayo, Pastor Vincent and Pastor Augustin. The next day Bishop resolved to visit some churches to ascertain the nature of the churches and to know how to perform his episcopal responsibilities over those churches. Bishop visited Muyange and Rugerere CME Churches. These churches were determined to get for themselves church building to facilitate and improve upon their place of worship. Indeed, these churches have purchased lands and blocks to start with construction. Bishop Adjei congratulated the membership for their efforts in building the church of God. He promised to assist them with the cost of building.

The Annual Conference opened on 10th June, 2023 at Gatunguru CME Church in Bujumbura. Delegates from far and near were fully present to participate and catch a glimpse of their new bishop. The host pastor was Pastor Vincent Sabagirigwa. The Missionary President of the Region preached the devotional sermon. Bishop's opening statement was about the history of the church, doctrines, polity and structure rooted from the Book of discipline of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. Reports as usual were received from the Mission Supervisor, Presiding Elders, Conference Officers and other relevant stake holders of the Region. Two Pastors were recommended to be ordained to the orders of Elder.

Sunday the 11th day of June, 2023, worship service was held to conclude

the proceedings of the conference. Bishop preached on the theme "Be Bold: Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God". Two pastors, Vincent Sabagirigwa and Augustin Ndereyimana were ordained to the Orders of Elder. Since church building and getting proper place of worship in order to meet the requirement of starting a church in Burundi looks very paramount and important to the membership, Bishop supported the Host Church with \$1000 to help finish up the ongoing projects in the church. The 2 churches visited were also given \$500.00 each to help in building their church buildings. Mission Supervisor, Elders and Pastors were all stipend by the Bishop in order to go back and continue working for the CME Church. Bishop read the appointment and gave certificates to that effect. The Presiding Prelate was presented with gifts from the region. The conference adjourned.

### 20th QUADRENNIAL ASSEMBLY OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Bishop K Lawson Adjei attended the 20th Quadrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church held in Jacksonville, Florida in the United States of America. Martha Maruru from Kenya Region Annual Conference represented the 11th Episcopal District. Though she was the only delegate from the eleventh district, she made a lot of impact with her report and participation in all the deliberations of the conference. Bishop Adjei gave report of the 11th Episcopal district to the general assembly. Bishop requested the missionaries to support Schools, Orphanages, Women Empowerment, Vocational Schools and Church Planting in the region. He also preached the luncheon meditation hosted by the Fifth Episcopal District whose presiding prelate is Bishop Clarence K. Heath.

### EPISCOPAL CLASS OF 2022

In Jacksonville, Florida, the episcopal class of 2022 took time out of their



Bishop K. Lawson Adjei & First Lady, Rev. Mrs. Mercy Adjei

### About our Presiding Prelate

Bishop K. Lawson Adjei is the 68th elected and consecrated bishop of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. Until his election, he served as a member of the Judicial Council of the CME Church for 12 years. He was the Mission Supervisor of the Ghana-Togo region of the Church. He also served as Chaplain of the Chris-

busy schedule to celebrate their one-year anniversary in fellowship and prayers. The luncheon was hosted by the Bishop Clarence K. Heath. The class assured and resolved to work together in unity at building the Kingdom of God in the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church.

### Claudina performed at 20th Quadrennial Assembly

Mrs Claudina Baker, a member of the Burundi Region Annual Conference performed choreographic dance at the quadrennial assembly of the Women's Missionary Council. She took advantage of it to sell her books and the proceeds of the book sales to be used to buy shoes for children in Africa. She represented the 11th district by distributing the NewsLetters of the Region.

### Ecumenical News:

Bishop K. Lawson Adjei, who is the Vice Chairman of the Christian

tian Methodist Senior High School in Ghana for 32 years. Academically, Bishop K.L. Adjei holds a Post Secondary Diploma in Theology, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Ministry, Masters in Divinity and Doctorate of Theology. Bishop Adjei is married to Rev. Mercy Adjei and they are blessed with two daughters and a son namely Justina, Mary and Emmanuel respectively.

council of Ghana, was invited to preach at the Sunday Worship service of Tema Joint Church on Christian Council Sunday. Bishop preached on the theme "When God Speaks". Tema Joint Church is an ecumenical Church body which brings together worshipers from Methodist, Presbyterian, Anglican and other Christian faiths. Indeed, an elite church in the Ghanaian space with congregational strength of about 2000.

### SUPPORT FOR THE 11TH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT



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# PHOTO GALLERY



Class of 2022: From left to right: Bishop Clarence K. Heath, Bishop Anders-Modest, Bishop Charley Hames, Bishop Ricky D. Helton and Bishop K. Lawson Adjei.



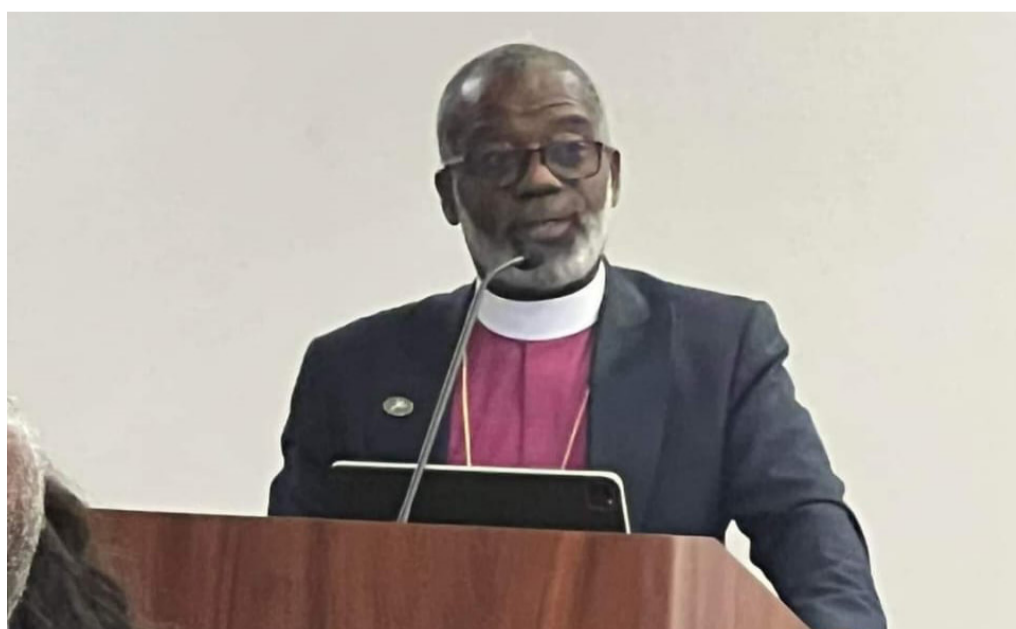
College of Bishops of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church celebrating the Holy Communion at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of Women's Missionary Council in Jacksonville, FL.



A section of the Women's Missionary Council delegates present at the Holy Communion service.



Senior Bishop LL Reddick III and 1st Lady Wynde at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council in Jacksonville, FL.



Bishop K. Lawson Adjei delivered the luncheon meditation hosted by the 5th Episcopal District at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council.



A section of the audience listening to Bishop Adjei's meditation at the luncheon.



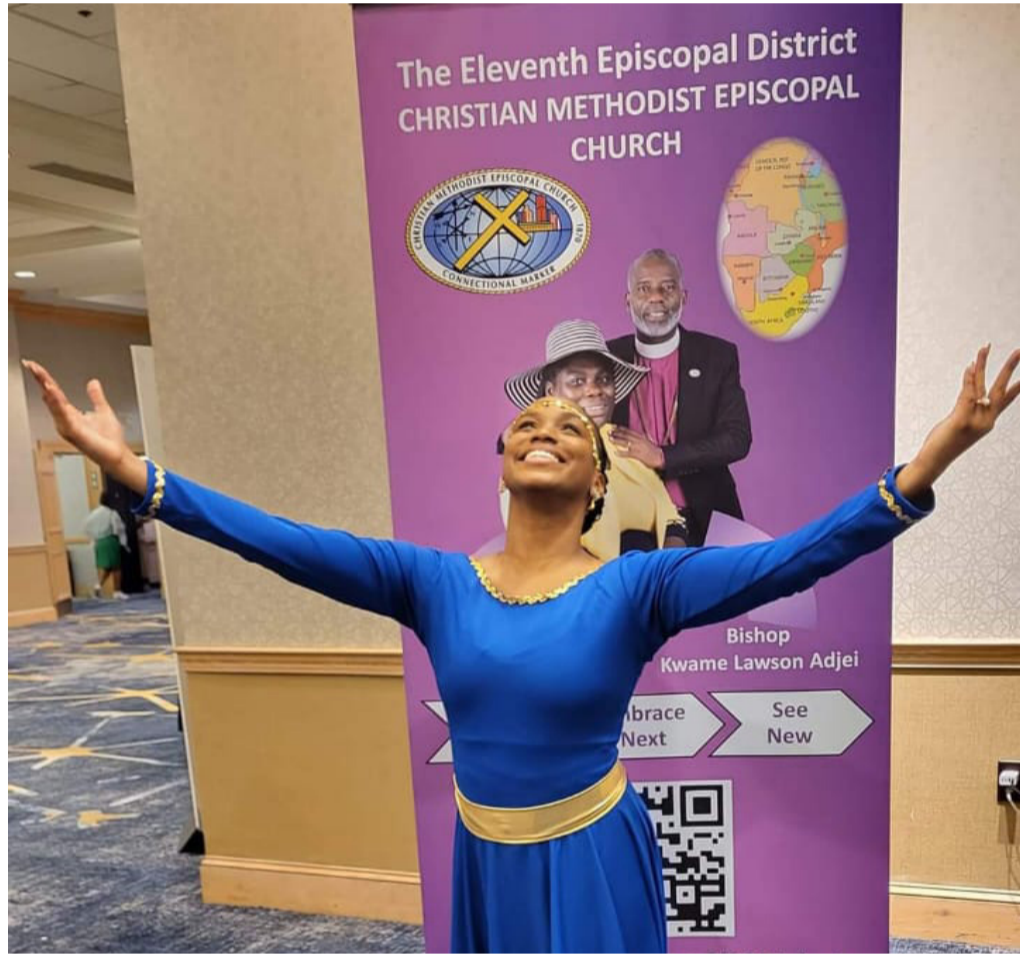
Bishop Adjei poses with Dr. Skip Mason at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council.



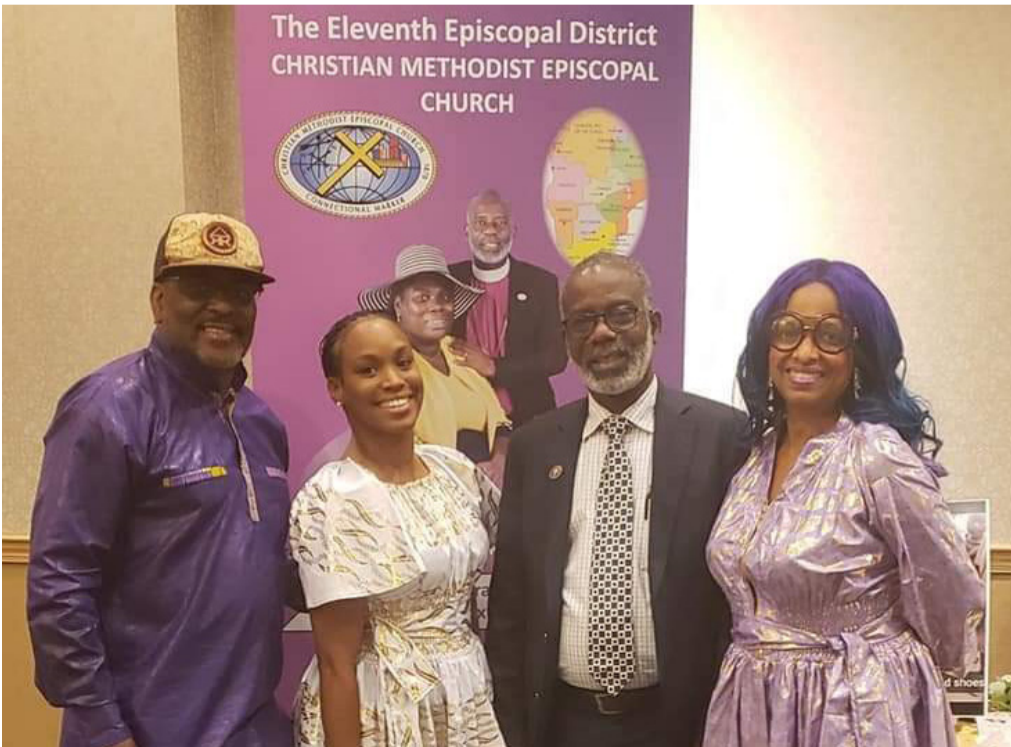
Bishop Adjei in a group picture with colleagues members of the College of Bishops. From left to right: Bishop Charley Hames Jr., Bishop Marvin Thomas, Bishop Sylvester Williams Sr.- Chair of the College of Bishops and Bishop K. Lawson Adjei.



Some members of the class of 2022 poses with Bishop Adjei at the stand of 11th Episcopal District in Jacksonville, FL.



Mrs Claudina Baker displays her choreographic skills in front of the puller banner of the 11th Episcopal District at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council.



Bishop poses with the Harrisons, all members of the 11th Episcopal District present at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council.



Bishop Heath poses with Mrs Claudina before the puller banner of the 11th Episcopal District at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council in Florida.



Bishop is delivering his sermon at Tema Joint Church in Ghana.



Bishop poses with Presiding Elder, Dr. Mawuli Coffie of Tema Joint Church, who is his high school classmate.



Bishop Adjei in front of the puller banner of the 11th Episcopal District at the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council in Jacksonville, FL.



Bishop poses with Martha Maruru, the only delegate from the 11th District to the 20th Quardrennial Assembly of the Women's Missionary Council in Jacksonville, FL.



Bishop displays shield and traditional guitar presented to him at the Burundi Region Annual Conference in Bujumbura.



Bishop presents \$1000 to Rev. Vincent for project completion of the Gatungura CME Church in Bujumbura.



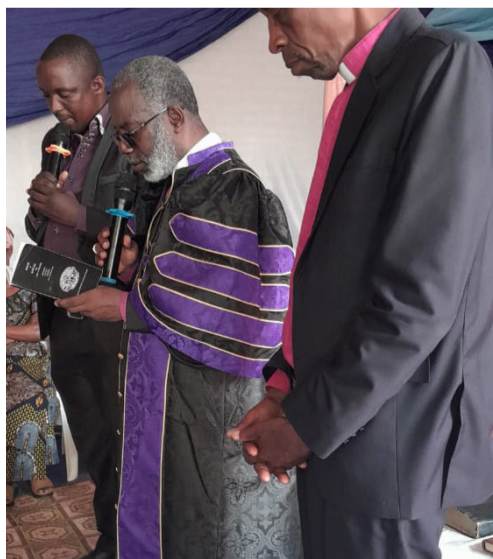
Bishop presents cash of \$500.00 to Rev. Augustin for construction of Church building at Regeregere.



Candidates ordained to the orders of Elder display their certificates of ordination in a picture with family and Bishop.



Bishop performed the ordination rituals at the conference held in Gatungura, in Bujumbura, Burundi.



Prayers are being offered by the Bishop while Mission Supervisor Sinzinkayo stands by him.



Mission Supervisor Faustin Sinzinkayo present his report at the conference.



Missionary President delivering her sermon at the opening session of the 2023 Annual Conference in Burundi.



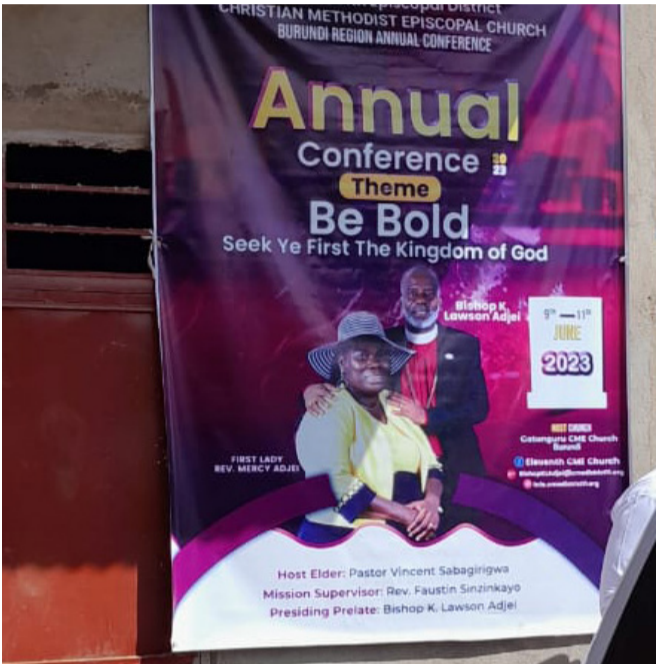
A section of the congregation during the Sunday worship service in Bujumbura.



Bishop at the site of Muyange CME Church, where construction is about to begin. Bishop donated \$500.00 towards the construction of the building.



Children all joined to get the place for church building ready for construction.



Annual Conference banner posted at the entrance of host Church, Gatungura CME Church in Bujumbura, Burundi.



Gatungura CME Church in Bujumbura, Burundi. Part of the funds given by Bishop will go into the fixing of these windows.



Children could not stay but joined the adults in uprooting trees for construction to begin.



Bishop poses with church members at Rugeregere CME Church new plot of land that they are weeding for construction to begin. They displayed their construction gadgets in the picture.



Bishop given rousing welcome by the Women and Children of Rugeregere CME Church.




Bishop poses with delegates from the 11th to the 2022 General Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, his caucus meeting with them.



Bishop Adjei in a group picture with the Resident Minister of Teme Joint Church, Very Rev. Helena Sakordie and other associate ministers of the Church. The Christian Council Sunday was African Day at the Church.



Bishop and 1st Lady Mercy in DR Congo



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