

**EASTERN REGION CHURCH USHERS ASSOCIATION
68th ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

SENIOR AGENDA

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025

Attire

(Women) Black suits, white (shell) blouse, one short strand of pearls and small pearl earrings.

(Men) Black suits and red bow ties.

(Junior and Young People) Royal Blue Polo shirts and beige khakis, white tights, hose or knee socks

7:00 AM - 8:45 AM

Conference Opening Fellowship Breakfast

Buffet open from 7:00 AM - 8:15 AM
Hosted by the Ladies of the Eastern Region
Cynthia Poole, Chairman

9:00 AM

Processional | Welcome Program

Rashein McDonald, Eastern Region Assistant Director, Chairman

10:00 AM

Presentation of the Gavel

Dr. Linda A. Smallwood, PRP, Eastern Region
Donna A. Hines, Eastern Region Director
Jordan Nichols, Director, Young Adult Department
Jaelen Battle, Director, Junior and Young People's Department

Young Adults and Junior & Young People Dismissed

Call to Order

Director Donna A. Hines

Conference Rules

Dr. Linda A. Smallwood, PRP, Eastern Region Parliamentarian

Credentials Report

Sherry Blackstone, Chairman | Corrine Mungo, Vice Chairman

Adoption of the Conference Agenda

Roll Call of Officers

Cynthia Allen, Recording Secretary | Myrtle Allen, Assist.
Recording Secretary

Approval of the Mid-Year Minutes

(sent to delegates prior to the conference)

Financial Report

Lorraine Saunders, Financial Secretary | Melinda Wilkins, Treasurer

Budget and Finance | Souvenir Journal

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Conference Planner

Irene J. Washington, Conference Planner
Bridget Martin, Assistant Conference Planner

Regional Nominating Committee

Ollie M. Danage, Chairman

Nominations from the Floor

Elections Committee

Alex Shiver, Chairman

Mabel A. Grey Education Department Report

Phyllis A. Dorsey, Chairman

Awards and Recognitions Committee

Carol C. Norman, Chairman

School of Ushering

Linda Parker, Chairman | Annette Forehand, Vice Chairman

11:30 AM

State Presidents' Reports

Virginia New Jersey
Rhode Island Massachusetts
District of Columbia & Vicinity

12:15 PM - 1:15 PM

Lunch

1:15 PM

Training and Development

Sandra C. Johnson, Chairman

2:00 PM

Directors' Annual Addresses

Jaelen Battle, Director, Junior and Young People's Department
Jordan Nichols, Director, Young Adult Department
Donna A. Hines, Eastern Region Director

Alumni Department

Harriett (Dee) Johnson, Chairman

6:00 PM

Walk the Red Carpet

6:30 PM

Eastern Region Honor & Recognition Banquet

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SATURDAY, MARH 8, 2024

Attire: Professional Attire

6:00 AM - 7:00 AM	Elections
7:00 AM - 8:45 AM	Johnnie F. Knighton Prayer Breakfast (Buffet open from 7:00 AM - 8:15 AM) Hosted by the Eastern Region Men's Fellowship Christopher Mitchell, Chairman
9:00 AM	Eastern Region School of Ushering Drill Team Competition Linda Parker, Chairman Annette Forehand, Vice Chairman Harriett (Dee) Johnson, Chairman, Eastern Region Alumni Dept.
10:00 AM	Call to Order Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Session Final Credentials Report State Presidents' Reports Delaware Maryland New York Pennsylvania Connecticut
11:15 PM	National Board of Directors Update Pansy Bradley-Cooper, Chairman, Board of Directors Dr. Linda Barnes Pates, National President Willie Strait, Jr., Vice Chairman, Board of Directors Darleissa D. Robertson, BOD Secretary Darrell W. Johnson, Financial Secretary George L. Jones, Assist. Financial Secretary National Nominating Committee Endorsements Eddie Young (NJ), Ernestine Jennings (RI), Willie B. Maxwell (MA)
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM	Outreach Presentation Tina Brown, Chairman Committee Announcements Nettie V. Martin Scholarship , Rev. William Clark, Chairman Website , Gena Randall, Chairman Publications , Jeannette Riddick, Chairman Announcement of Winners and Medaling of Eastern Region Drill Team Competition
2:00 PM	Mabel A. Grey Education Department Competition Phyllis P. Dorsey, Chairman Election Results Announcements Roll Call of Eastern Region Elected and Appointed Officers Installation of Officers Sine Die
7:00 PM	ICUA of New Jersey Memorial Weekend Musical

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1. As applicable, provisions of the Charter and Bylaws of the National United Church Ushers Association of America, Incorporated (NUCUAA, Inc.) and Bylaws of the Region, govern this Eastern Regional Conference.
2. The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the conference in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with NUCUAA, Inc. In cases where neither NUCUAA, Inc. provision, nor said parliamentary authority covers a given question, the Conference shall decide the same by majority vote.
3. All delegates shall register promptly upon arriving at the Conference.
4. All delegates shall be furnished badges by the Credential Committee when they register and shall be required to wear them at all times for admission to the assembly hall and to facilitate identification for purposes of obtaining the floor and voting on various matters.
5. At the opening of the Conference the Credential Committee shall report the number of registered delegates by state, and shall make supplementary report(s) thereafter, as needs require.
6. The Presiding Officer shall enforce order and decorum at all times and shall require observance of same for the expeditious and orderly transaction of business.
7. Any person who attends the Conference shall conduct himself/herself in an appropriate manner. Any person not displaying exemplary behavior shall be subject to removal by order of the Presiding Officer.
8. No delegate shall be entitled to the floor unless he/she rises, address the Presiding Officer and gives his/her name and the state from which he/she comes, and is wearing a conference badge.
10. Delegates shall rise to second motions in the Conference, and shall give their names and their state affiliation. Delegates shall also rise when wishing to question or challenge the vote. Main motions shall be in writing if the chair so directs.
11. All resolutions shall be in writing and shall be signed by the person (s) submitting them.
12. All resolutions except those proposed by Committees or Departments shall be referred without debate to the Resolutions Committee. Resolutions proposed by Committees and Departments shall be presented by the proposing entity directly to the Conference.
13. The Resolutions Committee shall prepare suitable resolutions to carry into effect recommendations referred to it, and shall submit to the Conference, with the Committee's own recommendations as to appropriate actions, all resolutions referred to the Committee, except questions which the Committee by vote of two-thirds of its members may decide not to report.
14. In Order to expedite business, only one second to a motion shall be accepted by the Presiding Officer.

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15. No delegates shall speak a second time to the same question on the same day, if another person who has not spoken thereon rises and asks for the floor.
16. No delegates shall speak more than two times on the same question on the same day.
17. No delegates shall speak longer than two minutes at any one time on the same question (motion).
18. Notices for announcement shall be in writing and signed by the person under whose authority the announcement is issued and shall be given to the Recording Secretary or the Assistant Recording Secretary.
19. All reports and other materials for the permanent record shall be typed and immediately upon presentation, shall be given to the Recording Secretary.
20. The Rules shall be adopted by a majority vote, but they shall require after their adoption, a two-thirds vote to be suspended, rescinded or amended.
21. All cell phones shall be placed on vibrate or turned.

