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# Job Descriptions in the Evangelism

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#### LOCAL DIRECTOR OF EVANGELISM

#### Tasks:

- 1. To direct the program of evangelism in the local church
- 2. To provide evangelism training for clergy and laity in the local church
- 3. To coordinate the evangelistic endeavors and events of the local church
- 4. To implement strategic plans and policies of the local Board of Evangelism
- 5. To see that his/her name, address, and phone number are forwarded to the District Director of Evangelism
- 6. To send a report of his/her activities to the District Director of Evangelism

# **Method of the Appointment:**

- 1. Nomination of the Pastor
- 2. Confirmation of the Quarterly Conference

# **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Elected for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending Local Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for planning and coordinating evangelism events and outreach projects in the local church
  - c. Time for providing evangelism training in the local church
  - d. Time for attending District, Conference, Episcopal District, and Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for attending Quarterly Conferences
  - f. Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years

# **Responsible:**

To: Quarterly Conference, Local Board of Evangelism, District Director of Evangelism, and the pastor

For: Evangelism Program of the Local Church

## **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism
- 4. The Disciple Making Process

# **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability to lead
- 3. Ability to teach and train in evangelism and discipleship
- 4. A proven disciple maker

- 1. Member in Full Connection (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 2. Member in good standing (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 3. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 4. A passion for the lost

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#### DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF EVANGELISM

#### Tasks:

- 1. To serve as a resource person for evangelism directors, boards, and evangelists in the District
- 2. To provide evangelism training for directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the District
- 3. To coordinate the evangelistic events of the District, such as the District Evangelistic Congress
- 4. To implement the strategic plans and policies of the District Board of Evangelism
- 5. To make a report, conduct a seminar, and/or conduct an evangelistic service at the District Conference
- 6. To forward the names, addresses, and phone numbers of local directors to the Conference Director
- 7. To send his/her report and forward the local directors' reports to the Conference Director of Evangelism

# **Method of the Appointment:**

- 1. Recommendation of the Presiding Elder
- 2. Appointment by the Bishop

# **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Elected for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending District Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for planning and coordinating evangelism events and outreach projects in the District
  - c. Time for providing evangelism training for the District
  - d. Time for attending Conference, Episcopal District, and Connectional Evangelism Events
  - **e.** Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years

#### **Responsible:**

To: District Board of Evangelism, District Conference, Conference Dir. of Evang., Presiding Elder, and Bishop

For: Evangelism Program of the District

## **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism
- 4. The Disciple Making Process

## **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability to lead
- 3. Ability to teach and train in evangelism and discipleship
- 4. A proven disciple maker
- 5. Ability to preach
- 6. Ability to work with leaders

- 1. Member in Full Connection (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 2. Member in good standing (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 3. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 4. A passion for the lost

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#### CONFERENCE DIRECTOR OF EVANGELISM

# Tasks:

- 1. To serve as a resource person for evangelism directors, boards, and evangelists in the Conference
- 2. To give leadership and support to the District Directors of Evangelism in the Conference
- 3. To provide evangelism training for directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the Conference
- 4. To coordinate evangelistic events of the Conference, such as the Conference Evangelistic Congress
- 5. To implement the strategic plans and policies of the Conference Board of Evangelism
- 6. To make a report, conduct a seminar, and/or conduct an evangelistic service at the Annual Conference
- 7. To forward names, addresses, and phone numbers of district and local directors of evangelism, as well as the Conference Evangelists to the Episcopal District Director and the General Director of Evangelism
- 8. To send his/her report and forward the reports of the district and local directors of evangelism to the Episcopal District Director of Evangelism and to the General Director of Evangelism

# **Method of the Appointment:**

- 1. Recommendation of the Bishop's Cabinet
- 2. Appointment by the Bishop

## **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Elected for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending Conference Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for planning and coordinating evangelism events and outreach projects of the conference
  - c. Time for providing evangelism training for the Conference
  - d. Time for attending Episcopal District, and Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years

#### **Responsible:**

To: Conference Board of Evangelism, Annual Conference, Episcopal District Director of Evangelism, Bishop

For: Evangelism Program of the Conference

# Knowledge Needed:

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism
- 4. The Disciple Making Process

# **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability as an organizer and administrator
- 3. Ability to teach and train in evangelism, leadership, and discipleship
- 4. A proven disciple maker
- 5. Ability to preach
- 6. Ability to give direction to directors and pastors

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- 2. Member in good standing (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 3. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 4. A passion for the lost

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#### EPISCOPAL DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF EVANGELISM

#### Tasks:

- 1. To serve as a resource person for evangelism directors, boards, and evangelists in the Episcopal District
- 2. To give leadership and support to the Conference Directors of Evangelism in the Episcopal District
- 3. To provide evangelism training for directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the Episcopal District
- 4. To coordinate evangelistic events of the Episcopal District, such as the Episcopal District Evang. Congress
- 5. To implement the strategic plans and policies of the Episcopal District Board of Evangelism
- 6. To forward names, addresses, and phone numbers of conference, district and local directors of evangelism, as well as Conference Evangelists to the General Director of Evangelism
- 7. To send his/her report and forward the reports of the conference, district, local directors of evangelism to the General Director of Evangelism

# **Method of the Appointment:**

1. Appointment by the Bishop

# **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Elected for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending Episcopal District Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for planning and coordinating evangelism events and outreach projects of the Episcopal Area
  - c. Time for providing evangelism training for the Episcopal District
  - d. Time for attending Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years

## **Responsible:**

To: Episcopal District Board of Evangelism, Episcopal District Representative on the Connectional Board of Evangelism, General Director of Evangelism, and the Bishop

For: Evangelism Program of the Episcopal District

# **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism
- 4. The Disciple Making Process

## **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability as an organizer, administrator, and ecumenical representative
- 3. Ability to teach and train in evangelism, leadership, and discipleship
- 4. A proven disciple maker
- 5. Ability to preach
- 6. Ability to give direction to directors and pastors

- 1. Member in Full Connection (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 2. Member in good standing (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 3. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 4. A passion for the lost

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#### GENERAL DIRECTOR OF EVANGELISM

# Tasks:

- 1. To serve as a resource person for evangelism directors, boards, and evangelists in the denomination
- 2. To give leadership and support to the Directors of Evangelism and Evangelists in the denomination
- 3. To provide evangelism training for directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the denomination
- 4. To coordinate the cooperative evangelistic endeavors and events of the denomination
- 5. To implement the strategic plans and policies of the Connectional Board of Evangelism
- 6. To plan, coordinate, and promote the General Evangelistic Congress every four years
- 7. To serve as an ex-officio member and the chief Executive Officer of the Connectional Board of Evangelism
- 8. To have general directorship of evangelism and conduct general correspondence
- 9. To receive, hold, and pay out all money that comes to the Bureau of Evangelism as the Board directs
- 10. To tentatively pass upon the qualification and fitness of Evangelists to be appointed by the Board
- 11. To make a survey of the field; and under the Board's direction and Pastors' invitations, assign Evangelists
- 12. To confer with the Board on how best to regulate support, entertainment, and length of stay of Evangelists
- 13. To meet with Evangelists to discuss how best to conduct evangelistic campaigns involving several churches
- 14. To render a semi-annual report to the Board of Bishops and Connectional Council meetings
- 15. To render a quadrennial report to the General Conference

# **Method of the Appointment:**

1. Election by the General Conference

# **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Elected for four year, until his successor is elected
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending and reporting to Connectional Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for attending and reporting to Board of Bishops, Connectional Councils, and General Conferences
  - b. Time for planning and coordinating evangelism events and outreach projects of the denomination
  - c. Time for providing evangelism training for the denomination
  - d. Time for conducting revivals and crusades throughout the denomination and beyond
  - d. Time for attending Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for planning, coordinating, and promoting the General Evangelistic Congress
  - f. Time for ecumenical involvement and representation
  - g. Time for guiding and supporting directors, evangelists, and pastors

## **Responsible:**

To: Connectional Board of Evangelism, Evangelism Board Chairmen, Connectional Council, Board of Bishops, and the General Conference

For: Evangelism Program of the denomination

# **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism
- 4. The Disciple Making Process

# **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability as an organizer, administrator, and ecumenical representative
- 3. Ability to teach and train in evangelism, leadership, and discipleship
- 4. A proven disciple maker
- 5. Ability to preach
- 6. Ability to give direction to directors and pastors
- 7. Ability as a Meeting Planner/Event Coordinator

- 1. Member in Full Connection (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 2. Member in good standing (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 3. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 4. A passion for the lost

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## DUTIES OF THE LOCAL BOARD OF EVANGELISM

- 1. To provide oversight of the evangelistic ministry of the local church
- 2. To serve as a catalyst for personal evangelism in the local church.
- 3. To formulate strategic plans and set policies for the evangelistic ministry of the local church
- 4. To provide evangelism training for the laity and clergy of the local church
- 5. To help plan, coordinate, and promote the evangelistic activities and events of the local church
- 6. To help organize and facilitate outreach ministries and projects according to the needs of the community and the gifts, talents, and resources of the local church. Those who participate in these outreach ministries and projects should be alert for opportunities to share the gospel of Christ with those who show an interest.
- 7. To help plan, coordinate, and promote the Church's Annual Revival
- 8. To help the Local Director attend District, Conference, Episcopal District, Connectional Evangelism Events

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# **DUTIES OF THE DISTRICT BOARD OF EVANGELISM**

- 1. To provide oversight of the evangelistic ministry of the District
- 2. To serve as a catalyst for evangelism in the District.
- 3. To formulate strategic plans and set policies for the evangelistic ministry of the District
- 4. To provide evangelism training for local directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the District
- 5. To help plan, coordinate, and promote evangelistic events, such as the District Evangelistic Congress
- 6. To help plan, coordinate, and promote the District Revival
- 7. To help the District Director attend District, Conference, Episcopal Area, Connectional Evangelism Events

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# DUTIES OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF EVANGELISM

- 1. To provide oversight of the evangelistic ministry of the Conference
- 2. To serve as a catalyst for evangelism in the Conference.
- 3. To formulate strategic plans and set policies for the evangelistic ministry of the Conference
- 4. To provide evangelism training for directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the Conference
- 5. To help plan, coordinate, and promote evangelistic events, such as the Conference Evangelistic Congress
- 6. To help plan, coordinate, and promote the Conference Revival
- 7. To help the Conference Director attend Conference, Episcopal District, Connectional Evangelism Events

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# DUTIES OF THE EPISCOPAL DISTRICT BOARD OF EVANGELISM

- 1. To provide oversight of the evangelistic ministry of the Episcopal District
- 2. To serve as a catalyst for evangelism in the Episcopal District
- 3. To formulate strategic plans and set policies for the evangelistic ministry of the Episcopal District
- 4. To provide evangelism training for directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the Episcopal District
- 5. To plan, coordinate, and promote evangelistic events, such as the Episcopal Area Evangelistic Congress
- 6. To help the Episcopal District Director attend Episcopal District, Connectional Evangelism Events

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# DUTIES OF THE CONNECTIONAL BOARD OF EVANGELISM

- 1. To exercise general control over the field of evangelism in the denomination
- 2. To promote revivals of religion throughout the territory occupied by the Church
- 3. To endeavor to vitalize and restore the waste places in our Zion
- 4. To formulate strategic plans and set policies for the evangelistic ministry of the denomination
- 5. To help provide evangelism training for directors, evangelists, laity and clergy of the denomination
- 6. To help plan, coordinate, and promote evangelistic events, such as the General Evangelistic Congress
- 7. To employ Evangelists for the field and to regulate their sphere of operation
- 8. To regulate the support, entertainment, and expenses of each Evangelist who gives full time to the work

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#### LAY EVANGELIST

#### Tasks:

- 1. To share his/her faith with others publicly and privately as the doors of opportunity open
- 2. To participate in the evangelism training provided by the local church, district, conference, or denomination
- 3. To assist in and help promote the evangelistic endeavors and events of the local church and District
- 4. To serve on the local Board of Evangelism if the opportunity presents itself
- 5. To register as a lay evangelist by sending a letter of intent signed by the pastor to the Bureau of Evangelism
- 6. To send a report of his/her activities to the Local, District, and General Directors of Evangelism

# **Method of the Appointment:**

- 1. A Letter of intent to the Bureau of Evangelism, countersigned by the Pastor
- 2. Letter of certification from the Bureau of Evangelism

# **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Certified for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending Local Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for participating in evangelism events and outreach projects in the local church and the District
  - c. Time for participating in evangelism training in the local church and the District
  - d. Time for attending District, Conference, Episcopal District, and Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for attending Quarterly Conferences
  - f. Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years

# **Responsible:**

To: Quarterly Conference, Local Board of Evangelism, Local and General Directors of Evangelism, and pastor

For: Sharing his/her faith publicly and privately

#### **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism

## **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability to speak publicly

- 1. Lay person or Exhorter
- 2. Member in Full Connection (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 3. Member in good standing (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 4. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 5. A passion for the lost

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#### LOCAL EVANGELIST

#### Tasks:

- 1. To share the gospel with others publicly and privately as the doors of opportunity open
- 2. To participate in the evangelism training provided by the local church, district, conference, or denomination
- 3. To assist in and help promote the evangelistic endeavors and events of the local church and District
- 4. To preach at revivals, crusades, and evangelistic services as the doors of opportunity open.
- 5. To serve on the local Board of Evangelism if the opportunity presents itself
- 6. To register as a local evangelist by sending a letter of intent signed by the pastor to the Bureau of Evang.
- 7. To send a report of his/her activities to the Local, District, and General Directors of Evangelism

# **Method of the Appointment:**

- 1. A Letter of intent to the Bureau of Evangelism, countersigned by the Pastor
- 2. Letter of certification from the Bureau of Evangelism

## **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Certified for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending Local Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for participating in evangelism events and outreach projects in the local church and the District
  - c. Time for participating in evangelism training in the local church and the District
  - d. Time for attending District, Conference, Episcopal District, and Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for attending Quarterly Conferences and District Conferences
  - f. Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years

#### **Responsible:**

To: Quarterly Conference, Local Board of Evangelism, Local and General Directors of Evangelism, and

Presiding Elder, and the Pastor

For: Sharing the gospel publicly and privately

## **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism

## **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability to preach effectively

- 1. Local Preacher, Local Deacon, or Local Elder
- 2. Member in Full Connection (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 3. Member in good standing (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 4. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 5. A passion for the lost

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# **CONFERENCE EVANGELIST**

#### Tasks:

- 1. To share the gospel with others publicly and privately as the doors of opportunity open
- 2. To participate in the evangelism training provided by the District, Conference, Episcopal Area, Connection
- 3. To assist in and help promote the evangelistic endeavors and events at all levels: District, Conference, etc.
- 4. To preach at revivals, crusades, and evangelistic services as the doors of opportunity open.
- 5. To serve on the Conference Board of Evangelism if the opportunity presents itself
- 6. To help set the spiritual tone of worship services and conferences by voluntary leadership in prayer and praise, spiritual life groups and in informal cell discussions on the grounds.
- 7. To take the gospel into neglected fields of need: convalescent homes, prisons, jails, parks, and streets
- 8. To see that his/her name, address, and phone number is sent to the Conference, Episcopal District Director and the General Director of Evangelism
- 9. To send a report of his/her activities to the Conference, Episcopal Area, General Directors of Evangelism
- 10. To take the leadership in inspiring attendance and participation at all Evangelistic Congresses, whether on the District, Conference, Episcopal District or General level.

## **Method of the Appointment:**

1. Appointment by the Bishop

#### **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Certified for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending Conference Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for participating in evangelism events of the District, Conference, and Episcopal Area.
  - c. Time for participating in evangelism training in the District, Conference, Episcopal Area, and Connection
  - d. Time for attending District, Conference, Episcopal District, and Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for attending District Conferences, Annual Conferences, Episcopal District Training Events
  - f. Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years
  - g. Time for conducting revivals, crusades, and evangelistic meetings

# **Responsible:**

To: Annual Conference, Conference Board of Evangelism, Conference, Episcopal District, and General

Directors of Evangelism, and the Bishop

For: Sharing the gospel publicly and privately

## **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism

## **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability to preach effectively

- 1. Traveling Minister (*Itinerant*)
- 2. Member in Full Connection in the Annual Conference (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 3. Member in good standing in the Annual Conference (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 4. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 5. A passion for the lost

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#### **GENERAL EVANGELIST**

# Tasks:

- 1. To employ his/her full time in the work of evangelism under the guidelines of the Connectional Board
- 2. To participate in the evangelism training provided by the District, Conference, Episcopal Area, Connection
- 3. To assist in and help promote the evangelistic endeavors and events at all levels: District, Conference, etc.
- 4. To preach at revivals, crusades, and evangelistic services as the doors of opportunity open.
- 5. To serve on the Conference or Episcopal District Board of Evangelism if the opportunity presents itself
- 6. To assist the General Director of Evangelism in conducting revivals, crusades, and evangelistic meetings
- 7. To send a report of his/her activities to the General Director of Evangelism
- 8. To take the leadership in inspiring attendance and participation at all Evangelistic Congresses, whether on the District, Conference, Episcopal District or General level.

# **Method of the Appointment:**

- 1. Recommendation of the General Director of Evangelism
- 2. Election by the Connectional Board of Evangelism

# **Terms and Time:**

- 1. Certified for one year, subject to re-appointment
- 2. Time needed on the job:
  - a. Time for attending Conference Board of Evangelism meetings
  - b. Time for participating in evangelism events of the District, Conference, Episcopal Area, and Connection.
  - c. Time for participating in evangelism training in the District, Conference, Episcopal Area, and Connection
  - d. Time for attending District, Conference, Episcopal District, and Connectional Evangelism Events
  - e. Time for attending District Conferences, Annual Conferences, Episcopal District Training Events
  - f. Time for attending the General Evangelistic Congress every four years
  - g. Time for conducting revivals, crusades, and evangelistic meetings

#### **Responsible:**

To: Connectional Board of Evangelism, and General Director of Evangelism

For: Sharing the gospel publicly and privately

## **Knowledge Needed:**

- 1. Unmistakable conception of salvation by faith
- 2. A clear and accurate presentation of the gospel message
- 3. Principles of Evangelism

## **Skills Needed:**

- 1. The gift of evangelism (ability to witness to the gospel effectively)
- 2. Ability to preach effectively

- 1. Traveling Minister (*Itinerant*)
- 2. Member in Full Connection in the Annual Conference (possesses saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ)
- 3. Member in good standing in the Annual Conference (attends faithfully the means of grace)
- 4. Solid Piety (has moral character and spirituality maturity)
- 5. A passion for the lost

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#### **PASTOR**

For the most part, Evangelism is the work of the local church. Consequently, the leadership of the Pastor in Charge is the single-most important factor in the evangelistic thrust of that entity to which the Lord, Jesus Christ gave the Great Commission. Most of the directives from *The Book of Discipline* concerning evangelism are addressed specifically to the pastor and the local church. What follows is an analysis of the pastoral ministry, with particular emphasis on the duties that relate directly or indirectly to evangelism.

- 1. To enlist the congregation in the support of World Missions through the A.M.E. Zion Church
- 2. To encourage membership, by precept and example, to employ all available means of witnessing to Christ and His Church
- 3. To encourage our members to give generously of both talents and funds, for the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the establishment of new Churches
- 4. To nominate a Committee on Church Extension at the first Quarterly Conference
- 5. To nominate a Committee on Home Missions at the first Quarterly Conference
- 6. To provide for the diffusion of Missionary intelligence among the members of the Church and congregation, to hold meetings whenever practicable for the purpose of informing the people respecting Overseas Missions work, to offer prayer for Missions and Missionaries, and to raise what means he or she can for the Missions cause
- 7. To preach evangelistic sermons and conduct revivals constantly
- 8. To organize a local Bureau or Board of Evangelism among the devout members of the church to assist in prayer meetings, in special services for the unsaved at the church or in their homes. Local Preachers, Exhorters, Deaconesses, Class Leaders and others can render great service in this way
- 9. To undertake an annual evangelistic quota
- 10. To emphasize Lay Evangelism and to see that the Lay Council makes evangelism its primary program
- 11. To see that the Sunday School emphasizes "Decision Day" annually in October and undertakes an evangelistic quota for active membership
- 12. To see that class leaders are appointed and sustained in office on the basis of individual evangelistic efforts
- 13. To hold an annual crusade for a month or more for new church members. Coaching, literature, promotional material and uniformity of approach are to be furnished by the Department of Evangelism.

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## PRESIDING ELDER

The leadership of the Presiding Elders is indispensable to the success of any endeavor in a Connectional Church. Theirs is the task of effectively communicating the vision of the Bishop to the ministers and laity of the Episcopal District, and that of supervising the evolution of that vision into reality in the church and the community. As it relates to the all-important ministry of evangelism, the Presiding Elder is a key figure. According to The Discipline, they are to fulfill the following duties:

- 1. To assist the Bishop in establishing new churches and enlisting local support for World Missions
- 2. To motivate Pastors and Congregations to be witnessing Christians in their daily life
- 3. To develop new Churches for the study and the practice of the faith
- 4. To bring the subjects of Church Extension and Home Missions before each Quarterly Conference

While the office brings the Presiding Elder largely in contact with the temporal economy of the Church, his sermons and instructions should be appeals for men to be saved. He should stress this thought above all others in his Quarterly Conferences and sermons. He might leave a lasting impression upon the people, which might eventuate in souls being saved. In each Quarterly Conference let him seriously inquire of the number of conversions.

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#### **BISHOP**

Success or failure in the area of evangelism on a Connectional level begins and ends with the vision and commitment of the Episcopal leadership. A Bishop's love for evangelism and passion for souls is contagious and will eventually filter down to the ministers and laity of the Episcopal District. Among the many duties required of those who hold this sacred office are two that relate specifically to evangelism:

- 1. To expand the Church through Missions and Evangelism by establishing new churches and enlisting local Bishops' support for World Missions
- 2. To provide each Annual Conference with a program of instruction and inspiration emphasizing the necessity of evangelism

Each Bishop of the church also has the responsibility of appointing Directors of Evangelism for his Episcopal District, Annual Conferences, and Presiding Elder Districts. As is the case with all appointments, these will require the "godly judgment" of the Bishop and the prayerful recommendations of Presiding Elders and other in the Bishop's cabinet. Needless to say, these appointments more than any other factor will determine the evangelistic thrusts at the various levels of the church.

Because a successful ministry is always a team effort, it is imperative that a Board of Evangelism is appointed at every level to aid the Directors of Evangelism in the projection of the program of evangelism. The persons selected to serve on these Boards of Evangelism should be ministers and laity who have spiritual vision, a commitment to evangelism, and a passion for souls.