We dedicate this Men of Valor Conference in memory of an outstanding 9th District Man of Valor, Presiding Elder James E. Arnell. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family, friends, and members whose lives were blessed by this man of God. Presiding Elder Arnell admirably served this state and the AME Church on all levels. We will truly miss our Brother, and we give thanks to God for Elder Arnell's service that now speaks for him. To God be the Glory!

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Theme: "Brothers Serving as His Mouth, Hands, Eyes, Ears, and Feet" Scripture: Matthew 25: 36-40

Fríday Night Worship Service
March 23, 2018

Saint John's African Methodist Episcopal Church Montgomery, Alabama

Brother Keith Houston, Host President
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Worship Leader, Brother Kenneth Strong Alabama River Region Conference President

Doxology: "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 647

Call to Worship: Brother Kenneth Strong

MINISTER: Come, lift up your hearts to the Lord!

ALL: To You, O Lord, we lift up our hearts! In You we trust! Do not let us be put to shame.

MINISTER: Our God is full of compassionate love. He brings

sinners back to His way, and teaches the humble the

way they should go.

ALL: Show us the right path, O Lord; point out the way for us to follow. Lead us by Your truth, and teach us, for You are the God who saves. We put our hope in You!

Hymn of Praise: "O God, Our Help In Ages Past" No. 61

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast. And our eternal home!

Under the shadow of Thy throne still may we dwell secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages, in Thy sight, Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night, Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, Bears all its sons away; They fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come; Be thou our guide while life shall last, And our eternal home! A-men.

Prayer Brother Thomas Patterson

Murdock Chapel, Mt. Meigs

Musical Selection Male Chorus

Scripture Reading Master James Gipson Youth, St. John's, Montgomery

Musical Selection: Male Chorus

The Offering: Reverend John Campbell & Brother Robert Turner
9th Episcopal District Co-Coordinators

Introduction of the Preacher

Presiding Elder Samuel Smith Phenix City District

Sermonic Hymn: "I Need

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

No. 327

I need Thee every hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine Can peace afford.

I need Thee every hour; Stay Thou near by; Temptations lose their power When Thou art nigh.

I need Thee every hour, In joy or pain; Come quickly and abide, Or life is vain.

I need Thee every hour; Teach me Thy will And Thy rich promises In me fulfill.

Refrain:

I need Thee, O I need Thee, Every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee!

Amen.

The Preached Word

Reverend Rodney Smith Pastor, St. John, Fort Mitchell

Invitation to Christian Discipleship: Reverend Roosevelt Williams, III
Pastor, St. John's, Montgomery

"I've Wandered Far Away from God"

No. 260

I've wandered far away from God, Now I'm coming home; The paths of sin too long I've trod, Lord, I'm coming home.

I've wasted many precious years, Now I'm coming home; I now repent with bitter tears, Lord, I'm coming home.

I've tired of sin and straying, Lord, I'm coming home; I'll trust Thy love, believe Thy word, Lord, I'm coming home.

My soul is sick, my heart is sore, Now I'm coming home; My strength renew, my hope restore, Lord, I'm coming home.

Refrain: Coming home, coming home, Never more to roam, Open wide thine arms of love, Lord, I'm coming home.

Announcements & Closing Remarks

Benediction