

The Council President's Message



*Dr. Elnora P. Hamb
Council President*



Christ on Every Page

Jesus Christ is the Bible's central character and theme. Some students of the Scripture have said that He is on every page of the Bible. Because the New Testament shows that Christ is the Creator, Sustainer, Provider, Savior, Lord, and Judge of the universe, that is not an exaggeration.

The Law of Moses. Genesis speaks of Christ as the seed of woman (3:15), the seed of Abraham (12:3), and the descendant of Judah who would rule Israel (49:10). Deuteronomy tells of a Prophet who would be greater than Moses (18:15-18). And the Law was given to bring us to Christ (Gal. 3:23-24).

The Poetical Books. The poetry section contains numerous references to the coming Messiah. (See Psalm 8:4-6; 22; 110:1; Hebrews 1:13; 2:6-7.)

The Prophets. The "former prophets", (Joshua through 2 Chronicles) tell of a kingdom to be fulfilled in the future reign of Christ. "The latter prophets" (Isaiah through Malachi) give details about His birth, ministry, death, and second coming (Mic 5:2; Is. 7:14; 9:6-7; 53:5-6).

The Gospels. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John are biographical accounts of Jesus' life.

The Book of Acts. This historical record tells of the impact of Christ's gospel on His followers and the spread of His church throughout the world.

The Epistles. The letters give instruction to the church, the body of believers of which Christ is the Head.

The Book of Revelation. This book envisions Jesus in heaven and gives details of His coming again.

The Book of your Life. Jesus wants to be "on every page" of your life too. Accept Him as your Savior and Lord and experience the joy of forgiveness and true fulfillment.

(Adapted from the RBC booklet *Knowing God Through the Whole Bible* by David Egener (SB001)

H.O.P.E. NETWORK

The Women's Missionary Council of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church has adopted the H.O.P.E. Network as a means of furthering its mission to meet the needs of an expanding global and diverse world.

The Executive Committee and the Executive Board members endorsed and approved the H.O.P.E. Network on February 29, 2008 at its annual Executive Board meeting held in Jacksonville, Florida.

What is the H.O.P.E. NETWORK?

H – Helping

O – Other

P – People's

E – Empowerment

Purpose of the H.O.P.E. NETWORK

The purpose of the H.O.P.E. Network is to raise funds for the building and the maintenance of the *Elnora P. Hamb Women's Missionary Council Library and Conference Center*.

The Aim of the H.O.P.E. NETWORK

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- Lift our families out of poverty by education.
- Enhance their gifts, talents, and skills to become self-sufficient.
- Train our ministers for greater service.
- Provide computer labs and library services to the community.

Location

The Elnora P. Hamb Women's Missionary Council Library and Conference Center will be located on the campus of the Breeding-Montgomery Bible College in Ikot Epena, Nigeria.

Building Information

The building will consist of two stories.

- The first floor will have computer labs, classrooms, a conference room, and a cafeteria
- The second floor will have 32 sleeping units (16 women, 16 men) and a library.

The estimated cost for the project is about \$100,000 dollars.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP THE H.O.P.E NETWORK

We are requesting:

- That each Region Missionary Society furnish one room in the *Elnora P. Hamb Women's Missionary Council Library and Conference Center* at the cost of \$1,000.00 per room and the president and Region name will be placed on the door.
- That each Missionary pays \$5.00 toward the project. (Please send or give \$5.00 to your Region President. The target date for the Region President to report fund is the 2008 Annual CME Convocation.
- We will also need additional donations to purchase the following items:

*Tables, chairs, computers, computer desks books, periodical etc for the library and computer lab.

*Equipment for the Cafeteria.

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED:

Platinum Sponsorship	\$10,000.00- Complete Wing will be named in your honor
Gold Sponsorship	5,000.00 – Classroom named in your honor
Silver Sponsorship	4,000.00 – Office named in your honor
Diamond Sponsorship	3,000.00 – Major Cafeteria Equipment named
Ruby Sponsorship	2,000.00 – Major Library Equipment named
Pearl Sponsorship	1,500.00 – Cafeteria Table and 10 chairs named
Emerald Sponsorship	1,000.00 – Library Table and 6 chairs named
Diamond Chip	500.00 – Computer Station named
Opal Sponsorship	400.00 – Computer named
Sapphire Sponsorship	300.00 - Lecturn named
Jade	200.00 – Classroom desk (table) named in honor
Crystal	100.00 – Classroom chairs.

Make checks **payable to the Women's Missionary Council ASAP and mail to:**

Mrs. Emogene W. Crittenden, Treasurer

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Announcements:

1. Ecumenical Women's Gathering, sponsored by Church Women United
June 19-22, 2008 – Independence, Missouri
Theme: "Claiming a New Vision Together"
Please register electronically at www.gathering08.org
2. Calling All Methodist Women - World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women to attend the Caribbean Regional Seminar
July 14 -21, 2008
Riande Continental
Republic of Panama

Accommodation: US \$126.50 Single, \$137.50 double -154.00 Triple, includes breakfast

Meals: US \$25.00 daily (snacks & Lunch) \$45.00 daily for all meals at the hotel

Registration: US \$25.00

For further information, contact: Sister Carlyn Tomlinson –Telephone: 399-3154 or cellular -6472-32

President's Travel for the months of April and May

April 9-12, 2008 – Third Episcopal District Spring Convocation –Detroit, MI

April 19-20, 2008 – Mt. Zion CME Church Henning (Orysa), TN this is my home church- Workshop Saturday and Speaker on Sunday.

April 26-27, 2008 – Lane College Graduation weekend – Jackson, TN

May 6-8, 2008 – General Connectional Board – Memphis, TN

May 30 –June 1, 2008 – Shelbi J. Hamb, (Granddaughter) High School Graduation- Warner Robbins, Georgia

Lest we forget;

Let us continue to pray for the families of *Mrs. Alberta Jamison, Mrs. Madge Macon, Mrs. Berniece Talley* and many more whose names I do not know, who went to be with the Lord during the month of April.

Remember weeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning.

Happy Mother's Day

God made a woman

With a special kind of strength

It is not a strength that overpowers,

But a strength that influences;

It is not a strength that overwhelms,

But a strength that preserves;

It is not a strength that overbears,

But a strength that endures.

Rejoice,

Dr. Elnora P. Hamb, President

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