

*The Eighth Episcopal District
The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church*

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Dear Potential Partner:

I am honored to greet you! I give thanks to God and to you for your continued investment in the lives of those in your business world and beyond. Our communities are better because of your generous sharing in the welfare and betterment of the lives of others.

The Eighth Episcopal District of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church will host our fourth annual Empowerment Banquet and Fundraiser on Friday, November 8, 2024, in Tyler, Texas. The funds raised through this banquet will serve several purposes. The first is to create and upgrade spaces throughout the church properties to effectively host ministries that will involve the churches and their communities. The other purposes are to support the costs of outreach ministries, including leadership development of young people; support food banks and clothing closet distributions to persons who are homeless and others who are in need; promote sponsorship of early childhood development centers in Jamaica; encourage citizen engagement in voter registration and education; participate in advocacy for criminal justice reform; and encourage actions geared to ending world hunger. A final purpose is to eliminate an indebtedness that was secured in support of one of the major churches in the Eighth Episcopal District.

I have enclosed a brochure providing more pertinent information about the Empowerment Banquet and Fundraiser.

We recognize that we cannot accomplish all these purposes alone, and thus we appeal to your deep commitment to public service by asking that you partner with us in these community empowerment programs.

Thank you for your support. If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Rita Washington at 713-417-9562.

Sincerely,



Lawrence L. Reddick III

Enclosure