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# AGENDA

## Schedule

### Saturday, October 20

8:00 AM	Registration <i>Coffee and Danish</i>
9:00 AM	Ministers' Meetings Business Session <i>Sanctuary</i>
	Women's Session <i>The Gathering Place</i>
10:30 AM	Deadline for submitting items to The Motions Committee
12:00 PM	Lunch ( <i>provided</i> ) <i>Grand Hall</i>
1:00 PM	Reconvene

# AGENDA

## 1. Adoption of Agenda and Schedule

## 2. Appointment of Ministers' Meeting Committees

### Registration

- Regional Office Staff

### Media

- Ryan Shawyer

### Ushers

- John Kalfayan, Chairman
- Keith Maxwell
- Josh Robinson

### Motions

- Aaron Jones, Chairman
- Carlton Cannon, Jr.
- Michael McDermott

### Tellers

- James Izzard, Jr., Chairman
- Billy Humphrey

### Parliamentarian

- William Reid

### Sargent-at-Arms

- Mark Sparks, Chairman
- Robert Dodson
- Greg Morris

### Resolutions

- Dennis Foster, Chairman
- Greg Copley

### Secretary of Record

- Andrea Veliz

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**3. Election of Regional Boards**

**Election of Regional Council**

Election Guidelines

The Regional Council shall consist of ten (10) members. They must be Ordained Bishops, elected to serve for a period of two years. Any member having served two consecutive terms shall be ineligible to serve for a period of two years.

<b>2016 – 2018 Regional Council</b>	
*James R. Izzard, Jr.	*Dennis Warren Foster
*Aaron Renard Jones	Tim Shawyer
*Billy Raye Humphrey	Harold R. Bowman
*Chris Lockemy	Jon Stephen Lowery
Hugh Bair	Carlton Cannon, Jr.
*Designates ineligibility to serve due to term limitation	

**Election Results  
2018 – 2020 Regional Council**

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**Youth and Discipleship Board**

Election Guidelines:

The Regional Youth and Discipleship Board shall consist of seven (7) members. They must be Ordained Bishops or Ordained Ministers elected to serve for a period of two years. Any member having served two consecutive terms shall be ineligible to serve for a period of two years.

<b>2016 – 2018 Youth and Discipleship Board</b>	
*Mark Sparks	David Bowyer, Jr.
Lorieann Julie Lockemy	Tiffany Izzard
*Ryan Christian Shawyer	Tony Bledsoe
Josh Robinson	
*Designates ineligibility to serve due to term limitation	

**Election Results**  
**2018 – 2020 Youth and Discipleship Board**


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**4. Regional Financial Report**

**5. Page 1 – STATEMENT OF PURPOSE (paragraph 2b and 3)**

**Note: For notification purposes only**

Future Regional Ministers’ Meetings shall only concern themselves with additions, deletions or other items deemed appropriate by the Regional Administrative Bishop, Regional Council and the Motions Committee.

**6. 2018 AGENDA RECOMMENDATIONS**

**A. Delmarva-DC FOCUS**

**That we adopt by addition the following measure:**

The Delmarva-DC Theme for 2018-2020 by **Delmarva-DC FOCUS**. That we prioritize our goals as follows:

**F**INISH the Great Commission. This continues to bring us in line with the vision of the International Church Body and the FINISH Commitment Call.

**O**thers Centric. As ambassadors of reconciliation, we embrace the mandate to bridge any divide that separates us. We choose to be intentional to reconcile man to God and with each other.

**C**onnectivity. We need relationship with God and with each other. For this reason, we will be proactive to build trusting and secure relationships.

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**U** rban Reach. We embrace the challenges set before us, therefore, we will not shy away from the needs within our Delmarva-DC cities and determine to meet mankind at their point of need.

**S** ervant Leadership. Heeding the example of Christ, we embrace the role of the servant and prioritize serving over being served.

**B. Strategic Task Force**

**That we amend page 3, section C., STRATEGIC CHURCH PLANTING TASK FORCE by deletion and adding:**

**C. STRATEGIC TASK FORCE**

**1. Church Planting and Revitalization Task Force and Training Center**

**a. Leadership**

That the Administrative Bishop appoint biennially, a ***Strategic Church Planting and Revitalization Task Force and Training Center*** of not less than five Ordained Ministers or Ordained Bishops to:

- Coordinate an ongoing church planting and revitalization strategy in Delmarva-DC.
- Coordinate and implement a recruiting strategy to build a team of church planters, identify Delmarva-DC churches in need of revitalization and lead pastors in need of coaching and mentoring.
- Coordinate an ongoing church planter and revitalization training and coaching process that encompasses prelaunch, launch and post launch aspects of a new church plant and implements

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systems of health for churches in need of revitalization.

- Coordinate a network system for both church planters and pastors in the revitalization program in order to provide support and supervision.

b. Financial Support

We recommend the adoption of the following motion:

Because Delmarva-DC Church of God has made a strong commitment to church planting and church revitalization, we, the Regional Council of Delmarva-DC recommend that the 1% Fund be continued for the ensuing two-year period and that those funds be utilized solely for church planting and church revitalization. We further recommend that congregations engaged in Natural Church Development (NCD) for revitalization purposes, receive a fifty-percent scholarship after reaching specific benchmarks within the NCD program. We further recommend that church plants receiving funds from the 1% Fund reach benchmarks set forth by the Administrative Bishop, USA Missions Director and the Strategic Church Planting and Revitalization Task Force.

NOTE: For editorial reasons, the HANDBOOK document will be reformatted to appear as follows:

2. STRATEGIC BENEVOLENCE TASK FORCE (page 3)
3. STRATEGIC URBAN MINISTRIES TASK FORCE/LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE (page 4)

**C. Regional Layman’s Board**

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**That we amend by deletion item I., REGIONAL BOARD AND COMMITTEES; page 4, E. REGIONAL LAYMAN’S BOARD as follows:**

Any member having served two consecutive terms shall be ineligible to serve for a period of two years.

**D. Regional Women’s Ministries Board**

**That we amend by deletion item I., REGIONAL BOARD AND COMMITTEES; page 4, F. REGIONAL WOMEN’S BOARD as follows:**

Any member having served two consecutive terms shall be ineligible to serve for a period of two years.

**E. World Missions**

**That we amend IX. WORLD MISSIONS, Page 18, WORLD MISSION – “SEND THE LIGHT TO THE CITIES” – by replacing paragraph one with:**

That we accept the challenge of Church of God World Missions to “Send the Light to the Cities – A FINISH Strategy.” Further, that we adopt the city of Tokyo, Japan and commit to:

- Praying the light to shine in every corner of Tokyo ... beaming to all of Tokyo and Japan.
- Praying for the leadership of World Missions, Field Director Andrew Binda and church planters in Tokyo.
- Teaming with our World Missions Representative to reaching the goal of \$250,000.00 for the next two years in order to finance the church plants and ministry centers in Tokyo.
- Engaging this project with on-site participation as God allows us to pray, work and share our light.



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**F. Centennial Celebration**

**That we adopt by addition the following measure:**

Because Delmarva-DC Church of God turns 100 years old in 2019, we recommend that the Administrative Bishop:

- Appoint a Centennial Celebration Committee to plan, promote, highlight and implement celebratory events throughout the 2019 calendar that embraces the past, present and future of Delmarva-DC Church of God.
- That the 2019 Regional Camp Meeting be the centerpiece celebration event that exemplifies our rich heritage, our beautiful diversity and our extremely bright future.
- That each Department within the Delmarva-DC Regional Office find opportunity to celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday during their annual events.
- That every local church in Delmarva-DC consider taking a special offering on the date of their official organization for the underwriting of this year-long celebration. *(The date of each church organization will be provided by the Regional office if needed.)*
- That the Centennial Celebration Committee provide ideas and suggestions on how each District and each local church can celebrate the Delmarva-DC Centennial.

**G. Property and Loan Guidelines**

**The we adopt by addition the following measure:**

That we adopt the DELMARVA-DC REGIONAL GUIDELINES FOR THE PURCHASE, CONSTRUCTION AND LOAN ACQUISITION OF ALL LOCAL CHURCH PROPERTIES.

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**Note:** This document has been approved by the Delmarva-DC Regional Council and can be found at the following link: <http://www.cogdelmarvadc.com/> then click on **RESOURCES/** Scroll down to **PROPEY AND LOAN GUIDELINES**

There is also some additional supplemental material available to you by going to the link above. There, you will find information and suggestions for: (1) Local Church Property Committee; (2) Pastors Guide for Property and Loan Guidelines; (3) Facility Inspection Form; (4) District Overseer Guide; and (5) Leadership Transition / Property suggestions.

#### H. Covenant Community Groups

**We recommend by addition the following measure:**

That we establish Delmarva-DC Covenant Community Groups built upon the following steps:

- Create a place for ministers in our region to find a safe and encouraging space to build vital relationships through a common calling that will enhance their ministry effectiveness.
- Host a monthly or bimonthly CCG meeting to share prayer and encouragement, build stronger friendships, and for resourcing one another for better ministry.
- Create a weekly contact tool for CCG members.
- Utilize technology to allow for (1) easier access for sustainable relationships to grow; (2) scaling logistical barriers of place and time through video conferencing; and (3) utilizing GroupMe, Facebook, or other apps to achieve routine contact with one another.
- Host a yearly or biannual retreat to build deeper bonds among the CCG members.
- Allow leaders to organically grow their CCG

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by inviting those who share an affinity with their leadership.

- Each CCG is organized and facilitated by the leader. We will not assign people to groups.
- Set an annual CCG Leadership Training date at Regional Office to keep this vital ministry growing and healthy.

**7. Youth and Discipleship – Brett Seals**

**8. \*\*USA Missions - William Reid**

- \*\*Chris Lockemy – Church Planting
- \*\*Andy Stevens – Natural Church Development
- \*\*Billy Humphrey – Urban Ministries / Benevolence

**9. Hispanic Ministries – Jose’ Torres**

**10. Resolutions**

**11. Motions Committee**

**12. Adjournment**

\*\*Denotes that presentations will be made after the Ministers deal with the **Strategic Task Force Motion** (*agenda item 6. B page 6*).