



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

24th Annual Convocation

The 21st Century Christian Educator

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Thursday, September 26, 2010

Welcome



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Bishop Thomas L. Brown, Sr.

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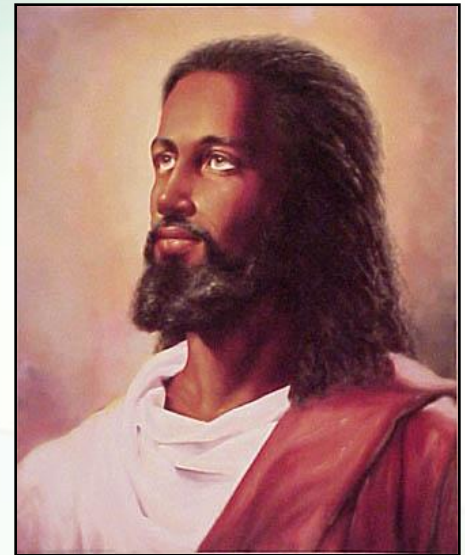
Department of Christian Education

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Activating Strategy

- *Who do you say that I am?*

With that brief question Jesus Christ confronted His followers with the most important issue they would ever face. Your response to Him will determine not only your values and lifestyle, but your eternal destiny as well.



Agenda

- Technology is King and Queen
- Our Website www.thecmechurchced.org
- Our Virtual Office
- eLearning
- Teacher/CE Certification

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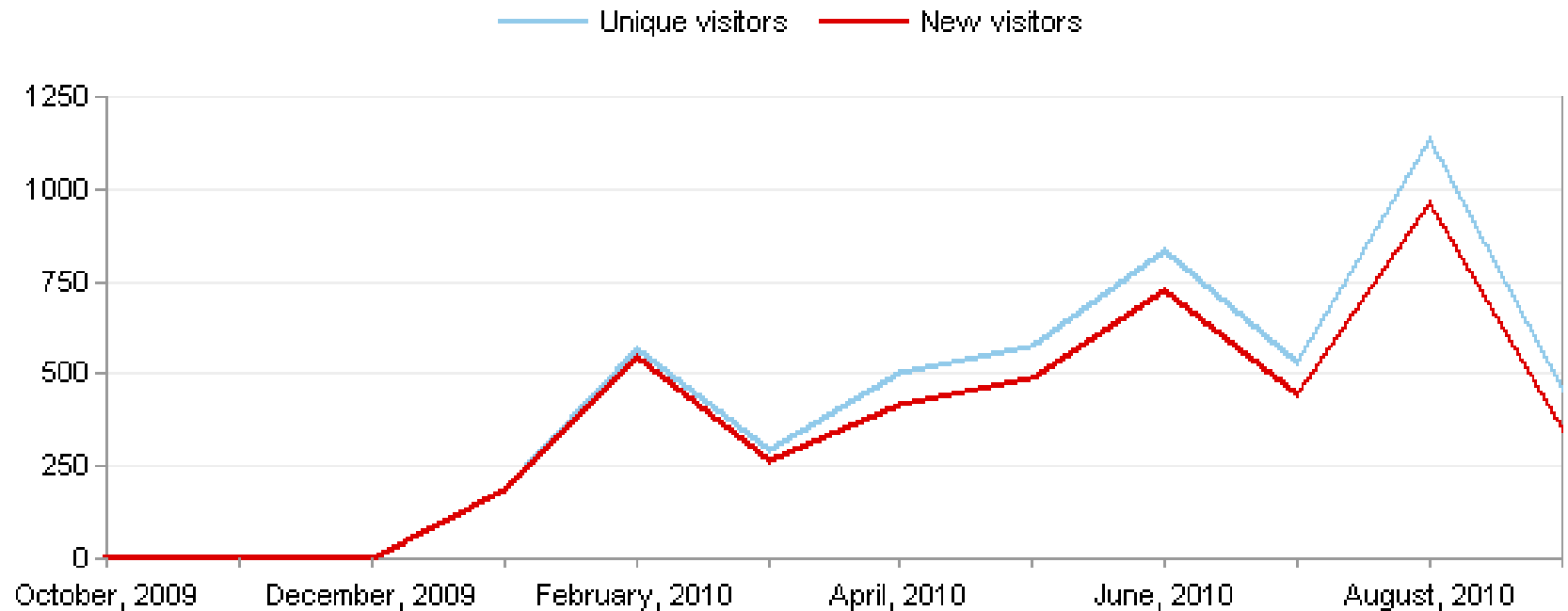
- Small Group Ministry
- Intentionality
- Formation + Nurture + Leadership = MISSION
- 21st Century Discipleship
- Final Thoughts

Technology is King & Queen

- Compliments Existing Talents
- Accessibility (24 / 7)
- Efficient & Relevant
- Directly **CONNECTING** to our Customers



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Since our GO Live last February, over 4K persons have visited our website (averaging 500+ per month). Our visitors on average are looking at 4 to 5 pages per visit, thus totaling almost 24K hits or averaging 3K hits per month.

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Welcome to the C.M.E. Department of Christian Education Website. This site has been created to produce and provide connectional resources for our denomination and others. The department of Christian Education is committed to age level teaching ministry. Our goal is to make disciples through **"events that form and transform."**

**Formation + Nurture + Leadership =
Mission**



General Conference



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Making disciples through "events that form and transform"

Points of Interest:

- 1. **Teaching Precepts at the CME Annual Conference**
- 2. **Resources for the M.E. Department of Christian Education**

Christian Educator + Pastor — Dr. Willy Ross

On August 14th when Bishop Lawrence L. Redick III read the pastoral epistle...

all the feeling and emotions that surged through my inner being on that day as I heard my beloved read out to Giddens. I'll never forget that I felt God's Spirit descending upon me in a way that I have never again...

forms and shapes the faith formation of members who desire to be committed disciples of Jesus Christ.

From the time that I united with Mother Liberty C.M.E. Church in Jackson, from area...

Our Virtual Office

- By combining off-site resources and services, we are able to reduce traditional office costs while maintaining our professionalism and quality support.
- “We are connected to the world!”



eLearning

- Introducing our FIRST Online Course :
“Christian Education & the African American Church”
 - Scheduled for January 2011
 - Training brought TO you in YOUR environment
 - Details will be shared on our website

Christian Educator Certification

- **Convenience** - Offers you a flexible program that can fit into your busy schedule
- **Quality** - Taught by CE Experts (internal & External)
- **Interactivity** - Extensive interaction with CE leaders and peers

Christian Educator Certification

- **Practicality** - Provides tools to lead CE innovations and instructional improvements
- **Innovation** - Seeks to enrich knowledge relative to lifelong learning

Small Group Ministry

- "Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am there among them." (Matthew 18:20)
- Small groups are an integral part of Christian spiritual formation as we watch over each other in love. We offer support so that groups may be more effective arenas for spiritual growth.

Intentionality

- We believe that the witness of the love of Jesus Christ will be spread in such a way that lives will be saved, educated, and liberated.

Formation

- Spiritual/Faith/Christian Formation is the intentional process of opening of ourselves to the indwelling of the Holy Spirit so that we might be more fully formed to the likeness of Christ. It is the shaping of a person or progressive development.

+ Nurture

- Nurture involves the prioritizing of the educational ministry of the church in order that teaching becomes the life long process by which people come to love God and their neighbor more. It involves building up and strengthening persons.

+ Leadership

- Leadership includes the capacity to identify and develop one's resources whether human or material and the ability to mobilize those resources in realizing a vision, or reaching a goal, or resolving a problem, or making a decision.

= MISSION

- Mission is being sent by Jesus Christ to witness and be present and participate in the world to fulfill the will of God.

21st Century Discipleship

“I would have you, not almost but altogether a Christian. You cannot be content with less. You cannot be satisfied with right notions; neither with harmlessness; no, nor yet with barely external religion, how exact whosoever it be. Neither will you be content with just a taste of inward religion.”

Final Thoughts

Thank
You