

Brain Bowl Questions
Ages 7-12

1. What does AMEC stand for?
AMEC stands for African Methodist Episcopal Church.
2. What year was the AME Church founded and where was it founded?
The AME Church was founded in 1787 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
3. Who was the founder and first consecrated bishop of the AME Church?
The founder and first consecrated bishop of the AME Church was Richard Allen.
4. Name the three men who walked out of St. George's with Richard Allen.
Darus Ginnings, Absalom Jones and William White.
5. Who was the first missionary of the AME Church?
The first missionary of the AME Church was Sarah Allen.
6. What Episcopal District do you reside in and what state comprises it along with the Bahama Islands? **I reside in the Eleventh Episcopal District which is the state of Florida along with the Bahama Islands.**
7. Who is the Presiding Bishop of the Eleventh Episcopal District?
The Right Reverend McKinley Young is the presiding bishop of the Eleventh Episcopal District.
8. Name the active bishops from Florida and the year they were elected.
Bishop Adam Jefferson Richardson elected the 115th Bishop in 1996
Bishop Samuel Lawrence Green, Sr., elected the 125th Bishop in 2004
Bishop John Franklin White, Sr. elected the 130th Bishop in 2008
9. How long did Dr. Anne E. Heath of St. Petersburg serve as President of the Connectional Women's Missionary Society? **Dr. Anne E. Heath served 26 years from 1945--1971**
10. Who is the Supervisor of the Eleventh Episcopal District?
Dr. Dorothy Jackson Young is the Supervisor of the Eleventh Episcopal District.
11. Who is the Connectional WMS President?
Mrs. Jamesina Evans is the Connectional WMS President
12. Who is our Episcopal WMS President?
Mrs. Melvin Morgan is our Episcopal WMS President.
13. What does YPD stand for?
YPD stands for Young People's and Children's Division
14. Who is the Connectional YPD Director?
Mrs. Paulette Cryer is the Connectional YPD Director
15. Who is the Connectional YPD President?
Mr. Reginald Cleaver is the Connectional YPD President.
16. Who is our Episcopal YPD Director?
Mrs. Sandra Burke is the Eleventh Episcopal District YPD Director.

17. What is the name of the Eleventh Episcopal District's YPD President?
The Eleventh Episcopal District's YPD President is Mr. Jon Ingraham.
18. What is the YPD motto? **The YPD motto is Grow, Glow and Go for Christ.**
19. Name the divisions of the YPD and give the age levels.
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| Mother Sunbeams | ages 2-6 |
| Allen Stars | ages 7-12 |
| Young People's Auxiliary | ages 13-17 |
| Young Adult Division | ages 18-26 |
20. What are the YPD colors and what do they symbolize?
The YPD colors are Forest Green and White
Forest green is symbolic of growth and Christian vitality
White is symbolic of purity, light and faith
Black and White is worn in districts 14-20
21. What is the Missionary Benediction?
The Missionary Benediction is "In the name of the Triune God, may the Spirit of Christian Missions enter every heart. This we ask in Jesus' name." Amen.
22. Name the organizational levels of the Women's Missionary Society.
Local, Area, Conference, Episcopal and Connectional
23. What is the Quadrennial Convention?
The Quadrennial Convention is a convention held every four (4) years by the Connectional Women's Missionary Society and the Young People's and Children's Division.
24. What does the AME emblem represent?
The AME emblem displays characteristics, which can be equated with a significant aspect of the African Methodist Episcopal tenet and belief.
25. What are the basic colors of the AME Emblem and what do they represent?
The basic colors of the AME Emblem are white and purple. White represents purity and purple represents Christ's blood on the cross.
26. Who are the Four Horsemen?
Richard Allen, founder and first bishop
William Paul Quinn, fourth bishop
Daniel Payne, sixth bishop
Henry McNeal Turner, twelfth bishop
27. How many Episcopal Districts are there in the AME Church?
There are 20 Episcopal Districts in the AME Church.
28. Name the Conferences in the Eleventh Episcopal District.
The Conferences are Florida, Central, South, West Coast, East and Bahamas.
29. What is Wait 4 True Love?
True Love Waits is an international campaign that challenges teenagers and college students to remain sexually abstinent until marriage.

30. Name the founders of the first black Masonic Lodge.
The founders of the first black Masonic Lodge were Richard Allen and Absalom Jones.
31. Name the oldest black publishing house and where is it located.
The oldest black publishing house is the AME Publishing House located in Nashville, TN.
32. What is the AME Discipline and when was the first edition published?
The AME Discipline is a book containing the laws of the AME Church. The first edition was published in 1817.
33. What are the two sacraments? **The two sacraments are Baptism and the Lord's Supper.**
34. Where are bishops elected, how often is this session held and when and how long session held?
Bishops are elected at the General Conference which is held every four (4) years between June 15 and July 15 for a period not to exceed ten days.
35. Who makes the assignment of the Bishops?
The Episcopal Committee makes the assignments of bishops subject to the approval of the General Conference.
36. What is the Catechism?
The Catechism is a book of questions and answers for teaching the Christian faith.
37. What is an accession?
An accession is a person who unites with a congregation after meeting all the requirements necessary for full membership.
38. What are five general things an AME member should memorize?
An AME should memorize the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles' Creed, the general confession and all pertinent scriptures.
39. What are the three modes of baptism for the AME Church?
The three modes of baptism are immersion, sprinkling and pouring.
40. What is the supreme ruling body of the local church which ties it to the Connectional Church?
The quarterly conference is the body of the local church which ties it to the Connectional Church and is presided over by the presiding elder.
41. What is a presiding elder?
A Presiding Elder is an itinerant elder who is appointed by the Bishop to preside over a district in the Annual Conference.
42. Who is the founder of Black Heritage Weekend?
Ms. Sanjena Clay is the founder of Black Heritage Weekend.
43. How long has Black Heritage Weekend been in existence?
Black Heritage Weekend has been in existence every year since 1987.
44. What is a conference?
A conference is a term denoting an administrative body in the structure of the AME Church.

45. Name the officers of the Connectional WMS from the 11th District.
Dr. Ginger Parker is the Connectional WMS Treasurer
Mrs. Barbara McNealy Bouie is the Connectional WMS Worship Director
46. Who is the President of Edward Waters College?
Dr. Claudette H. Williams is the 28th President of EWC.
47. What is the new and revised AME Motto that was adopted at the 2008 General Conference?
The AME Motto is “God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer, the Holy Spirit our Comforter, Humankind our Family.”
48. Which Annual Conference in the Eleventh Episcopal District is the oldest?
The Florida Annual Conference held its 143rd session.
49. What is the AME Church Quadrennial Theme?
The AME Church Quadrennial Theme is “Great Past--Greater Future An Incredible Call to Serve.”
50. Where was the decision ratified to change the Eleventh Episcopal District from eight conferences to six conferences?
The decision was ratified at the 2004 General Conference in Indianapolis, IN.
51. The President of the Connectional Lay Organization resides in the 11th Episcopal District. Name him.
Mr. Jessie L. Burns, Jr. is the President of the Connectional Lay Organization
52. Who from the 11th Episcopal District was selected as the Dean of the AME Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, GA?
The Rev. Dr. John Green is the Dean of Turner Theological Seminary.
53. When is the next General Conference and where is it scheduled to be held?
The next General Conference will be in 2012 and is scheduled to be held in Nashville, TN.
54. Name the elected female bishops and the year they were elected.
Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie elected the 117th Bishop in 2000
Bishop Carolyn Tyler Guidry elected the 122nd Bishop in 2004
Bishop Sarah Frances Davis elected the 126th Bishop in 2004
55. How often are YPD elections held on the Episcopal and Conference Level?
YPD elections are held every year except the year prior to the Quadrennial.
56. What is baptism?
Baptism is an outward sign of an inward grace.
57. What is the mandatory retirement age for AME Clergy?
The mandatory retirement age for AME Clergy is 75 years old.
58. Which General Conference was held in Orlando, FL.
The 1992 General Conference was held in Orlando, FL.
59. Name the five (5) types of conferences held in the AME Church.
General, Annual, District, Quarterly and Church Conferences.

60. The Director of the Connectional Sons of Allen resides in Florida. Name him.
Rev. Dr. Henry Green, Jr., is the Director of the Connectional Sons of Allen
61. Name the President of the Connectional Music Department who resides in the 11th Episcopal District. **Mr. Willie Williams is the Connectional Music President.**
62. What is the Connectional YPD Quadrennial Theme?
The Connectional YPD Quadrennial Theme is “Jesus, I’m Loving Him”.
63. Name the annual conference committee that recommends persons to the Bishop for ordination.
The Board of Examiners recommends persons to the Bishop for Ordination.
64. At the 48th Quadrennial Session of the General Conference (2008) three bishops were elected. Name them.
**Bishop Jeffrey Nathaniel Leath of the 1st District
Bishop Julius Harrison McAllister, Sr. of the 7th District
Bishop John Franklin White, Sr. of the 11th District**
65. The first AME Church Hymnal was published in what year.
The first AME Church Hymnal was published in 1818.
66. What is the name of the building in Jacksonville where the 11th Episcopal District is headquartered? **African Methodist Episcopal Church Enterprise Center..**
67. Why was Self-Denial established and when is it observed.
**Self-Denial was established as a funding effort to provide scholarships for students.
Self- Denial week is observed each year during the week of May 7-14th**
68. What is the mission of “Souper Bowl of Caring”?
“Souper Bowl of Caring” is a youth-led, grassroots movement of caring, to utilize Super Bowl Sunday to inspire and mobilize youth to fight hunger and poverty.
69. Dr. Dorothy Adams Peck of West Palm Beach served as President of the Connectional Women’s Missionary Society. When did she serve? **Dr. Dorothy Adams Peck served from 1995-2003.**
70. What are the two ministerial orders of the AME Church?
The two ministerial orders of the AME Church are deacon and elder.
71. What is an itinerant? **A traveling deacon or elder.**
72. What does the term laity mean? **Laity is the members of a local church, male or female, who have not been ordained as deacons or elders.**
73. What does the term “good and regular standing” mean?
The terminology full, good, regular, standing, and full communion, used specifically as well as generally, as a qualification or eligibility for holding any office or membership in the AME Church.
74. What is Love Feast?
Love Feast is the service of preparation which precedes participation in the sacrament of Holy Communion.
75. What is a Steward in the AME Church?

A Steward is a person of solid piety who both knows and loves the Methodist doctrine and discipline.

76. What is a “superannuated preacher”?

A superannuated preacher is an ordained preacher who retires from active ministry because of age or disability.

77. What is a “supernumerary preacher”?

A supernumerary preacher is an ordained preacher for whom there is no appointment available, or one who is allowed to be without appointment by request.

78. What is a Trustee in the AME Church?

A Trustee in the AME Church are persons elected to manage the temporal concerns of the church (e.g., all real estate, churches, parsonages, schools, and any other property obtained by the local church).

79. What is the 11th District Church School Motto? **Our Sunday School must grow and glow, and I must help to make it so. Every member a Christian, every Christian a worker, every worker trained, a worker that need not be ashamed this we ask in Jesus Name. Amen.**

80. What is the 11th District Church School Benediction?

We have come, we have studied, we have learned. So until our next coming together to study God’s Word may His rich blessing reside with you, and may His grace be eternally yours. Amen.

81. Name the 11th Episcopal District Presiding Elders over the annual conference you are in.

82. What is the name of the first black Masonic Lodge and what year was it founded?

The lodge was named African Lodge 459 and founded June 24, 1797.

83. What is the term of bishops? **A bishop shall in no case be assigned to any district for more than two consecutive Quadrennium or eight (8) years.**

84. Why do we partake of the Lord’s Supper? **We take the Lord’s Supper in remembrance of Christ till His coming again.**

85. What committee is appointed by the bishop to review the efficiency and moral conduct of ministers that have been referred to them? **The Ministerial Efficiency Committee**

86. What is the Connectional Lay Organization theme? **The theme is “Refocusing our Vision to Serve the Present Age.”**

87. What state comprises the Seventh (7th) Episcopal District? **The state of South Carolina.**

88. How many Stewards may serve each local church? **Not fewer than three (3) nor more than nineteen (19) Stewards may serve the local church.**

89. What is the term that Stewards may serve? **Stewards may serve for one year and be nominated annually.**

90. This prayer is prayed prior to Holy Communion by all that will receive the sacrament. What is the prayer? **The General Confession**

91. In what month do AME’s celebrate Founder’s Day. **February**

92. Name the types of delegates elected to the General Conference. **Lay, Youth and Ministerial**
93. **Name** the pivotal unit around which the connectional church revolves. **The Local Church**
94. What is the local church conference? **The local church conference is a meeting of the pastor, officers and the entire church membership.**
95. Who is the 11th Episcopal District President of the Ministers Spouses Alliance & PK's. **Dr. Cynthia Griffin**
96. Who is the Connectional Lay Organization Public Relations chair that resides in the 11th Episcopal District? **Mrs. Eileen Warner**
97. Name the 11th Episcopal District's Christian Debutante and Masters Commissioner? **Mrs. Sharon Sheffield**
98. Who is the 11th District's Lay Organization President? **Mr. Charlie Nichols**
99. Who was the first woman licensed to preach in the AME Church? **In 1819, Jarena Lee was the first woman licensed to preach in the AME Church.**
100. Name the oldest Black University in America. **Wilberforce University founded in 1856 is the oldest Black University in America.**
101. In what Episcopal District is Philadelphia? **Philadelphia is in the 1st Episcopal District.**
102. How does Rev. Granville Reed and Rev. Dr. Leomia Kelly of the 11th Episcopal District serve the Connectional church? **They are Judicial Council members.**
103. What Episcopal District is Georgia? **Georgia is in the 6th Episcopal District.**
104. Who is the Continuing Education Coordinator for the 11th Episcopal District? **Rev. Waymon Dixon**
105. The Rev. Dr. Carlton Taylor is the Director of which 11th Episcopal District organization. **Sons of Allen**
106. Who from the 11th Episcopal District was elected at the 2008 General Conference to serve as an alternate member of the Judicial Council? **Rev. James Golden**
107. Name the two Retired Bishops who reside in the 11th Episcopal District. **Bishop Richard A. Hildebrand and Bishop Robert V. Webster**
108. Are the Stewards elected by the church members? **No, they are nominated by the Pastor and confirmed by the Quarterly Conference.**

109. Who is the 11th Episcopal District Christian Education Director? **Rev. Joy Gallmon**
110. What Episcopal district will host the Connectional YPD Executive Board and Leadership Training Institute (LTI) in 2009? **The 11th Episcopal District will host this meeting April 3-5 in Orlando, FL**
111. The former 24th President of EWC is the 11th District's Chairman of the Commission on Colleges and Schools. Name him... **Rev. Dr. Robert Mitchell**
112. Dr. Dorothy Adams Peck and Rev. Dr. Marcia Owens are the Co-Chairpersons of which commission in the 11th Episcopal District. **Commission on Colleges and Schools**
113. Who is the Chair of the Heritage Project in the 11th Episcopal District and a former Episcopal WMS President. **Mrs. Bettye Bryant**
114. Where will the 2009 Post Planning Meeting for the 11th Episcopal District be held? **Freeport, Bahamas**
115. Who is the 11th District's Church School Superintendent? **Dr. Samuel Hunter**
116. Who is the Chair of the Media Ministry for the 11th Episcopal District? **Rev. Kenneth Irby**
117. Who is the Connectional MSA +PK's Corresponding Secretary that resides in the 11th Episcopal District? **Mrs. Nellie Alexander**
118. The Rev. Dr. Mark Crutcher is the Director of what ministry in the 11th Episcopal District. **Worship and Evangelism.**
119. Who is the 11th Episcopal District Director of Women in Ministry? **Rev. Charletta Robinson**
120. Who is the 11th Episcopal District Director of the Allen Christian Fellowship? **Mrs. Faye Diamond**
121. Who is the 11th Episcopal District's Music Director? **Mrs. Sonya Ingraham Cleare**
122. Rev. Kevin DeSire and Dr. Rose Hill are the Associates for what ministry in the 11th District. **Ministry of Music**
123. Who is the Continuing Education Coordinator for the 11th Episcopal District? **Rev. Waymon Dixon**
124. Who is the Connectional Chaplain for the Richard Allen Young Adult Council (RAYAC) that resides in the 11th Episcopal District? **Rev. Sinclair Forbes**
125. Who is the 11th Episcopal District Chairman of the Commission on Colleges and Schools? **Rev. Dr. Robert L. Mitchell**
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128. He was a chaplain to Black troops during the Civil War and the Bishop who proclaimed that "God is a Negro!". **Bishop Henry McNeal Turner**
129. How many times is the Quarterly Conference held at each local AME Church? **Four (4)**
130. Name the 2003-2007 Quadrennial Theme Song that was written by the Florida Conference YWI's. **"God's Will God's Way"**
131. Who was the first ordained Local AME Preacher in the 11th Episcopal District? **Mrs. Rebecca Corbett**
132. Who is the Immediate Past President of the Connectional Lay Organization and he resides in Jacksonville, Florida? **Mr. James L. Williams**
133. Who is the Director of Disaster Relief for the Eleventh Episcopal District? **Presiding Elder John L. Bodison**
134. Name the jobs held by Richard Allen. **Teamster, woodcutter, merchant laborer.**
135. When was the first General Conference held? **The first General Conference was held on April 9, 1816.**
136. What is a Class Leader? **A Class Leader is one who leads a small group of church members, looking after each member's needs, both spiritual and otherwise.**
137. What are Articles of Religion? **These 25 Articles state the doctrinal affirmations of the AME Church.**
138. What is Christian Education? **Christian Education is the ministry of the church that is responsible for teaching, training, disciplining, and forming people in the likeness of Christ.**
139. How are lay delegates elected to the General Conference? **They are elected through the lay electoral college of the Annual Conference.**
140. What is a Deaconess? **A woman selected by the pastor and official board and consecrated by the bishop.**
141. What is an Ecumenical Officer? **An Ecumenical Officer is a bishop given a special assignment instead of an episcopal district to represent the AME Church in ecumenical affairs, supervise urban ministry, endorse the chaplains, etc.**

142. What is the name of the YPD newsletter? **YPD Gazette.**
143. What does the anvil in the emblem represent? **The anvil represents the blacksmith shop in Philadelphia, PA.**
144. Who created YPD Shadow Day and where did the first Shadow Day take place? **Dr. Rosa McCloud Baxter created Shadow Day in 1991 and the first Shadow Day took place on the campus of Morris Brown College in Atlanta, GA.**
145. What is the purpose of YPD Shadow Day? **The purpose of Shadow Day is to provide a mentoring support system for youth by professionals with common career interests.**
146. Name five (5) YPD initiatives we are focusing on in the 11th Episcopal District. **Souper Bowl of Caring, Reading, Economics & Investments, Self-Denial and Ronald McDonald House.**
147. What is a Stewardess? **A Stewardess is a woman who assists the stewards in their duties.**
148. What does the term located mean? **Located is permission granted by the appropriate Annual or General Conference for an ordained member to become inactive.**
149. What is the Judicial Council? **The highest judicatory body (which interprets and administers the law) of the AME Church.**
150. What is the Decalogue? **The Ten Commandments.**

BONUS QUESTIONS - Ages 7-12

Name five (5) of the General Officers of the AME Church and the Office he holds.

Dr. Johnny Barbour, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer of the Sunday School Union
Dr. Daryl B. Ingram, Secretary-Treasurer, Department of Christian Education
Dr. Calvin H. Syndor, III, Editor, The Christian Recorder
Dr. Richard Allen Lewis, Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer
Dr. George F. Flowers, Executive Director, Global Witness and Ministry
Dr. James C. Wade, Executive Director, Department of Church Growth & Development
Dr. Dennis C. Dickerson, Historiographer/Executive Director, Department of Research and Scholarship
Dr. Clement Fugh, General Secretary/Chief Information Officer
Dr. Jerome V. Harris, Executive Director, Annuity Investments & Insurance

Name five (5) of the AME Church periodicals.

The Christian Recorder Voice of Missions The A.M.E. Church Review
The Journal of Christian Education The Secret Chamber YPD Gazette
The Missionary Magazine

Name six (6) of the AME Colleges and Schools and where they are located.

Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, OH Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, FL
Paul Quinn College, Dallas, TX Allen University, Columbia, SC
Monrovia College, Monrovia, Liberia West Africa Abington School of Religion, Waco, TX
Morris Brown College, Atlanta, GA Shorter College, Little Rock, AR
Sizane School, Zimbabwe
Richard Allen Chapel, Dallas, TX Wilberforce Community College, Evaton, South Africa
AME University, Monrovia, Liberia

Name the AME Seminaries and where they are located.

Turner Theological Seminary, Atlanta, GA
Jackson Theological Seminary, Crossett, AR and Warren, AR
R. R. Wright Theological Seminary, Republic of South Africa
Payne Theological Seminary, Wilberforce, OH
Dickerson Theological Seminary, Columbia, SC

Recite the Apostles' Creed

Say the words to the Bahamian National anthem, "March on, Bahamaland".

Lift up your head to the rising sun, Bahamaland; March on to glory, your bright banners waving high.
See how the world marks the manner of your bearing! Pledge to excel through love and unity. Pressing
Onward, march together to a common loftier goal; Steady sunward, though the weather hides the wide and
treach'rous shoals. Lift up your head to the rising sun, Bahamaland;' 'Til the road you've trod lead unto your
God, March on, Bahamaland.

Recite the General Confession

"Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men, we acknowledge and
bewail our manifold sins and wickedness which we from time to time most grievously have committed by
thought, word, and deed against Thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against
us. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry fo r these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is
grievous unto us.
Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, for Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake;
forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please Thee in the newness of life, to
the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen."