

**Don't Miss  
These  
Dynamic  
Presenters  
and More!**



***Bishop James E.  
Swanson***

Bishop James E. Swanson Sr., resident bishop of the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church. An award-winning preacher, Bishop Swanson oversees the Holston Conference, which includes more than 900 churches in Tennessee, southwestern Virginia and northern Georgia.



***Rev. Janet  
Gaston-Petty***

The Rev. Janet Gaston-Petty is an Associate Pastor at Hope United Methodist Church in Southfield, Michigan where she has been responsible for Counseling and Pastoral Care for the past 5 years. She is the first African-American woman chosen to be an ordained Elder in the Detroit Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.



***Rev. Thomas  
Muhomba, Ph.D.***

Since 2006, Thomas has served the North Alabama Conference as Director of Ethnic and Multicultural Ministries. Thomas consults with local churches about ethnic ministries to strengthen their cross-cultural ministry efforts. He educates and assists in developing cross-cultural vision; transformational cross-cultural worship experiences; and leading ALPHA in a multicultural setting. He also serves as a Natural Church Development coach and trainer.



***Rev. Olu Brown***

Olu serves as the lead pastor of Impact Church in Atlanta. Rev. Brown is a native of Lufkin, Texas. He graduated in 1999, from Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas, with a degree in Elementary Education. In 2002, he earned a Masters of Divinity degree from Gammon Theological Seminary of the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia.



## ***We've Come This Far By Faith***

**Celebrating Our Past  
Engaging Our Present  
Embracing Our Future**



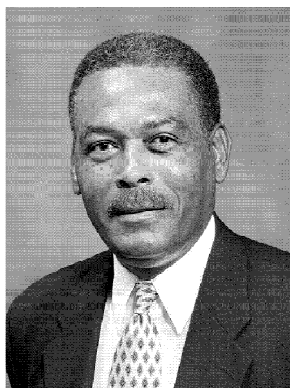
**July 22-24, 2010  
Montgomery Alabama  
Huntingdon College Campus**

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**An Alabama-West Florida  
Conference  
Strengthening the Black  
Church for the 21st Century  
(SBC 21)  
Collaboration**

## The Main Event

African-American congregational leaders from throughout the connection will gather in the Alabama-West Florida Conference for a time of fellowship and learning as we seek to become more effective in ministry and mission. This training event will focus on: Creative Worship, Ministry in the Small Church Setting, Hospitality, Mission, and Leadership.



**Rev. Dr. Fred A. Allen**  
**National Director**  
**SBC 21**

### Who Should Attend?

- Pastor & Lay Teams (Staff, Ministry Leaders, Future Leaders)
- Those who have a heartfelt desire to move to the next level of ministry
- Those who have a passion for Jesus Christ and a dream to see God's church grow.

## Our Schedule

### Thursday

- 5:00 pm Registration Begins
- 7:00 pm Worship with Communion\*  
Led by Bishop Swanson  
Reception after worship

### Friday

- 7:00 am Registration Continues
- 7:15 am Breakfast in Dining Hall
- 8:45 am Time of Praise\*
- 9:00 am Bible Study\*
- 10:00 am Opening Plenary/Orientation
- 12:15 pm Lunch
- 2:00 pm Workshops/Learning Groups
- 3:30 pm Break
- 4:00 pm Workshops/Learning Groups
- 6:00pm Dinner
- 7:00 pm Creative Worship Plenary

### Saturday

- 7:15 am Breakfast in Dining Hall
- 8:45 am Time of Praise\*
- 9:00 am Bible Study\*
- 10:00 am Plenary with evaluation –  
“Where Do We Go From Here?”
- 12:00 pm Closing Worship  
Sending Forth

*\*Open to the public*

### Why Should You Attend?

- To learn some very practical ideas for ministry
- To be refreshed and energized through spirit-filled worship.
- To experience “hands-on workshops” taught by some of the brightest and best in African-American congregational leadership.
- To leave with tools for effective and innovative ministry.

***Bring your team of key ministry leaders and visionaries and see what happens when they are exposed to new possibilities!***

### Some of Our Presenters Include

***Barbara Sadler*** on hospitality

***Dr. Cain Hope Felder*** -  
Bible Study Facilitator

***Rev. Tyrone Gordon*** on worship

***Rev. Mollie Stewart*** and the rural church

With music by

***Jarvis Wilson*** and ***Robert McMichael***

Registration fee is \$75 per person, which includes housing on campus, 4 meals and event registration. For further information and to register visit [www.awfumc.org/sbc2010](http://www.awfumc.org/sbc2010) or contact Susan Hunt at 334-356-8014.