

The Historiographer's Report

SED State's Meeting
June 11, 2022



To Brother Keith Britton, SED Lay Organization President, Our Connectional Officer, Episcopal Officers, Conference Officers, and District of the Annual Conference Presidents.



I was a part of the meeting with the conference presidents and was able to demonstrate what the digitizing process looks like. The Northeast conference submitted some information about their conference see attached:

click on <https://www.7sedlomuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/NECLO.pdf>

This information was written by Brother Willie L. Foxworth the grandfather of Sister Nell Foxworth of the Northeast Conference Lay Organization.

I was able to email the interview process to two of the past Episcopal Presidents: Brothers: Norman Deas and Ralph James. I have not heard from them yet, but we do have time on our side.

In my reporting to the meeting of the conference presidents, I am hoping that by the end of July each conference will have information on about twelve of the past presidents out of their conference. The Central conference already has eight and the South Carolina will have twelve by the end of the month. As for the other conferences, please see our website. It will serve as a good starting place. www.7sedlomuseum.org

I am the SCCLC Historiographer and would like to make sure that anything the other conference historiographers were experiencing, I would as well. I would also like for the conference and district presidents to please undergird these persons with other persons who may have skills that will help them. Also, to aid in the process, please allow them to report on their progress. I would like for all of the Annual Conference Historiographers to take the lead in researching the legacy of the Lay organizations. The interview process works. President Britton and I rolled out the four-interview process to two conference presidents on 6/2/2021.

The processes:

- Interview a past Episcopal President
- Interview a past Conference President
- Interview a past District of the Annual Conference President
- Interview a deceased President

I have visited all of the conferences using zoom and have sent a copy of the meeting back to each conference.

I was able use the instructions to interview a deceased President (the late Mrs. Lila B. Nedd)
Her interview is a part of this report.

Updated information about the Central Conference

<https://www.7sedlomuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Central.pdf>

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

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The interview processes(deceased)

8/29/2020

What if the person is deceased?

If the person that information is needed on is deceased, the interviewer should work with the people that knew that person(s) that information about.

If the person was married start with the spouse.

You may also, work through the conference or district to gather as much information as possible.

Remember you may not get a lot of information, but you should still get as much as possible.

Use the information from the district president or conference president.

If you have some knowledge, you should start the process.

Find out what church they may have attended and talk with some of the members.

Attached is an interview that I did using the interview process of the late Sister Lila B. Nedd.

REMEMBERING THE LATE SISTER LILA B. NEDD.....

Sister Lila B. Nedd was a member of the Edisto District and a lifelong member at Bethel AME Church located in Ravenel, SC. Her parents were the late Reverend George and Dolly Brown. Sister Nedd was the mother of one son, LaBaron Ernest Nedd.

Sister Nedd served as an officer at all levels of the Lay Organization in the Seventh Episcopal District.

She was elected president of the SCCLO in September 2001 and served until 2009. Sister Nedd transitioned to her home in Glory on December 4, 2010.

During the first or second year of her presidency, the SCCLO hosted the SEDLO Annual Meeting. It was during the hosting of the Episcopal event, that the registration fee changed in nature. Instead of paying a fee for separate events, all fees were lumped together. This was a change that President Nedd Advocated.

When she was elected to the conference presidency the following persons were district presidents: Brother Leroy Linen, Sisters Patricia Parker, Betty White, and May Alice Waymer.

Sister Patricia Parker was president of the Charleston District Lay Organization and stated that "under the Nedd administration of the South Carolina Conference Lay Organization, the focus seemed to be updating the constitution and bylaws of the organization. She worked well with the district presidents and was always willing to lend a helping hand."

Brother Leroy Linen was president of the Edisto District Lay Organization. He thought that she led with distinction and had a deep respect for the people, the organization, and its authority.

Sister Valarie Frasier who thought of Sister Nedd as a friend said, "she took interest in the development of the local Lay members and encouraged each one to know their church and participate in the Lay Organization".

When the lights go out and you go back home what do you do? According to Sister Wilhelmina Green, Sister Nedd remained an active member at her local church until her health started to fail. Although her health was failing, she continued to be active with the following organizations: Church School Teacher, Christian Education Director, Steward Member of the George Brown Gospel Choir for many years, Lay President for many, many years, Member of the Women's Missionary Society, Organizer of the daughters of Sarah, and she initiated the back-to-school care boxes for college students.

Written by Brother Cleveland Frasier, conference historiographer with input from the following persons: Sisters Valarie Frasier; Sister Pat Parker, and Brother Leroy Linen who are past district presidents; and Sister Wilhelmina Green, a member of Bethel AME Church during Sister Nedd's membership. 4/20/2022 edited by Sister Sally Wilson