

**The First Quarterly Conference
of Whitehall AME Church
October 8, 2022
Conducted by
Presiding Elder Phillip Anderson**

The Quarterly Conference was called to order by Elder Anderson with a short devotion. The Elder took the time to thank everyone for their attendance at the meeting. The Elder asked if there was a secretary for the Quarterly Conference, I Cleveland Frasier volunteered for the year (2022-2023)

Also, the First Quarterly Conference was held while Reverend Jack Lewis, Jr. served as the supply pastor.

The disciplinary questions were asked:

Are there any appeals from members of this society? **none**

Is there any application for a license to preach or exalt? **none**

Is there any license to be renewed? **none** Is there any one to be received as a new member? **none**

Anyone to be received into full membership **none** How many persons have been received by certificate? **none** How many persons left with certificate none? **none** How many persons left without certificate **none**

Total number of persons joining the church? **none**, Total expelled? **none**, How many have died this quarter and their names? **none**. Elder Anderson, paused for a moment to thank God for no death among this congregation.

Total membership of the church is **89**, total voters **80%**, Affiliated members **3**, Preparatory members **12**

Increase in members this quarter? **zero** How many marriages? **None**. Number of baptisms? **one** (age-2)

When asked to talk about the Church School, Reverend Lewis' answers were a little vague, but he was finally able to say something. He told the Quarterly the church school had about 8 to 10 persons on Sundays.

Does the Church have a Lay Organization? **yes**. Does the church have a Missionary Society? **yes**. Is the church property incorporated? **yes**. Community projects receiving funds outside of the church? **None**

Are all church property insured? **yes**. What is the amount? **\$1,121,000.00** Any indebtedness at Whitehall? **none**
How many subscriptions of the periodicals? **1**

Rev. Lewis promised to give the Elder the name of the delegate to the upcoming Annual Conference the next day. (This would be the persons to the Annual Conference and Lay Electoral College)

Rev. Lewis was asked to explain his other benefits of \$8654.00 he was not able to properly explain. Rev. Murray was able to explain some of the funds. She explained that \$7000.00 of the \$8654 were funds given to Rev. Lewis for his retirement to supplement the pastor's income until he received his pension from the AME Church.

The Elder's commented that it needs to be corrected now so if a problem comes up the new pastor would have the correct information to start. Elder Anderson was concerned that if the funds weren't corrected the new pastor would be looking to get the same thing the former pastor was getting. Getting all the information about the \$8654.00 was still vague but the Quarterly Conference was allowed to continue. Rev. Murray told the Elder that she would get the corrected information, but not when.

Component's reports

Church School brought forward was	\$3814.03
Raised this quarter	\$221.00
Expenditures	\$150.00
Balance in Treasure	\$3885.03
Trustee brought forward	\$17,014.68
Raised this quarter	\$ 5.00
No expenditures	0
Balance in treasure	\$17,019.68
Steward brought forward	\$28,233.51
Raised this quarter	\$26,744.66
Expenditures	\$37,744.66
Balance in treasure	\$17,230.51

The \$7000.00 that was given to the former pastor is a part of the \$8654.00 according to Rev. Murray this was part of the funds for his pension and a part of the expense of \$37,744.66.

WMS brought forward	\$1171.88
Raised this quarter	\$ 156.00
Expenditures	\$125.00
Balance in treasure	\$1202.88
YPD brought forward	\$3759.75
Raised this quarter	\$331.20
No Expenditures	
Balance in treasure	\$4090.95
Lay Organization	\$700.50
Raise this Quarter	\$146.00
Expenditures	\$ 55.00
Balance in treasure	\$791.50

Members of the quarterly were told by Rev. Lewis if anyone wanted to see or view the financial reports that the information may be found on him or in the church office. Also, Rev. Murray has copies of the reports.

Brother Raymond Seabrook, the local Lay Organization president asked the Quarterly Conference permission to give an update about the local Lay Organization. The update was received by the Quarterly Conference.

The Elder asked for a motion to approve the reports that were read. I, Brother Cleveland Fraser, moved that this first quarterly conference approved the reports as read by the financial secretary, seconded by Sister Nicole Holmes YPD director. All in favor, let it be known by saying 'I'; Opposers say no. The motion passed.

Elder Anderson asked Rev. Lewis if the stewards are ready to be confirmed? He was told yes but a few of the steward would not be at the zoom meeting. Rev. Lewis was asked how many stewards to be confirmed? 19.

There were not enough stewards at the zoom meeting for the Elder to confirm them. Rev. Lewis was asked to have the stewards ready by the second Quarter. In a question to the Elder, if the stewards are not present, the ones that answer will be confirmed; the others will have to wait out another year.

The meeting was adjourned by the Presiding Elder.

Rev. Phillip C. Anderson, Presiding Elder

Quarterly Conference Secretary

Brother Cleveland Frasier