



## Wayman Good Hope African Methodist Episcopal Church

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### **A GENERAL STATEMENT of MISSION, PURPOSE, and VISION**

The Overall Mission of Wayman Good Hope African Methodist Episcopal Church is first and foremost in compliance with the general Mission of the African Methodist Episcopal Church as noted in *The Book of Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church* which states, “The “Mission of the A.M.E. Church is to minister to the social, spiritual, and physical development of all people” (2013, p.13). Furthermore, our vision, purposes, and objectives comply with the statements as noted in this same section.

Additionally, Wayman Good Hope A.M.E. Church has adopted the following statements as our expressed operational “Mission, Purpose, and Vision:”

**“Our Mission is to encourage and empower people to live lives that make a difference in this world; and to be purposeful in taking a stand to change the world by sharing the Good News, encouraging and leading people to the liberating and life changing connection with Jesus Christ. Our plan is that we will boldly seek to achieve our Mission and manifest our Purpose through embracing the following Seven Point Vision for Wayman Good Hope A.M.E. Church:**

**1. Sabbath Worship & Fellowship...**

(Praising and thanking God in corporate worship and fellowship - *Hebrews 10:25 & Acts 2: 42 & 47*)

**2. Study of God’s Word...**

(Biblical instruction and Christian education - *1 Timothy 2:15*)

**3. Spiritual Growth & Development...**

(Growing closer to God using the disciplines of prayer, fasting, and meditation - *(Romans 12:1-2)*)

**4. Stewardship Accountability...**

(Glorifying God by responsible use of our temple/body, time, talents, treasures - *1 Corinthians 12-13*)

**5. Seeking the Lost/Spreading The Good News...**

(Evangelistic outreach-- seeking the lost, keeping the found; leading others to Christ - *Matthew 28:19-20*)

**6. Service To The Church & Expanded To The Community...**

(The Servant Church (open seven days a week) in ministry and outreach for Christ - *1 Chronicles 4:10 & John 15:5-8*)

**7. Social Action & Empowerment for Community Involvement...**

(Christian witness in the larger community as worldly issues impact the Church - *Acts 1:8 & Hebrews 12:1-3*)”

At the beginning of each Conference Year, The Official Board and the Church Conference adopt a statement of Goals and Objectives for that Conference Year. **The Goals and Objectives for the 2017-2018 Conference Year** are attached. After Goals and Objectives are approved, the Budget for the current Conference Year is recommended by the Commission on Stewardship and Finance and the Steward Board, and approved by the Official Board and Church Conference. A “*Scriptural Thought*” for the Conference Year is recommended by the Pastor and Steward Board. The **Scriptural Thought** adopted for 2017-2018 is 2 Corinthian 5:17-20 (NASB). Finally, Wayman Good Hope proudly embraces the Motto of the A.M.E. Church: **“God our Father, Christ our Redeemer; the Holy Spirit our Comforter, Humankind our Family”**

*“...And let us continue to run with patience the race that is set before us, always looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.”*