

**LOUISIANA CENTRAL ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
JANUARY 10, 2026 - 10:00 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PRAYER**

**SCRIPTURE**

**GREETINGS..... SUPERVISOR ESTHER KEYS RABB  
JURISDICTIONAL SUPERVISOR**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT ROBERT MOODY  
BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS DISTRICT**

**PASTOR LUCIOUS BIBBY  
CHAIRMAN, PASTOR'S AND ELDER'S COUNCIL**

**TRAINING SESSION**

*10:30AM – 11:45AM*

**CAUGHT THE VISION, BUT CAN YOU CARRY IT**

*ANSWERING THE CALL TO CARRY THE VISION*

**ANOINTED TO EXECUTE**

*ANSWERING THE CALL TO BUILD TOGETHER*

**GENERAL SESSION**

*12:00PM*

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**TIME OF GIVING..... ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT WOODROW DAVIS  
JURISDICTIONAL TREASURER**

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**ORDINATION CEREMONY..... BISHOP ALTON GATLIN**

**INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER**

**Bishop Alton E. Gatlin**

**JURISDICTIONAL PRELATE  
LOUISIANA CENTRAL ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION**

**SPEAKER..... PROPHET C. BUCHANAN**

**OBSERVATIONS..... PASTOR JESSE WINSTON, JR.  
JURISDICTIONAL SECRETARY**

**BENEDICTION**



DATE	EVENT
JANUARY 26-29, 2026	NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS)
JANUARY 10, 2026	JURISDICTIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 4-8, 2026	DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN DOUBLE GOOD POPCORN FUNDRAISER
FEBRUARY 20-21, 2026	1 <sup>ST</sup> GIVE ME SOULS LEST I DIE - BASTROP, LA. - HOST: FRESH OIL DISTRICT
FEBRUARY 10, 2026	FIRST LADY VANESSA GATLIN'S BIRTHDAY
FEBRUARY 21, 2026	TEAM SESSION
MARCH 11-14, 2026	JURISDICTIONAL WORKER'S MEETING MONROE, LOUISIANA
APRIL 11, 2026	LCEJ DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN DAY OF SERVICE
APRIL 14-17, 2026	APRIL CALL MEETING (MEMPHIS, TN)
APRIL 15, 2026	BISHOP ALTON GATLIN'S BIRTHDAY
APRIL 17-18, 2026	2 <sup>ND</sup> GIVE ME SOULS LEST I DIE – HOST: HAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
MAY 2, 2026	DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN PAGEANT
MAY 2, 2026	PRAYER SUMMIT HOSTED BY NEW GENERATION DISTRICT
MAY 7, 2026	NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
MAY 16, 2026	TEAM SESSION
MAY 25-29, 2026	INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CONVENTION – SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
JUNE 4-7, 2026	MONROE DISTRICT MEETING
JUNE 9-12, 2026	HAYNESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING
JUNE 20, 2026	TEAM SESSION
JUNE 22-26, 2026	CROWLEY DISTRICT MEETING
JUNE 27, 2026	DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TRAINING
JUNE 23-28, 2026	BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS DISTRICT MEETING
JULY 6-10, 2026	AIM (AUXILIARIES IN MINISTRY) BALTIMORE, MD.
JULY 13-18, 2026	USAC HOLY CONVOCATION
JULY 27-29, 2026	BEAUMONT TX. DISTRICT REVIVAL
JULY 28–31, 2026	NEW GENERATION DISTRICT MEETING
TBA	MoMentUM CONFERENCE
AUGUST 22, 2026	GATHERING OF THE MEN - HOST: CROWLEY DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 19, 2026	TEAM SESSION
SEPTEMBER TBA	REGIONAL EVANGELISM MEETING
OCTOBER 1-3, 2026	LCEJ DOW WOMEN'S CONVENTION
OCTOBER 17, 2026	TEAM SESSION
OCTOBER 23, 2026	VIRTUAL SHUT-IN JURISDICTIONAL WIDE
NOVEMBER 7, 2026	3 <sup>RD</sup> GIVE ME SOULS LEST I DIE – HOST: CROWLEY DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 3-8, 2026	118TH INTERNATIONAL HOLY CONVOCATION (ST. LOUIS, MO.)
NOVEMBER 9-10, 2026	GENERAL ASSEMBLY (ST. LOUIS, MO.)
DECEMBER	EVANGELISM DEPARTMENT AND OTHERS JURISDICTIONAL GIVEAWAY
DECEMBER 16, 2026	SUPERVISOR ESTHER RABB'S BIRTHDAY



# VISION MAP

## Purpose

Why do we exist?

**Examples:**

- We exist to disciple teenagers so they grow spiritually and stay connected to church.
- We exist to lead worship that invites God's presence and prepares hearts for the Word.
- We exist to build spiritually strong men who lead their homes and church.

We exist to \_\_\_\_\_ so that \_\_\_\_\_

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## People

Who are we called to serve?

**Examples:**

- Children
- Women
- Teens
- Seniors
- Young Adults
- New Members
- Parents
- Leaders
- Men

Primary Focus: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 3 Annual Priorities

What must change or grow this year?

**Examples:**

- Increase youth attendance by 25%
  - Train 5 new ministry workers
  - Improve consistency in worship services
1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_
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## This Month's Focus

What ONE thing will we do this month?

**Examples:**

- Host a youth game night
  - Launch a men's prayer call
  - Start a rehearsal schedule
  - Create a ministry WhatsApp group
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## Measurement

How will we know if we are succeeding?

**Examples:**

- Number of people attending
  - Volunteers serving
  - People discipled
  - Souls saved
  - Families engaged
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*"Cover each ministry in prayer"*

**Church/Auxiliary Name:**

<b>Goals</b>	<b>Action Plan Steps</b>	<b>Check Point 1: 23 Days</b>	<b>Check Point 2: 46 Days</b>	<b>Check Point 3: 69 Days</b>	<b>Check Point 4: 90 Days</b>
<b>Goal 1:</b>					
<b>Goal 2</b>					
<b>Goal 3</b>					
<b>Goal 4</b>					
<b>Goal 5</b>					

## LCEJ LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE TRAINING

This leadership training track was developed by integrating the 2025 Pastors' survey feedback, the Bishop's 2026 ministry initiatives, and the 2026 national theme, Answering the Call. It is intentionally designed for small ministries with limited people and resources, while remaining faithful to biblical leadership principles.

### SESSION ONE

#### **Caught the Vision, But Can You Carry It?**

*Answering the Call to Carry the Vision*

Acts 16:9 (KJV)

And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.

Habakkuk 2:2 (KJV)

And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

This session focuses on helping leaders understand their role in carrying the vision of their local pastor. God often reveals needs before providing detailed plans. Leaders are called to respond faithfully, supporting the pastor through unity, agreement, and service.

#### **I. God Often Calls Through a Need, not a Blueprint**

Acts 16:9 shows that Paul did not receive a full plan, only a call for help. There was no timeline, no staffing list, and no resources outlined. There was simply a need and a request for response.

In small churches, pastors often receive vision the same way. They see children who need teaching, men who need direction, and families who need stability.

The call does not always come with clarity. It comes with responsibility.

#### **II. Vision Is Given to the Pastor, but Help Is Required**

Habakkuk 2:2 shows that vision must be written so others can run with it. God gives vision to the shepherd, but He calls leaders to help carry it.

In a small church, every person matters. Every role counts. When everyone carries a portion of the vision, no one carries the weight alone.

### **III. Unity Determines Whether the Call Is Answered**

Amos 3:3 and Ephesians 4:3 teach that agreement and unity are essential. Division delays obedience. Unity allows the church to move forward together.

Small churches feel disunity quickly, but they also experience healing quickly when unity is protected.

#### **Team-Building Exercise:**

When God says, 'Come over and help,' how can I help answer that call in my church?

#### **SESSION ONE ASSIGNMENT**

James 1:22 (KJV)

"But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."

Action Step:

1. Select one focus area (Youth, Sunday School, or Men)
2. Identify how their role supports their pastor's vision
3. Choose one simple action for the next ninety days

## SESSION TWO

### Anointed to Execute

#### *Answering the Call to Build Together*

This session equips leaders to respond to God's call through faithful action, teamwork, and shared responsibility. Leaders will learn how to build cohesive teams, manage group dynamics, and create sustainable ministry practices that support the vision of their local pastor, especially in small ministries.

Acts 6:2-4 (KJV)

Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.

But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.

#### **NATIONAL THEME SCRIPTURE**

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#### **KEY SCRIPTURES (KJV)**

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Ephesians 4:12 (KJV)

"For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ."

1 Corinthians 14:40 (KJV)

"Let all things be done decently and in order."

Luke 16:10 (KJV)

"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much."

#### **I. The Call Requires Action**

Acts 16:9 shows that Paul did not simply observe the vision. He responded to it. Seeing the need was not enough; obedience required movement.

In many churches, leaders recognize the need but hesitate to act while waiting for more people, more resources, or better timing. Scripture teaches that obedience is often required before everything feels prepared.

Answering the call means taking faithful steps, even when the team is small and the resources are limited.

## **II. God Never Intended Ministry to Be Done Alone**

Acts 6:2–4 demonstrates that shared responsibility protects both the church and its leaders. The apostles did not abandon ministry; they organized it.

Delegation is not weakness. It is wisdom. When responsibility is shared, unity is preserved and burnout is prevented.

In small churches, teamwork may look informal, but it is still essential. When everyone does something, no one has to do everything.

## **III. Order Sustains the Call**

1 Corinthians 14:40 reminds us that order brings peace and clarity. Structure does not replace the Spirit; it supports obedience.

Simple processes help ministries function consistently and protect leaders from confusion and frustration. Clear roles and expectations allow teams to work together with confidence.

Order sustains the call long after the excitement of the moment fades.

### **TEAM-BUILDING EXERCISE**

#### **Who Helps Answer the Call?**

Leaders reflect on the following questions, either individually or with one partner:

1. What need is God showing us right now in our church?
2. What small step can we take together to address that need?
3. Who can help carry this responsibility, so it does not rest on one person?

### **SESSION TWO ASSIGNMENT**

#### **Luke 16:10 (KJV)**

“He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much.”

Leaders will complete the following actions:

1. Assign one person responsible for the chosen action
2. Choose a realistic frequency for the action
3. Select two simple metrics to measure faithfulness
4. Commit to creating one SOP to bring clarity and consistency
5. Identify a TEAM Session checkpoint for accountability and support