



**9th Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church
Annual Sons of Allen Men of Valor Conference
“Trusting God in Changing Times, Let Him lead the way”**

Friday & Saturday, March 17 & 18, 2023
Saint John A.M.E. Church, 944 AL-165, Fort Mitchell, AL 36856
Reverend Samuel Smith, Host Pastor
Reverend Johnny Rutledge, Host Presiding Elder
Reverend Sherita M. Seawright, Episcopal Supervisor Women’s Missionary Society
Right Reverend Harry L. Seawright, Presiding Prelate

Background Scripture: *My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity. Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man. Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3: 1-6 (KJV)*

Goals

1. Encourage participants in their efforts to introduce Christ to their brothers and youths beyond the local church facility.
2. Provide a safe space for men and youth to share personal experiences from their faith walk with Christ.
3. Enhance connectional fellowship among Sons of Allen units across the 9th District.
4. Testify to the works of Christ in the life of the men and youth of the 9th District.
5. Introduce new conference participants to the variety of Sons of Allen Men’s Ministries across the 9th District.
6. Promote effective clergy & Sons of Allen ministry partnerships.

Agenda

Friday March 17, 2023

5:00 pm	Meet/Greet/Registration	SOA Leadership / Rev. Samuel Smith, Host Pastor/ Rev. Johnny Rutledge, Host PE	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Friday Night Worship Service	<i>The Preached Word</i> Reverend Ronald Sterling, Saint John, Birmingham, Pastor	Sanctuary
8:30 pm 9:00 pm	Fellowship/Hospitality	Dinner	Fellowship Hall

Saturday March 18, 2023

8:00 am 9:00 am	Breakfast/Registration	Saint John Fort Mitchell / SOA Leadership	Fellowship Hall
9:05 am 9:15 am	Welcome/Opening Hymn/ Prayer/Scripture Introductory Remarks	SOA Leadership	Sanctuary
9:15 am 10:00 am	<i>Workshops: “Safety and Crime in the Neighborhood”, led by Sheriff Heath Taylor from the Russell County Sheriff ‘s Department</i>		Sanctuary
10:15 am 11:00 am	<i>Workshops: “Credit: What You Need to Know” lead by Brother Johnny Newsome Senior Vice President of United Wealth Educator (UWE)</i>		Sanctuary
11:15 am 1:15 pm	<i>Closing Service - The Preached Word - Bishop Harry L. Seawright Presiding Prelate 9th Episcopal District, African Methodist Episcopal Church</i>		Sanctuary
1:20 pm	Lunch		Fellowship Hall