January 10, 2014

We greet you in the precious and matchless name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! We pray that you and your family experienced a joyous advent season and an equally blessed New Year.

This letter is sent to encourage you to join us and others from across the Second Episcopal District and the broader community as we celebrate the 226th Anniversary of the AME Church and the 254th birthday of Bishop Richard Allen during our Founder’s Day gathering, Thursday, February 20 through Saturday, February 22, 2014. This notable occasion will also provide the District an opportunity to express our collective appreciation for the exemplary leadership rendered by Bishop William P. DeVeaux and Episcopal Supervisor Patricia Ann Morris DeVeaux.

All services and other activities associated with this memorable event will be held at Reid Temple AME Church, 11400 Glenn Dale Road, Glenn Dale, MD, 20769, where Reverend Dr. Lee P. Washington is the Pastor. Our theme this year will be “Effective Christian Leadership: Empowered by Power, Praise and Proclamation.”

Attached is information about hotels situated in the vicinity of Reid Temple where special rates have been negotiated. Please make your reservations as early as possible, and certainly within the deadlines noted.

As this will be an extraordinary moment for all of us in the Second District, we hope you will strongly consider placing an advertisement in the commemorative journal being produced for this occasion. In fact, please feel free to share this information with others, most notably business owners, both in and outside your church, who may wish to place an ad in the journal as well. Information for ads, such as rates and submission deadline is attached. Similarly, there will be vendor opportunities available at Reid Temple. Again there is information enclosed pertaining to this.

We anticipate that additional information will be posted on the District’s website, www.2ndamec.org, within the next few weeks.

We look forward to seeing you at this historic occasion. In the meantime, we pray that you have a blessed and spirit-filled New Year!

Reverend Dr. Goodwin Douglas
Co-Host, Presiding Elder, Capitol District

Reverend Dr. Louis-Charles Harvey
Co-Host, Presiding Elder, Potomac District
HOTEL INFORMATION FOR FOUNDER’S DAY 2014

HOST HOTEL:

Marriott Greenbelt
6400 Ivy Lane, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770
301 441-3700 or 800 228-9290
Rate: $119.00 Cut-off date – January 30, 2014

Holiday Inn, Greenbelt
7200 Handover Dr., Greenbelt, Maryland 20770
301 982-7000
$79.00 per night – Cut-off date – January 29, 2014

Courtyard Marriott, Greenbelt
6301 Golden Triangle Dr., Greenbelt, Maryland 20770
301 441-3311
$109.00 per night – Cut-off date – January 31, 2014

Reservation Code: Reid Temple Founder’s Day.

Only 2 rooms per person for all hotels. If you need to reserve rooms over the designated allowance or have other hotel accommodation needs, please contact Sister Gwyneth Hughes on 301-352-1758 or 240-882-3072.

VENDOR INFORMATION FOR FOUNDER’S DAY 2014

The cost will be $250.00 per space which will include table and two chairs. Contract will be issued to all persons who wish to secure a space for Founder’s Day. Interested parties should contact Sister Gwyneth Hughes at ghappy30@aol.com or 301-352-1758 (Office) or 240-882-3072 (Cell).