

Bishop Lyles then presented the proposed Agenda (*see Attachment B*) and moved for its adoption. After a proper second, **the MOTION CARRIED and the Agenda was ADOPTED.** Vice Chairman Thuston presented the General Assembly Chairman, Bishop James W. Hunt, Sr.

Chairman Hunt called for the Vice Chairman of the Resolution Committee to read a special resolution. Prior to that reading, Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake, Sr. addressed the delegates. Bishop Blake commented on the sacrifice of Brother Jonathan Butler, a student of the University of Missouri who protested racism. Because of the lack of action by the university president, Brother Butler refused to eat until the president of that university resigned or stepped down. Brother Butler's efforts were successful and the university president resigned.

Bishop Blake continued informing the delegates of a meeting he convened between the leaders of the three branches of the church's government. The goal of the meeting was to work out any division or differences among these bodies for the unity and future of the Church. A special resolution (*see Attachment C*) was prepared as a result of their collaboration and read to the Assembly for acceptance. A motion was made to adopt the resolution. After a proper second, **the MOTION CARRIED and Joint Resolution #112015 was ADOPTED.**

Chairman Hunt thanked the delegates for their vote of confidence in electing him to a full four year term. He noted that he was under a heavy burden due to the loss of his son, however, he stated that the prayers offered and the love expressed by the saints helped him and his wife through this challenging time. He called on Lady Julia Hunt to give greetings. Lady Hunt greeted the delegates and thanked them for electing her husband and supporting their family.

Bishop Hunt noted the historical milestone of five (5) churches from Israel becoming a part of the Church Of God In Christ. He called for Glenn Plummer and two representatives from Israel who made a special symbolic presentation of a golden menorah to Presiding Bishop Blake. They expressed their love and thanked the Presiding Bishop, the General Board and the Church Of God In Christ for bringing them the light.

Another special presentation was made by Bishop Paul Fortson and Mother Mary Patterson, who reported that a historical marker had been erected at the entrance of the Holmes County Courthouse in Lexington, Mississippi honoring our founder, Bishop Charles Harrison Mason. Mother Patterson presented certificates of appreciation to Presiding Bishop Blake, members of the General Board, Chairman Hunt, and General Secretary Lyles. She also recognized Bishop John Sheard, the Board of Bishops and Bishop David Daniels for their support in this effort.

Bishop Hunt called for Mother Wilma Beauford, Chair of the Special Recognition Committee. Mother Beauford recognized persons above the ages of 90 and 100. Special recognition was given to Mother Theresa Bolden, the oldest Jurisdictional Supervisor at age 98 and Mother Sue Addie McCoo, age 95. Certificates and mementos were presented to each honoree.

Chairman Hunt continued expressing his concern regarding the circulation of letters written in opposition of Church leadership. He noted that the actions had a negative impact on the image of the Church. In addition, Bishop Hunt noted that no official statements should be verbalized or put in writing on behalf of the Church without authorization from the Presiding Bishop. He called for the report of the Presiding Bishop and General Board.