

**“CINCINNATI-DAYTON-INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT: MOVING FROM
EFFECTIVENESS TO GREATNESS”**

Annual District Conference/Sunday School Convention/Youth Expo/
Leadership Training Conference
February 19-20, 2010
Breeding Tabernacle C.M.E. Church
3670 N. Leland Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46218
Rev. A.C. McClendon, Jr., Pastor
(317) 547-1721

ESSAY/ORATORICAL COMPETITIONS

(Please type or print clearly)

Name: _____

Age Category: Child: 5-11___ Youth: 12-17___
 Young Adult: 18-35___ Senior Adult 36-above___

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

Pastor Name: _____ Contact Person: _____

Local Church Director of Christian Education: _____

Completed Registration Forms may be e-mailed to:
Nowfayth08@aol.com or mfgodwin@nleelaw.com
Or Hard Copies mailed along with registration fees to:
Cincinnati-Dayton-Indianapolis District
c/o M. Faye Godwin, Director, BOCE
7762 Knue Road
Indianapolis, Indiana 46250
(317) 385-5572

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REGISTRATION)**

ESSAY CONTEST

I. Elementary Level*

- a. Who is Jesus to you?
- b. What is your favorite Bible verse and what does it mean to you?
- c. Who is your favorite teacher (church or school) and why?

***Essays should be a minimum of 1 page long.**

II. Middle School and High School Level**

- a. The role my family will play in my future success.
- b. What event in African American history has made an impact on my life?
- c. Who has had the greatest influence in your life so far and why?

III. Adults 18 and above*

Free style writing. Choose your own topic

***Essays at these levels should be a minimum of three (3) pages, with a maximum of five (5) pages.**

Standards for the Essay Contest

1. Identify the main points. Elaborate on the main points.
2. Identify the subpoints. Elaborate on the subpoints.
3. Organization of material and originality.
4. Neatly written/printed/typed. If written, blue or black ink.
5. If typed, double spaced.
6. Correct usage of the mechanics of grammar.

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ORATORICAL CONTEST

I. Orations at the Elementary Level will be based on these themes:

- a. *To me faith means...*
- b. *When I grow up I want to be...*

II. Middle School and High School level choose from these themes:

- a. *My family is special to me because...*
- b. *Without faith in God, I would not be able to...*
- c. *My life's goal is to become...*

Standards for the Oratorical Contest:

1. Each orator will be allotted ten (10) minutes for their presentation.
2. Each orator may use note cards (3 x 5).
3. Subject matter and presentations must be original.

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