



New Era District Congress of Christian Education

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Theme: Building Through Christian Education a Sure Foundation (Is. 28:16)

April 23, 2026

Greetings Pastors and Christian Education Directors,

The District Congress is less than two months away from our 84th N.E.D. Congress of Christian Education Annual Session, which will happen from May 31st to June 6th, 2026. This year the host church will be Friendship M.B.C of Jesus Christ located at 3530 Chelsea Dr. in Kansas City, MO. where Rev. James A. Terrance, Jr. is the pastor.

This year our 2nd Annual Graduation Recognition & Pinning Ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 6th @ 3pm at Friendship M.B.C. The theme for the Graduation Recognition & Pinning Ceremony is "Pursuing God's Purpose" taken from Romans 8:28. Our guest speaker will be Rev. A. Ramon White. He is an Associate Minister at River's Edge Fellowship where Rev. Travis Yeargans, Sr. is pastor.

We plan to acknowledge those High School seniors, College, University, CCE (formerly COPP), and Seminary graduates from our district who have put in the time, effort, and sacrifice to achieve such a worthy goal. If you have any graduates from high school seniors and beyond that your church would like to see recognized please return the attached Graduation Recognition & Pinning Ceremony Application to Dr. Sandra Jones. Her email address is Sandra_jones0713@yahoo.com or mail the application to N.E.D. PO Box 270176 Kansas City, MO. 64127 no later than Saturday, May 23, 2026. There will be a reception immediately following the ceremony for the graduates and guest. Thank you for your prompt attention to this letter. Please see attached documents included with this letter. For further information please contact me at (816)739-0332.

Your Brother in Christ,
Rev. Robert L. Smith II – N.E.D. Congress President