



# **ALLEN CHRISTIAN EVANGELICAL LEAGUE**

of the  
**African Methodist  
Episcopal Church**



**CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION**



# Historical Background

## INTRODUCTION

- Before the sitting of the 2024 Inter-District Imbizo, the 15<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> had 3 x DIFFERENT Constitution and By-Laws.
- A Committee led by Rev Ntloko went and compiled a document that sat before the 2024 Imbizo in Bloemfontein.
- The Committee composed of Episcopal Parliamentarians and Secretaries.
- The document was discussed in detail during the Imbizo.
- Most of the Articles and Sections were agreed upon, except few sections which were deferred back to the Committee for further work



# Historical Background

Those Articles and Sections were:

- THE UNIFORM (Article 12)
  - What were the correct apparels of the ACE League uniform and their meanings?
- THE ACT OF ROBING (Article 13)
  - Who must robe the candidates?
  - Where must robing take place?
  - And how must it be done?
- THE COMPOSITION AND CORRECT ORDER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Article 5)
- THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF THE TRIALISTS



# What Happened after 2024 Imbizo?

The Progressive Leaders Group was Established

The Interim Committee was Elected (out of the Main Group)

The Constitutional Review Sub-Committee was appointed



# Mandate of the Constitution Review and Developmental Sub-Committee

The following was the Mandate of the Committee:

- To relook at the Drafted ACE League Constitution with more emphasis on the items that were deferred for further work and consultation during the 2024 Imbizo.

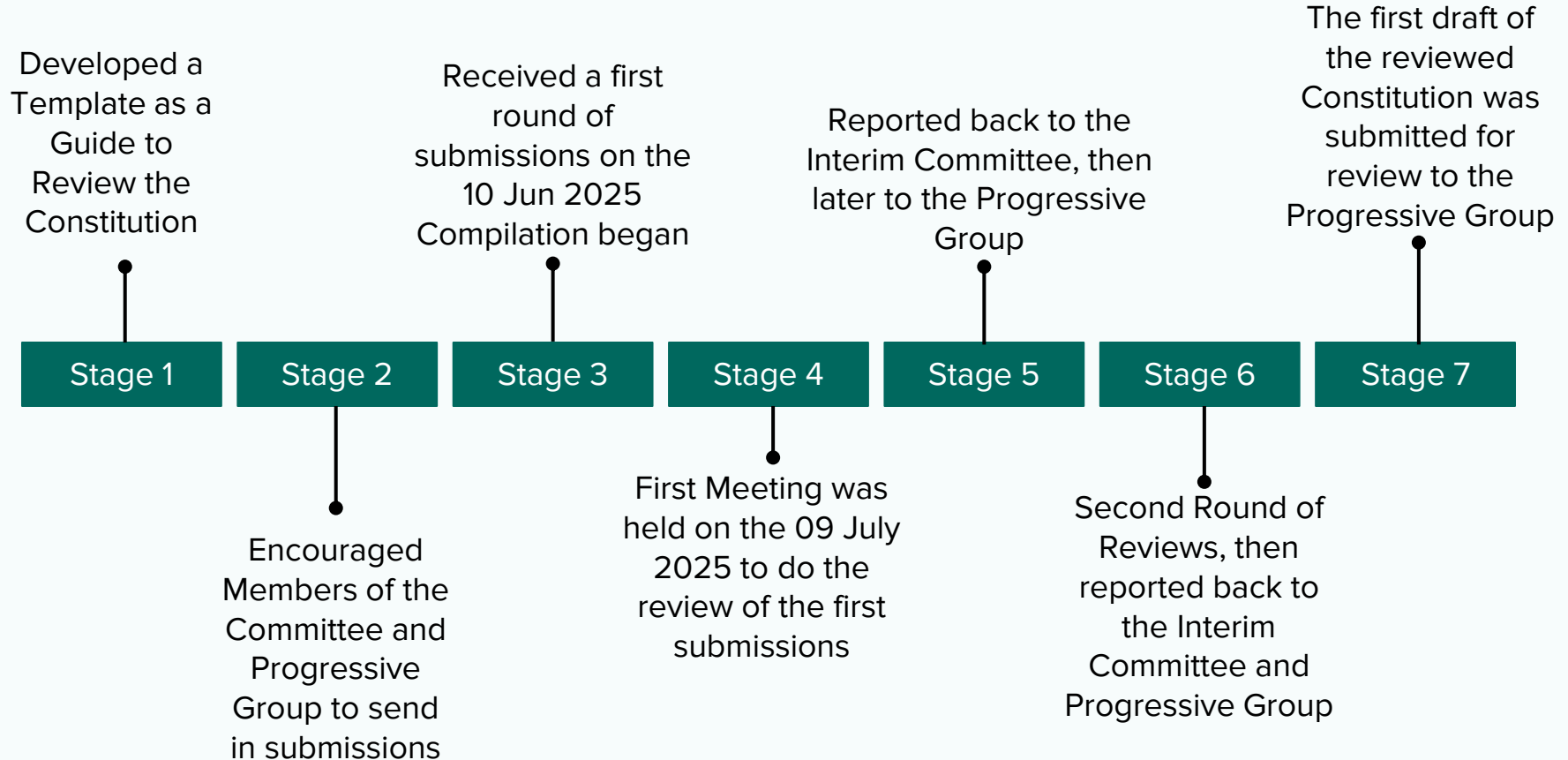


# Constitution Review and Developmental Sub-Committee

The following people were co-opted to serve in the Committee:

- Rev Tebogo Mabena – Chairperson
- Rev Vuyisile Vass
- Bro Singleton Simango
- Sis Mmatsiana Makgoba
- Rev Fred Mogaadile

# Workdone by the Sub-Committee



# Workdone by the Sub-Committee



# ACHIEVEMENTS

**Reached a Compromise  
between the Districts on  
the Matter of Uniform**

**Agreed on the Process of  
Robing Members**

**Agreed on the  
Composition of the  
Executive Committee and  
how it shall be elected**

**The inclusion of the Music  
Director, Historian, their  
roles and responsibilities**

**Reviewed the roles and  
responsibilities of the Vice  
President, the Programme  
Coordinator, and Public  
Relations Officer**

**The Rights and Privileges  
of the Trialists**

**The Duration of the Period  
of Nurturing and  
Observing (Trial)**

**The Uniform of the Trialist**

**A Special Condition on  
when can a trialist be  
elected or appointed into a  
position**

# UNIFORM OPTIONS (MALES)

## OPTION A

- Leopard-print Badge with a blue base and gold seam strings,
- Black Blazer
- Grey Flannel Trousers,
- White Shirt,
- Black and Gold Neckties,
- Knitted Black and Gold Waistcoat with 5 buttons,
- Black Shoes,
- Black Socks (plain),
- ACE League Pin

## OPTION B

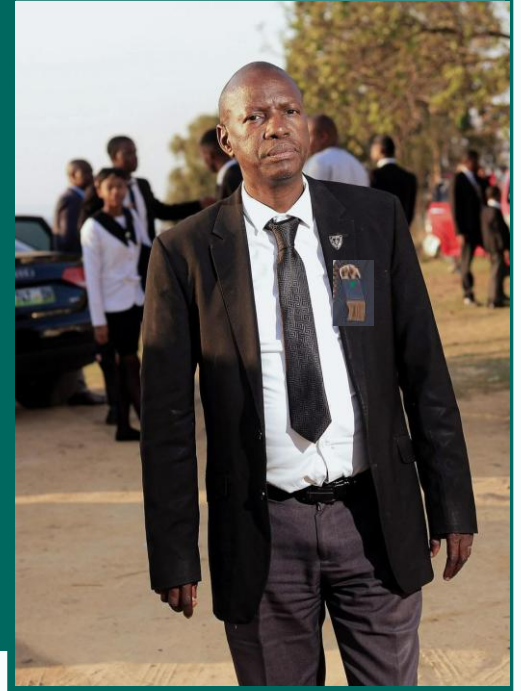
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- Grey Flannel Trousers,
- White Shirt,
- Black Neckties (plain),
- Leopard-print Waistcoat with 5 buttons,
- Black Shoes,
- Black Socks (plain),
- ACE League Pin

## OPTION C

*(AT CONNECTIONAL OR INTER-DISTRICT SESSIONS)*

- Leopard-print badge with a blue base and gold seam strings
- Black Blazer,
- Black Tie,
- Grey Flannel,
- White Shirt
- Black Shoes
- Black Socks
- ACE League Pin

# UNIFORM OPTIONS (MALES)



# UNIFORM OPTIONS (FEMALES)

## OPTION A

- Leopard-print badge with a blue base and gold seam strings,
- Black Blazer
- Grey Flannel Skirt,
- White Shirt,
- Black Beret
- Black and Gold Neckties,
- Knitted Black and Gold waistcoat with 5 buttons,
- Black Shoes,
- Black Stocking / Pantyhose (plain),
- ACE League Pin

## OPTION B

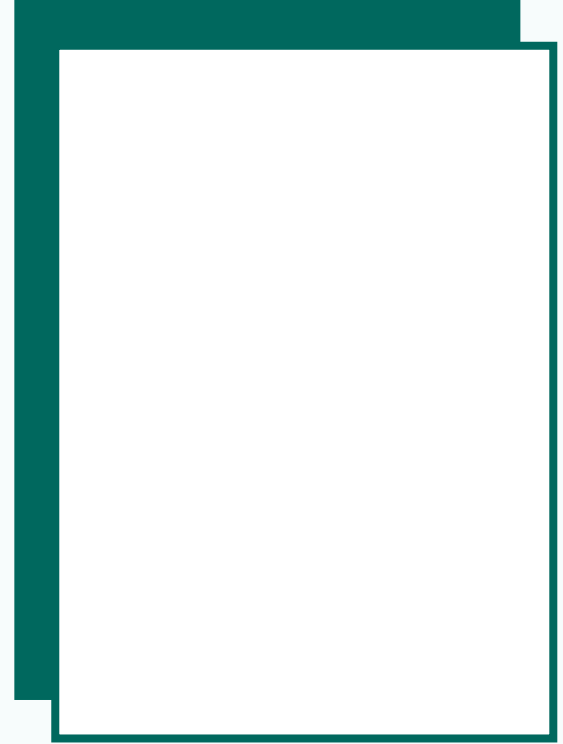
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- Black Blazer
- Grey Flannel Skirt,
- White Shirt,
- Black Beret
- Black Neckties (plain),
- Leopard- print waistcoat with 5 buttons,
- Black shoes,
- Black Stockings / Pantyhose (plain),
- ACE League Pin

## OPTION C

*(AT CONNECTIONAL OR INTER-DISTRICT SESSIONS)*

- Leopard-print badge with a blue base and gold seam strings,
- Black Blazer,
- Black Tie,
- Grey Flannel Skirt,
- White Shirt
- Black Shoes and
- Black Stockings / Pantyhose (plain),
- Black beret
- ACE League Pin

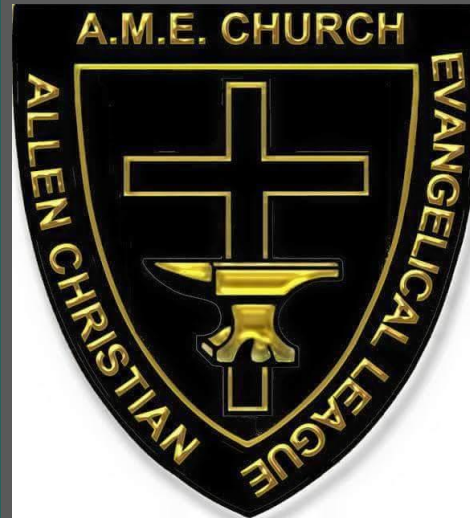
# UNIFORM OPTIONS (FEMALES)



# UNIFORM (TRIALISTS)

## MALES

Black Jacket  
Grey Flannel Pants  
White Shirt  
Black Tie  
Black Shoes  
Black Socks



## FEMALES

Black Jacket  
Grey Flannel Skirt  
White Shirt  
Black Shoes  
Black Beret  
Black Stockings

# UNIFORM CONDITIONS

The ACE League uniform shall be worn at all regular meetings of the ACE League, on all church events, and on special days i.e. Good Friday and Easter; at a funeral of a member of the League and other official occasions or when directed by the Pastor or responsible officers of the ACE League and the Church.

**(NO JEWELLERY-** Necklaces, Earrings, Bangles, Tie Pins and Cufflinks).

Clerical Shirts or any other Ministerial Garments are not part of the Uniform.

A wedding ring and a watch shall not be considered as Jewellery Accessories.



# THE ACT OF ROBINING

The Act of Robing will be done by a Pastor at their Local Church. Where agreed upon with the Pastors within the District / Conference and their Executives, the robing may be done at District or Conference Levels.

- Robing shall take place during a robing service as determined by Pastor where the Member belongs. Where agreed upon, it may be done at the Presiding Elder's District ACE League Convention of the Station/ Circuit ACE League Convention.

# THE ACT OF ROBING

- The robed member should have gone through the probation period of no less than 180 days. Having completed the course/ activities as determined by the Pastor and the Local President, as guided by ACE League Constitution and By-Laws, the Trialist should be fully prepared for the robing with all the prescribed uniform as per Option A and B for both Males and Females.
- No member shall be robed without a full uniform. It is the duty of the president at the local level to make sure that the member to be robed has the necessary full attire and are in Good-and-Regular Standing.

# **THE ACT OF ROBING**

**Only an Ordained Minister SHALL bless the uniform, and the Pastor may hand over the uniform to the President or his/her designee to do the actual robing**

**CONCLUSION**

WE THANK YOU