

"Mission Beyond the Gates"

An Invitation from Bishop James and Supervisor Arelis Davis

The Seventh Episcopal District of the AME Church

The Seventh Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church has long extended its ministry and compassion beyond the continental United States, reaching communities across the globe with the love of Christ. This year, we continue that legacy through our Mission Beyond the Gates project — a journey of faith, service, and fellowship that transforms both those who give and those who receive.

Our 2026 mission is directed toward a vibrant community in the Dominican Republic, one of the radiant islands of the Caribbean. This mission carries special meaning for us, as Supervisor Arelis Davis was born in the Dominican Republic and continues to hold her homeland close to her heart.

Two years ago, this same community received a fully equipped fire truck, generously provided through the efforts of the Second Episcopal District of the AME Church and other partners in ministry. That act of generosity brought hope, safety, and new possibilities to an underserved area.

Now, our goal for 2026 is to take the next step — to provide a fully operational ambulance for the community. This gift will further strengthen emergency response and health care services, ensuring that vital help reaches those in need.

We invite you — clergy, laity, youth, and friends of the AME Church — to join us in November 2026 as we unite our hearts and hands in this life-changing mission.

Opportunities for service will include:

- Medical and health outreach
- Construction and infrastructure projects
- Food distribution and community service
- Tutoring, education, and youth engagement
- Worship, evangelism, and fellowship
- Cultural exchange and spiritual renewal

Each day of this journey will combine service and joy — the joy of giving, connecting, and experiencing the beauty of God's creation and people. The Mission Beyond the Gates tour promises to be both a blessing and an adventure, filled with purpose and lasting impact.

Detailed information about registration, travel, and participation can be found in the brochure accompanying this message. You may also visit our website to complete registration and fulfill all requirements related to the trip.

We look forward to sharing this unforgettable experience with you as we continue to serve, love, and build hope beyond the gates.

With appreciation and anticipation,

Bishop James L. Davis

Supervisor Arelis Beevers Davis

Servants of the Seventh Episcopal District

Travelers can enroll on this tour in two simple ways:

- 1. Online They can enroll through the personalized site: https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/dominicanrepublicwecaretour
- 2. Call our team at 800.438.7672 and have travelers mention (Group for NICOLE PASS).
 - 1. Reserve a time to speak with a Reservation Consultant here: https://calendly.com/groupsreservations (Listed under Group for **7**th **Episcopal District**).
 - 2. Should have Passport, Emergency Contacts, and Credit/Debit Visa or Mastercard ready as well.

Important Tour Information:

Travel Dates: November 23 – 30, 2026

Private Group Details

- 14 travelers minimum required for Go Ahead to operate the tour
- Private Group Fees
 - o 14-18 travelers: \$150
 - 19+ travelers: \$0, \$150 refunded to each person 30 days prior to departure when all benefits are confirmed

Payment options:

- Pay in full
 - Visa, MasterCard, or direct debit are accepted
 - o 30-day refundable period
- Automatic payment plan (*Recommended)
 - \$99 deposit per person with a debit card
 - Automatic monthly payment on date of your choosing
 - Start payments up to 30 days after the deposit
 - Must be set through a checking account or debit card
 - o Final payment can be up to 25 days prior to departure
- Manual payment plan
 - \$450 deposit per person + insurance with credit card
 - o Payments can be made online, in the mobile app or over the phone
 - o 72-hour refundable period
 - o Balance is due 70 days prior to departure
 - Visa, MasterCard are accepted

Insurance:

- Travel Protection \$429
 - o Tour Cancellation & Interruption
 - o Travel & Baggage Delay
 - o Loss Baggage & Personal Effects
 - o Accident & Sickness up to \$50,000
- Any Reason Protection and Pre-Existing Condition Coverage INCLUDED when you add Trip Protection within 3 days of reserving your spot-on tour

Basic Travel Protection - \$329

- o Tour Cancellation & Interruption
- o Travel & Baggage Delay
- o Loss Baggage & Personal Effects
- o Accident & Sickness up to \$25,000
- o Can add AnyReason Protection for \$75
- o Cannot add or purchase Pre-Existing Condition Coverage

Saving Opportunities!

- 1. September Promo: \$75 off valid until 9/30 subject to change monthly
- 2. Club Go: \$100 off if signing up for your 2nd tour with Go Ahead, \$175 if signing up for your 3rd Go Ahead tour
- 3. Early Bird Credit: \$150 off if enrolling within the first 2 weeks of trip launch Early enrollment from December 10 December 24, 2025.

Rooming:

- Standard is Double Occupancy
- Single is available but at additional cost

Your Tools & Resources:

- 1. <u>MyAccount</u> access everything you need for your group, including insurance details, flight information, traveler enrollments, and more.
- 2. <u>Go Ahead Tours App</u> another way to get a snapshot view of your group! Get notifications for when Travelers Enroll!
- 3. <u>Insurance Information</u> review and share this information with your group to make sure they are protected on tour. (Where you can find the Any Reason protection that we mentioned)

Your Go Ahead Team:

- Tour Consultant, **Josh Flynn** (helps you plan, recruit travelers and maximize your benefits): call at **617-202-2976** or schedule call: https://calendly.com/josh-flynn
- Account Manager, Greer Korengold (responsible for flights, rooming, and all pre- and on-tour preparations): call at: 617-209-2148 or schedule call: https://calendly.com/greer-korengold
- Traveler Support Team: call **800-438-7672** (answers all group member-related inquiries regarding their accounts, payments, insurance and more)