

**Marie R. Metze, Ph.D.**  
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**Biography**

Marie R. Metze is former Commissioner of the Christian Debutante Master Commission (DMC) of the Sixth Episcopal District, A.M.E. Church (Volunteer Position). She holds a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Educational Leadership from Georgia State University and devotes her educational achievements and her business acumen to the care and development of the youth in her community and her church. A long-time member, in good standing, of Big Bethel A.M.E. Church, Atlanta, and a former member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA), she counts it a mission, as well as a stewardship to attend to the spiritual, political, and economic needs of the young, the disenfranchised and the disadvantaged.

As DMC Commissioner, Dr. Metze provided guidance for educating A.M.E. youth in the liturgical requirements of all levels of the Church – the Connectional, the Episcopal District, the Annual Conference, the Presiding Elder District, as well as the local church.

As a community activist, she conceived of the idea of an Intergenerational Choir consisting of senior citizens and youth for the 1999 NAACP “Jubilee Day” Celebration at Hoosier United Methodist Church. This group also performed at Quality Living Services’ Second Annual Living Legends Awards Luncheon held at the Convention Center in College Park, Georgia. She chaired the 2013 “Jubilee Day” 150<sup>th</sup> Emancipation Proclamation celebration. Dr. Metze also co-chaired the 2014 annual “Jubilee Day” celebration.

Dr. Metze appreciates the opportunity that her community has given her to contribute to its organizations and activities. Among her numerous active interests, she names the following: Golden Heritage Life Member and immediate 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Atlanta Branch of the NAACP; Past President, Cascade South Civic Association; Member, Fulton County Democratic Party Executive Committee; Member, Democratic Party of Georgia State Committee; Golden Life Member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; Leadership Atlanta-Class of 1992; Former Member, Emily’s List Majority Council; Member, Class of 2003 Regional Leadership Institute; and former Co-Leader of the Atlanta-Fulton County South Metro Unit of the League of Women Voters; Chairperson, VOICES OF THE ELECTORATE Coalition – A Collaboration formed to convey Black and Hispanic voter concerns on issues to the 1992 Presidential Candidates; Camp Obama Participant, Morris Brown College Campus – 2007.