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Clemson
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  Cheryl Kelly
• Tom Hayden

Lawrence Chapel
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Frances Wright

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Gilgal
William Manning

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  Verne Swan

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  Richard Kingman
• Dennis McManis

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  Martha McKinney

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• Buddy Dallas
  Neil Vander Linden
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• Pat Martin

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  Bob Sampson

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• Wilton Golbourne
  Hazel Southerland

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Johnny Redd
Larry Dunlap

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Richard Powell
Carolyn Shirley
Lee Rawl

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  Mary Todd

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  Bill Layman
  Mike Shaw

Sharon

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  Luther Bowman

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Ann Owens
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  Carleathea Benson
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• Lynn Harrison Claire Palmer
• Mac McLaurin
• Rossie McLaurin
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• Betsy Myers
• Melissa Sutton
• V.C. Sutton
• Clark Williams
Boone Hill • Mary Nixon Fred Kobbs
• Charles Smith Diane Kobbs
Enoch Chapel-Grove Hall • Nola Montgomery Earnestine Brunett
Romenia Bryant Lucille Judge
Knightsville • Tony Smith Joel Strickland
Stallsville • Jim Randall Renee Bruce
• Bob Johnston Suzanne Randall
Summerville Parish Gloria Greene • Debra McClellan

YONGES ISLAND:
Wesley • Alfreda Brown
• Beverly Rice

COLUMBIA DISTRICT

BLYTHEWOOD:
Trinity • Bob Storey Ralph Cooper
Stephanie Storey Rick Lamar
• Claire Thompson Lee Anne Lamar
Upper Richland Jeff Rawl Bill Maybin
Zion Mike Griffith Cliff McElveen

CHAPIN:
Chapin • Roberta Cooper Cliff McElveen
• Ben Creed Linda McElveen
• Chris Creed Randy Neil
• Shirley Maybin Kathy Neil

COLUMBIA:
Asbury Memorial • Mary Eames Ray Avant
Ashland
• James Neal
• Herman Lightsey
• Bob Taylor
• Judy Taylor
Jean Smith
Joe Suddeth
June Suddeth
Bethel
• Carol Krebs
• Ken May
Anna Sistare
Bluff Road
• Leon Love
Glinda Tucker
College Place
• Ellen Parker
Art Baker
Columbia Korean
• Kyoung Ro
Epworth Memorial
Fair Lawn
• Sug Kaiser
M.L. Bishop
Francis Burns
• Lee Edens
Pauline Davis
• Betty Mack
Whitney Davis
• Dorothy Smith
Khrystan Edens
Wes Furgess
Cynthia Hall
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• Wayne Byrd
Kitty Fasching
Odell Garner
Greene Street
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I. DeQuincey Newman
• Janie Tuggle
• Josephine McRant
Lebanon
• Lonnie Caughman
Clyde Lane
Main Street
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Cheryl Casey
• Chris Kirby
Mill Creek-McLeod
• Scott Way
Allison Trussell
Mt. Pleasant-St. Luke
• Cindy Leitner
• James Johnson
Northeast
• Kay Leitner
Fred Grooms
• Jane Scott
Patricia Hynds
Stan Luallin
Bill Woodle
Rehoboth
• Dee Hook
Dial Hook
• Dave Petty
Judi Rose
St. James
• Lynn Jenkins
Willis Jenkins
St. John
• Holly R. Smith
St. Mark
• Sally Davis
Asli Aslin
• Rosemary Broom
Shandon
• Betty Bruner
Jim Covington
• Jerry Frank Crews
• Mary Ann Crews
• Carolyn Hall
• George McIntosh
• Clelia Moore
• Dorothea Phillips
• Keith Phillips
• LeGrand Rouse
• L.E. Spradlin
• Mary Helen Spradlin
• Frances Tompkins

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• Peggy Hemphill

Trenholm Road • Gordon Austin Davis Kelly
• Shelly Baker
• Jim Hamner
• Georgia Kirkland
• Hayes Mizell
• Allen Stokes
• Kate Swanson

Virginia Wingard Memorial • Burley Johnson Jo Ann Wilson
• Ralph Ostrom

Washington Street • Robert Beamer Alan Jon Zupan
• Charlotte Broome
• Carol Duggan
• Kevin Duggan

Wesley • Cheryl Jackson Ida English
• Martha Gant

Wesley Memorial • Paul F. Smith

Whaley Street • Sarah Hendrix Sallie Hayes

Windsor Sue Dillon David Christianson
Steve Kitchens

ELGIN:

West Kershaw • Gary Hartman Karen Hartman
Otho Pool
Gerald Reeves

GILBERT:

Beulah • Helen Edens Loretta Price
• Rebekah Phillips Seretha Sox
Gilbert Aven Martin McKinley Shealy
• Ken McAbee
Pond Branch Steve Miller Greg Davis
Shiloh • Ron Stevenson Charles Thompson

IRMO:

Salem • Lee McMillan
Shady Grove • John Bouknight, Sr. Robin Rhodes
Union • Craig Brandt Bob Friendly
• Nan Gray Shielda Friendly
• Dave Lambert
Ron Mencarelli
• Kyle Nash
Martha Thompson
• Anna Bess Tisdale
Betty Willyerd

LEXINGTON:

Boiling Springs Eric Shepherd Junius Craps
Cecilia Shepherd Janice Craps
Faith • Kathy Williams
Lexington • Sandra Anderson Elaine Elliott
• Tom Anderson  
• Bob Graham  
• Alisha Hansen  
• Faye Horton-Stewart  
• Carley Peace

Mt. Horeb  
• Hugh Brannon  
• Chris Carver  
• Bill Como  
• Peggy Como  
• Ray Edmonds  
• Tommie Edmonds  
• William Floyd  
• Carl Jordan  
• Sandy Moore  
• Tom Moore

Red Bank  
• Frieda Snelgrove  
• Jim Spence  
• Maureen Reese  
• Marvin Rowell  
• Carl Shumpert

WEST COLUMBIA-CAYCE:

Brookland  
• Preston Cantrell  
• William Crews  
• Vanessa Key

Cayce  
• Charles Hite  
• Loy Miller  
• Liz Willhoit  
• Bill Witt

Mt. Hebron  
• Joyce Cordovano  
• Brenda Hook  
• Jo Layton  
• Christine Porter  
• Horace Porter  
• Joette Singley

Platt Springs  
• Susan Busby  
• Bob Sargent  
• Louis Houck  
• Flo Johnson

Shiloh  
• Tommy Glenn  
• Vera Bolin

Trinity  
• Francis Hipp  
• Richard Baldwin

WINNSBORO:

Fairfield Circuit  
• Walter Bowers  
• Walter Griffin

First, Winnsboro  
• Jim Futrell  
• Frances Barnett  
• Roy Barnett

Gordon Memorial/Greenbrier  
• Doris Walsh

FLORENCE DISTRICT

CADES:

Bethesda (Cades)  
• Jimmy Hyatt  
• Doug Eaddy  
• Tommy Patrick  
• Benji Rogers

Bethesda (Kingstree)  
• Sherri McFadden  
• Regina Nesmith

Cades-Cameron  
• Joann Rushing  
• Libby McFadden

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Jerusalem-St. Luke • Ruth Jackson • Virlee Bradlee
• Cristean McClary • Sherry Fulton
• Sam Pressley • Jo Ann Lockhart
• Keshiea Scott

Kennedyville • Ora Wright
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Kingstree Circuit • Myra Nuttall • Sylvia Brown
• Libby Ganes

Kingstree East • Shirley McKnight • Jeannie Brown-Burrows
• W. Chandler-Flowers
Mt. Zion • W. Ann Bartelle • Veronica Clinkscales
• Angela Fulton • Lillie C. McGille
• Columbus Giles, Sr. • Sharon D. Washington
St. Mary • Vernal Fulton • Frank Burgess
St. Michael • Veronica Cooper • Nancy Brown
• Annie Chandler
St. Paul • Cynthia Williams • Marvin Boyd
• Mary N. Tisdale

LAKE CITY:

Lake City • Nancy Floyd • Charles Kelley
• Mary Kelley
Lake City Circuit • Melanie Dukes • Linda Barr
• Deloris Keels • Brenda Cooper
Lake Point • Evelyn White • Shirley Burgess
Mount Beulah • Mack Henry Burgess • Raphael Speights
Wesley Chapel • Mamie McClam • Lela Austin
• Joseph Singletary • Emma C. Martin

LYNCHBURG:

Lynchburg Charge • Gayle Jans • Dennis Jans
• Ann McDowell
Lynchburg Parish • Blanche Flemming • Bernetha Bolden
• Gloria Harriott • Samuel D. Friday
• Elroy McDonald • Dorothy McFadden

MANNING:

Manning • Carolyn Coffey • Jim Black
• Edna Ellis • Larry Ellis

MORRISVILLE

St. Paul • Shirley Wallace • Frederick Morris
NEW ZION:
   New Zion     Ike Gibbons     Ed Keels
OLANTA:
   Olanta-Coward  Billy Carraway  Joyce Floyd
   • David Scurry
PAMPILICO:
   Bethlehem     • Gayle Morgan  Bennie Eaddy
   Pamplico     • Gerald Hicks
PINEWOOD:
   Pinewood     • Earle Rowland  Parker Coulliette
SCRANTON:
   Scranton     Ann McElveen  Diane Cole
SHILOH:
   Shiloh       • Azilee Dickey  Vivian Goodman
   • Diandra Frierson  • Sherronne Graham
   • Marlene Lowery
SUMMERTON:
   Summerton    • Ron Smithwick  Carol Myers
TIMMONSVILLE:
   Mt. Zion     • Frank Lowery  William James
   • Sylvia Tumblin
   St. Luke     • Madie Robinson  Jennifer Johnson
   Timmonsville-Salem  • Karen Keels  Gail Jordan
   Mt. Zion     • Sylvia Tumblin
TRIO:
   Trio         • Douglas Walters  Tommy Altman
   • Ronald Camlin
   • Miriam Donnelly
   • Norman Rowell
   • John Smiley
   • Louis Hanna  Garland Baxley
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   Turbeville   • Louis Hanna  Garland Baxley
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UNION:
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GREENVILLE DISTRICT
EASLEY:
   North Easley Charge  • Barbara Hayes  Ricky Jenkins
FORK SHOALS
   Lebanon       • Ruth Stanley  Jeanette Whitfield
   • Cindy Woods
   • Roger Terry
PISGAH-OAK HILL
FOUNTAIN INN:
   Trinity       • Howard Godwin
GRAY COURT:
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**GREER:**
- Apalache-Jackson Grove Charge  James H. Knight  M.T. Belue
- Covenant  • Baron DeKalb  Ellis Fowler  • Richard Hardison  Becky Hardison  • Roy Moore  Gary Pizzeck  • Timothy Northcutt  William C. Smith  • Dick Webb  Julia Webb
- Faith  Edward Semran  Dean Clark
- Few's Chapel  Tim Roberts  Ben Few
- Grace-Zoar  • Jennifer Cheatham
- Greer Circuit  Lisa Murphy  Reajean Cohen
- Greenville Korean Mission
- Liberty  Annette Millard
- Liberty Hill-Woods Chapel  • Carolyn Hamby  Hermie Gaston  • Beannie Robertson  Joan Jamieson  • Conrad Robertson
- Mountain View  • Charlotte Newton  Harriet Aaron
- Sharon  • Dorothy McHugh  Olivia Davis
- Slater  • John Gunther  Dave Catlin
- Victor  • Wayne Calvert  Richard Wall

**MAULDIN:**
- Mauldin  • Judy Antley  Ella Mae Green  • Barbara Brooks  David Estes  • Judy Kreger  • Woody Matthews  • John MacKeil  • Vicki Watkins  Matt Yon

**PIEDMONT:**
- Augusta Road  • Ronna Brooks  Mary Ann Kennedy
- Piedmont  • Frank Vance  Herbert Elrod

**SIMPSONVILLE:**
- Advent  • Robbie Kane  • Mack Poole  • Wesley Ruth  • Barbara Ware
- Bethel-Ebenezer  • Smitty Verdin  Vicki Davis  • David Ward  • Linda Verdin
- Hopewell  • Bonita Birkel  Patty Huff
- Simpsonville  • Grace Carrowan  Tom Harvard  • Pat Long  • Ellen Miesse  • Gary Miesse  • Ed Stallworth
TAYLORS:
Lee Road • Sue Woolsey
St. Mark-St. Matthew • Steve McGahee Joan Davis
• David Turner

TRAVELERS REST:
North Greenville • Estella Rickenbacker Vernese Sims
Travelers Rest • Teresa Jones Henry Evelyn Jones
• Elizabeth Burlington Judy Outlaw

WOODRUFF:
Emma Gray • Judy Haynes Bill Black
Grace • Merle Ford Calvin Ford

GREENWOOD DISTRICT

BATESBURG:
St. John’s • Charles Adams William Reynolds

BELVEDERE:
Belvedere • Luke Wilkins Leonard Saylor

CLINTON:
Broad Street • William Davis Betty Strock
Robert Strock Sarah Pitts

EDGEFIELD:
Edgefield • Mildred Nunnery Elaine Parker

GRANITEVILLE:
St. John-Warrenville • Ann Efriod David Salter

GREENWOOD:
Aldersgate • Lorene Hicks Troy Hudgens
Bethlehem • Anne Culbreath John Fillhart
Leland Orr

Branch Hill-Martha’s Chapel • Laloree Perkins Rebecca Etheredge
Cokesbury-Hodges • Mack Goldman Evelyn Fooche
Tracy Goldman

Greenwood-Ninety Six • Willie McLaughlin Willie Jo Lagroon
Lowell Street • Jim Ballard Linda Waldrep
Lupo Memorial • David Conner
Main Street • Kit Adkins Harriett Mays
Marilyn Murphy
Susan Pinckney
Mary Lynn Polk

Mathews-Harris-Ebenezer • Jo Ann Stone Ann Landis
Mt. Carmel • J. Allen Epps Jesse Nance
Mt. Lebanon-Kinards • Robert Hawkins Shirley Simpson
Becky Hastings
Chip Snelling
John Stennett
Panola • Roderick Beauford
Rehoboth-Bethel • Saundra Dominick
St. Mark • Frank Hill Humby Quintana
• Glenn McCaffrey
• Chris McCoy
• Ray McCoy
Tranquil • Rut Hammond Phillip Davis
• Emma Latham Mary Edwards
Troy • Joanne Price

JOANNA:
Epworth-Springdale Richard Finley Joel Leckie
Susan Simpson

JOHNSTON:
Johnston-Harmony • Chris Clancy Dan Henderson

KINARDS:
Hopewell-Sharon Charge Kevin Moore Carl Turner

LANGLEY:
Langley-Bath-Capers Chapel • Mary Ann Scott Pat Harley
Jackie Harley
Carl Insley
Carl Riddick
Connell Scott
Louise Smith

LAURENS:
Central-Sandy Springs Elise Osborne
First Joanne Thomason Verna Jenkins
• Smith Patterson Gene Madden
• Everett Rampey
Laurens Charge Beverly Griffin • Mary Arnold
John Bryson
St. James • Dwight Martin Helen Short

LEESVILLE:
Leesville • Paul Quattlebaum, Sr. Bonnie Hall
• Jim Short Jack Heape

McCORMICK
McCormick • John Spence Abbie Caywood
• Ron Taylor Norma Curtis
Plum Branch Charge • J.C. Brown Michael Barron
Nan Goff

NEWBERRY
Central • Harold Smith
• Becky Smith
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Greenwood District Hispanic Ministry
Lewis Memorial Steve Graves Bill Barfield
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Clara Bouknight
Deborah Wicker
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Andrew Shealy
Trinity-New Chapel
• Grady Senn
Sara Longshore
John Billingsly

NINETY SIX:
Cambridge
• Mickey Goodman
St. Paul
• Laurie Morris
• Rayne Adams

NORTH AUGUSTA:
Grace
• Pete Crawford
• Annette Crawford
• E.J. Holgate
• Shirley Holgate
• Dave Redmond
Carolyn Dickson
Jim Dickson
Jim Fernstrom
Sharon Fernstrom
Jim Travis
Sandra Travis

POMARIA:
Mt. Pleasant
• Andy Morris
Pomaria Charge
• George Ballentine
Willis Morris
Judy Amick
Marilyn Rawls

PROSPERITY:
Wightman
Renee Joiner
• Ike Allred
Lynda Counts

Zion
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Jerry Koon

RIDGE SPRING:
Ridge Spring Charge
• Jimmy Brunson
Pauline Brunson
John Owen Clark

SALUDA:
Bethany-Zoar
• Alison Hood
Bethlehem-Gassaway
• James Paul Rushton
Thomas Crouch
Butler-Shiloh
• Donnette Martin
Emory-Nazareth
• Wayne Fulmer
Buddy Clark
St. Paul
• Nancy Grasso
Dan Guy

TRENTON:
Trenton-McKendree
• Virginia Hammack
Julie Jordan

VAUCLUSE:
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Kay Kitchens
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WARE SHOALS:
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Wayne Fricks
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• Ben Snyder
Wanda Woody

WATERLOO:
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Martha Anne Arant
Marjorie Toney
Waterloo
Melissa Carlay
Chris Dawson
HARTSVILLE DISTRICT

BETHUNE:
Bethune • Dot McLaurin Carl Graham

BISHOPVILLE:
Bethlehem • Debbie Babb Brooks Stuckey
  • Katherine Woodham Will Woodham
Bishopville Circuit • Lottie Brisbon Isaac Cook
Mechanicsville • Deborah Richardson Richard Boone
Mt. Zion • Minnie Cabbagestalk Edward Ellerby
  • Marjorie Reddick Richard Reddick
  • Wanda Simmon
St. Matthew Circuit • Jaye Hazen Larry McKenzie

CAMDEN:
Camden First • Doris Perry Debra Edwards
East Camden • Jacqueline Green-Stuckey Lula Adamson
Good Hope Wesley Chapel • Johnny Johnson Laura Prioleau
  • Billie Sloan William Prioleau
Lyttleton Street • Robert Bowen
  • Coke Goodwin Sara Hagins
  • Dot Goodwin Carolyn Brown
  • Billie Sloan David Brown
  • David Sloan
St. Paul • Sandra Gibson Betty Miller
West Camden • Dorothy Kirkland Leroy Stover

CHERAW:
Cheraw Parish • Frank Williams Willie McNeil
  • Mary Burr Neil Williams
  • Jimmie Williamson Bob Lockey
  • Wilkes Chapel - Bethesda Crawford Moore
First Church • Gary Toote Richard Stafford
Mt. Olivet-Pleasant Grove

CHESTERFIELD:
Chesterfield Parish • Retha Mae Thomas Gwendolyn White
Shiloh • Debra Williams Monroe Gaskins
St. Paul • Bobby Griffith Bill Stubbs
Zoar • Peggy Robeson Mary Beth Freeman

DARLINGTON:
Indian Branch • Margie Edwards
New Providence • Gladys Charles Cleveland Jordan
Pine Grove-Epworth • Norton James Linda Allen
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• Donnie Rich Jacob McLeod

PAGELAND:
Oro • Johnnie Burch Barbara Jackson
Pageland • Finley Kohler Roger Bragg
Salem Linda Frazier Elois Dunlap
Zion-Zoar Charge • Becky Burch Catherine Williams

REMBERT:
Rembert-St. John • Jamie Kendall John Lindenlauf

RUBY:
Ruby • Richard Rhymes James O. Taylor

SUMTER:
Aldersgate • Cecil Crayton Sue Dubose
• Milton Shuping Jacqueline Summers
• Sue Towery Wayne Taylor
Dalzell • Sandi Edens Ray Mills
Emmanuel • Ruby McKenzie • Ruby Williams
Mt. Zion-North Sumter • Betty Durant Carola Montgomery
St. James • Nancy Wilson Elizabeth Butler
St. John • Kay Harmon James Campbell
St. Mark • Mary A. Johnson Gwendolyn T. White
St. Mark’s • Mary Bailes Ralph Carnes
Trinity • Max Jackson Laura Ayers
• Shirley Patterson Alvis Bynum
Ann Walker Gene Patterson
Mac Sprott

MARION DISTRICT

ANDREWS:
Trinity • Patsy Towne Martha Lynn Gaskins
• Willie Towne Bill Gaskins

AYNOR:
Aynor • Diane Bagnal
• Dot Edwards
Pisgah • Larry Mudd Carolyn Thomas
Rehoboth-Zoan Peachey Jordan • Kathy Alford
• Johnny Best

BENNETTSVILLE:
Bennettsville First • Joan McMillan Jim Hepler
• Virginia Williamson Scott Johnson
Bennettsville Circuit • Katie Diane Harrington Patricia Little
Bennettsville Parish • Fredia Quick Diane Quick
Christ-Antioch           Linda Collins
  • Sid McInnis

Marlboro Charge          G.L. Smith   Patricia McDermott
  • Peggy Shaw

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  • Alnette Oliver

Shiloh - Smyrna          St. Michael  Thelma Easley
  • Bobby Stanton

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  • Shirlene Dixon

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  • Michael Toms

BLENHEIM:
Blenheim Circuit         • Faye Grice  Barbara Webster

CLIO:
Asbury-Clio              • Edith Carter  John Brown
  • Jacob Brown

Trinity (Clio)-Berea (McColl) • David Bryant  Ann Snuggs

CONWAY:
Antioch-Poplar           • Virginia Baker  J.D. Johnson
  • Doris Todd

Brown Swamp-New El Bethel • Jerry Richardson  Gladys Sessions

Centenary                • Shelba Gump  Sabine Marcotte

Christ                  • Rosalie Bellamy
  • Rebecca Bowers-Rivers
  • Peggy Burdiss

Conway First             • Charles Dusenbury  • Louise Goodwin
  • Floyd Goodwin
  • John Winn

Joseph B. Bethea-Salem   • J.V. Mott

Trinity                 • Bob Lexa
  • Jerry Sanders

Union                   • Anne Taylor  Sonny Harper
  • Linda Harper

DILLON:
Dillon Parish            • Anthony Alford  Mary E. McCormick

Little Rock Parish       • Kenneth McLaughlin
  • Mary Leslie  Gabriella McEachern

Main Street              • Christine Harris  John Braddy
  • Robin Thompson

Oakland                 • Watson Bethea  Nancy Whittington
  • Genevieve Carter

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Little Rock Parish       • Kenneth McLaughlin
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Main Street              • Christine Harris  John Braddy
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Oakland                 • Watson Bethea  Nancy Whittington
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GEORGETOWN:
Bethel-Oak Grove-Sampit  • Robert Amerson  Dianne Anderson
  • Mary Gibson

Duncan Memorial          • Hubert Davidson
  • Carolyne Rogerson

Herbert Memorial         • JoAnn Grantham  R.J. Ferdon, Jr.
Wayne
• Jerry Graham
Franklin Ward

LAKE VIEW:
Lake View Charge
• Pat Laird
Maurice Moody
Hardy Gaddy

LATTA:
Latta Charge
• Diane Graves
Mildred Abram
Bertha Gordon

Latta-Mt. Andrew
• Henry Brunson
Theo Lane

LITTLE RIVER:
Little River
• Patricia Deen
Hilda Barnes

• Nancy Russell
Carolyn Lown
Al Reddinger

LORIS:
Loris Charge

Loris First
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Caroline Ewing

Lewis Hardee

MARION:
Centenary-Central
David Lovell

Marion First
• Frank Hart
Tommy Walker

• Pat Walker
Pauline Edwards
Cindy Gunnin
Mary Ann Heaton

Marion Parish
Jackie Hunter

• Rosa M. Moody

Shiloh
• Sally Hayes
Mary Bryant

McCOLL:
Main Street-Pine Grove
• Ann Pearce
Melvin Cohoon

Earl Hood

Jane Rogers

MULLINS:
Center-Nichols-Tranquil
• Cecil Owens
Joyce Lett

Betty Mincey

C.P. Mincey

James Rogers

Leila Ann Rogers

Macedonia
Bobby Sellars

Mary Ann Corley

William Foil

• Pat Foil

Robert List

Rita Thomas

Mullins Charge
• Campbell Giles
Eileen Burke

Mullins Circuit
Shelby Elliott
Hazel Grainger

MURRELLS INLET:
Belin Memorial
• Jane Brookbank

Tom Brookbank

Dave Goettel

Nancy Goettel

Norman Knight

Yvonne Knight

Chris Walton

Brookgreen
Zenita Carr
Mervin Heyward
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Melissa Smalls

MYRTLE BEACH:
Myrtle Beach First  • Jean Clemmons  • George Hutto  
• Carolyn Creel  • Joan Hutto  
• James Creel, Sr.  
• Anita Letts  
• Manny Letts  
• Sara Todd  
Willa Wren  
Socastee  • Jim Waters  • Janet McGrew  
• Joyce Waters

NICHOLS:
Floyds

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH:
Trinity  • Thelma Mitchell  • Catherine Smith  
• Marie Peacock

PAWLEYS ISLAND
St. Paul’s Waccamaw  • Mona Beery  • Jean Elmore  
• Garvin Gilley  
• Louise Meredith

SURFSIDE BEACH:
Surfside  • Bre Willoughby  • Barb Benfield  
Harry Willoughby  • Tom Benfield

TATUM:
Tatum Parish  • David Lowrance  • Ann Lowrance

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT

AIKEN:
Charles Wesley  • Lamar Keisler  • Linda Endler  
David Fields  • Vera Keisler  • Rick Endler  
• Charles Tatum  • Archie Hargett  
• Hazel Tatum  • Kathy Hargett  
• Donna Walker  • Catherine Nance  
Trinity  • Wanda Barr  • Noel Chapman  
• Ray Gilbert

Wesley  • Mamie Jessie  • Queen Ester Key

BAMBERG:
Bamberg Circuit  • Eva Manigault  • Carstina Lebby  
Claflin  • Mattie Murdock

Mount Carmel  • Nadine Tyler  • Alice Fleming  
Trinity  • Joel Hand  • Mac Clinckscales  
Gray Pregnall

BARNWELL:
Barnwell Charge  • Margaret Young  • John Young

BOWMAN:
Bowman Charge  • Ann Hall
New Covenant • Sylvia B. Stephens  Yvonne Downing
  Hilda Whitesides
Pineville-St. Stephen • Juanita Mints  Martha Brown

BRANCHVILLE:
  Branchville-Pleasant Hill • Encile Gunter  Barbara Corder
  • Steve Duncan

CAMERON:
  Cameron • Walter Light  Kathy Felkel
  • Moss Perrow, Sr.

COPE:
  Canaan • Sheila Holman  Mildred Ryant
  Edisto Charge • Paul Noonan  Basil Williams
  Edisto Fork • Danny Davis  Holloray Johnson
  • Carol Franklin  Ruthie Sharperson
  • James Salley
  • Lillie Simmons

DENMARK:
  Bethel Park-Main Street • Yvonne Stokes  Walter Bryant
  • Ernest Corbin
  • Bentley Rivers
  Franklin-Orange Grove • Gwendolyn Folk  Eugene Dowling
  • Thelma Sojourner
  • Lena Dowling

ELLOREE:
  Elloree • Judy Lambert  Sally Jo Coulliette

EUTAWVILLE:
  Eutawville • Ray Ardis  Nita Hill
  Silas • Loretta High  Tesha Prioleau
  Target-Gerizim Charge • Larry Marchant  Billy Carter

HOLLY HILL:
  Holly Hill • J.L. Parler  Louis Burch

JACKSON:
  Jackson • James Goodman  Bill Dennis

LIVINGSTON:
  Livingston-Pine Hill • Billy Salley

NEW ELLENTON:
  St. Paul • Frank Simpson  Clovis Summer
  • Marie Simpson
  • Laura Summer

NORTH:
  North-Limestone • Etta Trussell  Ann Fairey
  Orange Circuit • Lisa Livingston  Jeanne Derrick
  St. Mark • Willie Mae Johnson  Evelyn Colter-Sims

NORWAY:
  New Beginning • Georgia Harley  Rickey Arnold
  Norway • Scheral Fanning  Steve Fanning

OLAR:
  Olar • John Ganus  Herman Brown

ORANGEBURG:
  New Light • Barbara Johnson  Hazel Keith
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Osceola  • Loree Wolfe  • Reg Wolfe
New Church  • Bob McCarthy  • Doug Chapman
Philadelphia  • Walt Jones
Pleasant Hill  • George Dickinson  • Carolyn Roland
St. John’s  • Marianne Warren  • David Roland

GREAT FALLS:
Bethesda-Ebenezer  • John Henson  • Ephraim Jackson
Mt. Dearborn-Heath Chapel  • Charles Ferguson

HEATH SPRINGS:
Heath Springs Charge  • Mike Truesdale  • Louis Mitchell

HICKORY GROVE:
Hickory Grove Charge  • Sandy Warren  • Beth Ramsey

KERSHAW:
Kershaw Charge  • Ann Sater  • Brenda Barrett

LAKE WILEY:
Good Samaritan-St. Paul  • Ray Reavis  • Cathy Bratton

LANCASTER:
Bethel  • Larry Neal  • Melba Blackmon
Camp Creek  • Nina Mielke
Church of the Good Shepherd  • Holt Smith  • Keel Kelly
East Lancaster Charge  • Oneida Grier  • Pat Eubanks
  • Pat Timms  • Bunny King
First Church  • Lou Collier  • Peggy Little
  • Bill Hutchison, Jr.  • Bill Melton
  • J.B. Sistare  • Art Swain
Grace  • Jack Hammond  • Bart Robinson
Hopewell  • Laura Outen  • Michael Funderburk
  • Dale Sherrin  • Cathy Sistare

St. Luke  • Genie Bowers  • R.D. Howell
  • Alta Steele  • Nancy Howell
Tabernacle  • Sam Courtney  • Glenn Watts
Zion  • Emily Salisbury  • Tom Salisbury
  • Don Humphries
RICHBURG:
Mount Prospect  • Carol Bruce  Ruth Pierce
Richburg-Pleasant Grove  • Shirley Mobley  W.C. Gladden, Jr.
Richard Huntson  John Boyd McCrorey

ROCK HILL:
Adnah  • Jim Goins  Sarah Passmore
Aldersgate  • Bill Click  Harold McCorkle
Antioch  • Rebecca Rochester  Raquel Anderson
Bethel  • Ruth Culp  Alice Bailey
Catawba-El Bethel  • Lila Williams  Nancy Weaver
Cornerstone-Epworth  • Vicky Knox  Walter Brown
Friendship  • Doris Williams  Nora Mae Gaulden
India Hook  • Ann Spencer  Jim Ransom
Mount Holly  • Sid Bennett
          • Claude Hunter
Rock Hill Central Charge  • Rosa Foster  Katie Hinton
Rock Hill South Charge  • Denise Perry
                      • Kijuana Archie
                      • Cassandra Boyd
                      • Nadine Lowery
                      • Kathleen Robinson
St. John’s  • Carmen Faulkner  Melissa Howie
          • Floyd Hughes
          • Becky Hughes
          • Alice Keziah
          • Mike Keziah
          • Ivan Walters
          • Neomia Walters
          • Frances Wrenn
Woodland  • Lucy Cate  Jerry Underwood
          • Jim Keistler
          • Gayle Lanford

SHARON:
New Zion-Shady Grove  • Ann Latham
          • Linda McAfee
Sharon-Philadelphia  • Wayne Sandifer

YORK:
Kings Mountain Chapel  • Jean Thomas  Jackie Hicks
Trinity  • Gay Feemster  Pat Childers
          • Sam Feemster  Judy Hanners
          • Glenda Helton
          • Ellen Jones
York-St. James Charge  • Toni Love  LaToya Lowry
SPARTANBURG DISTRICT

BLACKSBURG:
  Blacksburg Charge • Brenda Lanier  Pat Andrews
  • Betty Parker

BOGANSVILLE:
  Bogansville • Joan Stevens  Terry Sturgill

BUFFALO:
  Buffalo • Joyce Plemons

CAMPOBELLO:
  Campobello-Fingerville  Erko Radford  Lillian Nance
  • Jane Stikeleather

CHESNEE:
  Chesnee Charge • Jean Hines
  Friends in Christ • Ella Mae Colbert  Furman Jones

COWPENS:
  Cowpens Charge • Brian Williams  Amie Shaver
  • Sheila Reynolds

CROSS ANCHOR:
  Cross Anchor Charge  Ann Baker  Helen Scruggs
  Golightly-Tabernacle

DUNCAN:
  Duncan-Startex-Loree • Jane Henderson  Bob McDaniel
  • George Moore

ENOREE:
  Trinity-Enoree-Patterson Chapel  Mitchell Powers  Hubert Waldrep

GAFFNEY:
  Buford Street • Clyde Burch  Charlotte Mosteller
  • Mary Mosteller  Farrell Saunders
  • Sheila Smoke
  Dunton  Cedric Smith  Ruby Smith
  Limestone Street  Linda Schaub
  Mesopotamia-Asbury • Nancy Lee  Pam Foster
  • Randy Mills
  Trinity  David Seals  Tommy Ellis

GRAMLING:
  Gramling • Anne Carroll  Polly G. Harper

INMAN:
  Aldersgate • Ruby Genbauffe  John Messer
  • Ralph Justice

JONESVILLE:
  Jonesville-New Hope  Doris White  Prudé Youngblood
  Kelton Charge • J.D. Bright  Mary Pacolette Genoble
  • Carl Pollard

LANDRUM:
  Jacksons Grove • Andy Foster  Jo Anne Quatannens
  Landrum • Fran Suttle  Stephen Quantannens
LOCKHART:
  Lockhart-Wesley Chapel  Jay Voiselle  Tuie Wentz

LYMAN:
  Lyman  • Frank Hyatt  Jerry Carlisle

PACOLET:
  Pacolet-White Stone  • Peggy Phillips

PACOLET MILLS:
  Montgomery Memorial  • George Gentry  Edward Enlow
  • Billy Gossett
  • Warren Greene

ROEBUCK:
  Walnut Grove  • Flo Nodine

SPARTANBURG:
  Beaumont-Whitney  • JoAnn Green  Vickie Jones
  Ben Avon-Roebuck  • Jean Rothrock  Connie Brewer
  Bethel  • Daniel Buckner  Nancy Robertson
  • Marcie Buckner  Wallace Robertson
  • Jean Hartzog  Layne Stone
  • Art Hartzog, Sr.
  • Charles Martin
  Cannon’s Camp Ground  • Faye Cooley  Amy Bates
  • Jack Story  Maxine Chapman
  Central  • Robert Mitchell  Louise Parris
  • Liz Patterson
  Cherokee Springs-Liberty  • Sue Owens  Orr Cromer
  Church of the Covenant  • Gene Simpson  Danny Broome
  • Sue Stout
  El Bethel  • Judy Bishop  J.D. Bishop
  • Catherine Thompson

Fairmont
  Gravely Memorial  • Carol Ann Phelps  Jane Humphries
  New Beginnings  • Jeff Rigsby  Steve Lewis
  Reidville Road  • Joe Yonce  Steve Barger
  Silver Hill Memorial  • Licita Rogers  Dorothy Moss
  • Charlton Williams
  Skylyn-Arcadia  • Ruth Henry  Jolene Bonner
  • Marge McBride
  Spartanburg Parish  • Lakesha Barnes  Elaine Sims
  St. James  • Nancy Becker  Lee Becker
  • Ira Snead
  • Jim Snead
  St. Luke  • George Burnett  Wayne Owens
  St. Paul  • Marion Boyett  JoAnn Brown
  • Nancy Curry  Bobbi Duncan
  • Jerry Jackson  Donna Harwood
  • Sally Kay
  Trinity  • Dottie Edwards  • JoAnne Medlock
• Thomas Edwards, Jr.  Henry Pittman
• Beverly Gibson  Vaunita Ashmore
• Jack Shingler  Lisa Bailey

UNION:
Bethel  George Ashmore  Mary James
Duncan Acres  Martha Nichols  Cheryl Sanders
Grace  Stan James  Lisa Bailey
Sardis-Unity  Jack Shingler

WELLFORD:
Immanuel  chop Cunningham  Charlie Kiel

WHITMIRE:

WALTERBORO DISTRICT

ALLENDALE:
Allendale  Shelly Thomas  Edward Stevenson
Central Circuit  Maude Sanders  Dick Thomas

BEAUFORT:
Beaufort Circuit  Jordan Goodwin  Henry Brown
Beaufort Parish  Beverly Mitchell
Carteret Street  Gary Ayers  Laurette O’Neal
• Connolly Folk
• Hugh Folk
• Dick Hoagland
• Merle Hoagland

Fisher Chapel-St. Stephen  Arthur Scott, Jr.  Helen Shuler
Ladys Island New Church Mission

Port Royal  Beth Brittman  Henriann Bogan
• Eileen Newton
• Susan Toenniessen
• Mickeyl Vaigneuer

COTTAGEVILLE:
Cottageville Charge  Mary Holladay  Wallace A. Addison
• Elva Muckenfuss
• Mildred Thomas

Jericho  Jacqueline Givens  Nannette Walker
Macedonia-Wesley Grove  Lula Smalls  Edith Washington

DORCHESTER:
Dorchester Circuit  Mary Lou Cockcroft  Catherine Hughes
Dorchester Parish  Mathew L. Profit  Mary Brown

EHRHARDT:
Ebenezer-Rizer’s Chapel  Carla Brabham  Kara Troy
Ehrhardt  Rebecca King
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SECTION IV

The Journal of Proceedings
SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The United Methodist Church
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Continuing the South Carolina Conference (1785)
and the South Carolina Conference (1866)

Sunday, June 1 – Wednesday, June 4, 2008
Florence Civic Center
Florence, South Carolina

Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor, Presiding

CONFERENCE THEME:
“Dare to Change the World”

The First Day – Sunday Afternoon

June 1, 2008

Lay Orientation. An Orientation Session was conducted for the Lay Members of the Annual Conference by the Board of Laity at 5:00 p.m. in the Arena of the Florence Civic Center. The session began with an overview and welcome by Dr. Joseph E. Heyward, Conference Lay Leader.

All lay members present were provided information and instruction by the Conference Lay Leader and others concerning the agenda, movement, procedures and parliamentary process of the 2008 Annual Conference. Announcements were made concerning the ordination service, the Laity Luncheon and the Laity Convocation. An opportunity was provided for Lay Members to ask questions. Opening and closing hymns were sung. The session was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Clergy Session. The Clergy Session was called to order by Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor at 5:00 p.m. in the Exhibit Hall. The Reverend Patricia J. Parrish, Chairperson of the Board of Ordained Ministry, was recognized for an opening prayer. Rev. Parrish then briefly reviewed the work of the Board since the last session of Annual Conference. When all members of the session had received copies of the Business Questions, she called upon Reverend Ken Nelson to present the Business Questions on behalf of the Board of Ordained Ministry.

The Reverend Kenneth L. Nelson, Registrar of the Board of Ordained Ministry, presented the full written, distributed report. Reverend Nelson noted certain corrections to the report. Business Questions 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 41 – 45 and 53 were presented for information and moved to record, as no vote was required. Bishop Taylor reminded the clergy session that on Board of Ordained Ministry matters, only Deacons and Elders in full connection are eligible to vote. The Consent Calendar, which included Questions 25, 26, 30, 31, 32, 38, 39, 40, 47, 48, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, and 63 – 65 (statistical data questions calculated after clergy session) was presented on behalf of the Board of Ordained Ministry by the Reverend Nelson as Motion 1 of the Clergy Session Memorandum. It was perfected and approved by more than two-thirds vote of the clergy session.

Motion 2, on the second page of the Clergy Session Memorandum, was approved, authorizing the Registrar of the Board of Ordained Ministry and Coordinator of Clergy Services to make editorial changes to the business questions where necessary in preparing them for the Annual Conference Journal. It was further noted in the written report that questions 66 and 82 pertaining to certification in specialized ministry for diaconal ministers will require a vote by the full session of the Annual Conference where necessary.
The clergy session acted to approve each of the following Business Questions separately: 18b, 21, 27, 28, 29, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 46, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, and 83.

Questions 33, 35, and 54 were approved by a two-thirds majority. Following the reading of the names of clergy who had died during the past year, as listed under question 52, Bishop Taylor offered prayer in remembrance and appreciation of their service to the Annual Conference. Question 83 was approved by a three-fourths majority.

Reverend Parrish asked Reverend Mike Alexander to come to report on behalf of the Administrative Review Committee. Rev. Alexander reported that after reviewing the records of the actions regarding Gerald Lord and Ronald Lucas, the committee concluded that the correct process had been followed in each case, and that the actions of the Executive Committee were proper in these matters.

Reverend Parrish then asked Reverend Frank Griffith (outgoing chair of the Order of Elders) and Reverend Kathy James (outgoing chair of the order of Deacons) to stand and be recognized for their outstanding work throughout the past quadrennium in leading their respective Orders. Reverend Parrish then recognized Reverend Len Ripley (outgoing chair of the Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members) and thanked him for his work over the past four years as chairman of the Fellowship.

On behalf of the Board of Ordained Ministry, Reverend Parrish next presented the nominee to serve as Chairperson of the Order of Deacons in the new quadrennium. There being no further nominations, Bishop Taylor called for a vote. The deacons present voted to elect Bobbie Opal Taylor to serve as Chairperson of the Order of Deacons. Reverend Parrish then presented the nominee to serve as Chairperson of the Order of Elders in the new quadrennium. There being no further nominations, Bishop Taylor called for a vote. The Elders voted to elect Larry Hays to serve as Chairperson of the Order of Elders.

Bishop Taylor asked if there were nominations for the office of Chairperson of the Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members. The name of John Cribb was offered. There being no further nominations, Bishop Taylor called for the vote, and John Cribb was elected to serve as Chairperson of the Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members.

Bishop Taylor invited Reverend Patricia Parrish to come forward to be recognized for her eight years as Chairperson of the Board of Ordained Ministry, and to present her with a certificate of appreciation. The clergy session expressed its gratitude for her work on their behalf.

There being no further business, several announcements were made, Bishop Taylor reminded the members of the evening worship session, thanked them for their presence and participation, and declared the clergy session adjourned.

The First Day – Sunday Evening
June 1, 2008

Opening Service of Celebration and Holy Communion. The service was held in the Civic Center Arena at 7:30pm. Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor presided and celebrated Holy Communion. Dr. Eddie H. Fox preached a sermon titled, “That the World May Know Jesus Christ,” based on Colossians 1:15-20 and Luke 19:37-40. An offering was taken for the UMCOR Response for Kenya. The service began with an opening welcome by Bishop Taylor and singing of the traditional hymn to open Annual Conference, “And Are We Yet Alive.”

The liturgist in the service was the Conference Lay Leader, Dr. Joseph Heyward. Musicians included the First UMC Chancel Choir of Conway, the Advent UMC Celebration Ringers of Simpsonville and Billy Fallaw, Organist. The crucifer and acolytes were youth members of Central UMC, Florence and the Episcopal Banner Bearer was Mandy Taylor Young. The Communion servers were District Superintendents, Deacons, Conference Council on Connectional Ministries Director and Associate Directors.
Organizational Session. The Conference was called to order by Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor at 8:43 a.m. The Reverend Jeanette Cooper Dicks, Pastor of Cumberland UMC in Florence, brought greetings and welcomed Bishop Taylor and the members of the Annual Conference to Florence. Reverend Dicks then introduced Mr. Al Bradley, a member of the Florence County Council, who welcomed the Annual Conference to Florence County and quoted Psalm 19:14, “May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.”

Mrs. Emily Cooper, new Editor of the SC United Methodist Advocate was welcomed and encouraged delegates to continue to support The Advocate in its “connection-making task.”

The Reverend Timothy J. Rogers, Secretary of the Annual Conference, offered various organizational motions for the Conference. The first motion was that the Tellers nominated by their District Superintendents for the 2008 Annual Conference session be elected as nominated without reading and their names be published in the 2008 Conference Journal. The following clergy were nominated and elected: The Reverends Carlethea Benson, Wayne Pearce, Shawn Armstrong, Pattie E. Gordon, Lisa Hawkins, Richard Robinson, Jr., Harold Gordon, Kenneth Nelson, Bob Vincent, William H. McCown, Ill, Robert Huggins, Wanda D. Altman, Geneva Stafford, William H.D. Bowser, Jr., Michael Hayhurst, George Scott, Brenda Washington, Toni White, Thomas Byrd, Sandra Hatchell, David Bauknight, David Cook, Jr., Patricia G. Warden, Charlie Thomas, Robert Malachi, Connie Barnes, Ray Smith, David Williamson, Debra Armstrong, Albert Murdaugh, Arthur Vick, Bill Dargin, John Williams, James Carter, Keith Sweat, Bill Farley, James Grant, David Fields, and Lara Byrd. The following laity were nominated and elected: Shirley Dallas, Pat Martin, Francis Hipp, Leon Love, Tommy Glenn, Cassie Watson, Laura Benson, Richard Thompson, Cynthia Williams, Azilee Dickey, Donna Pratt, Jo Ann Stone, Grace Carrowan, Catherine Cuneo, Tonie Gary, Sandra Gibson, Braber Spell, Barry Julian, Laurie Morris, Susan Pickney, Anthony Alford, Sandra Thomas, Bobby Sellers, Margaret Wolfe, Ruth Tate, Shirley Dibble, Mike Keziah, Alice Keziah, Daniel Buckner, Judy Bishop, Lakesha Barnes, Harry Bellinger, Jackie Givens, and Hugh Folk.

The other organizational motions were: that the attendance registers signed at the time of registration be designated the official roll and record of attendance for the 2008 Annual Conference Session; that the Conference program printed and distributed in the pre-conference materials along with such scheduling adjustments and additions which the President and the Secretary have since made be adopted as the Agenda for the 2008 Annual Conference Session, provided that the President may further adjust the schedule as necessary to expedite the business of the Session; that the seating areas on the floor of the Civic Center Arena, the seating in sections 209, 210, 211, 212, 313, 314, 315, and 316, together with any wheelchairs present on the floor or in the handicap area immediately behind sections 313 to 316, the platform and area surrounding the platform, and the sound and recording booth be designated the “bar of the conference” for all business sessions of the 2008 Annual Conference Session. All of these organizational motions were approved. The Reverend Rogers also explained the new Section Four of the Pre-Conference materials, which provided instructions for voting during the conference.

The Report of the Committee on Standing Rules was presented by Mr. Leon Love, chairperson, as presented in the registration materials. The committee recommended three changes. Rule 30d was to be amended by adding the phrase, “or upon nomination from the floor”. The bishop called for a vote, and the amendment was approved. Rule 94 was to be amended to make Moving Day the Wednesday immediately preceeding July 1st. Rule 94b was to be amended to make clear that the charge from which a minister is moved will pay their salary for the month of June, and the charge to which they are being moved will pay for the month of July. The bishop called for a vote on both amendments to Rule 94, and they were approved. The Standing Rules of the Annual Conference were then adopted as a whole.
The Reverend H. Eddie Fox led the Annual Conference in Bible Study followed by Holy Communion celebrated by The Reverend Roberta Josey. The Annual Conference was in adjournment until 10:30 a.m.

At 10:30 a.m., the Conference returned from recess with the report of the Board of Ordained Ministry led by The Reverend Patricia Parrish, Chair, reading names of candidates approved by the Clergy session on Sunday afternoon as new Probationary Deacons and Elders, together with those newly elected as Full Deacons and Full Elders. Also Ms. Donna J. Poston, who is employed at St. Mark UMC, Seneca, was recognized as completing the requirements for Professional Certification in Youth Ministry. The Reverend Parrish then guided the Annual Conference through the report of the Board of Ordained Ministry found in the registration materials on pages 80 – 83. Reverend Parrish presented the proposed amendments to the Policy Guidelines of the Board of Ordained Ministry. The amendment to guideline XXII. A. was approved. The amendment to guidelines XX. C. 5. 6. 7 and 8 to remove references to rewrites for materials presented to the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry was presented. The Reverend Parrish explained the rationale for the change. Questions were raised by members of the Conference. This amendment was passed. Amendments to XX.C.4., III. B., and XXIII were presented and approved. Amendments to the “Policy on Pastoral Ineffectiveness” were offered to bring the policy into compliance with Judicial Council rulings. The amendments were approved. The Reverend Parrish answered Business Question number seventeen related to the standing and character of clergy members. The Annual Conference received the whole report of the Board of Ordained Ministry.

Election of the Conference Officers for the Quadrennium 2008 – 2012 followed. The Reverend H. Samuel Johnson, Chair, Council on Finance and Administration, nominated The Reverend James Knowles-Tuell as Treasurer/Statistician for the Conference, and nominated the firm of Derrick, Stubbs and Stith to serve as auditor. Both were elected. Bishop Taylor nominated Mr. Jeff Barham as the Conference Chancellor. He was elected. The Parliamentarian, Dr. W. Timothy McClendon, was also nominated by Bishop Taylor. He was elected. The Reverend Timothy J. Rogers, was nominated by Bishop Taylor and the Cabinet to serve as Secretary of the Conference. Bishop Taylor asked if there were any other nominations for Conference Secretary. There being none, Rev. Rogers was elected. The Reverend Rogers nominated as Assistant Conference Secretaries: The Reverends David C. Surratt, James C. Lane and Kristen Richardson-Frick. They were elected. The Reverend Rogers nominated as Conference Recorder The Reverend Cec Jenkins. The Reverend Jenkins was elected. The Reverend Rogers made announcements concerning upcoming worship services for the day.

The Report of the Committee on Nominations was presented for review by the Reverend Carlton McClam, Chairperson. The main report was provided in pages 85 – 96 of the registration materials. A printed addendum to the report was distributed by the tellers. Reverend McClam requested that editorial corrections be submitted in writing. Reverend McClam pointed out vacancies remaining to be filled. Some nominations were offered from the floor for which the Committee on Nominations had already offered a name. An editorial change was made to the Committee on the Annual Conference to reflect new District Superintendents. The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented to the Conference for information only, and was to be acted upon by the Conference on the fourth day, Wednesday morning. The final report of the Committee on Nominations, reflecting the officers elected by the Annual Conference, including any amendments to the report made on the floor, will be printed in final form in the Conference Journal.

The Report of the Conference Council on Finance and Administration, found on pages 1 – 10 of the pre-conference materials, was presented for information by The Reverend H. Samuel Johnson, Chairperson of the Council. Reverend Johnson highlighted certain changes from last year in the report. All communications budget items have been placed together in Report Number Two, Item A. 5. Report Number Four included the compensation and expenses for the District Superintendents, which included a salary of 90,000. This reflected an increase of slightly above three percent which was less than the amount that would have been recommended under the formula (adopted several years ago) for setting superintendents’ salaries. A significant increase was recommended for Spartanburg Methodist College in
recognition of the fact that the apportionment support of SMC had not been increased for many years until 2008. The Council was attempting to restore their level of funding to prior levels, and also made this recommendation in recognition of the financial challenges faced by the students who attend Spartanburg Methodist College.

Other editorial changes were highlighted by The Reverend Johnson who also announced the Wednesday morning meeting of the Council to allow for questions from Conference members. Salaries for new church starts will now be shared between Equitable Compensation and Congregational Development according to an agreement between those two offices.

The Reverend John Culp requested information as to when the 24 hour timing for amendments to the CF&A report would apply. The Reverend Mitch Houston, CF&A Vice-Chairman, indicated that if an increase is proposed, then 12 hours notice is required. Decreases require no such time. Reverend Culp moved to amend the report of the Council on Finance and Administration by adding $100,000 to the 2009 Annual Conference budget for the support of the Epworth Children's Home Early Intervention Center; and that this one-year support be funded from the permanent reserve fund of the Conference. The Reverend Willie Teague offered a motion to refer the Culp Motion to the Council on Finance and Administration for consideration by the Council, and that any debate be deferred until the report of the Council. The motion to refer was seconded and approved. The entire report of the Council was presented to the Conference for information prior to being acted upon on the final day of the Conference session.

Bishop Taylor announced that the Conference would be recognizing June Willson for her many years of service to the youth ministry program. An offering was received at the doorways as members of the annual conference were leaving for lunch. Several announcements were made, including recognition of Reverend Dr. Walter Kimbrough, Pastor in Residence of Gammon Theological Seminary President, the speaker for the African-American Clergywomen's Luncheon. Certain instructions were also given for the Ordination and Memorial Services. The session was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

The Second Day – Monday Afternoon

June 2, 2008

At 2:00 p.m. the Annual Conference Memorial Service was held. The preacher for the service was the Reverend Ernest Etheridge. His sermon was titled, “Example of Faithfulness”, and was based on Hebrews:12:1-2. Liturgists were Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor and The Reverend Frank Lybrand. The opening hymn was “For All the Saints” and the closing selection was “Marching to Zion.” Special music was provided by the Clergy Choir with Director, Toni Hollingsworth. Mr. Billy Fallaw was organist.

The following deceased ministers, spouses, and others were remembered during the Memorial Service: Retired Ministers remembered were Ralph Alston Cannon, James Chadwick Davis, Joseph Claude Evans, Henry Franklin Flowers, Duncan LeRoy Floyd, Willis Timothy Goodwin, John Thomas Hayes, David Wilson Holder, Denver Steedly Lee, Walter Edwin McDaniel, Jr., John Frederick Norwood, Buford Hayes Robertson, Sr., Amos Nathaniel Rogers, William Fletcher Rogers, Jr., Lewis Ramey Sherard, and John David Williams. Spouses remembered were Dorothy Hemker Gamble, Eura Vernelle Gavalas, James William Jenkins, Audrey Novella Woodward McNeill, Dorothy King Pittman, Roselyn Craig Pridgen and Martha Bayne Mallary Taylor. Surviving Spouses remembered were Susie Burns Bedenbaugh, Pauline Adams Boggs, Clara Burnett Bolt, Rosa Rumph Cunningham, Sara Vickery Black Emory, Maxilla Everett Evans, Laura Elizabeth Hewayrd Gregg, Eliza Blake Nelson, Alberta “Bert” Swinnie Parker, Grace Nunn Poston, Patricia Ann Gullis Price and Violent Fenters Tyler. Also remembered was Emeline Ruth Meadows, a child of the parsonage home. At the close of the service, the session was in recess for 30 minutes.

Dr. Thomas Bowman of the Committee on Resolutions and Appeals, directed the attention of the Conference to the Report of the Committee on pages 71 of the pre-conference
materials, announced the meeting of the Committee to consider those Resolutions that had been submitted and the deadline for presentation of all resolutions and appeals. Three additional resolutions were distributed to the Conference delegates by the tellers. Those resolutions concerned: Epworth Children’s Home, the Confederate Flag, and Divestiture from the Government of Sudan. In addition, a Statement Concerning the Relationship Between the Annual Conference and Epworth Children’s Home was also distributed. All of these were presented for information only, to be acted upon at a later time.

The Reverend Timothy Rogers then explained the process of the Consent Calendar on pages 71-72 of the Pre-Conference materials, and the manner in which items might be removed from the Consent Calendar for individual action. The Consent Calendar and any items removed were scheduled for consideration on Tuesday morning.

The Reverend Mary V. Teasley presented highlights of the report on Hispanic/Latino Ministry, found on page 58 of the pre-conference materials, together with a video presentation. Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor asked for a vote to accept the report and the video presentation, and it was done.

The report of Connectional Ministries was presented by the Chairperson, Mrs. Earline Ulmer, who began by introducing a presentation by representatives of the Division of Youth Ministries, the Young Adult Network and the Youth Worker Movement: Angela Johnson, Kayla Mullins and James Grubb.

Mrs. Ulmer then recognized Ms. June Willson, Congregational Specialist, for her 38 years of ministry with the youth of the South Carolina Conference. The Reverend Willie S. Teague, Director of Connectional Ministries, presented Ms. Willson with flowers and announced that the offering in her honor was over $5,000. This offering would be presented to the family that the Willson family sponsors. Reverend Teague asked that everyone who had their life impacted through her ministry to stand. The Conference expressed its appreciation for her years of ministry.

Mrs. Ulmer directed the Conference to turn to page 11 in the pre-conference materials. She highlighted the work of the Congregational Specialists, and focused on a renewed emphasis on communication and better use of audio-visual technology at Annual Conference. Pages 79-80 of the registration packet included the report of the African-American Committee, including the request for a full time Congregational Specialist for African American Ministries. Mrs. Ulmer moved adoption of the recommendation to create the full-time position for African-American Ministries, and it was approved. Mrs. Ulmer then moved adoption of the complete Connectional Ministries report, and it was done.

Mrs. Ulmer then directed the attention of the Conference to the report of the Committee To Determine The Use of Funds From The Bequest Of The Estate Of William Norman Bobo, Jr., found on page 84 of the registration materials. The Reverend Dawn Compton, great niece of Mr. Bobo, presented the report and offered a brief presentation about Mr. Bobo. The special committee, created by the 2007 Annual Conference, recommended that the $558,347 (value at December 31, 2007) left to the Conference by Mr. Bobo be used to fund leadership development in the conference. Mrs. Ulmer moved the adoption of the report and its recommendations. Bishop Taylor called for a vote, and the report was adopted.

The Reverend Willie S. Teague presented the report of the Ministry Advisory Team, found on page 83 of the registration materials. Listening sessions had been held around the Annual Conference (24 in number) and additional dialogue will take place in the future. The Ministry Advisory Team will use the information gleaned from the listening sessions to determine how the conference might be better organized to support the work of local congregations.

The Reverend Robert Cannon asked The Reverend Teague concerning the status of a full time Hispanic Ministries Staff Person in Connectional Ministries. The Reverend Teague stated that Connectional Ministries did not choose to bring a recommendation to create a full-time position at this time, but that it was still under consideration. Discussion followed concerning the staff position for Hispanic Ministries and related procedural matters. The conference received the report of the Ministry Advisory Team.
The Reverend Michael Hood moved that the Director of Hispanic/Latino Ministries become a full-time Connectional Ministries staff position beginning January 1, 2009. Motion seconded. The Reverend Willie Teague asked if this motion needed to follow procedures for remaining before the Conference for 12 hours. Bishop Taylor clarified that Standing Rule 21 requires that discussion and approval must take place presently, and if the motion is approved it must lie on the table for 12 hours. After twelve hours have passed, the motion must be considered again with specific attention to the financial ramifications at that time. Discussions for and against the motion followed.

The Reverend Milton McGuirt moved to refer the Hispanic Ministry Staff position to the Ministry Advisory Team. The motion was seconded. The Reverend Robert Cannon questioned if the position needed to be referred to Conference Staff Relations Committee in consultation with Connectional Ministries and Conference Council on Finance and Administration. The Reverend McGuirt accepted the amendment. A second was received. Questions and statements in support and against the motion followed. The referral was approved.

The report of the Board of Camps and Retreats by Joe Clark, Chair-elect of the Board. He introduced the new Director of Camps and Retreats, the Reverend Jody Oates. In addition, he highlighted the conservation easement recently granted at Asbury Hills and the funds received for that easement. He also reviewed the temporary suspension of operations at Sewee Coastal Retreat Center, and the work being done to resume that ministry as soon as possible.

Reverend Oates spoke about the plans to expand facilities and programs at Asbury Hills. This includes replacing cabins which have been in use for over 40 years, as well as remodeling of many buildings. Reverend Oates also discussed the plans for resuming ministry at Sewee Coastal retreat Center. A full time Director of Development will be hired for Camps and Retreats this fall. The report of the Board of Camps and Retreats was received by the conference.

The Reverend Charles Hutchins moved to extend the time of the afternoon session by 15 minutes. It was approved.

The Commission on Equitable Compensation report, found on pages 47-52 of the pre-Conference materials, was presented by The Reverend Joseph James. Reverend James directed the attention of the Conference to Section A.2 of Report No. 2 on page 48 – the schedule of total minimum compensation. Barry McFadden and Wiley Cooper asked questions concerning the Commission’s report. The report as a whole was approved.

Bishop Taylor introduced the report of The Committee on Congregational Development, which was presented in the form of a video. Following the video presentation, The Reverend Rusty Taylor, Director of Congregational Development, expressed appreciation to outgoing Committee Chairman, Reverend Dan Bradley, for his work with the committee over the past eight years. The Conference received the report, and the Annual Conference stood in adjournment.

The Second Day – Monday Evening

June 2, 2008

The Service of Ordination, Commissioning and Licensing was held at 7:30 p.m. in the Civic Center Arena. Bishop Robert Fannin, Retired, currently serving as President of the World Methodist Council, preached on “Footprints of Transforming Ministry”, based on Romans 10: 11-15. An offering was received for the Bethlehem Bible College, located in Bethlehem, Israel. Music was provided by the Simpsonville UMC Chancel Choir. The organist was Billy Fallaw.

In addition to Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor and Bishop Fannin, the following persons participated in the service: Reverend H. Eddie Fox, Reverend Karen Radcliffe, Reverend Katherine C. James, Dr. Joseph E. Heyward, Reverend Patricia Parrish, Reverend Leonard C. Ripley, Reverend Kenneth L. Nelson, Reverend Frank J. Griffith, Jr., Reverend Alice Elaine MacKiel, Reverend Howard D. Addis, Reverend Mary Louise Johnson, Ms. Millie Nelson, Ms.
The following persons were licensed as Local Pastors: Ronald Lemuel Brewer, Bryant Allen Burden, Weston Campbell Cheatham, James Henry Counts, Jr., Angela Marie Etheredge-Manly, Jason Daniel Everson, David Lloyd Fields, Michael Terrence Fleming, Joseph Christopher Greene, Jerry Harrison, Jr., Kathy Priest Hudson, Ronald Craig Jones, Stewart Dean Lollis, Elizabeth Ashley Lowder, Alpha Pauling, David Norris Phillips, Frances Lee Roper, Scott Walter Smoak, Billy Keith Stewart, Keith Robert Taylor, Jon P. Ward, and Reginald Darlington Wilson, Jr.

The following person was commissioned as a Probationary Deacon: Karen Trogdon Kluever.

The following persons were commissioned as Probationary Elders: Daniel Seay Burbage, William Thomas Dargan, Sheila Lamar Elliott, Pattie Elaine Gordon, Mary Louise Johnson, Steven Paul Keck, Christopher Matthew Lollis, Billy Lee Lynch, Jr., Dwight Arnold Nelson, Marie Elizabeth Ray, Richard Wilson Waldrep, Erin Elizabeth Walley, Matthew Larry Yon, and Amanda Carrie Taylor Young.

The following persons were ordained as Deacons: Traci Smith Bennett, Jeffrey Weldon Childress, and Alice Elaine MacKeil. William Grover Putnam, who had been elected as a Full Deacon, had his ordination from another denomination recognized.

The following persons were ordained as Elders: Emmanuel Bruce Adams, Christopher Edward Arries, Mollie Louise Bame, Constance Nelson Barnes, Lara Caulder Byrd, Mary Kathryn Boyd Griffin, Narcie McClendon Jeter, Cathy Delphine Mitchell, Anne Richardson Parrott, Gayle Minor Summy, Mae Francis Taylor, and Thurmond Kemzy Thomas. Rebecca Joyner Shirley was also ordained as an Elder, transferring from Full Deacon to Full Elder. Howard Donald Addis, who had been elected as a Full Elder, had his ordination from another denomination recognized.

A reception in honor of those licensed, commissioned, and ordained was held following the service in the Exhibit Hall of the Florence Civic Center.

The Third Day – Tuesday Morning

June 3, 2008

Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor called the session to order at 8:30 a.m. Dr. H. Eddie Fox led the Conference in Bible Study and The Reverend Joe Cate then celebrated Holy Communion.

The Business Session began with a video presentation sponsored by the Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry which highlighted the four United Methodist colleges in the South Carolina Conference: Claflin University, Spartanburg Methodist College, Wofford College, and Columbia College.

Bishop Taylor then invited Bishop Fannin to preside. Bishop Fannin’s first order of business was to invite Mr. Dante Brown to the podium to speak on behalf of the the Black College Fund.

Awards, presentations and recognitions of the various boards, agencies and institutions were guided and announced by Mr. Brandon Taylor, former staff member at First UMC in Clover and now with Channel Thirteen Television, WBTW in Myrtle Beach. Bishop Taylor and Bishop Fannin greeted each award recipient as they came on stage. The Herbert Hucks Awards were presented to The Reverend Dr. Theodore R. Morton, Jr. and Pisgah Church - Aynor, Washington Street Church - Columbia, Bethel Church - Spartanburg and Mountain View Church - Taylors. Centennial and Bicentennial Churches were Calhoun Falls UMC, Allen View UMC, Dalzell UMC, Livingston UMC, Bethel Park UMC, Gramling UMC, Estill
United Methodist Volunteers in Mission Award Recipients of the Dr. Michael C. Watson Awards were Mr. R.B. “Bud” Antley and and The Reverend George Strait. The Josoph B. Bethea Award was presented to James H. Salley. The Barbara Boultinghouse Bridge Builder Award was given to Bridge Builders Mission of Hartsville. The Reverend Lee C. Bines was recognized for his many years of service to the conference as Disaster Coordinator. The Francis Asbury Award was presented to Dr. Jimmy J. Montgomery. Graduates of the eChristian Education/Certification Training Program at Columbia College and sponsored by the Board of Education were honored. The individual graduates were Connie Borgianini, April Buddin, Karen Denny, Thomas Jones, Jr., Velma Pruitt, Kevin Reinke, Amy Utley, and Ashley Walker. Scholarship recipients provided through the Board of Ordained Ministry including the Bessie B. Parker Memorial Scholarship (Judith Ann Knox), the T. Dennie Smith Scholarship (Brian James Arant, Michelle Dellinger Cockcroft and Linda Lee Mc丹nals Guthrie) and the Seminary Students’ Scholarship (Emily Elizabeth Scales). South Carolina Merit Scholarships were presented to Kristian Dukes and Christian Buff and the Janie Robinson Thomas Memorial Scholarship to Fuller Walker.

The Bishop’s Awards of Excellence in Scouting was presented to Pack and Troop 476 of St. Paul Church - Florence, Troop 502 of First UMC - Isle of Palms, Troop 750 of Stallsville UMC - Summerville, Troop 507 of Lexington UMC - Lexington, Pack 77 of Beth Park UMC - Denmark, and Pack and Troop 190 both of Trinity UMC - Orangeburg. The G. Ross Freeman Award, given by the United Methodist Men, was presented to The Reverend Darren C. Hook. The Denman Evangelism Award is presented by the Foundation for Evangelism. The lay recipient was Mrs. Kathryn Scarborough of Bethel UMC, Pelion Charge. The clergy recipient was The Reverend Sandra Stevens-Poirel of Trinity UMC, Andrews.


The Report of the Board of Laity was presented by Dr. Joseph Heyward, Conference Lay Leader. Dr. Heyward highlighted the work of the laity in preparing their churches for the work of making disciples of Jesus Christ. Dr. Carolyn Briscoe presented Report No. 2 of the Board of the Laity, to re-nominate Dr. Heyward for another term as Conference Lay Leader, Mrs. Kathryn Scarborough as Associate Lay Leader, and Mrs. Jane Scott as Secretary of the Board of Laity. Bishop Fannin called for a vote, and the Conference duly elected the officers for the Board of Laity for the following quadrennium.

The Reverend Tim Rogers moved the adoption of the Consent Calendar except for two items which had been lifted from the calendar: the report of the Board of Laity, which had just been presented, and the report of Epworth Children’s Home. The report from Epworth Children’s Home was to be presented at a later time. With those two exceptions, the Consent Calendar was adopted as presented.

Bishop Fannin expressed appreciation to Bishop Taylor for the invitation to be present, preach, assist in ordination and preside. He was excused to return to Florida following the death of a colleague. A video was next presented on the Methodist Homes by the Conference.
Board of Health and Welfare Ministries and its Chair, The Reverend Athon Arant. Following the video, the Conference was in brief recess.

Bishop Taylor called the Session to order at 11:30 a.m. and the Conference re-convened for the Retirement Recognition Service. Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor served as liturgist. The following clergy and their spouses were recognized upon the occasion of their entering the retired relation: Gene Sarvis Ammons, Rudolph Counts Barnes, Jr., Washington Webster Belangia, IV, Barry Lewis Brown, Gary Bruce Byrd, Hugh Carroll Cash, Ada Armstrong Charles, Wiley Barrow Cooper, Karin Bascom Culp, Eugene Lowry Curry, Gerald Edwin Davis, Cynthia Hodell Dyer, John Mitchell Freeman, Frank Julius Griffith, Jr. Charles Reed Inabinet, James Wallace Ivey, Ruth Ann Ivey, Mark Reagan Long, Grace Lewellyn Lovell, John Teague Miller, Grady Watson Mills, II, Arthur Wesley Murphy, Kenneth William Phelps, Charles Stewart Shaw, Walter Tart, Van Buren Thomas, Jr., W. Gordon Thomas, Michael Loy Vandiver, Philip Nicholas Watry, Diana Calvert Westerkam and Grover DeVer Williams. A video presentation recalling the ministry and thoughts of the retiring class was presented. The Reverend Frank Griffith represented the retiring class, and the Reverend Mollie Bame represented the entering class during “The Passing of the Mantle”. Mr. Billy Fallaw served as organist for the service, and at the conclusion Bishop Taylor sent the Annual Conference forth into the Florence community for a “Great Day of Service”. The Conference stood in adjournment.

The Third Day – Tuesday Afternoon

June 3, 2008

THE GREAT DAY OF SERVICE
TO FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA
AND THE PEE DEE REGION

The Third Day – Tuesday Evening

June 3, 2008

The Great Day of Service Celebration began at 7:30 p.m. Pre-Service Music and the anthem were provided by the Salem United Methodist Church Mass Choir of Florence. A sermon, entitled “The Mission is Possible with Jesus” was offered by The Reverend Luronne Jennings based on the scripture Matthew 28:11-20. An offering was received for South Carolina Volunteers in Mission. While the offering was being received, the Conference watched a video describing the work of SC UMVIM. Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor and The Reverend Christine Matthews served as liturgists for the service. Ms. Tracey Mahaffey provided signing for the deaf in this service, as she did for services throughout the Conference.

The Fourth Day – Wednesday Morning

June 4, 2008

Bishop Taylor called the session to order at 8:30 a.m. The day began with Bible Study, led by Dr. H. Eddie Fox, and Holy Communion celebrated by Reverend Miyoung Paik. Bishop Taylor began the business portion of the morning by introducing a video summary of the work done the prior afternoon during the Great Day of Service.

David Braddon, President of the Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits, was then invited to make the report of the board to Annual Conference. Both the pension and the health benefits programs were reported to be in good shape with a slight upward drift in costs. Reports were basically the same as in 2007 so Mr. Braddon only offered highlights from each report. Mr. Braddon noted certain editorial changes to the reports. The Pension Section, which included Reports Number One, Two and Three on pages 37 – 40 of the pre-Conference reports, was approved by the Annual Conference upon voice vote.
The Group Insurance Section, found on pages 40 – 43 of the pre-Conference materials, was reviewed by Mr. Braddon next. Questions were offered. All five reports were approved. The special report on page 44 was highlighted. Mr. Braddon explained that the report shows the plans of the board to develop recommendations for ways to deal with the unfunded liability related to retiree health benefits. Those recommendations will be brought to the 2009 Annual Conference. The special report was received as information only by the Annual Conference.

Mrs. Betty Moss McGuirt, member of the Board of The United Methodist Publishing House, brought the annual check from the Publishing House, and made a brief presentation concerning new resources and services of Cokesbury/Publishing House. Cokesbury will provide one million dollars for pension benefits worldwide and an additional one million dollars to resource ministries across the church. This year’s check to South Carolina was for $15,814.94 which is being directed by our Board of Pension and Health Benefits to the Central Conferences Pension Initiative. A video explaining the pension initiative was then shown.

Dr. James Salley presented a report and video describing the work being done on the Old Mutare Water Project in Zimbabwe. This was an update on a project undertaken by the Conference in 2006, and an opportunity for the Conference members to see the progress that has been made toward providing clean water to that community.

The Reverend Quay Adams, Dean of the Cabinet, presented the Report of the Cabinet. The Reverend Adams was elated to report signs of good news, of hope, vibrant and vital ministries, signs of reclamation and transformation of life. However, there are also some troubling indicators. Numbers are declining including professions of faith, members restored by affirmation. Many of our buildings are tired and in poor locations with shrinking population. Too many congregations are content with where they are, even though the primary vision of the church is to make disciples and transform the world for Jesus Christ. Local churches need to reflect on whether they want authentic visions. From the Cabinet’s perspective, matters which need attention in South Carolina Methodism include: 1. New church development; 2. Cross racial appointments; 3. Training for laity and clergy, and encouragement for persons to seriously consider calls to ministry; 4. Restructuring of charge lines for vibrant ministry; 5. Direct billing is positive but creates fear; and 6. development and implementation of Safe Sanctuaries policies in our local churches. The Cabinet is committed to engender passion and renewed vision in the life of the Conference. The Report was received by the Annual Conference.

The Report of the Committee on Nominations, having been presented to the Conference for information earlier in the week, was brought back to the Annual Conference session for action. Another printed supplemental report was distributed by the tellers. The Conference spent time perfecting the report. The Reverend Paul Wood moved to suspend Standing Rule 19 for the purpose of receiving a nomination for COSROW. Bishop Taylor said that is non-debatable and required a 2/3 vote. The rule was suspended. The Reverend Wood nominated David Murrell of the Charleston District. More than one person was nominated for a single position on the Committee on Standing Rules, and more than one person was nominated for the same seat on the Committee on the Episcopacy. A written ballot was taken for each of these two positions. Final action on the Report of the Committee on Nominations was deferred until the Tellers could count the ballots cast.

The Reverend John E. Holler briefly presented the report on Epworth Children’s Home, and the additional report titled, “Epworth Update.” Questions and answers followed his presentation. The report was received as information.

Ms. Betty Walker, Chair of the Committee on Resolutions and Appeals, presented the report of the committee. The resolution on Epworth Children’s Home which was distributed on Monday was presented. The committee voted non-concurrence. Speeches pro and con followed the report including a comment from the Conference Chancellor. Bishop Taylor called for a vote, and the recommendation of the committee was not supported. The resolution was adopted as follows:

A Resolution to Form a Committee to Make Recommendations Concerning the Financial
Relationship Between the South Carolina Annual Conference and Epworth Children’s Home

Whereas, Epworth Children’s Home was established by the Methodist people of South Carolina during the Annual Conference of 1895 and charted as “Epworth Orphanage” by the South Carolina General Assembly that same year; and

Whereas, Epworth Children’s Home has been a vital ministry of South Carolina Methodists to children since January of 1896; and

Whereas, Epworth Children’s Home has since that date provided shelter, support, supervision and guidance in the name of Christ to thousands of children who needed a place of refuge; and

Whereas, Epworth Children’s Home continues to provide the highest quality of care to the children in South Carolina who need it the most; and

Whereas, Epworth Children’s Home stands alone among the South Carolina United Methodist related homes and colleges in that it receives no direct financial support from the South Carolina Annual Conference; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the presiding bishop of the South Carolina Annual Conference appoint a committee comprised of eight individuals; the purpose of which shall be to make recommendations to the 2009 Annual Conference:

1. Whether or not it is in the best interest of Epworth Children's Home and the South Carolina Annual Conference for Epworth Children's Home to become an apportioned item.

2. Ways in which the South Carolina Annual Conference and its leadership can be supportive of efforts to increase the level of financial support from the churches of this Annual Conference. And be it further

Resolved, That the committee shall consist of eight members and shall include: a representative from: CF&A, the cabinet, the president of Epworth Children's Home and two Epworth Local Church Representatives among its members.

Ms. Walker then presented the resolution concerning the government of Sudan. The committee voted to concur with the resolution. Liz Patterson offered two technical amendments: to correct the spelling of Governor Sanford's name, and to change the resolution to request that the governor "sign", rather than “pass”, the legislation. The maker of the motion and the committee accepted these corrections. Discussion followed. The recommendation was approved, and the resolution was approved as follows:

A Resolution on Divestiture from the Government of Sudan

Whereas, The Government of Sudan continues its campaign of genocide against the people of Darfur; and

Whereas, The genocide is funded through oil revenues paid to the Government of Sudan by Chinese oil companies which are underwritten by investment companies, mutual funds and state retirement funds in the US; and

Whereas, The Government of Sudan does not have sufficient economic capital or infrastructure to process oil, it would be unable to raise oil revenues to fund the genocide if Chinese oil companies were
to stop purchasing Sudanese oil (approx. 3% of total Chinese oil purchase); and

Whereas, The State Senate and House of South Carolina have passed S241, a targeted divestment bill to protect SC retirement system funds from investments in companies that fund the genocide in Darfur; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church urges Governor Sanford to sign S241 to divest the state of South Carolina and send a message to the Government of Sudan that South Carolina will not fund genocide.

The resolution on the Confederate Flag was presented next. An amended version was distributed on Monday. The Committee dealt with the amended resolution. The Committee voted for non-concurrence. Discussion followed for and against the committee recommendation. Bishop Taylor called for a vote, and the recommendation of non-concurrence by the Committee was affirmed by the Annual Conference. The resolution was defeated. The full report of the Committee on Resolutions and Appeals was completed and accepted.

Reverend Carlton McClam was invited to return to complete the report of the Committee on Nominations. Reverend Rogers, Conference Secretary, reported that Jack Shingler had received the most votes and was made the nominee for the position on the Committee on the Episcopacy, and that Martha Swinton had received the most votes and was made the nominee for the position on the Committee on Standing Rules. Reverend McClam stated that with the announcement of those two names, the entire slate of nominations was complete, and offered the slate for election by the Conference. Bishop Taylor put the question to the house, inviting the Conference to vote in Russian, responding with a “da” for “yes”, or a “nyet” for “no”. The “da” votes were in the majority, and the nominees were elected. Reverend McClam, who was completing his term as chairman of the Committee on Nominations, took the opportunity to invite Reverend Mel Arant, Reverend Mike Bowers, and Reverend Curtis Young to come to the podium. He expressed his gratitude to the Conference for the opportunity to serve as chairman of the committee, and expressed special thanks to Reverend Arant for his work as Vice-chairman of the Committee. He also expressed his appreciation for Reverend Bowers, the newly elected chairman of the committee, and Reverend Young, the newly elected vice-chairman.

Assistant Secretary J.C. Lane made closing announcements at the end of the morning session, including informing the Conference of the deaths of Mildred Abram (wife of Reverend Joseph Abram, Jr.) and Abraham Lane, Jr, (the brother of Reverend Jerry Lane). Bishop Taylor then dismissed the Conference for the lunch recess.

The Fourth Day – Wednesday Afternoon
June 4, 2008

At 2:06 p.m. Bishop Taylor called the Annual Conference back to order. The Report of the Conference Council on Finance and Administration was presented for final action. The Reverend H. Samuel Johnson, chairperson of the Council, directed the attention of the Conference to pages 1 – 10 of the pre-Conference materials, and announced several changes to the report. On page one, line two, the recommended amount of the Conference Benevolences should be 2,527,272 instead of the previously printed amount. (This is the result of action taken Monday creating the position of Congregational Specialist for African American Ministries.) The total recommended amount on page one is now $17,531,312. On page two, under item A.4, Recommended for 2009, Salaries should now be $818,940; Benefits should be $243,995; Staff Housing should now be $90,000, and Staff Travel should now be $120,000. The subtotal should be $1,390,935. Total Conference Benevolences should now be $2,527,272. Those were the only adjustments the Council on Finance and Administration was proposing to the budget.
Report Number Two was before the Conference, and Reverend Johnson asked if there were any questions. A period of discussion followed, including questions related to staffing, Superintendents’ salaries and other matters. There being no further questions, Bishop Taylor called for the vote, and Report Number Two was approved. Reverend Johnson offered a motion to approve Report Number Three, and it was approved.

Report Number Four was before the Conference. The Reverend Wiley Cooper made an amendment to provide a 3.0% increase in salaries for District Superintendents, rather than a 3.6% increase. Discussion pro and con followed. A vote was called for, and the Cooper amendment failed. Report Number Four was approved as presented. Reports Number 5, 6, 7 and 1 were all adopted by the Annual Conference as well.

The Reverend Johnson recognized churches paying 100% of their apportionments and those improving as well. The United Methodist Center loan was also highlighted by The Reverend Johnson. He encouraged all churches to pay the full amount of their asking, and encouraged those churches who have already paid 100% to make additional payments as possible.

Reverend Johnson presented the response of the Council on Finance and Administration to the motion from John Culp that had been referred to them earlier in the week. Reverend Johnson offered a motion that the Conference authorize the Council on Finance and Administration to provide $100,000 to the Early Intervention Program of Epworth Children’s Home. This funding would come from the Permanent Reserve Fund of the Annual Conference, and would not be an apportionment item. Further, this funding is specifically for one year. There being no discussion, the vote was called for and the motion was approved.

Reverend Mitch Houston, as a member of the Council on Finance and Administration, asked for clarification as to when the funding should be made to Epworth Children’s Home. Reverend John Holler, President of Epworth Children’s Home, replied that the funding should be made January 1, 2009. Reverend John Culp then rose to thank the Conference for supporting Epworth, commended the staff of Epworth for the outstanding work that they perform, and asked that Bishop Taylor lead the Conference in a prayer for Epworth. The Conference consenting, Bishop Taylor led in prayer.

The Report of the Council on Finance and Administration was approved as a whole.

Preliminary totals from the offerings received during the Annual Conference session were announced: Bishop’s Appeal for Kenya - $15,787.54; Gift in Honor of June Willson - $6,792.49; the Bethlehem Bible College in Israel - $13,807.57; SC UMVIM - $15,070.62. The total received for all offerings was $46,458.22. Bishop Taylor thanked the members for their generosity in responding to these needs. The Reverend Lee Bryant asked that the Conference receive an offering for Epworth, and the offering was collected.

Mr. Ken Howle presented the report from the Southeastern Jurisdiction headquartered at Lake Junaluska via video from The Reverend Jimmy Carr.

Mr. Jeff Barham presented the Chancellor’s Report, as found on pages 63-64 of the pre-Conference materials. He took the opportunity to thank Dr. James Leathrum for his work with the Conference Board of Trustees. He highlighted three major areas of concern for local churches: church cemeteries, insurance and termite bonds. His report was received. On behalf of the Conference Board of Trustees, he then presented the following resolution concerning Bordeaux Methodist Church, which was approved without discussion as follows:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE DISCONTINUED BORDEAUX METHODIST CHURCH
McCormick County, South Carolina
Greenwood District, South Carolina Conference

Whereas, In 1940, the Upper South Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church, a predecessor annual conference of the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church (“South Carolina Conference”),
adopted a resolution (the “1940 Resolution”) closing (discontinuing) Bordeaux Methodist Church (“Bordeaux Church”) which was located in McCormick County, South Carolina, and part of the Greenwood District; and

Whereas, With regard to the property of the discontinued Bordeaux Church, the 1940 Resolution “placed the property under control of the Plum Branch quarterly conference” but did not direct the transfer or conveyance of the title to the property; and

Whereas, The history and disposition of the property of Bordeaux Church after its discontinuation, as reflected in the archives of the South Carolina Conference, is uncertain. It is unknown whether the Bordeaux Church was ever officially reopened; however, the Bordeaux Church reappears in the Conference journals in the years 1948-1951, where it is associated with the McCormick Charge for a time. After 1951, no entries are believed to appear in the Conference journals regarding the Bordeaux Church or the property associated with it; and

Whereas, A nonprofit group known as the Bordeaux Worship Center is currently occupying the real property of the discontinued Bordeaux Church, and the nonprofit group has requested that the South Carolina Conference convey the real property to it; and

Whereas, The sale or other transfer of the real and personal property (the “Property”) of the discontinued Bordeaux Church is deemed to be in the best interest of the South Carolina Conference to the extent that the South Carolina Conference retains any interest in the property; and

Whereas, The Board of Trustees of the South Carolina Conference (“Conference Board”) recommends the adoption of this resolution; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference approves and authorizes the Conference Board to sell or otherwise dispose of the Property of the discontinued Bordeaux Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference hereby authorizes any two officers of the Conference Board or any two other members of the Conference Board to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the sale or other disposition of the Property; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference and the Conference Board shall be reimbursed for any expense associated with the disposition of the Property from the proceeds, if any, received from the sale of the Property; and be it further

Resolved, That any proceeds remaining from the sale of the Property, after the reimbursement of all expenses, shall be turned over to the South Carolina Conference.

The Chancellor then presented a resolution on behalf of the Conference Board of Trustees concerning Pointe Hope United Methodist Church. The resolution was approved without discussion, as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OF THE CHARLESTON DISTRICT TO POINT HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Charleston County, South Carolina
Charleston District, South Carolina Conference

Whereas, Point Hope United Methodist Church, Charleston District,
South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church, has incorporated as a religious nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of South Carolina and needs to convey the real property occupied by the church to the corporate entity known as Point Hope United Methodist Church, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as “Point Hope UMC”); and

Whereas, The title to the real property upon which the church is currently located had not previously been conveyed to the unincorporated local church by the Board of Trustees of the Charleston District which currently holds title to the real property; and

Whereas, The property at issue is more particularly described in the deed filed in Deed Book P430, Page 527, located in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Charleston County, South Carolina (hereinafter referred to as the “Property”); and

Whereas, Point Hope UMC has requested that the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church (the “South Carolina Conference”) authorize the Board of Trustees of the Charleston District to convey the Property to Point Hope UMC; and

Whereas, The Board of Trustees of the South Carolina Conference recommends the adoption of this resolution; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That, pursuant to paragraph 2517.2 of The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church (2004), the South Carolina Conference authorizes the Board of Trustees of the Charleston District to convey the Property to Point Hope UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference authorizes any two officers or any two other members of the Board of Trustees of the Charleston District to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the conveyance and transfer of the Property to Point Hope UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That Point Hope UMC shall be responsible for paying any and all costs associated with the conveyance and transfer of the Property.

Mr. Barham presented the “Statement of Relationship Between the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church and Epworth Children’s Home”, which had been distributed on Monday. He explained that the adoption of this statement once each quadrennium was necessary for Epworth to retain its accreditation. Mr. Barham then offered a motion that the statement be approved. The Conference voted to approve the statement, without debate, as follows:

STATEMENT OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND EPWORTH CHILDREN’S HOME

PREAMBLE

The United Methodist Church has a history of Christian responsibility for service to people through the arm of its social welfare agencies, as evidenced in the ministry of this Home.

Since it’s founding in 1895 by the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, three central values have driven this ministry:

1) God in Jesus Christ proclaims that every human being is of infinite value in God’s sight; and therefore, those who know God respect the value of every person.
2) It is the plan of God’s creation that human life come forth and receive nurture in families.
3) Children need an atmosphere of love, acceptance and guidance that they may come to know God’s purpose and joy. Out of these values arise our mission and the cooperative ministry between this Home and the South Carolina United Methodist Conference.

EPWORTH CHILDREN’S HOME MISSION STATEMENT
Leading the way in nurturing, Epworth Children’s Home ministers to children, youth and families through a caring, accepting, safe, Christian community. Led by a professional team, hurts are healed, hope is given, and faith in God, self, and others is developed.

PURPOSE STATEMENT
Epworth Children’s Home and its services exist as the expression of the desire of the United Methodist people of South Carolina to serve their Lord and Master by providing, in a Christian manner, and to the extent of their resources and capabilities, childcare, counseling, and related services to families and children in the state of South Carolina.

STATEMENT OF RELATIONSHIP
With a rich heritage blessed by God, and faithfully supported by God’s people, we now seek to clarify and strengthen the relationship between Epworth Children’s Home, Inc. and the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

The South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church agrees to:
1.) receive nominations and elect members to the Board of Trustees of Epworth Children’s Home, in keeping with the charter and by-laws of Epworth Children’s Home;
2.) continue to provide beneficent support to Epworth Children’s Home through channels such as Mother’s Day, Work Day, and Back to School offerings, encouraging its people to make special gifts, and be supportive of the Home’s programs of planned giving and fund development;
3.) permit Epworth Children’s Home to use elements of the name and logo of the United Methodist Church and/or the Conference, including a reference to the relationship;
4.) cooperate with Epworth Children’s Home in furthering the promotion and interpretation of Epworth Children’s Home’s mission and programs;
5.) communicate with Epworth Children’s Home any changes in the rules and actions of the Annual Conference and of the General Conference which may affect Epworth Children’s Home;
6.) receive an annual audited financial report from Epworth Children’s Home;
7.) maintain for its own benefit liability insurance against direct human service liability.

Epworth Children’s Home, Inc., agrees to:
1.) continue its tradition of offering quality services to children, youth and families, and to develop innovative concepts to help with their changing needs;
2.) submit an annual audited financial report to the Annual
3.) follow guidelines as approved by the Annual Conference, in matters of funding;
4.) maintain membership in the United Methodist Association of Health and Welfare Ministries;
5.) submit to the Annual Conference for approval any changes in Epworth Children’s Home’s Articles of Incorporation;
6.) furnish an annual report to the Annual Conference;
7.) maintain for its own benefit liability insurance against direct human service liability.

Neither Epworth Children’s Home, Inc. nor the Annual Conference accepts any legal or financial responsibility for the operations of the other. Epworth Children’s Home, Inc. and the Conference mutually agree to hold each other harmless for any liabilities arising out of their relationship.

This Statement of Relationship shall be subject to review and amendment at least once during each quadrennium.

The offering for Epworth Children’s Home was completed at this time and was brought forward to Bishop Taylor. She invited the Conference to sing the Doxology as the offering was placed at the communion table.

Bishop Taylor then recognized the Administrative Assistant in her Episcopal Office, Ms. Bettye Rivers for her faithful service to South Carolina United Methodism.

The report of the Board of Church and Society, chaired by The Reverend Scott Wachter, was presented. Reverend Wachter noted that an earlier resolution from the Board that had been distributed to some of the members of the Conference at pre-conference meetings, had been withdrawn by the Board. Reverend Wachter then presented a resolution, printed on page 74 of the pre-Conference materials, concerning the Hall of Distinction Scholars Program of Spartanburg Methodist College. The report was approved, without debate, as follows:

A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE HALL OF DISTINCTION SCHOLARS PROGRAM IN RESPONSE TO THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES IN THE SO-CALLED “CORRIDOR OF SHAME” OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Whereas, Public schools across South Carolina and especially those along Interstate 95 in the area designated as the “Corridor of Shame” are woefully under-funded resulting in low high school graduation rates; and

Whereas, This inadequate funding and the resulting deplorable learning environments are projected to continue to adversely affect generations of youth; and

Whereas, Students who defy the odds and actually become graduates of these schools demonstrate, by their very survival to graduation, exceptional academic promise and personal determination to overcome obstacles to success, thereby distinguishing themselves as worthy of note and deserving of support; and

Whereas, The vast majority of these exceptional young people often have very limited financial means to pursue higher educational opportunities; and

Whereas, The vitality of public schools is in large part a product of the educational level of the citizens of the communities in which they are situated, and
Whereas, Spartanburg Methodist College has from its founding in 1911 by Dr. David E. Camak embraced the lofty goal of providing educational opportunity to worthy students regardless of their ability to pay; and

Whereas, Spartanburg Methodist College, as an institution related to the South Carolina United Methodist Conference through its Board of Global Ministries, is committed to serving the underserved by offering high quality programs of higher education through which students are equipped to become responsible citizens of their communities; and

Whereas, Spartanburg Methodist College, under the direction of its president The Reverend Dr. Charles P. Teague and with the support of its Board of Trustees, has established an endowed fund called “The Hall of Distinction Program Endowment” to be used for scholarships for qualified graduates of those public high schools located in economically depressed regions of SC such as the so-called “Corridor of Shame”; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church affirm and support the initiative of Spartanburg Methodist College to equip and prepare young people graduating from under-funded high schools in South Carolina to become agents of transformation in their communities; and be it further

Resolved, That the churches of the South Carolina Annual Conference join with other partners, public and private, individual and corporate, ecclesiastical and secular, to strengthen “The Hall of Distinction Program Endowment” with a minimum goal of $1,000,000 from all sources by 31 December 2018; and be it further

Resolved, That the churches of the South Carolina Annual Conference make known the availability of the “The Hall of Distinction Program Endowment” in the affected school districts and encourage recipients to pursue courses of study and careers that will equip them to become agents of positive change in their communities.

Bishop Taylor reported that according to the Book of Discipline, the General and Jurisdictional Conference delegates, through a process chaired by the Bishop, are required to offer names for a Jurisdictional pool of nominees. The Jurisdictional Conference will elect members to General and Jurisdictional bodies from these names. The Book of Discipline also requires that the Annual Conference approve the names to be submitted. There are 90 names on the list. The Annual Conference voted to approve the list of nominees for the SEJ pool without reading, trusting in the work of the delegation.

Dr. W. Timothy McClendon, Chairperson of the General and Jurisdictional Conference Delegation, reported on their work and the high percentage of participation by the delegation. A video report on General Conference was shown. A very conservative budget was approved by General Conference and the Nothing But Nets Campaign was highlighted. The Reverend Susan Henry-Crowe was elected president of the Judicial Council. Two petitions from the South Carolina Conference were passed at the General level. They focused on supporting the Black College Fund and Africa University. The report from the General Conference delegation was received by the Conference.

Immediately following that report, Dr. Carolyn Briscoe and Reverend Stephen Taylor highlighted the abilities and characteristics of Dr. Timothy McClendon, Episcopal candidate from the South Carolina Conference. The Annual Conference voted to endorse Dr. McClendon with a standing ovation.

Bishop Taylor reminded the Conference that the Order for the Day was now upon the Conference at 4:00 p.m, and the business of the Conference was not completed. Steve
McGahee of Lee Road UMC, Taylors, moved to extend the time for 30 minutes to finish the business of the Conference. The motion was seconded and approved.

Bishop Taylor announced that the dates for the 2009 session would be May 31 – June 3.

The Conference Secretary, The Reverend Timothy J. Rogers, announced that the newly elected Committee on Investigation needs to organize immediately following the closing worship service. Reverend Rogers then presented the report of the Committee on the Annual Conference. Reverend Rogers presented the committee’s recommendation to hold the 2009 Annual Conference again at the Florence Civic Center, based upon the experience of the members of the committee, and upon the more than 900 responses from last year’s evaluation forms. The recommendation was approved.

The Bishop then called on The Reverend Dr. Timothy McClendon, the Secretary of the Cabinet, to present the Charge Line Changes. Reverend McClendon presented the Charge Line Changes, which were included in the pre-Conference materials on pages 106, and are included elsewhere in the Business Questions, for information. The Conference voted to receive them.

Reverend Dr. McClendon then presented resolutions to discontinue five churches. The resolutions were printed on pages 74 - 78 of the pre-Conference materials. The resolutions were to discontinue: Bethel UMC in the Greenwood District, Millers UMC in the Marion District, Arrington UMC in the Greenville District, Apalache UMC in the Greenville District and Trinity UMC in Spartanburg County and District. They were all approved. As each resolution was presented, Dr. McClendon invited delegates, or anyone related to these churches, to stand to be recognized by the Conference. The resolutions read as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO DISCONTINUE
BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Greenwood County, South Carolina
Greenwood District, South Carolina Conference

Whereas, Bethel United Methodist Church (“Bethel UMC”) reported an average attendance of one in 2007, and the Church Local Conference of Bethel UMC has voted to discontinue the church, effective June 18, 2008; and

Whereas, The Reverend Mary Victoria Teasley, District Superintendent of the Greenwood District of the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church (“South Carolina Conference”), has recommended that Bethel UMC of the Rehoboth-Bethel Charge, located in Greenwood County, South Carolina, be discontinued; and

Whereas, Rehoboth United Methodist Church (“Rehoboth UMC”) has agreed to the transfer of the membership of Bethel UMC to Rehoboth UMC and to accept the conveyance and transfer of the property of Bethel UMC to Rehoboth UMC; and

Whereas, The trustees of the Rehoboth-Bethel Charge currently hold in trust the property which is known as the site of the former Mt. Vernon Methodist Church (discontinued in 1964), located in McCormick County, South Carolina (hereinafter referred to as the “Mt. Vernon Church Property”), and it is necessary and appropriate to direct a disposition of that property with the impending charge line changes and with the dissolution of the Rehoboth-Bethel Charge; and

Whereas, Rehoboth United Methodist Church (“Rehoboth UMC”) has agreed to accept the conveyance of the Mt. Vernon Church Property to Rehoboth UMC; and
Whereas, The Greenwood District Board of Church Location and Building has consented to the discontinuance of Bethel UMC; and

Whereas, The Presiding Bishop and a majority of the District Superintendents have consented to the discontinuance of Bethel UMC; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference does hereby discontinue Bethel UMC pursuant to paragraph 2548.2, The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church (2004), effective June 18, 2008; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference expresses thanksgiving to God for the Christian ministry rendered over the years by the members and pastors of Bethel UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the title to all real and personal, tangible and intangible, property of Bethel UMC shall conveyed and transferred to Rehoboth UMC, with the costs related to the conveyance and transfer to be paid out of the funds of Bethel UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That, as part of winding up the affairs of Bethel UMC, any two officers of the trustees of Bethel UMC are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to convey and transfer the property of Bethel UMC to Rehoboth UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the title to the Mt. Vernon Church Property shall be conveyed to Rehoboth UMC, with the costs related to the conveyance to be paid out of the funds of Bethel UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That, as part of winding up the affairs of the Rehoboth-Bethel Charge, any two officers of the trustees of the Rehoboth-Bethel Charge are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to convey the Mt. Vernon Church Property to Rehoboth UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Greenwood District shall oversee the transfer of membership and the conveyance and transfer of property to ensure completion; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Greenwood District shall ensure that all deeds, records, and other official and legal papers, including the contents of any cornerstone of the discontinued Bethel UMC, are collected and deposited for permanent safekeeping with the Commission of Archives and History of the South Carolina Conference.

A RESOLUTION TO DISCONTINUE MILLERS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Marion County, South Carolina
Marion District, South Carolina Conference

Whereas, The Reverend Quay W. Adams, District Superintendent of the Marion District, South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church (“South Carolina Conference”), has recommended that Millers United Methodist Church (“Millers UMC”), located in Marion County, South Carolina, be discontinued; and

Whereas, The members of Millers UMC have not yet determined where they will transfer their individual memberships but have agreed for the property of Millers UMC to be transferred and conveyed to Macedonia United Methodist Church (“Macedonia UMC”), Mullins, South Carolina, upon its discontinuance; and
Whereas, The Marion District Board of Church Location and Building has consented to the discontinuance of Millers UMC; and

Whereas, Consideration has been given to maintaining the property of Millers UMC as a preaching point after its discontinuance so long as doing so is feasible; and

Whereas, The Presiding Bishop and a majority of the District Superintendents have consented to the discontinuance; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference does hereby discontinue Millers UMC pursuant to paragraph 2548.2, The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (2004) (the “Discipline”), effective June 18, 2008; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference expresses thanksgiving to God for the Christian ministry rendered for over two hundred years (since April 1, 1808) by the members and pastors of Millers UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the title to all real and personal, tangible and intangible, property of Millers UMC shall be transferred and conveyed to Macedonia UMC, with the costs related to the transfer and conveyance to be paid out of the funds of Millers UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That all designated funds of the discontinued Millers UMC, including, but not limited to the cemetery fund, memorial fund, and building fund, shall be used by Macedonia UMC to support the maintenance, care, and uses of the building and cemetery of the discontinued Millers UMC consistent with the purposes of the designated funds; and be it further

Resolved, That all sums remaining in the general funds of the discontinued Millers UMC, after the payment of any expenses related to the conveyance and transfer of the property or other outstanding expenses, shall be used by Macedonia UMC to support the maintenance, care, and uses of the building of the discontinued Millers UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That, as part of winding up the affairs of Millers UMC, any two officers of the Trustees of Millers UMC are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to transfer and convey the property of Millers UMC to Macedonia UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference requests that Macedonia UMC give due consideration to the maintenance of the property of the discontinued Millers UMC as a preaching point so long as it is feasible to do so and that Macedonia UMC consider forming a committee to manage the preaching point which includes former members of Millers UMC among the membership of the committee; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Marion District shall oversee the transfer of membership and the transfer and conveyance of property to ensure completion; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Marion District shall ensure that all deeds, records, and other official and legal papers, including the contents of any cornerstone of the discontinued church are collected and deposited for permanent safekeeping with the Commission of Archives and History of the South Carolina Conference; and be it further

Resolved, That the guidelines of the Discipline shall govern the procedures to be followed should a determination be made at some future time to reopen Millers UMC as a local church of The United Methodist Church.
A RESOLUTION TO DISCONTINUE
ARRINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Greenville County, South Carolina
Greenville District, South Carolina Conference

Whereas, The Church Conference of Arrington United Methodist Church ("Arrington UMC") currently has 11 active members, and has voted to discontinue the church, effective June 18, 2008; and

Whereas, The Rev. Charles L. Johnson, Sr., District Superintendent of the Greenville District, South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church ("South Carolina Conference"), has recommended that Arrington UMC, located in Greenville County, South Carolina be discontinued; and

Whereas, The Church Council of Piedmont Park United Methodist Church ("Piedmont Park UMC"), Greenville, South Carolina, has agreed to minister to the members of Arrington UMC; and

Whereas, The Greenville District Board of Church Location and Building has consented to the discontinuance of Arrington UMC; and

Whereas, The Presiding Bishop of the South Carolina Conference and a majority of the District Superintendents thereof have consented to the discontinuance of Arrington UMC; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference does hereby discontinue Arrington UMC pursuant to paragraph 2548.2, The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (2004), effective June 18, 2008; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference expresses thanksgiving to God for the Christian ministry rendered across the years by the members and pastors of Arrington UMC, beginning with its founding in 1917 as part of a union church, and continuing when it was established as an independent congregation in 1934; and be it further

Resolved, That the membership of Arrington UMC shall be transferred to Piedmont Park UMC of Greenville, South Carolina, and other churches as designated by the members; and be it further

Resolved, That all of the real and personal, tangible and intangible, property of Arrington UMC in existence as the time of this resolution shall be conveyed and transferred to the South Carolina Conference by the Trustees of Arrington UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That any two officers of the Board of Trustees of Arrington UMC are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the conveyance and transfer of the real and personal property of Arrington UMC to the South Carolina Conference; and be it further

Resolved, That real property conveyed and transferred by Arrington UMC to the South Carolina Conference shall be held in trust by the Board of Trustees of the South Carolina Conference (the “Conference Board”); and be it further

Resolved, That the Conference Board is authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of the real property of the discontinued Arrington UMC and is directed to deliver the net proceeds, if any, resulting from the sale or other disposition of the real property to the Treasurer of the South Carolina Conference; and be it further
Resolved, That any two officers of the Conference Board or any two other members of the Conference Board are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the sale or other disposition of the property; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Greenville District shall oversee the transfer of membership and conveyance and transfer of property to ensure completion; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Greenville District shall ensure that all deeds, records, and other official and legal papers, including the contents of the cornerstone of the discontinued church are collected and deposited for permanent safekeeping with the Commission on Archives and History of the South Carolina Conference.

A RESOLUTION TO DISCONTINUE
APALACHE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Spartanburg County, South Carolina
Greenville District, South Carolina Conference

Whereas, Apalache United Methodist Church ("Apalache UMC") currently has five active members, and the Church Conference of has voted to discontinue the church, effective June 18, 2008; and

Whereas, The Rev. Charles L. Johnson, Sr., District Superintendent of the Greenville District, South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church ("South Carolina Conference"), has recommended that Apalache UMC, located in Spartanburg County, South Carolina, be discontinued; and

Whereas, The Church Council of Memorial United Methodist Church ("Memorial UMC"), Greer, South Carolina, has agreed to minister to the members of Apalache UMC; and

Whereas, The Greenville District Board of Church Location and Building has consented to the discontinuance of Apalache UMC; and

Whereas, The Presiding Bishop of the South Carolina Conference and a majority of the District Superintendents thereof have consented to the discontinuance of Apalache UMC; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference does hereby discontinue Apalache UMC pursuant to paragraph 2548.2, The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church (2004), effective June 18, 2008; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference expresses thanksgiving to God for the Christian ministry rendered across the years by the members and pastors of Apalache UMC, beginning when the church was founded as part of a union church in 1902, continuing when the church became independent in 1906, and including their decision to pay 100% of their apportionments in 2007; and be it further

Resolved, That the membership of Apalache UMC shall be transferred to Memorial UMC of Greer, South Carolina; and be it further

Resolved, That all of the real and personal, tangible and intangible, property of Apalache UMC in existence as the time of this resolution shall be conveyed and transferred to Memorial UMC by the Trustees of Apalache UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That any two of the officers of the Board of Trustees of Apalache UMC are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary
to effectuate the conveyance and transfer of the real and personal property of Apalache UMC to Memorial UMC; and be it further Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Greenville District shall oversee the transfer of membership and the conveyance and transfer of property of Apalache UMC to ensure completion; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Greenville District shall ensure that all deeds, records, and other official and legal papers, including the contents of the cornerstone of the discontinued church, are collected and deposited for permanent safekeeping with the Commission on Archives and History of the South Carolina Conference.

A RESOLUTION TO DISCONTINUE
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Spartanburg County, South Carolina
Spartanburg District, South Carolina Conference

Whereas, The Church Local Conference of Trinity United Methodist Church ("Trinity UMC") has voted to discontinue the church, effective June 18, 2008; and

Whereas, The Reverend Dennis R. Lee, District Superintendent of the Spartanburg District, South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church ("South Carolina Conference"), has recommended that the Trinity UMC, located in Spartanburg County, South Carolina, be discontinued; and

Whereas, The Spartanburg District Board of Church Location and Building has consented to the discontinuance of Trinity UMC; and

Whereas, The Presiding Bishop of the South Carolina Conference and a majority of the District Superintendents thereof have consented to the discontinuance of Trinity UMC; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference does hereby declare Trinity UMC discontinued pursuant to paragraph 2548.2, The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church (2004), effective June 18, 2008; and be it further

Resolved, That the South Carolina Conference expresses thanksgiving to God for the Christian ministry rendered across the years by the members and pastors of Trinity UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the membership of Trinity UMC shall be transferred to Chesnee United Methodist Church ("Chesnee UMC"); and be it further

Resolved, That the real property of Trinity UMC in existence at the time of this resolution, with the exception of the cemetery and access property (collectively referred to herein as the “cemetery property”), shall be sold; and be it further

Resolved, That the cemetery property shall be conveyed to Chesnee UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That all proceeds from the sale of any real property and all other funds belonging to Trinity UMC, less expenses related to the sale of any property and other costs associated with the discontinuation of Trinity UMC, shall be conveyed to Chesnee UMC with $30,000 of the transferred proceeds (or the total amount of the transferred proceeds if the transferred proceeds should be less than $30,000) designated for the maintenance and care of the cemetery property, provided, however, that the restriction on the funds for the maintenance and care of the cemetery property may be
Resolved, That any cost related to the discontinuance, including the transfer and conveyance of property, shall be paid out of the funds of the discontinued church; and be it further

Resolved, That all remaining personal property items belonging to Trinity UMC shall be transferred to Chesnee UMC; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Trinity UMC is hereby authorized to convey and transfer the property of the discontinued Trinity UMC consistent with this resolution and that any two officers of the said Board of Trustees are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the conveyance and transfer of the property; and be it further

Resolved, That, if any of the real property has not been sold by July 31, 2008, then the Board of Trustees of Trinity UMC shall then convey the real property to Chesnee UMC, and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Spartanburg District shall oversee the transfer of membership and transfer and conveyance of property to ensure completion; and be it further

Resolved, That the District Superintendent of the Spartanburg District shall ensure that all deeds, records, and other official and legal papers, are collected and deposited for permanent safekeeping with the commission on archives and history of the South Carolina Conference.

Upon completion of the votes, Bishop Taylor led the Conference in a prayer of thanksgiving for the many years of ministry offered by these churches. This action completed the report of the Cabinet regarding Charge Line Changes and discontinuances.

**Concluding items.** The Annual Conference Secretary expressed appreciation to those who assisted with Annual Conference, and was given permission to print a list of those persons in the Journal. Those persons are as follows: the Administration and Staff of the Florence Civic Center; The Reverend Janice Frederick-Watts and Ms. Margaret Smith in the Florence District Office, for all of their assistance; those who served as ushers throughout the week; those who served as volunteers for the district registration tables and our Information Booth, throughout the week; those who volunteered in the clergy picture taking sessions; The Reverend Thomas C. Pietila and Central United Methodist Church, our Host Church, for many services and acts of hospitality; the Reverend Cec G. Jenkin, our Conference Recorder; Mrs. Pat Mack and the staff of the Print Media Center, who printed and assembled the pre-conference and registration materials, prepared the name badges for registration, and printed Conference Program materials; Laura Hill, Walt and Bonnie Speas, and Bill and Sylvia Hulbert who assisted with special registration on Sunday afternoon and Monday morning; David Wood and GNTV who handled audio and video services for this Conference; Mrs. Tracy Mahaffey who “signed” our three evening services; Mrs. Millie Nelson, who organized the “Great Day of Service”; Rhonda Foupht and Melanie Dotson for organizing and distributing the “Great Day of Service” donated items; The Reverend Nelson L. Stokes who coordinated the Exhibitors and worked on setting up the exhibit areas; the three Assistant Secretaries serving on the platform, The Reverend James C. Lane, The Reverend David C. Surrert, and The Reverend Kristen R. Richardson-Frick; Mrs. Bettye Rivers, Administrative Assistant to Bishop Taylor; Mrs. Judith Murdaugh and the Commission on Worship; the The Reverend Susan Leonard-Ray, the Conference Worship Coordinator; Mr. Billy Fallaw, our organist; The Reverend Karen H. Radcliffe and members of the Board of Ordained Ministry who planned the Ordination Service; the choirs who added so much to our worship; all who offered special music for our services; our worship leaders and celebrants; Dr. H. Eddie Fox who led our Bible Study times; the preachers for our services, Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor, the Reverend Ernest Etheridge, Dr. Eddie Fox and the Reverend Luronne Jennings; our Parliamentarian, Dr. W. Timothy McClendon; our Conference Lay Leader, Dr. Joseph E. Heyward, who planned and led the Orientation Session for Lay Members on Sunday afternoon; our Tellers, sixty-five persons from across the Conference, who served
us during the week; and our bishop, Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor, who gave vision and direction to the planning and so ably presided over the Conference.

The Conference Secretary then made the following omnibus motion: That any reports, nominations, or recommendations printed and distributed in the pre-conference or registration materials or distributed on the floor during the Annual Conference Session not previously acted upon be accepted and moved to record and that following the final ballot, the Closing Worship and The Fixing of the Appointments this 2008 Session of the South Carolina Annual Conference be adjourned sine die. The motion was seconded and approved by the Conference at 4:20 p.m.

Bishop Taylor then invited all Conference members to remain for the closing service, and announced a recess.

Service of Baptismal Renewal and The Fixing of the Appointments. Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor led the Annual Conference in closing worship at 4:30 p.m. in the Florence Civic Center Arena including serving as celebrant for the Service of Baptismal Renewal. The appointments were distributed by the tellers during the worship service. Bishop Taylor preached on the topic of “Do We Dare.” The District Superintendents and their spouses were invited to the platform to stand with the Bishop for the fixing of the appointments. New Superintendents and those concluding their appointments as Superintendents were recognized. Each Superintendent reviewed their appointments and made brief corrections as needed. Following the fixing of the appointments by Bishop Taylor for the coming Conference year, the congregation participated in The Affirming of the Appointments, and in the Service of Baptismal Renewal. Dr. Joseph Heyward, Conference Lay Leader, served as liturgist for the service. Mr. Billy Fallaw served as Organist. The opening hymn was “God, Whose Love Is Reigning o’er Us” and the closing hymn was “Precious Name.” The service concluded and the 37th Session of the South Carolina Annual Conference was adjourned sine die at 5:30 p.m.
PART I ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (¶¶603.7, 618):
   - Secretary: Timothy J. Rogers
     Mailing Address: 4908 Colonial Drive, Suite 122, Columbia, South Carolina 29203
     Telephone: 803/786-9486
   - Statistician: James Knowles-Tuelle
     Mailing Address: P.O. Box 3787, Columbia, South Carolina 29230-3787
     Telephone: 803/786-9486
   - Treasurer: James Knowles-Tuelle
     Mailing Address: P.O. Box 3787, Columbia, South Carolina 29230-3787
     Telephone: 803/786-9486

2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated (¶603.1)? Legal, yes; Ecclesiastical, no.

3. Bonding and auditing:
   a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts (¶¶617, 2511)? The conference Treasurer and the staff of the Administrative Services Office are bonded for $1,000,000.00
   b) Have the books of said officers or persons been audited (¶¶616, 2511)? The audit is currently in process.

4. What agencies have been appointed or elected?
   a) Answer Yes or No for each of the councils, boards, commissions, or committees listed:
      (1) Board of Ordained Ministry (¶634)? Yes
      (2) Board of Pensions (¶638)? Yes, as the Board of Pension and Health Benefits
      (3) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference (¶2512)? Yes
      (4) Committee on Episcopacy (¶636)? Yes
      (5) Committees on Investigation (¶2703.2, .3)? Yes
(6) Administrative Review Committee (¶635)? Yes

b) Indicate the name of the agency (or agencies) in your annual conference which is (are) responsible for the functions related to each of the following general church agencies (¶609.1):

(1) General Council on Finance and Administration?
   Conference Council on Finance and Administration

(2) General Board of Church and Society?
   Conference Board of Church and Society

(3) General Board of Discipleship?
   Conference Board of Education, Conference Board of Evangelism,
   Conference Board of the Laity, Conference Commission on
   Worship, The Conference Committee on Congregational Development

(4) General Board of Global Ministries?
   Conference Board of Global Ministries

(5) Higher Education and Campus Ministry?
   Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry

(6) General Commission on Archives and History?
   Conference Commission on Archives and History

(7) General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns?
   Conference Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns

(8) General Commission on Religion and Race?
   Conference Commission on Religion and Race

(9) General Commission on the Status and Role of Women?
   Conference Commission on the Status and Role of Women

(10) United Methodist Communications?
    Conference Commission on Communications

c) Indicate the conference agencies which have responsibilities for the following functions:

(1) Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries (¶655)?
   Conference Board of Church and Society

(2) Disability Concerns (¶652)?
   Conference Board of Church and Society

(3) Equitable Compensation (¶624)?
   Conference Commission on Equitable Compensation

(4) Laity (¶630)?
Conference Board of the Laity
(5) Native American Ministry (¶653)?

Conference Committee on Ethnic Local Church Concerns
(6) Small Membership Church (¶644)?

Conference Board of the Laity, Conference Board of Evangelism

d) Answer Yes or No for each of the following conference or district organizations:
(1) Conference United Methodist Women (¶646)? Yes
(2) Conference United Methodist Men (¶647)? Yes
(3) Conference Council on Youth Ministry (¶648)? Yes
(4) Conference Council on Young Adult Ministry (¶649)? Yes
(5) District Boards of Church Location & Building (¶2518)? Yes
(6) Committees on District Superintendency (¶666)? Yes
(7) District Committees on Ordained Ministry (¶663)? Yes

e) What other councils, boards, commissions, or committees have been appointed or elected in the annual conference?
   Board of Health and Welfare Ministries
   Committee on the Annual Conference
   Committee on the Conference Journal
   Committee on Conference Staff Relations
   Committee on Disaster Response
   Committee on Ethnic Local Church Concerns
   Committee on Nominations
   Committee on Pastoral Care and Counseling
   Committee on Petitions to the General Conference
   Committee on Resolutions and Appeals
   Committee on Standing Rules

5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records according to the prescribed forms (¶606.8)? Yes


7. What is the report of the treasurer? See Volume II, 2008 Annual Conference Journal

8. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? None

10. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year (¶613.1a)? $1,080,000.00

11. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of the pension and benefit programs of the conference for the ensuing year (¶¶613.1d, 1507)? $1,879,024.00

12. What are the apportionments to this conference for the ensuing year:
   a) For the World Service Fund? $2,082,716.00
   b) For the Ministerial Education Fund? $720,339.00
   c) For the Black College Fund? $287,371.00
   d) For the Africa University Fund? $64,316.00
   e) For the Episcopal Fund? $565,726.00
   f) For the General Administration Fund? $232,072.00
   g) For the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund? $56,140.00

13. If the annual conference apportions to the local church a fund that combines two or more general apportioned funds with one another, or that combines one or more general apportioned funds with funds other than a general apportioned fund, list below for each combined fund: a) the name and amount of each general fund included in the apportionment; b) the percentage of the combined fund total that corresponds to each general fund apportionment (¶¶613.3d, 614.4). Not Applicable

14. Conference and district lay leaders (¶¶603.9, 658):
   a) Conference lay leader: Dr. Joseph E. Heyward
      Mailing Address: PO Box 384, Florence, SC 29503
   b) Associate conference lay leader:
      Mrs. Kathryn W. Scarborough, 278 Pen Branch Road, North, SC 29112
   c) District lay leaders:
      Anderson: Ms. Freda Brock, 1002 Willow Run, Anderson 29621
      Charleston: Mrs. June Willson, 317 Ayers Circle, Summerville 29485
      Columbia: Mrs. Brenda Hook, 2827 Hebron Drive, West Columbia 29169
      Florence: Ms. Cynthia Williams, PO Box 956, Kingstree 29556
      Greenville: Ms. Barbara Ware, 312 Woodruff Park Lane, Simpsonville 29681
      Greenwood: Mr. David Salter, PO Box 904, Aiken 29802
      Hartsville: Ms. Lib Norton, 810 N. Wilson Drive, Cheraw, SC 29520
      Marion: Mr. David Lovell, PO Box 36, Gresham, SC 29546
      Orangeburg: Dr. Robert Barrett, 2349 Mall Terrace Court, Orangeburg 29118
      Rock Hill: Mr. Donald Love, 1924 Bangor Road, Charlotte, NC 28217
      Spartanburg: Ms. Earline Powell, PO Box 36, Startex 29377
      Walterboro: Mr. John Allgood, 127 Meadowlake Drive, Walterboro, SC 29488
15. **What local churches have been:**

a) Organized or continued?

1. New Church Start (¶260.2, 3)
   - Water’s Edge (previously “Lady’s Island”) Walterboro District (2006)
   - Grace Community (previously “New Church”) Rock Hill District (2006)
   - Pointe Hope, Charleston District (2005)
   - Journey, Columbia District (2007)
   - GracePoint, Walterboro District (2007)

2. Mission Congregation (¶260.1a)
   - Greenville Korean Mission, Greenville District
   - Greenwood District Hispanic Mission, Greenwood District
   - Piedmont Hispanic Mission, Greenville District
   - New Beginnings Mission, Greenville District

3. Chartered Local Church (¶260.5)

b) Merged (¶¶2545, 2546)?

1. United Methodist with United Methodist: None
   - Name of 1st church  Name of 2nd church  Name of 3rd church
   - Name of merged church

2. Other mergers: None
   - Name of 1st church  Name of 2nd church  Name of merged church

c) Discontinued or abandoned (¶¶229, 341.2, 2548)? (State which for each church listed.)

**Discontinued**

1. New Church Start (¶260.2, 3) None
2. Mission Congregation (¶260.1a) None
3. Chartered Local Church (¶260.5)
   - Bethel(275328), Greenwood District
   - Millers(277167), Marion District
   - Arrington(274211), Greenville District
   - Apalache(273843), Greenville District
   - Trinity(279155), Spartanburg District

**Abandoned**

None

d) Relocated and to what address?  None

Changed name of church?  (Example: “First” to “Trinity”)

   Former Name  New Name  Address

f) Transferred this year into this conference from other United Methodist conference(s)
and with what membership (¶¶41, 261)?

Name    Membership    Conference from which transferred
None

g) What other changes have taken place in the list of churches?

Change Jones Chapel of the Beaufort Circuit (Walterboro District) to John’s Chapel

16. **What changes have been made in district and charge lines?**

### CHARGE LINE CHANGES

#### Anderson District
1. Dissolve the West Anderson Charge
   a. Make New Hope (271057) a station church
   b. Attach Toxaway (270281) to John Wesley (270257) to form the Toxaway-John Wesley Charge
2. Dissolve the Sharon-Shiloh Charge
   a. Make Sharon (270964) a station church
   b. Attach Shiloh (271002) to Gilgal (270601) to form the Gilgal-Shiloh Charge
3. Dissolve the Double Springs-Hopewell Charge
   a. Make Hopewell (271070) a station church
   b. Attach Double Springs (270350) to Rock Springs (270953) to form the Double Springs-Rock Springs Charge

#### Greenville District
1. Dissolve the Apalache-Jackson Grove Charge
   a. Discontinue Apalache (273843)
   b. Make Jackson Grove (273810) a station church
2. Dissolve the Piedmont Park-Arrington Charge
   a. Discontinue Arrington (274211)
   b. Make Piedmont Park a station church (273774)

#### Greenwood District
1. Dissolve the Rehoboth-Bethel Charge
   a. Discontinue Bethel (275328)
   b. Make Rehoboth (275330) a station church
2. Dissolve the Mathews-Harris-Ebenezer Charge
   a. Make Ebenezer (274962) a station church
   b. Attach Matthews (274905) to Harris (274825) to form the Matthews-Harris Charge

#### Marion District
1. Dissolve the Mullins Circuit
   a. Discontinue Millers (277167)
   b. Attach Pleasant Hill (277178) to Macedonia (276983) to form the Macedonia-Pleasant Hill Charge

#### Orangeburg District
1. Dissolve the Bethel Park-Main Street Charge
   a. Make Bethel Park (277442) a station church
   b. Make Main Street (277305) a station church

#### Rock Hill District
1. Dissolve the Bethesda-Ebenezer Charge
   a. Attach Mt. Prospect (278377) to Ebenezer (278311) to form the Mt. Prospect-Ebenezer Charge
   b. Make Bethesda (278297) a station church
2. Dissolve the Good Samaritan-St. Paul Charge  
   a. Attach Kings Mountain Chapel (278710) to St. Paul (278218) to form the Kings  
      Mountain Chapel-St. Paul Charge  
   b. Make Good Samaritan (278617) a station church  

Spartanburg District  
1. Dissolve the Chesnee Charge  
   a. Discontinue Trinity (279155)  
   b. Make Chesnee (279144) a station church  

DISTRICT LINE CHANGES  
None  

PART II  
PERTAINING TO ORDAINED MINISTERS AND LOCAL PASTORS  
(Note: A (v) notation following a question in this section signifies that the action or election  
   requires a majority vote of the clergy session of the annual conference. If an action  
   requires more than a simple majority, the notation (v 2/3) or (v 3/4) signifies that a two-  
   thirds or three-fourths majority vote is required. Indicate credential of persons in Part II:  
   FD, FE, PD, PE, and AM when requested.)  

17. Are all the clergy members of the conference blameless in their life and official  
    administration (¶¶604.4, 605.6)?  
   Yes. The character and conference relations of all clergy members have been reviewed by  
   the Board of Ordained Ministry, in consultation with The Cabinet. Those clergy whose  
   character or conference relations are in question have been noted in the appropriate  
   business questions and/or are being reviewed by the appropriate bodies as set forth in The  
   Book of Discipline,  

18. Who constitute:  
   a) The Committee on Investigation (¶2703.2)? (v)  
      J. Jeanette Cooper Dicks Clergy 2008  
      Robert Wayne Horne Clergy 2008  
      Katherine Lewis James Clergy 2008  
      Richard Hayes Knight Clergy 2008  
      Hazel Correll Bennett Clergy Alternate 2008  
      John Wesley Hipp Clergy Alternate 2008  
      C.E. “Smoke” Kanipe Clergy Alternate 2008  
      Susan Ulmer Clergy Alternate 2008  
      Eddie Calvin Williams Clergy Alternate 2008  
      W. Ann Bartelle Laity 2008  
      Carolyn Briscoe Laity 2008  

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Robert Scarborough  Laity 2008
Rubilee Addison  Laity Alternate 2008
Charles Ayers  Laity Alternate 2008
Robert Barrett  Laity Alternate 2008
Bud Jones  Laity Alternate 2008
Nancy Russell  Laity Alternate 2008

b) The Administrative Review Committee (¶635)? (v)
William Rutledge Childs  2008
Hayes Timothy Gainey  2008
Theodore Holt Walter  2008
Frank Julius Griffith  2008 Alternate
Cassandra Pasley Jackson  2008 Alternate

19. Who have received the certificate of candidacy for ordained ministry? (¶¶311, 312
—Include the names and year of certificate of all candidates for ordained ministry who
have been certified or approved for continuance by the district committee on ordained
ministry. Do not list as continued those licensed as local pastors in question 21 or as
probationary members in question 28.)
a) This year?
Gregory Day Anderson(Greenville)(2008)
Joan Kristine Bergman(Charleston)(2008)
Gregory Russell Boone(Charleston)(2008)
Ronald Lemuel Brewer(Walterboro)(2008)
Bryant Allan Burden(Orangeburg)(2008)
Walter Joseph Cantwell(Orangeburg)(2008)
Edward Rossiter Chellis(Charleston)(2008)
James Henry Counts, Jr.(Greenwood)(2008)
Bonnie Lynn Crickman(Hartsville)(2008)
Jason Daniel Everson(Rock Hill)(2008)
David Lloyd Fields(Walterboro)(2008)
Joseph Christopher Greene(Spartanburg)(2008)
Alisha Christine Hansen(Columbia)(2008)
Bruce Delaney Johnson(Charleston)(2008)
Ronald Craig Jones(Marion)(2008)
Claire Chamberlyn Kitchens(Greenville)(2008)
Karen Hanyea Lail(Columbia)(2008)
Stewart Dean Lollis(Greenwood)(2008)
Larry McCray(Florence)(2008)
Adriane Maria McGee(Greenville)(2008)
Millie Nelson(Hartsville)(2008)
Angelia Regina Ford Nelson(Hartsville)(2008)
David Norris Phillips(Charleston)(2008)
Deborah Simoneaux Pizzeck(Greenville)(2008)
Richard Hancock Reams(Anderson)(2008)
Frances Lee Roper(Spartanburg)(2008)
Emily Elizabeth Scales(Spartanburg)(2008)
Cindy Smith Shaw(Charleston)(2008)
Steven Paul Simoneaux(Anderson)(2008)
Scott Walter Smoak(Rock Hill)(2008)
Ryan Greasor Spurrier(Anderson)(2008)
Billy Keith Stewart(Orangeburg)(2008)
Keith Robert Taylor(Greenville)(2008)
Brenda Joyce Thomas(Hartsville)(2008)
Laura Howard Whitt(Greenville)(2008)
Reginald Darlington Wilson, Jr.(Orangeburg)(2008)

b) Continued?
Inger Patrice Anderson(Rock Hill)(2001)
Antoinette Parnell Balfour(Marion)(2006)
Elizabeth Douglas Blair(Greenville)(2005)
Elizabeth Anne Bostrom(Rock Hill)(2006)
Doris R. Bright(Walterboro)(2007)
Elizabeth Anne Brown(Greenville)(2005)
Willie Mae Cannon(Hartsville)(2006)
Michelle Reneé Cockcroft(Greenville)(2007)
Marian Ruth David(Marion)(2006)
Jillianne Myers Davis(Hartsville)(2007)
Melanie Coretta Gordon(Greenville)(2006)
Rebecca Landis Griffeth(Columbia)(2002)
Linda Lee McDaniels Guthrie(Greenville)(2007)
Jacqueline Carter Harris(Spartanburg)(2004)
Kathy Priest Hudson(Rock Hill)(2000)
James Earl Koger(Charleston)(2003)
Barbara Jean Lee(Columbia)(2007)
Thelma Hill Lucas(Charleston)(2003)
Angela Marie Etheredge Manly(Greenville)(2007)
Angela Denise Halter Marshall(Hartsville)(2006)
Bernett William Mazyck(Charleston)(2001)
Dianne Hill McMahan(Greenville)(2005)
Kelli Brown Mullinix (Greenwood) (2007)
Elaine Cathcart Nocks (Greenville) (2002)
Mark Wesley Rogers-Berry (Spartanburg) (2003)
Edmond Smalls (Orangeburg) (2004)
Julie Dawn Songer (Columbia) (2007)
Pauline Stanley (Charleston) (2003)
Ruth Bristow Tate (Orangeburg) (2006)
Luretheia Tucker-Pearson (Orangeburg) (2001)
Howard Williams (Orangeburg) (2003)
Lisa Naa-Shormey Yebuah (Charleston) (2006)

c) Discontinued?
Amanda Lynn Cauthen (Rock Hill)
Thad Bryant Hinnant, II (Columbia)
Nancy Jacobs Jenkins (Walterboro)
Catherine Spurr Nelson (Walterboro)

20. **Who have completed the studies for the license as a local pastor, are approved, but are not now appointed?** (¶315 — Indicate for each person the year the license was approved.):

Mary Schumpert Nichols(LP20)(Spartanburg)(2001)(2001)
Christine Reed(LP20)(Spartanburg)
Tony Bernhard Richardson Sr.(LP20)(Charleston)(2005)(2005)
Forrest DeFate Sanders, Jr. (LP20)(Columbia)(2002)(2005)
Annie Hair Sistrunk(LP20)(Orangeburg)(2006)(2007)
Harold Elmore West(LP20)(Charleston)(2001)(2001)

21. **Who are approved and appointed as: (indicate for each person the first year the license was awarded. (v)**

a) **Full-time local pastors** (¶318.1) and what progress has each made in the course of study? (Indicate with an asterisk those who have completed the five year course of study or the M.Div. - ¶319.4):

- Hope Renee Avins(FL)(Orangeburg)(2002)(Emory, MDv 2002)
- Peter Kent Berntson(FL)(Greenville)(2004)(Emory 4th COS)
- Jones Lester Brewer(FL)(Spartanburg)(2002)(Duke 5th COS*)
- Donald Ralph Brown(FD/FL)(Columbia)(2008)(Erskine)
Larry Richard Brown (FL)(Florence)(1999)(5th COS&Grad*)
Kathy LaVerne Carr (FL)(Marion)(2007)(Emory, MDv 2001)
James Bowen Carter (FL)(Spartanburg)(1997)(Emory 5th COS&Grad*)
Juan Augusto Fajardo (FL)(Greenville)(x)
Michael Terrence Fleming (FL)(Orangeburg)(2008)(LTSS)
Paul Edgar Gasque (FL)(Marion)(2000)(Duke 5th COS&Grad*)
Joseph Christopher Greene (FL)(Spartanburg)(2008)(Moravian Seminary, 2008)
Robbie Van Hall (FL)(Orangeburg)(1994)(Emory 5th COS&Grad*)
Joyce Arlene Hendry (FL)(Charleston)(2001)(Duke 5th COS)
Jerry Mills Hill (FL)(Greenville)(1979)(Fuller, MDv 1979)
Joseph Robert Huggins (FL)(Florence)(2001)(Duke 5th COS&Grad*)
Alfonza Jones Sr. (FL)(Walterboro)(1988)(Emory 5th COS&Grad*)
Patrick Hamilton Kelley (FL)(Anderson)(2002)(Emory 5th COS)
Robert Eugene Lee (FL)(Walterboro)(1997)(Duke 5th COS&Grad*)
Donna Elizabeth Lollis (FL)(Rock Hill)(2007)(Southern Wesleyan)
Donald Eddie McAllister (FL)(Florence)(1979)(3rd COS)
Ronald Irvin McCall (FL)(Marion)(AM)(Duke Advanced COS+)
Troy Lane Metzner (FL)(Marion)(1994)(Emory Advance COS+)
William Terry Mitchell (FL)(Spartanburg)(1997)(Emory, 5th COS&Grad*)
Todd Guy Pickens (FL)(Spartanburg)(2003)(Emory 2nd COS)
Alan Nathan Quarles (FL)(Greenwood)(1994)(Emory, 5th COS&Grad*)
Richard Foster Robinson Jr. (FL)(Charleston)(2006)(Emory 2nd COS)
Frances Lee Roper(FL)(Spartanburg)(2008)(Candler)
Billy Keith Stewart(FL)(Orangeburg)(2008)(LTSS)
Wendell Wilkie Sumter(FL)(Charleston)(1983)(5th COS&Grad*)
Deborah Ward Taylor(FL)(Hartsville)(2001)(LTSS, 5th COS)
Gerald Luther Truluck(FL)(Florence)(2005)(Duke, 3rd COS)
Jack Howard Walters(FL)(Spartanburg)(1997)(Duke, 5th COS&Grad*)
John Paul Watts Sr.(FL)(Marion)(1998)(Duke 5th COS&Grad*)
Rufus Horace White(FL)(Rock Hill)(1999)(Emory, 5th COS)
William Thomas Wicker(FL)(Marion)(1999)(Duke, 5th COS&Grad*)

b) **Part-time local pastors** (¶318.2) and what progress has each made in the course of study? (Indicate with an asterisk those who have completed the five year course of study or the M.Div. – ¶319.4):

Carleathea Major Benson(PL)(Anderson)(2007)(1st COS)
Ronald Lemuel Brewer(PL)(Walterboro)(2008)
Greta Louise Bridges(PL)(Charleston)(2002)(Emory 5TH COS)
Barry Franklin Brinson Sr.(PL)(Orangeburg)(2001)(Emory 5th COS & Grad)
Andrew Carnegie Bullions(PL)(Anderson)(1999)(Emory 4th COS)
William Martin Burke(PL)(Charleston)(2003)(Duke 3rd COS)
Lawrence Cantey Jr.(PL)(Hartsville)(2002)(LTSS)
Weston Campbell Cheatham (PL)(Hartsville)(2008)(LTSS)
James Murray Cubie (PL)(Walterboro)(2002)(Wesley 4th COS)
Jerry Lewis Dicks (PL)(Florence)(2007)(Duke 1st COS)
Shirley Williams Dingle (PL)(Charleston)(1999)(Erskine)
Jimmie Will Duncan (PL)(Florence)(1992)(Emory 5th COS & Grad*)
Joe Darsey Durham (PL)(Anderson)(2006)(Emory 1st COS)
Janie A Gist (PL)(Greenwood)(2004)(College)
Bobby Gordon (PL)(Greenwood)(2002)(Emory)
Roger Charles Goupil (PL)(Orangeburg)(1997)(Emory 5th COS & Grad)
Roger Marion Gwinn (PL)(Anderson)(2003)(Emory, 2nd COS)
Joseph Lee Hagler (PL)(Charleston)(1997)(Duke, 5th COS & Grad*)
Walter Harley (PL)(Orangeburg)(2007)(LTTS)(Emory, 1st COS)
Jerry Harrison, Jr. (PL)(Walterboro)(2007)(ITC Gammon)
William Edward Herlong (PL)(Hartsville)(1997)(Emory 1st COS)
Randall Walter Horres (PL)(Charleston)(2005)(2nd COS)
Deloris Tart Inman (PL)(Marion)(2000)(Duke Advance COS+)
Franklin Delano James (PL)(Florence)(1999)(Duke 5th COS & Grad*)
Linda Tedder Jenkins (PL)(Rock Hill)(1995)(Emory 5th COS & Grad)
Hal Bruce Johnson (PL)(Spartanburg)(2000)(Emory 4th COS)
Ronald Craig Jones (PL)(Marion)(2008)(LP Studies)
John David Jordan (PL)(Columbia)(2007)(LTSS)
Lewis Christopher King III (PL)(Walterboro)(2005)(Emory 1st COS)
Elizabeth Ashley Lowder (PL)(Hartsville)(2008)(LTSS)
Sam Lucas Jr. (PL)(Charleston)(1984)(5th COS&Grad*)
Angela Etheredge Manly (PL)(Greenwood)(2008)(Emory)
Leroy Daniel Mason (PL)(Greenville)(2006)(Emory 2nd COS)
Ronald James Massey (PL)(Anderson)(1997)(Emory 5th COS)
Jerry Cal McManus Sr. (PL)(Hartsville)(2002)(Duke 5th COS)
David Dean McManus Jr. (PL)(Orangeburg)(2005)(LTSS)
Bonnie Farias Miller (PL)(Charleston)(2007)(LP Studies)
Deborah Holmes Miller (PL)(Columbia)(2007)
Mark Douglas Mitchell (PL)(Walterboro)(1997)(Emory, 5th COS&Grad)
Albert Larenzo Murdaugh (PL)(Orangeburg)(2006)(ITC, 2nd)
George Everette Olive (PL)(Marion)(2007)(LP Studies)
Billy Ray Osborne (PL)(Greenwood)(1999)(Erskine, 1st COS)
Alpha Pauling (PL)(Walterboro)(2007)
David Eugene Reed (PL)(Marion)(1999)(Duke, 5th COS)
Glenn Williams Ribelin Sr. (PL)(Rock Hill)(2006)(Emory 2nd COS)
Darlene Moore Richardson (PL)(Charleston)(2005)
Victoria Richardson (PL)(Charleston)(2000)(Duke 5th COS&Grad)
Benjamin Tyrone Rivers (PL)(Charleston)(1993)(Duke Advanced COS)
Thomas Ray Sims (PL)(Orangeburg)(2002)(ITC)
Larry Glenn Smith (PL)(Greenville)(2000)(Emory, 5th COS)
Scott Walter Smoak(PL)(Rock Hill)(2008)(LTSS)
Virginia Brown Stafford (PL)(Charleston)(2000)(Duke 5th COS&Grad)
Keith Donald Sweat (PL)(Greenwood)(1993)(Duke, 5th COS&Grad*)
William Henderson Tanner Jr.(PL)(Charleston)(1999)(Duke, 5th COS&Grad*)
Alexander Thomas (PL)(Orangeburg)(2001)(Emory, 5th COS&Grad)
Ronald Dewey Towery (PL)(Spartanburg)(2001)(Emory, 4th COS)
Francis Edward Traxler Jr.(PL)(Spartanburg)(1999)(Emory, 3rd COS)
James Timothy Whited (PL)(Anderson)(2007)
James Elbert Williams (PL)(Hartsville)(2004)(Duke,1st COS)
Thurmond Williams (PL)(Florence)(1987)(5th COS&Grad*)
Reginald Darling Wilson, Jr.(PL)(Orangeburg)(2008)(LP Studies)
Curtis James Young (PL)(Walterboro)(2005)(College)
c) Student local pastors (¶318.3), and in what schools are they enrolled?
   Bryant Allen Burden(SP)(Orangeburg)(2008)
   James Bernard Grant (SP)(Walterboro)(2005)(ITC Gammon)
   Davie Demetrius Sanders, Jr.(SP)(Walterboro)(2007)(Erskine, MDv)
d) Student local pastors (¶318.3) from other annual conferences? No One
e) Students of other denominations serving as local pastors and enrolled in a school of theology listed by the University Senate (¶318.4)? No One
f) Persons serving as local pastors while seeking readmission to conference membership (¶¶364.4, 365, 367.3)? (If not in this conference indicate name of conference where serving.) No One
22. **Who have been discontinued as local pastors** (¶320.1)?

   Thomas Joseph Conway  
   Della Gwin Hunsucker  
   Randall John Lawrence  
   Marie Brigman Long  
   Martha Ray Reid  
   Richard Einar Reid

23. **Who have been reinstated as local pastors** (¶320.4)? No One

24. **What ordained ministers from other Annual Conferences or Methodist denominations are approved for appointment in the Annual Conference while retaining their conference or denominational membership** (¶¶331.8, 346.1)? (List alphabetically; indicate Annual Conference or denomination where membership is held. Indicate credential.)

   Juan Augusto Fajardo(FL)(346.1)(Greenville)(2002)(6)(Panama)  
   Debra Elizabeth Fambro(OPD)(331.8)(Columbia)(2008)(0)(N Georgia)  
   Coleman Lane Glaze( OE)(346.1)(Anderson)(2001)(7)(North Carolina)  
   Do Bum Huh(OE)(346.1)(Charleston)(2000)(8)(Wisconsin)  
   Hee Young Kim(OE)(346.1)(Columbia)(2004)(4)(WNC)  
   Carl Hamett King(OE)(346.1)(Columbia)(2001)(7)(North Carolina)  
   Jane Ann Pearce(OE)(346.1)(Marion)(2008)(0)(Florida)  
   Mary Lynne Peterson(OD)(331.8)(Spartanburg)(2005)(3)(Western NC)  
   Gayle Marie Jordan Quay(OD)(331.8)(Greenville)(1999)(9)(WNC)  
   Brian Thomas Rainwater(OE)(346.1)(Columbia)(2003)(5)(Missouri)  
   Donald George Thrasher(OD)(331.8)(Columbia)(2006)(2)(NGA)  
   Patricia Gayle Warden(OD)(346.1)(Hartsville)(2006)(2)(Texas)  
   Carrie Ann Wright(OD)(331.8)(Rock Hill)(2008)(North Carolina)

25. **What clergy in good standing in other Christian denominations have been approved to serve appointments or ecumenical ministries within the bounds of the Annual Conference while retaining their denominational affiliation** (¶¶331.8, 346.2)? (Designate with an asterisk those who have been accorded voting rights within the annual conference. Indicate credential.)

   George St. Anthony Ferguson(OF)(Charleston)(Baptist)  
   Oswaldo Venancio Garcia(OF)(Greenwood)(Reformed Church)  
   James William Harris(OF)(Greenwood)(Southern Baptist)
Kurt Anthony McPherson (OF) (Anderson) (Baptist)
Arthur Rose (OF) (Orangeburg) (AME)
David A. Sems (OF) (Greenville) (American Baptist)
Alvin Monroe Shifflett (OF) (Marion) (Brethern Church)
Kurt L. Stutler (OF) (Anderson) (American Baptist)

26. **Who are affiliate members:** (List alphabetically; indicate annual conference or denomination where membership is held.)

   a) With vote (¶586.4 [v])? No One
   b) Without vote (¶¶334.4, 344.4)? (v 2/3)
      Carl Duane Evans (Kansas West) (Columbia)
      Richard Carrington Holliday (West Virginia) (Columbia)

   NOTE: If your conference has admitted or ordained persons as a courtesy to another conference, list these persons in Question 44 only. If persons have been admitted or ordained by another annual conference as a courtesy to your conference, list these persons in Questions 27-43, whichever are appropriate, giving the date and name of the accommodating conference.

27. **Who are elected as Associate Members?** (v) (List alphabetically—see note preceding Question 27):

   a) ¶420 [1992] No One
   b) ¶322 [2004] No One

28. **Who are elected as Probationary Members?** (under ¶¶322, 324, 325)

   a) **Probationary Deacons:**
      (1) Under the provisions of ¶¶ 324.4a, c? (v)
      Karen Trogdon Kluever (PD2008)
      (2) Under the provisions of ¶324.5? (v) No One

   b) **Probationary Elders:**
      (1) Under the provisions of ¶¶ 324.4a, b? (v)
      Daniel Seay Burbage (PE2008)
      William Thomas Dargan (PE2008)
      Sheila Lamar Elliott (PE2008)
      Pattie Elaine Gordon (PE2008)
      Mary Louise Johnson (PE2008)
      Steven Paul Keck (PE2008)
      Christopher Matthew Lollis (PE2008)
      Billy Lee Lynch, Jr. (PE2008)
      Dwight Arnold Nelson (PE2008)
      Marie Elizabeth Ray (PE2008)
      Richard Wilson Waldrep (PE2008)
29. **Who are elected as probationary members under the 1992 Discipline?** (List alphabetically - see note preceding Question 27.)

   a) Under the provisions of ¶415 (1992)? (v) No One
   
   b) Under the provisions of ¶416.1 (1992)? (v 3/4) No One
   
   c) Under the provisions of ¶¶416.2, 421 (1992)? (v 3/4) No One

30. **Who are continued as probationary members, and in what year were they admitted to probationary membership (¶326)?**

   a) In preparation for ordination as a deacon? (PD) (¶326.1)
      
      Steven Andrew Compton(Anderson)(PD2006)
      
      Thomas Caldwell Henderson Jr.(Greenville)(PD2001)
      
      Shelly Anne Holder(Hartsville)(PD2006)
      
      Nicholas Anderson Jeffries(Charleston)(PD2006)
      
      Terry Abner Roof(Greenwood)(PD2006)

   b) In preparation for ordination as an elder? (PE) (¶326.2)
      
      Carol Dianne Allison(Greenville) (PE2007)
      
      Debra Anne Armstrong(Orangeburg)(PE2006)
      
      Mary Elise Erikson Barrett(Charleston)(PE2005)
      
      William Danford Blair(Greenville)(PE2006)
      
      Audrey Boozer(Greenville)(PE2007)
      
      Scott Meade Bratton(Columbia)(PE2007)
      
      Laura Louise Canine(Charleston)(PE2007)
      
      Grady William Corder(Orangeburg)(PE2005)
      
      Daniel Bruce Cunningham(Spartanburg)(PE2003)
      
      Alice Loving Deal(Charleston)(PE2006)
      
      Amy Alyssa Dill(Anderson)(PE2006)
      
      Ann Dease Everett(Greenwood)(PE2007)
      
      Daniel Flessas(Columbia)(PE2007)
      
      Kelly Lee Gallamore(Spartanburg)(PE2005)
      
      Scott Stephen Gilmer(Spartanburg)(PE2005)
      
      Harry Kyle Gindhart, Jr.(Rock Hill)(PE2006)
      
      James Alan Grubb(Walterboro)(PE2007)
      
      Michael Leon Hayhurst(Greenville)(PE2006)
      
      Lois Jean Helms(Walterboro)(PE2006)
Richard Reber Howell Jr. (Hartsville)(PE2006)
Heather Bridges Humphries (Spartanburg)(PE2006)
Scott Allen Johnson (Marion)(PE2006)
Tiffany Denise Knowlin (Columbia)(PE2006)
Roye Lynn Kulik (Hartsville)(PE2006)
Robert Lee Malachi (Marion)(PE2007)
Samuel Earle Marcengill (Greenville)(PE2006)
Christine Marie Matthews (Greenville)(PE2007)
Patricia Caldwell McCain (Spartanburg)(PE2006)
Stephen Aaron Meadows (Anderson)(PE2007)
David Carroll Norrell (Greenville)(PE2006)
Priscilla Fulcher Pearce (Greenville)(PE2005)
Alphonso Porter (Charleston)(PE2007)
Barbara Lee Reid (Hartsville)(PE2006)
John Paul Sellars (Rock Hill)(PE2004)
Faye Jones Stephens (Anderson)(PE2006)
Charles Ernest Summey Jr. (Greenville)(PE2006)
Tina Anderson Thomas (Greenwood)(PE2006)
Cheryl Dyke Toothe (Hartsville)(PE2007)
Robert Manigault Vincent (Columbia)(PE2006)
Calvin Burdell Washington (Walterboro)(PE2005)
Dania B Allen Wiley (Greenwood)(PE2006)
Jennifer Leigh Williams (Charleston)(PE2006)
Jason Glen Wilson (Greenwood)(PE2007)
Neal Young Woods (Florence)(PE2007)
Michael Leonard Written (Greenwood)(PE2006)

| c)  | Probationary deacons who became probationary elders? (Indicate year) | No One |
| d)  | Probationary elders who became probationary deacons? (Indicate year) | No One |
| e)  | Probationary members who transferred from other conferences or denominations? (¶347) | No One |

31. **Who are continued as probationary members under the 1992 Discipline, what progress have they made in their ministerial studies, and in what year were they admitted to probationary membership (¶369.1; ¶¶417, 424 [1992]):**

   a) As students in approved schools of theology? (¶417(1) [1992]) - Indicate for each person the number of years completed and the year admitted to probationary membership: No One

   b) In the advanced ministerial course of study? (¶417(2) [1992]) - Indicate for each person the number of years completed and the year admitted to probationary membership: No One
c) Following completion of their educational requirements? (¶424(1) [1992]) - Indicate for each person the year admitted to probationary membership:

Mark Anthony Altman(Orangeburg)(Duke, MDv 1998)(PM2001)
Seth W. Williams(Marion)(Erskine, MDv 1993)(PM1997)

32. Who have been received from other Christian denominations (¶347.3): (List alphabetically - see note preceding Question 27):

a) As probationary members (¶347.3a,b)? (v)(date received) No One
b) As local pastors (¶347.3a)? (v) (date received) No One

33. Who are elected as members in full connection? (List alphabetically - see note preceding Question 27. Anyone appearing on this question must also be listed somewhere in questions 34-35 or 37, unless the clergy’s orders from another denomination were recognized on question 43 in a previous year.):

a) Deacons:
   Traci Smith Bennett(FD2008)
   Jeffrey Weldon Childress(FD2008)
   Alice Elaine MacKeil(FD2008)
   William Grover Putnam(FD2008)
b) Elders:
   Emmanuel Bruce Adams(FE2008)
   Howard Donald Addis(FE2008)
   Christopher Edward Arries( FE2008)
   Mollie Louise Bame( FE2008)
   Constance Nelson Barnes(FE2008)
   Lara Caulder Byrd( FE2008)
   Mary Kathryn Boyd Griffin(FE2008)
   Narcie McClendon Jeter(FE2008)
   Cathy Delphine Mitchell(FE2008)
   Anne Richardson Parrott(FE2008)
   Gayle Minor Summey(FE2008)
   Mae Francis Taylor(FE2008)
   Thurmond Kemzy Thomas(FE2008)

34. Who are elected for ordination as deacons in full connection: (List alphabetically - see note preceding Question 27)

a) Under the transitional provisions for diaconal ministers (¶369.3)? (v 2/3) No One
b) After probationary membership (¶330)? (v 2/3)
   Traci Smith Bennett(FD2008)
   Jeffrey Weldon Childress(FD2008)
   Alice Elaine MacKeil(FD2008)
c) Transfer from elder in full connection? (¶ 309.3) (v 2/3) No One

35. Who are elected for ordination as elders?

a) Under the transitional provisions for associate members (¶369.2)? (v 2/3) No One
b) After probationary membership under the 1996 Discipline (¶335)? (v 2/3)
Emmanuel Bruce Adams (FE2008)
Christopher Edward Arries (FE2008)
Mollie Louise Bame (FE2008)
Constance Nelson Barnes (FE2008)
Lara Caulder Byrd (FE2008)
Mary Kathryn Boyd Griffin (FE2008)
Narcie McClendon Jeter (FE2008)
Cathy Delphine Mitchell (FE2008)
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Thurmond Kemzy Thomas (FE2008)

36. **Who have been elected and ordained deacons under the 1992 Discipline** (¶369.1; ¶434 [1992]): (v) (List alphabetically - see note preceding Question 27. Indicate by an asterisk the names of persons elected but not ordained.)

   a) As associate members (¶434.1 [1992])? No One
   b) As probationary members (¶434.2 [1992])? No One

37. **Who have been elected and ordained elders under the 1992 Discipline** (¶369.1; ¶435 [1992]): (v) (List alphabetically - see note preceding Question 27. Indicate by an asterisk the names of persons elected but not ordained.)

   a) As theological graduates (¶435.1 [1992])? No One
   b) As probationary members previously associate members (¶435.2 [1992])? No One

38. **What probationary members, previously discontinued, are readmitted** (¶363)? (v) No One

39. **Who are readmitted** (¶¶364-366 [v], ¶367 [v 2/3]):

   a) As associate members? No One
   b) As members in full connection?

   Walter Watson Dixon (Columbia)

40. **Who are returned to the effective relationship after voluntary retirement** (¶359.7): (v)

   a) As associate members? No One
   b) As probationary members? (Indicate credential) No One
   c) As members in full connection? (Indicate credential) No One

41. **Who have been received by transfer from other annual conferences of The United Methodist Church** (¶347.1, 416.5, 634.2m)? (List alphabetically. Indicate credential. See note preceding Question 27.)

   Margaret Hutcherson-Vance (Kentucky) (06/12/2007)

42. **Who are transferred in from other Methodist denominations** (¶347.2)? (List alphabetically. Indicate credential.) No One

43. **What clergy, coming from other Christian denominations, have had their orders
recognized (¶348): (v)

a) As deacons?
   William Glover Putnam (FD2008)

b) As elders?
   Howard Donald Addis (FD2008)

44. **Who have been ordained as a courtesy to other conferences, after election by the other conference?** (See note preceding Question 27. Such courtesy elections or ordinations do not require transfer of conference membership.)
   a) Deacons in full connection? No One
   b) Elders in full connection? No One
   c) Deacons under 1992 Discipline? No One
   d) Elders under 1992 Discipline? No One

45. **Who have been transferred out to other annual conferences of The United Methodist Church** (¶416.5)? (List alphabetically. Indicate credential. See note preceding Question 27.)
   Jimelvia Pettiford Martin Desert Southwest 07/01/2008

46. **Who are discontinued as probationary members** (¶327.6)? (Indicate credential) (v).
   Christine Henchar Reed (PE)
   Sara Caroline Ardrey-Graves (PD)

47. **Who are on location?**
   a) Who has been granted honorable location (¶360.1)? (Give date when this action became effective. Record Charge Conference where membership is held. Indicate credential.):
      (1) This year? (v) No One
      (2) Previously?
         James Craig Bigelow (FE) (Hartsville) (1994) (First UMC CC)
         Michael Alec Black (FE) (Marion) (1992) (First, Myrtle Beach CC)
         Cermette Justin Clardy Jr. (FE) (Charleston) (1974) (Isle of Palms CC)
         Chris Morris Crowe (FE) (Columbia) (1990) (Shandon CC)
         Patricia Ginn-Griffeth (FE) (Anderson) (1991) (Pendleton CC)
         John Stephen Haney (FE) (Greenville) (2005) (Memorial CC)
Mary Jane Shoemaker Heape(FE)(Anderson)(2004)(Grace CC, Abbeville)
David Emory Lupo(FE)(Charleston)(1994)(Hibben CC)
Glenn Cordes McCoy(FE)(Columbia)(2000)(Main Street CC)
Linda Elkin McDaniel(FE)(Orangeburg)(2003)(Edisto Charge CC)
Neal Alexander McDonald(FE)(Columbia)(1989)(Shandon CC)
James Jeffrey Merck(FE)(Columbia)(2004)(Green Street CC, Columbia)
Gregory Scott Middleton(FE)(Columbia)(1995)(Mt Hebron CC)
Cecil Ernest Nivens(FE)(Spartanburg)(1994)(First, Gastonia CC)
Rosemarie Whitener Nivens(FE)(Spartanburg)(1994)(First, Gastonia CC)
Larry Gail Salters(FE)(Columbia)(1984)(Salem CC)
George Mowry Workman(FE)(Anderson)(2000)(Shiloh Station, Piedmont CC)

b) Who on honorable location are appointed ad interim as local pastors? (¶360.2)
   (Indicate date and appointment.) No One

c) Who has been placed on administrative location (¶362.4c)? (Give date when this
   action became effective. Record Charge Conference where membership is held. 
   Indicate credential.):
   (1) This year? (v) No One
   (2) Previously? No One

48. Who have been granted the status of honorable location–retired (¶360.3)? (Record 
   Charge Conference where membership is held. Indicate credential.):
   a) This year? (v) No One
   b) Previously?
      Benjamin Benson Bishop(Cayce CC)
      Gary Corbett Davis(Bethany CC, Charleston)
      John Christopher Detwiler(Shandon CC)
      Warren Talmadge Greene(Montgomery Memorial CC)
      English Brown Pearcy(Trinity, W Cola CC)
      Ernest Wroten Prewett, Jr.(Main St CC, Greenwood)
      Barbara Jean Rollins(St John CC, Aiken)
      Howard Stokes Waddell, III(Lyttleton Street CC)

49. Who have had their status as honorably located and their orders terminated 
   (¶360.2)? (v) (Give date when this action became effective. Indicate credential.)
   No One

50. Who have had their conference membership terminated? (Give date when this action 
   became effective. Indicate credential.)
a) By withdrawal to unite with another denomination (¶361.1, .4)? (v) No One
b) By withdrawal from the ordained ministerial office (¶361.2, .4)? (v) No One
c) By withdrawal under complaints or charges (¶¶361.3, .4; 2719.2)? (v) Gerald Calvin Lord(04/22/2008)
   Ronald Lucas(04/23/2008)
d) By termination of orders under recommendation of the Board of Ordained Ministry (¶354.5)? (v) No One
e) By trial (¶2713)? (v) No One

51. Who have been suspended under the provisions of ¶362.1c, ¶2704.2c or ¶2711.3? (Give effective dates. Indicate credential.)

   Gerald Calvin Lord(01/11/2008)
   Ronald Lucas(01/30/2008)

52. Deceased (List alphabetically in the spaces provided)
a) What Associate Members have died during the year? 
   Effective: No One
   Retired:

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b) What probationary members have died during the year? (Indicate credential.)
   Effective: No One
   Retired: No One
c) What elders in full connection have died during the year?
   Effective: No One
   Retired:

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<td>John David Williams</td>
<td>07/4/1924</td>
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d) What deacons in full connection have died during the year?
Effective: No One
Retired: No One

e) What local pastors have died during the year?
Active: No One
Retired: No One

53. What probationary or ordained members have received appointments in other Annual Conferences of The United Methodist Church while retaining their membership in this Annual Conference (¶¶331.8, 346.1)? (List alphabetically; indicate annual conference where appointed. Indicate credential.)
Nicholas Scott Elliott(FE)(NGA: Exec.Dir.SEJ UMVIM)(1999)
Vivia Lawton Fowler(FD)(Dean & Vice President of Academic Affairs for Wesleyan College, Macon, GA)(2007)
Alice Jones Quarles( FE)(NC: Trinity)(2000)
Deborah Luther Teagan(FE)(Oklahoma)(2007)

54. Who are the probationary or ordained members on leave of absence and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation (¶354)? (Indicate credential. Record Charge Conference where membership is held.)

a) Voluntary? (v; v 2/3 after 5 years)

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b) Involuntary? (v 2/3)

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<td>Ethel Gethers Jefferson</td>
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c) Who have been placed on leave of absence since the last session of the annual conference (ad interim)?

(1) Voluntary? (v)
Barry Alexander Allen(FE)(08/17/2007)
Grace Lewellyn Lovell( FE)(09/22/2007)

(2) Involuntary? (v 2/3)
Gerald Calvin Lord( FE)(04/11/2008)

d) Who on leave of absence have had their leaves terminated since the last session of the annual conference (ad interim)?

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55. Who have been granted family leave, and for what number of years consecutively
has each held this relation (¶355)? (Indicate credential.) (v; v 2/3 after 5 years)

a) At this session of the annual conference (include names of persons listed in Question 55b, if their leaves are continuing)?

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b) Since the last session of the annual conference (ad interim)?

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c) Who have had their family leave terminated since the last session of the annual conference (ad interim)?

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56. Who are granted sabbatical leave (¶352)? (v) (Give date when this relation became effective; indicate credential.) No One

57. What actions have been taken concerning disabled members (¶358)? (Indicate credential.)

a) Who were granted incapacity leave since the last annual conference session (¶358.2)? (Give effective dates)

- Samuel Bolivar George, III(Marion)(358.2)(07/01/2007)
- Cynthia Louise Swofford(Spartanburg)(358.2)(06/01/2008)

b) Who have had their incapacity leave terminated since the last conference session (¶358.3)? (Give effective dates of terminations): No One

c) Who are granted incapacity leave at this session (¶358.1)? (v)

- Mary Susan Ashworth(Rock Hill)(358.1)(2/1/2006)
- Roger Russell Dodds(Columbia)(358.1)(10/1/2006)
- Samuel Bolivar George, III(FL)(Marion)(358.2)(07/01/2007)
- Willie Jerome Key(Orangeburg)(365.1)(7/1/2007)
- Patricia Pepper Orr(Hartsville)(358.1)(7/16/2006)
- Olyn Daniel Shytle(Spartanburg)(358.1)(12/31/2001)
- Cynthia Louise Swofford(Spartanburg)(358.2)(06/01/2008)
- Seth W. Williams(AM)(Marion)(358.1)(5/31/2001)

58. What deacons have been granted transitional leave (¶357)? (v)

- Marsha Rhodes Bentley(FD)(Florence)

59. What members in full connection have been retired (¶359): (List alphabetically giving full name–first, middle, last–in that order. If retiring in the interim between conference sessions (¶359.2d), indicate the effective date of retirement.) (Under ¶359.1, no vote required; under ¶359.2, v; under ¶359.3, v 2/3)
Deacons
a) This year?
   Ruth Ann Ivey (FD)(Charleston)(2007)
   Grady Watson Mills, II(FD)(Florence)(2007)

b) Previously?
   Hazel Correll Bennett(FD)(Greenwood)(1997)
   Elizabeth Cavagnaro Dill(FD)(Orangeburg)(2001)
   Bobbie Reeves Ethridge(FD)(Anderson)(2006)
   Betty Sue Griffin(FD)(Spartanburg)(2002)

Elders
a) This year?
   Gene Sarvis Ammons(FE)(Hartsville)(359.2b)
   Washington Webster Belangia IV(FE)(Walterboro)(359.2c)
   Barry Lewis Brown(FE)(Greenville)(359.2b)
   Gary Bruce Byrd(FE)(Spartanburg)(359.2c)
   Ada Armstrong Charles(FE)(Greenwood)(359.2b)
   Wiley Barrow Cooper(FE)(Columbia)(359.2c)
   Karin Bascom Culp(FE)(Columbia)(359.2c)
   Eugene Lowry Curry(FE)(Charleston)(359.2c)
   Gerald Edwin Davis(FE)(Orangeburg)(359.2c)
   Cynthia Hodell Dyer(FE)(Marion)(359.2b)
   John Mitchell Freeman(FE)(Anderson)(359.2b)
   Frank Julius Griffith Jr(FE)(Hartsville)(359.2c)
   Charles Reed Inabinet(FE)(Marion)(359.2c)
   James Wallace Ivey(FE)(Rock Hill)(359.2c)
   Mark Reagan Long(FE)(Greenville)(359.2b)
   Grace Lewellyn Lovell(FE)(Columbia)(359.2b)
   John Teague Miller(FE)(Greenwood)(359.2c)
   Arthur Wesley Murphy(FE)(Anderson)(359.2c)
   Kenneth William Phelps(FE)(Orangeburg)(359.2c)
   Charles Stewart Shaw(FE)(Greenville)(359.2a)
   Van Buren Thomas Jr. (FE)(Greenville)(359.2b)
   W Gordon Timmons(FE)(Marion)(359.2c)
   Michael Loy Vandiver(FE)(Rock Hill)(359.2c)
   Philip Nicholas Watry(FE)(Walterboro)(359.2c)
   Diana Calvert Westerkam(FE)(Columbia)(359.2c)

b) Previously?
   Louis Mason Adams(1985)
   Clyde Major Aiken(1987)
   Harold Edward Albert(1990)
   James Edwin Alewine(1992)
   Joseph Walters Alley(1999)
   Thurman Wilson Anderson(2006)
   Leonard Porter Anderson(1990)
   Vernon Odelle Anderson(2002)
   Donald Randall Bailey(1994)
   Larry Allen Barnes(1989)
   Benjamin Bellinger Barnes(1988)
   Charles David Barrett(1998)
Terry Martin Beckom(2004)
Eugene Holland Bedenbaugh(2000)
Kenneth Wilson Bedenbaugh(1980)
Craig Michael Bell(2007)
Paul Augustus Betsill(1992)
Hugh Johnson Bickley(2001)
Archie Rufus Bigelow Jr.(1997)
Charles Martin Blackmon(1977)
Riddick Richard Blocker Jr.(1993)
William Sterne Bolte(1997)
John Deleon Boone Jr.(1990)
Ralph Truman Bowling Jr.(2004)
James Monroe Bradley Jr.(1997)
Dannye Olin Bragdon(2006)
Roger Leo Branan Jr.(1996)
David Alfred Brisbon(2006)
William Donald Britt(2005)
Thomas Nesmer Brittain(1990)
Boyce Franklin Brooks(2001)
Joe Kirkpatrick Brown(1997)
Billy Bowman Brown(1981)
Matthew Conniel Brown(1999)
Will Rogers Brown(2007)
Ashley Carlyle Brunson(2006)
Leonard Hobson Buff Jr.(1996)
Franklin Burgess Buie(1999)
George Powell Busch(1974)
Frank Bundy Bynum Jr.(1999)
Clyde Livingston Calhoun(1994)
John Paul Callahan(2004)
Melvin Edward Calvert(1991)
Cecil Martin Camlin(1997)
James Charles Campbell(1979)
Jimmy Taylor Campbell(2006)
DeArmond Emory Canaday(1986)
Robert Norman Carlisle(2002)
William Paul Carlson(1995)
Donald Eugene Cavin(2000)
Carl Douglas Clary(1993)
William Reginald Claytor Jr.(1982)
Joseph Bruce Cleasby(1995)
David Arthur Clyburn Jr.(1997)
Robert Beaty Clyburn(2001)
William Kime Coble(1994)
William Delano Cooper(2005)
Delos Duane Corderman(2006)
Lee J. Cothran Jr.(2004)
George W. Couch Jr.(1992)
William Guy Cowart(1991)
George Walton Farrell Cox(1997)
David Willard Cox(1991)
Harvey Michael Cox(1997)
Albert Louie Cox(1999)
Charles Smith Crenshaw(1992)
Marion Brabham Crooks Jr.(2005)
William Kelly Cross III(2000)
Dorothy Nell Culp(1993)
Wayne Alford Culp(1993)
James Benjamin Cunningham(1995)
John Willis Davenport(1987)
Edward Laney Davidson(1990)
Gloria Robbins Davis(2005)
Dewey Levan Dean(1995)
Vernon Franklin Deese Sr.(1998)
Barbara Ann Derrick(1995)
Charley Glen Dudley(2000)
George Summers Duffie Jr.(1998)
Charles Loney Dunn(1990)
Albert Eugene Eaddy(1995)
Annette Coker Edwards(2001)
Charlie Aycock Edwards(1980)
Richard Furman Elliott Jr.(1997)
Edgar Heberton Ellis Jr.(1998)
John Law Epps(2005)
Robert Lee Eubanks(2005)
Thomas Foster Evatt Jr.(1988)
Reuben Zach Farmer(2001)
Wesley Darlington Farr(1986)
Robert Cleo Faulkner(1989)
William Hall Felder(2002)
Jack Lee Fenner(2006)
Clifford Furman Ferguson(1988)
George Dewitt Fields Jr.(1997)
Julian Rochelle Ford(2007)
John Louis Fowke(1993)
Foster Barney Fowler Jr.(1988)
Edward Herbert Franklin Sr.(2004)
Joseph Frazier(2007)
Walter Gene Fuller Sr.(1995)
Donald Franklin Funderburk(1996)
James Solomon Gadsden(1996)
Dixie Lamar Gamble(1984)
Carlos Owen Gardner Jr.(2002)
Anthony Nickolas Gavalas(2002)
Roosevelt Geddis(2007)
William Murray Gibbons(1999)
John Richard Gibson(2001)
Thomas Caroll Gilliam(1992)
Ernest Edwin LeMaster(1981)
James Ernest LeMaster Jr.(2001)
James Franklin Leppard(2005)
Harold Page Lewis(2005)
Sinclair Emsley Lewis(1998)
Alice Deissler Linder(1999)
Josephine Mellichamp Locklair(1998)
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Ed Carlton Marsh(1997)
Reese Martin Massey Jr.(1990)
Ludie Carolyn Matthews(2007)
Thomas Francis Matthews(1998)
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Nathan Alfred McClennon(1994)
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Edward Homer McDowell Sr.(1997)
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Roosevelt Montravel McFadden(1994)
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James Donald Medley(1986)
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Noble Franklin Miller Jr.(2005)
Forrest David Mills(2007)
Robert Clyde Monson(2003)
Raymond Ledbetter Moore II(1972)
Franklin Delano Morris(1997)
William Robert Morris Sr.(2001)
Theodore Roosevelt Morton Jr.(1995)
Melvin Eugene Mullikin(1995)
John David Myers (1996)
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John Leon Newton(1999)
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Donald Russell O'Dell(1978)
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James Paul Rush (2001)
Elmer DeVon Ruth (2006)
Eugene King Scoggins (1985)
Gareth Delwyn Scott (2004)
Richard Edward Seignious (1997)
Conrad Allen Senn (1994)
Colin Elias Simmons (2006)
Dwight Moody Smith Jr. (2001)
Franklin Oscar Smith Jr. (1994)
Woodrow Marshall Smith (2001)
Robert Wright Spears (1977)
Talmadge Stanton Sr. (2007)
Thomas Fant Steele Jr. (1991)
Herbert Stephens Jr. (1993)
Edward James Stiltz (1997)
Roy McMillian Stockman (1989)
Millard Cooper Stonestreet (2007)
George Elliott Strait (2000)
Robert Garfield Strother (1990)
Harry Robert Stullenbarger (2001)
Thomas Abram Summers (1999)
Howard Durant Sweat (1992)
Eben Taylor (1993)
David Theodore Templeton(1998)
Thomas Reginald Thackston(1997)
James Herbert Thomas(1993)
Morris Cook Thompson(1999)
Leon Edwin Thompson(2000)
David Kenneth Townsend Sr.(1997)
Frederick Neal Treaster(2007)
Joseph Elmo Tysinger(1994)
William Joseph Vines(1997)
Bobby Gene Waddell(2000)
Leon Louis Wagnon III(1999)
James Bert Watson(1994)
George William Watson Sr.(1996)
Jerry Michael Watson(2002)
Billy Julian Weisner(2006)
George Wightman Whitaker Jr.(1986)
Thomas Byars Wilkes Jr.(1999)
John McKinley Williams Jr.(2002)
James Haddon Williams(1998)
Bill Bragg Williams(1998)
Clarence Daniel Williams(1993)
James Thomas Williams(2005)
Thomas McKendre Williams Jr.(1994)
Harlan Euel Wilson Jr.(2005)
Robert Morris Wofford(1990)
Patricia Serena Wood(1998)
Lewis Scott Woodham(1983)
Virgil G. Wright(1984)
John Madison Younginer, Jr.(1995)

60. **What associate members have been retired (¶359):** (List alphabetically giving full name–first, middle, last—in that order. If retiring in the interim between conference sessions (¶359.2d), indicate the effective date of retirement.) *(Under ¶359.1, no vote required; under ¶359.2, v; under ¶359.3, v 2/3)*

a) This year?
  Grover De Vere Williams(Florence)(2008)

b) Previously?
  Gary Bruce Adams(Florence)(1994)
  Samuel Oscar Clardy(Marion)(2004)
  George Raymond Cousar(Florence)(2001)
  Richard Glenn Davis Sr.(Charleston)(2003)
  David Franklin Ervin(Spartanburg)(2000)
  L. Junior Graham(Florence)(2002)
  Buster Thornwell Huggins(Orangeburg)(1990)
  Charles Thomas Jennings(Marion)(2002)
  Norman Lee Knight(Charleston)(1993)
  Joseph Arelius Poston(Florence)(1998)
  Daniel Thomas Reynolds(Marion)(2006)
  John Allen Sellers(Florence)(2003)
  James Herndon Shepherd(Hartsville)(1980)
Thomas Shadrach Summers, Jr. (Orangeburg) (2006)
Theodore Brandon Thomas, Jr. (Hartsville) (1993)
Molly Frances Wilkes (Spartanburg) (2005)

61. What probationary members have been retired (¶359): (Indicate credential. If retiring in the interim between conference sessions (¶359.2d), indicate the effective date of retirement.) (Under ¶359.1, no vote required; under ¶359.2, v; under ¶359.3, v 2/3)
   a) This year? No One
   b) Previously? No One

62. Who have been recognized as retired local pastors (¶320.5):
   a) This year?
      Rudolph Counts Barnes, Jr. (Columbia) (2008)
      Hugh Carroll Cash (Charleston) (2008)
      Walter Tart (Marion) (2008)
   b) Previously?
      William Francis Anderson Sr. (1995)
      Willie Joe Barr (2000)
      Talmadge Davis Belding, Jr. (2006)
      Jack Austell Caldwell (1997)
      Charles Gary Compton (2007)
      Hasford John Cribb, Jr. (2006)
      Thomas Neal Crouch (1998)
      Lucy Tedder Davis (1998)
      Jason Charles Duncan Sr. (1998)
      Genevieve Mixon Fender (2005)
      Joe Gibbs, Sr. (2007)
      Oliver Norwood Greer (1994)
      Vincent Francis Halter (2002)
      Gene Austin Harris (1999)
      Thomas Hugh Hill, Jr. (2007)
      Doris Nordan Hovis (2004)
      William Steve Hughes (2007)
      James Mack (2001)
      Robert Lee McCraw (1968)
      Edward Crosland McLeod (1998)
      Clayton Zeno Price (1992)
      Calvin Quarles (2001)
      Lindsey Eugene Rivers, Sr. (1996)
      John Carlisle Smiley, Jr. (2005)
      Michael LaFonn Smith (2003)
      Charles Elbert Sperry (2000)
      Norris McDonald Swett (2000)
      Robert Thompson (1998)
      Elbert Stinson Tillerson (2007)
63. **Changes in clergy membership: What is the number of ordained ministers:**

The numbers in parenthesis following each category listing are the question numbers in this report form where ministers in that category are listed. The number reported below should agree with the number of names listed in the corresponding questions.

a) Elected as associate members? (27) 0
b) Elected as probationary members? (28a, b; 29a, b, c) 15
c) Elected as deacons in full connection? (33a) 4
d) Elected as elders in full connection? (33b) 13
e) Readmitted? (38, 39a, b) 1
f) Retired made effective? (40a, b, c) 0
g) Transferred in? (32a, 41, 42) 0
h) Transferred out? (45) 1
i) Discontinued as probationary members? (46) 2
j) Honorably located this year? (47a1) 0
k) Administratively located this year? (47c1) 0
l) Withdrawn? (50a, b, c) 2
m) Termination of orders? (50d) 0
n) Terminated by trial? (50e) 0
o) Deceased? (52a, b, c) 16

64. **What is the number of:**

a) Pastoral charges? 676
b) Local churches? 1023

65. **What is the number of clergy members of the Annual Conference:**

a) By appointment category and conference relationship?

(NOTES: (1) Where applicable, the question numbers on this report form corresponding to each category have been placed in parenthesis following the category title. Where these question numbers appear, the number reported in that category should agree with the number of names listed in the corresponding questions. (2) For the three categories of Appointments to Extension Ministries, please report as follows:

\[344.1a, c\]: the number of clergy members appointed within United Methodist connectional structures, including district superintendents, or to an ecumenical agency.

\[344.1b, c\]: the number of clergy members appointed to extension ministries, under endorsement by the Division of Chaplains and Related Ministries of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

\[344.1d\]: the number of clergy members appointed to other valid ministries, confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the Annual Conference.

See the Discipline paragraphs indicated for more detailed description of these appointment categories.)

b) By gender and racial/ethnic identification? (NOTE: See the instruction for item 65 for guidelines to assist in the racial/ethnic identification count.)

*The totals entered in these spaces should agree with the comparable totals in the bottom two lines of question 65a.*
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PART III CERTIFICATION IN SPECIALIZED MINISTRY

(¶634.2t, The Book of Discipline)

Note: Indicate credential of persons in Part III: FD, FE, PD, PE, AM, FL, PL, SP, and lay.

66. Who are the candidates in process for certification in specialized ministry?

67. Who is certified in specialized ministry? (List the areas of specialized ministry. Indicate by an asterisk those certified this year.)

   Ruth Heykens Arant (FD)(Columbia)(CE)
   Marsha Rhodes Bentley (FD)(Florence)(CE/Music)
   Ronald Eugene Bentley (FD)(Anderson)(CE)
   Laurie Gamble Brandes (DM)(Columbia)(CE)
   Carolyn Elaine Brashear (DM)(Anderson)(CE)
   Donald Ralph Brown (FD)(Rock Hill)(Youth)
   Jillianne Myers Davis (Lay)(Hartsville)(CE/Youth)
   Dianna Lynn Flake (Lay)(Charleston)(Youth)
   Sarah Carolyn Tucker Fletcher (FD)(Hartsville)(Music)
   Vivia Lawton Fowler (FD)(Columbia)(CE)
   Patricia A. Gannaway (FD)(Greenville)(CE)
   Medina Lee Miller Gentry (FD)(Anderson)(CE)
   Ruth Ann Ivey (FD)(Charleston)(CE)
   Katherine Lewis James (FD)(Rock Hill)(CE)
   Meg Harris Jiunnies (Lay)(Florence)(CE/Youth)
   Cathy Louise Woodcock Joens (FD)(Greenville)(CE)
   Murial Newell Jordan (Lay)(Florence)(CE)
   Alice Elaine MacKeil (PD)(Greenville)(CE)
   William Brant Mills (DM)(Florence)(Music)
   Grady Watson Mills II (FD)(Florence)(CE)
   Jacki Harris Mitchell-Ratledge (FD)(Charleston)(CE)
   Donna Elizabeth Poston (Youth*)
   Lillian Quackenbush (DM)(Columbia)(Music)
   Edwina Julliette Williams (FD)(Orangeburg)(Music)
   Cheryl Elaine Yates (Lay)(Charleston)(CE)

68. Who are transferred in as a certified person in specialized ministry? No One

69. Who are transferred out as a certified person in specialized ministry? No One

70. Who have been removed as a certified person in specialized ministry? No One

PART IV DIACONAL MINISTERS

(Paragraph numbers in questions 71–82 refer to The 1992 Book of Discipline)

71. Who constitute the Committee on Investigation (¶2625.4)? (v)

   James Michael Arant (FE)(LC)(Charleston)(DIFCOI2004)
   Marsha Rhodes Bentley (FD)(LDeacon)(Greenville)(DIFCOI2004a)
   Laurie Gamble Brandes (DM)(Diaconal)(Columbia)(DM92COI)
   Charles Anthony Hutchins (FD359)(Retired)(Columbia)(DM92COI)
   Geneva Belton Williams (RDM)(Retired)(Orangeburg)(DM92COI)

72. Who are the candidates for diaconal ministry (¶304–305)? No One
73. Who are consecrated this year as diaconal ministers (¶307)? (v) No One

74. Who are reinstated as diaconal ministers (¶313.3c)? (v) No One

75. Who are transferred in as diaconal ministers (¶312)? No One

76. Who are transferred out as diaconal ministers (¶312)? No One

77. Who have had their conference relationship as diaconal ministers terminated by Annual Conference action (¶313.3)? (Under ¶313.3a, no vote; under ¶313.3b, v 2/3) No One

78. What diaconal ministers have died during the year?
   a) Effective: No One
   b) Retired: No One

79. What diaconal ministers have been granted leaves of absence under ¶313.1a, c, d) (disability, study/sabbatical, or personal leave): (v)
   a) Since the last session of the Annual Conference? (Give effective date of each):
      No One
   b) At this session of the Annual Conference? (Include names of persons listed in Question 79a, if their leaves of absence are continuing):
      Kimberly Susan Holt(DM)(Marion)(03/14/2005)

80. What diaconal ministers have been granted an extended leave (¶313.1e):
   a) Since the last session of the Annual Conference? (Give effective date of each):
   b) At this session of the Annual Conference? (Include names of persons listed in Question 79a, if their leaves of absence are continuing):
      Cheryl Amelia Walker(DM)(Columbia)(eff. 6/11/03 granted Extended Leave Par. 313.1e)

81. Who have returned to active status:
   From disability, study/sabbatical, or personal leave of absence (¶313.1a, c, d)?
      No One
   b) From extended leave (¶313.1e)? (v) No One

82. Who have taken the retired relationship to the Annual Conference as diaconal ministers (¶313.2): (Under ¶313.2b, v 2/3)
   a) This year? No One
   b) Previously?
      Raleigh Fletcher Carter(Marion)
      Ann Barton Fuhr(Anderson)
      Mary Louise Miller(Spartanburg)
      Freeman R. Orr Jr(Greenville)
      Carol Hart Watson(Columbia)
      Geneva Belton Williams(Orangeburg)
PART V APPOINTMENTS AND CONCLUDING BUSINESS

83. Who are approved for less than full-time service?
   
a) What associate members, elders and probationary members (1992) are approved for appointment to less than full-time service, what is the total number of years for which such approval has been granted to each, and for what fraction of full-time service (in one-quarter increments) is approval granted (for purposes of equitable compensation claim and pension credit) ¶¶338.2, 342.2, 1506.4b)? (v ¾):
   
   Chang Hoon Jeong(ØE)(Greenville)(2006)(2)(1/2)

   b) What deacons in full connection and probationary deacons are approved for less than full-time service (¶331.7)?
   
   Jacki Harris Mitchell-Ratliff(FD)(Charleston)(2001)(7)(1/2)
   Bobbie Opal Taylor(FD)(Greenwood)(2003)(5)(1/2)

84. Who have been appointed as interim pastors under the provisions of ¶338.3 since the last session of the annual conference, and for what period of time? No One

85. What changes have been made in appointments since the last annual conference session? (Attach list. Include Appointments Beyond the Local Church and Appointments to Extension Ministries. Give effective dates of all changes.)

   Cora Campbell (Rock Hill) 7/29/2007 eff. 7/29/07 apt. SY Bethesda-Ebenezer
   Leslie James Shattuck Sr. (Anderson) 8/1/2007 eff. 8/1/07 Pelzer-Beulah FL
   James William McAlister (Anderson) 8/1/2007 eff. 8/1/07 SY Gilgal Charge rpl. Leslie Shattuck
   Charles Ernest Summey Jr. (Greenville) 8/1/2007 eff.8/1/07 moved from Pelzer-Beulah Charge to Associate at Covenant
   Robert Irving Goulart (Greenville) 8/1/2007 eff 8/1/07 PL Few's Chapel
   Robert Beaty Clyburn (Orangeburg) 9/1/2007 eff 9/1/07 RSY Grover Charge for Katherine Bostrom
   Irvin Vincent Plowden Jr. (Rock Hill) 9/1/2007 eff. 9/1/07 apt. Chester Circuit
   Keith Alan Moreland (Greenwood) 9/1/2007 eff. 9/1/07 SY Mt. Carmel (GW)
   Carrie Ann Wright (Rock Hill) 11/12/2007 eff. 11/12/07 apt. St. John's Ft. Mill
   Linda Bodie Dunn (Columbia) 12/1/2007 eff. 12/1/07 Associate Pastor First, Clover
   Mark Reagan Long (Greenville) 12/31/2007 eff. 12/31/07 retire status
   Donald Carol Tumblin (Greenville) 12/31/2007 eff. 12/31/07 terminated Faith UMC-Greer
   Ruth Ann Ivey (Charleston) 12/31/2007 eff. 12/31/07 retire
86. **Who are appointed to ministry to the local church and where are they appointed for the ensuing year?** (Attach a list. Include: elders, deacons, associate members, local pastors, and probationary members.) See list of Appointments.

87. **What deacons in full connection are appointed beyond the local church for the ensuing year** (¶331.1a, b)? (Attach a list. Include: deacons in full connection and probationary.)

- James Steven Arant (FD) – Connectional Ministries Congregational Specialist, Columbia
- Traci Smith Bennett (FD) – Chaplain, Piedmont Hospice, Spartanburg
- Steven Andrew Booth (FD) - Dept. of Religion & Philosophy, Columbia College, Columbia
- Steven Andrew Compton (PD) - Upstate Homeless Coalition of South Carolina, Anderson
- Vivia Lawton Fowler (FD) - Dean & Vice President of Academic Affairs for Wesleyan College, Macon, GA, Columbia
- Thomas Caldwell Henderson Jr. (PD) - Executive Director of Camp Dogwood, Bethlehem Centers of Nashville, Greenville
- Kathy Thompson Heustess (FD) - Executive Director, Coastal Samaritan Center, Myrtle Beach, SC, Marion
- Katherine Lewis James (FD) – Connectional Ministries Congregational Specialist, Spartanburg
- Nicholas Anderson Jeffries (PD) - Program Director Camp Chestnut Ridge, Efland, NC, Charleston
- Edwina Julliette Williams (FD) - Adj.Professor, Orangeburg-Calhoun Tech., Orangeburg
88. **Who are appointed to extension ministries for the ensuing year?** (Attach a list. Include: elders, probationary members, associate members and local pastors.)

a) Within the connectional structures of United Methodism (¶344.1a, c)?

- Quay Wyatt Adams (FE) Marion DS 6, Marion 344.1a
- David Leslie Anderson (FE) Conference Benefits Officer, Columbia 344.1a
- Michael Esley Bowers (FE) Spartanburg Methodist College - Dir. Of Gift Planning, Spartanburg 344.1a
- Robert Clayton Childers (FE) Associate Dir. GBCS, Greenville 344.1a
- Jennifer Elaine Copeland (FE) Chaplain, Wesley Foundation Duke, Spartanburg 344.1a
- Rowan Dampeer Crews Jr. (FE) Assoc. Professor - Columbia College, Columbia 344.1a
- James M Dawsey (FE) Professor - Emory & Henry College, Greenville 344.1a
- Ernest Calvin Etheredge (FE) Walterboro DS 5, Walterboro 344.1a
- Jo Anna McGehee Fallaw (FE) Director, Francis Marion Wesley Foundation (1/2), Florence 344.1a
- James Leroy Friday (FE) Florence DS 1, Florence 344.1a
- Roger Michael Gramling (FE) SC United Methodist Foundation, Columbia 344.1a
- Lisa Conyers Hawkins (FE) Dir. Charleston Wesley Foundation, Charleston 344.1a
- Susan Thurston Henry-Crowe (FE) Dean of Chapel - Emory University, Columbia 344.1a
- John Emory Holler Jr. (FE) President & CEO Epworth Children's Home, Columbia 344.1a
- Narcie Jo McClendon Jeter (PE) Dir. Wesley Foundation, Winthrop, Rock Hill 344.1a
- Charles Luther Johnson Sr. (FE) Greenville DS 5, Greenville 344.1a
- Archer Judson King (FE) Connectional Ministries Congregational Specialist, Charleston 344.1a
- James Knowles-Tuell (FE) Treasurer/Director of Administrative Services of SC Conference, Columbia 344.1a
- Dennis Ray Lee (FE) Spartanburg DS 5, Spartanburg 344.1a
- William Timothy McClendon (FE) Columbia DS 3, Columbia 344.1a
- Edward Lovell McCutcheon (FE) Director, Furman Wesley Foundation, Greenville 344.1a
- James Rochelle McGee (FE) President/CEO Methodist Oaks, Orangeburg 344.1a
- Jimmy Jonathon Montgomery (FE) Wesley Foundation, Campus Minister, Orangeburg 344.1a
- Diane Amanda Moseley (FE) Executive Director of Killingsworth, Columbia 344.1a
- Kenneth Lee Nelson (FE) CM Congregational Specialist, Columbia 344.1a
- Sonia Ely Ortigoza (FE) CM Congregational Specialist, Columbia 344.1a
- Phillip Lynwood Pace Jr. (FE) Associate Chaplain and Director of Service Learning, Wofford Spartanburg 344.1a
Patricia Jean Parrish (FE) Charleston DS 1, Charleston 344.1a
Ronald Alexander Pettit (FE) Orangeburg DS 7, Orangeburg 344.1a
Timothy Julian Rogers (FE) Coordinator of Clergy Services/Conference Secretary, Columbia 344.1a
Kermit Ollie Shrawder Jr. (FE) Director of Pastoral Services Methodist Oaks, Orangeburg 344.1a
Candice Yeary Sloan (FE) Chaplain & Dir. Church Relations, SMC, Spartanburg 344.1a
Robert Earl Stillwell (FE) Anderson DS 6, Anderson 344.1a
James Russell Taylor (OE) Director of Congregational Development, Columbia 346.1
Charles Porter Teague (FE) President, Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg 344.1a
Willie Senn Teague (FE) Director of Connectional Ministries, Columbia 344.1a
Mary Victoria Teasley (FE) Greenwood DS 3, Greenwood 344.1a
Tom Hennies Brodie Wall (FE) Dir. Wesley Foundation, USC, Columbia 344.1a
Lillian Hymes Washington (FE) Hartsville DS 4, Hartsville 344.1a
Sara Ann White (FE) Rock Hill DS 3, Rock Hill 344.1a
Carol Peppers Wray (FE) Chaplain, Wesley Commons, Greenwood 344.1a
Ellen April Younker (FE) Chaplain, United Methodist Relief Center, Charleston 344.1a

b) To ministries endorsed by the Board of Higher Education and Ministry (¶344.1b, c)?

Yu Fong Chong (FE) Columbia 344.1b Chaplain, Agape Senior Community
Elizabeth Jane Collier (FE) Columbia 344.1b Chaplain, Alexian Brothers Med Center
Robert Belin Collingwood (FE) Orangeburg 344.1b Coord. Pastoral Care – V.A. Hospital
Marion Brabham Crooks Jr. (RE) Greenwood 344.1d, 359.6 Director, Canterbury Counseling Center
David Michael DeDonato (FE) Columbia 344.1b Dir. Pastoral Services, Lexington Medical Center
Walter Watson Dixon (FE) Columbia 344.1b Chaplain, Presbyterian Hospital, NY
John Dickey Evans (FE) Columbia 344.1b Counselor Pastoral Counseling Center
Edward Herbert Franklin Jr. (FE) Spartanburg 344.1b Chaplain-US Army Hospital Moncrief
Steven Davis Gillespie (FE) Greenville 344.1b Staff Counselor & Coordinator, Middle Tennessee Pastoral Counseling
George Henry Grant (FE) Charleston 344.1c Director Research in Faith Healing, Emory
James Henry Gunn (FE) Columbia 344.1b Supervisor – CPE Penrose-St Francis Health System
Larry Vertice Jones (FE) Spartanburg 344.1b Campus Minister for the Winston-Salem Wesley Foundation
David Todd Morrison (FE) Florence 344.1b Chaplain – US Army
Lorenzo Moses(FE) Charleston 344.1b Chaplain, VA Medical Center
Steven Lynn Shugart(FE) Florence 344.1b Reserve Component Fulltime Support Chaplain
Curtis Edsel Wells(FE) Rock Hill 344.1b Chaplain – US Army
Robert Thomas Williams(FE) Columbia 344.1b Chaplain- US Navy
c) To other valid ministries under the provisions of ¶344.1d? (v 2/3)

Kenneth Ryan Kennerly(FE) Columbia 344.1d Counselor- VA Medical Center
Keith Dunkle Ray II(FE) Greenville 344.1d Associate Chaplain/Assistant Prof. Of Religion at Furman University
Rosetta Everna Ross(FE) Hartsville 344.1d Dept Religion & Philosophy, Spelman College
Eldridge Rowell(FE) Charleston 344.1d Chaplain Medical University of South Carolina Charleston
Jonathan Edward Smith(FE) Rock Hill 344.1d Dir. Portage County Pastoral Care, Kent, OH
Erin Walley(PE) Anderson 344.1d Chaplain, Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village, IL
Julian Austin Watson(FE) Columbia 344.1d Exe. Dir. Lighthouse Ministries, Florence, SC
Charles Lee White(FE) Charleston 344.1d National Dir. of Field Operation of the NAACP

89. **Who are appointed to attend school** (¶416.6)? (List alphabetically all those whose prime appointment is to attend school.)

   - Associate Members: No One
   - Probationary Members: No One
   - Members in Full Connection:
     - Dawn McGahee Compton(FD)(Columbia)
     - Carol McGinty Rawlinson(FE)(Spartanburg)

90. **Where are the diaconal ministers appointed for the ensuing year** (¶310) [1992 Discipline]? (Attach list)

   - Laurie Gamble Brandes - Epworth Memorial Minister of Christian Education (Columbia)
   - Carolyn Elaine Brashear - Trinity, Anderson- Dir. Of Christian Ed. (Anderson)
   - William Brant Mills - Central Minister of Music (Florence)
   - Lillian Quackenbush - Chair Music Dept., Columbia College (Columbia)

91. **What other personal notations should be made?** (Include such matters as changes in pension credit (¶1506.6), corrections or additions to matters reported in the "Business of the Annual Conference" form in previous years, and legal name changes of clergy members and diaconal ministers.)

   - Donald Ralph Brown(FD) Columbia eff. 6/18/08 to serve under License Local Pastors paragraph 309.2 transition FD to FE
   - Grace Lewellyn Montes(FE) Columbia eff. 6/18/08 retire; eff. 1/5/08 Name change from Grace Lewellyn Lovell; eff. 9/22/07 VoLOA
   - Debra A. S. Quilling Smith(FE) Florence name change from Debra Quilling
Kathy Priest Hudson (FL) Rock Hill eff. 5/19/08 reinstated as CERT
Doris R. Bright (CERT) Walterboro correct 2007 BQ to show in BQ 19a
JoAnna McGee Fallaw (FE) Florence name change from JoAnna McGehee
Kelly Lee Gallamore (PE) Spartanburg eff. 5/1/08 name changed from Kelly Gallamore Gilmer
Christine Henchar Reed (LP20) Spartanburg eff. 4/15/08 disc PE to LP20
Angela Halter Marshall (CERT) Hartsville name change from Angela Halter
Tarnishia Vanarda Jenkins-Jackson (PL) Anderson name change from Tarnishia Vanarda Jenkins
Frederick Johnson Shepard (FL) Anderson eff. 5/5/08 trf from Southwest District of Florida AC to Anderson District as LP

92. **Where and when shall the next Conference Session be held (¶603.2, 3)?**
By authority of *The Book of Discipline* of The United Methodist Church I hereby fix these appointments for the South Carolina Annual Conference for the 2008-2009 conference year. As commissioned, licensed, consecrated, or ordained members of the covenant of ministry, let us offer ourselves without reserve to the responsibilities and opportunities of these appointments.

Mary Virginia Taylor
Resident Bishop
South Carolina Annual Conference
June 4, 2008

**ABBREVIATION KEY**

- **AM**: Associate Member
- **DM**: Diaconal Minister
- **DP**: Deacon recognized from other denomination serving UM probation
- **FD**: Deacon in Full Connection
- **FL**: Full-time Local Pastor
- **OD**: Deacon Member of other annual conference
- **OE**: Elder Member of other annual conference
- **OF**: Full Member of other denomination
- **OP**: Probability Member of other annual conference
- **PD**: Probability Deacon
- **PE**: Probability Elder
- **PL**: Part-time Local Pastor
- **PM**: Probability Member
- **RA**: Retired Associate Member
- **RDM**: Retired Diaconal Minister
- **RL**: Retired Local Pastor
- **RSY**: Retired PM, AM, or Full Member supplying a charge
- **SP**: Student Local Pastor
- **SY**: Supply
- **TBS**: To Be Supplied

**ANDERSON DISTRICT**
(55 charges; 79 churches)
ROBERT E. STILLWELL, DS 6

**ABBEVILLE:**
- Bells – Ed C. Marsh (RSY) 1
- Grace – Edward N. Taylor, Jr. 2
- Main Street – Randy M. Taylor 4
- Sharon – Shawn G. Armstrong (PL) 2

**ANDERSON:**
- Anderson Circuit – Jimmy Washington (PL) 3
  (Mount Pleasant, Mount Sinai, Emmanuel)
- *Bethel – Frederick N. Treaster (RSY) 1*
- Homeland Park - Sandy Springs – SY (Steven A. Compton) (PD) 2
- New Hope – R. Wayne Pearce, Jr. 2
- South Anderson Charge – Faye Jones Stephens (PE) 3
  (Ebenezer, Marshall Memorial, Orrville)
- St. John’s – William R. Childs 8
  Associate – Frances M. Elrod 3
Thompson Centennial-Bethlehem – Henry Ravenel, Sr. (FL) 4
Toxaway-John Wesley – Kurt L. Stutler (OF)(346.2)(1/2) 15
Trinity – Paul D. Frey 2
Zion – D. Jeffery Roper (FL) 7

BELTON:
Latimer Memorial – Susan Deloache Culler 5
St. James – (TBS)
Union Grove – Howard D. Addis 2

CALHOUN FALLS:
Calhoun Falls – Stephen Aaron Meadows (PE) 3

CENTRAL:
Mount Zion – Kurt A. McPherson (OF)(346.2) 1
 Minister of Children and Youth – Medina Miller Gentry (FD) (1/4) 6

CLEMSON:
Clemson – Paul A. Hutchison 4
 Associate – Patrick H. Kelly (FL) 3
 Campus Minister – C. Lane Glaze (OE)(346.1) 8
 Lawrence Chapel – Nellie G. Cloninger 1

DUE WEST:
Gilgal-Shiloh – James W. McAlister (RSY) 2

EASLEY:
Arial-Tabor – Roger M. Gwinn (PL) 5
Bethesda – Cyrus D. Rogers 8
Easley Charge – Velma M. Haywood 1
 (Easley Chapel, John Wesley)
Fairview-St. Paul – Joe D. Durham (PL) 3
First Church – James L. Correll, Jr. 3
 Minister of Programs – Ronald E. Bentley (FD) 2
St. Andrew – Barry W. Cannon 1
Zion – (TBS)

HONEA PATH:
Chiquola-Donalds – Andrew C. Bullions (PL) 2
Trinity – William N. Harper 2

IVA:
Bethel-Ruhamah – Amy A. Dill (PE) 4

LIBERTY:
Liberty – E. Warren Ashmore 3
Sharon – (TBS)

LOWNDESVILLE:
Smyrna – Nena Ruth G. Reynolds (RSY) 3

PELZER:
Pelzer-Beulah – Leslie Shattuck (FL) 2

PENDLETON:
Pendleton – Ben L. Barnett 3
Pendleton Charge – Calvin L. Smith 2
 (Bethel, Central)

PICKENS:
Grace – A. Stephen Holler 5
Mount Bethel-Porter’s Chapel – Donald E. Alexander, Jr. (FL) 5
Pickens Charge – Clara Martin Gary (PL) 4
 (Robinson Chapel-Union)

PIEDMONT:
Shiloh Station – David A. Brown 2

SALEM:
Salem – J. Timothy Whited (PL) 2

SENECA:
Ann Hope- Friendship – Frederick J. (Eric) Shepard (FL) 1
New Harmony – Pattie E. Gordon (PE) 3
St. Mark – Steven D. Morgan
  Minister of Congregational Care – Jeffrey W. Childress (FD) 4

STARR:
  Starr Charge – Ralph T. Bowling, Jr. (RSY) 3
    (Hebron, Starr)

TOWNVILLE:
  Dickson Memorial – Paul C. Mitchell 4

WALHALLA:
  St. Luke-Zion – J. Scott Cloninger, Sr. 1

WESTMINSTER:
  Double Springs- Rock Springs – Ronald Massey (PL) 4
  Hopewell – Earl Gunsallus (RL) 4
  Westminster-Chicopee – Edward L. Mainous (RSY) 14

WILLIAMSTON:
  Fairfield– Tarnishia Jenkins-Jackson (PL) 2
  Grace – Marguerite “Kempie” Shepard 4
  Williamston Charge – Carleathea M. Benson (PL) 2
    (Bethel, Golden Grove, Moores Chapel)

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
  Stillwell, Robert E. – District Superintendent, Anderson District 6

Endorsed By Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries: None

Other Valid Ministries:
  Compton, Steven Andrew (PD) – Upstate Homeless Coalition of South Carolina 3
  Walley, Erin (PE) – Chaplaincy Resident, Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village, IL 1

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None

APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
  Evatt, John F., St. Mark CC 3
  Smith, JoAnn C., St. Andrew CC 5
  Toth, Stephen C., Latimer Memorial CC 1

FAMILY LEAVE: None

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE: None

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers
  Albert, E. Harold
  Bowling, Jr., Ralph T.
  Carlisle, Robert N.
  Claytor, Robert B.
  Cleasby, Bruce
  Cooper, William D.
  Cox, H. Michael
  Ethridge, Bobbie R.
  Evatt, Thomas F., Jr.
  Ferguson, Clifford, F.
  Ford, Julian R.
  Franklin, E. Herbert
  Freeman, John M.
  Gamble, D. Lamar
  Hartsell, Franklin D.
  Holroyd, Thomas W.
  Keller, A. LeRoy
  Lewis, Sinclair E.
McAuley, Robert E.
Mainous, Edward L.
Marsh, Ed C.
Marsh, Eileen C.
Murphy, A. Wesley
Nicholson, Joseph R.
Owens, George C.
Padgett, Clarence D.
Patterson, Stanley B.
Pridgen, Joseph W.
Quarles, Calvin (RL)
Ray, Jack E.
Thompson, Leon E.
Thompson, Morris C.
Treaster, Fred N.
Vandiver, Michael L.
Weisner, Julian
Woodham, Scott

Retired Missionaries: None

DIACONAL MINISTRY

Diaconal Ministers:
Brashear, Carolyn Elaine – Program Director, Director of Christian Education, Trinity CC 11

Retired Diaconal Ministers:
Fuhr, Ann Barton – Lawrence Chapel CC 6

DEACONESSES

Active:
Edens, Mary Lou – Deaconess for Local Mission, Tracey Jackson Program of G.I.F.T.,
      Toxaway CC 7

Retired: None

CHARLESTON DISTRICT
(61 charges; 80 churches)
PATRICIA J. PARRISH, DS 1

BONNEAU:
    Berkeley Circuit – William Burke (PL) 5
          (Berea, Eccles)
    Hood’s Chapel – Randall Horres (PL) 3

CHARLESTON:
    Aldersgate – SY (Eldridge Rowell) 3
    Asbury-St. James – Timothy G. Shaw (PL) 3
    Bethany – Kim Strong 3
    Bethel – John Hipp 5
    Centenary – SY (Lorenzo Moses) 5
    Charleston Korean – Do Bum Huh (OE)(346.1) 9
    Cherokee Place – Kelli Taylor 1
    Cokesbury – Charles A. Phillips 2
          Associate – Greta Louise Boroff Bridges (PL) 1
    Epworth – Richard F. Robinson, Jr. (FL) 2
    Grace – Donald O. Clendaniel, II  5
    John Wesley – Gary D. Phillips 1
          Associate – Laura Canine (PE) 2
    Midland Park – Cecile Glenn Jenkin 5
    Mount Carmel – Frank V. James 1
    New Francis Brown – Harold G. Gordon 3
    North Charleston – David S. Smith 2
Old Bethel – Timothy J. Bowman 3
St. Andrews – Robert C. Barrett 2
St. Mark – Athon M. Arant, Sr. 6
Director of Christian Education – Jackie Harris Mitchell Ratledge (FD)(1/2) 6
Trinity – Leonard C. Ripley (FL) 3
Washington – Rufus Lee Wilson (PL) 7
Wesley – George A. McClenan 7

CROSS:
Cross – Wendell W. Sumter (FL) 15
(Jerusalem, Zion)
Friendship – H. Carroll Cash (RSY) 7
Greater St. Paul – Alfonza Jones (FL) 1

EDISTO ISLAND:
Wesley Memorial-Edisto Island – James Michael Arant 4

FOLLY BEACH:
Folly Beach-St. Johns – Alice Deal (PE) 3

GOOSE CREEK:
Goose Creek – Frances Debra Dowdle (AM) 9
St. James – Anthony Hodge 5

HOLLYWOOD:
Ravenel – Glenn Davis (RSY) 4

HUGER:
St. Thomas Charge – Marvin Taylor 11
Associate – Darlene Richardson (PL) 2
(New Hope, Steward Chapel, Zion)

ISLE OF PALMS:
First – David Surrett 3

JAMESTOWN:
Jamestown – Hugh Hubbard (RSY) 1
(Mount Zion, New Hope, St. James)

JOHNS ISLAND:
Johns Island Parish – Angelin J. Simmons 7
(Bethlehem, New Webster, St. James)
Wesley – Otis Scott 1

LADSON:
Wesley – Keith Hunter 6

McCLELLANVILLE:
Sewee Santee Charge
(McClellanville-Wren’s Chapel) – James O. Harper (RSY) 2
(Ocean Grove) – David Phillips (PL) 3

MONCKS CORNER:
Centenary – Benjamin Rivers, Sr. (PL) 2
Cordesville – Joseph Lee Hagler (PL) 7
Ebenezer-Smyrna Charge
(Ebenezer) – William Tanner, Jr. (PL) 2
(Smyrna) – Bob Morris (RSY) 5
Joshua – Mae Frances Taylor 3
Moncks Corner – Theron Walker Smith, Jr. 8

MOUNT PLEASANT:
Hibben – Jim Hunter 2
Kathryn Hunter 2
Point Hope – Joseph D. Cate 2

PINOPOLOS:
Pinopolis – Richard Broomall 5
Wesley – Lee C. Bines 3

RIDGEVILLE:
Lebanon Charge – Joyce Hendry (FL) 5
(Black Creek, Lebanon, Spring Hill)
New Hope – Carolyn R. Malphrus 2

**ST. STEPHEN:**
- Bethel – John Wesley Evans 1
- Mount Nebo – Shirley Williams Dingle (PL) 7
- St. Stephen Charge – Bonnie Miller (PL) 2
  (Rehoboth, St. Stephen)
- New Light – H. Samuel Johnson (RSY) 2
- Jehovah – Sam Lucas (PL) 4

**SUMMERVILLE:**
- Bethany – Robert J. Howell Jr. 11
  - Associate – Mark Fentress (OE)(346.1) 3
  - Associate – Jennifer Williams (PE) 3
- Boone Hill – Richard W. Rogers-Berry 8
- Enoch Chapel-Grove Hall
  - (Enoch Chapel) – Victoria Richardson (PL) 4
  - (Grove Hall) – Virginia Stafford (PL) 5
- Knightsville – Ed Reynolds 3
- Stallsville – David James 3
- Summerville Parish – Alfonso Porter (PE) 7
  (Murray, Wesley)

**YONGES ISLAND:**
- Wesley – Julius L. McDowell 8

**APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES**

*Within the Connection:*
- Hawkins, Lisa C. – Director, Charleston Wesley Foundation, Centenary, Charleston CC 8
- King, Judson – Congregational Specialist Connectional Ministries, Bethany CC 1
- Parrish, Patricia J. – District Superintendent, Charleston District 1
- Younker, Ellen – Chaplain, United Methodist Relief Center, Centenary CC 4

*Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:*
- Grant, George Henry – Director of Research in Faith Health, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, Bethel CC 9
- Moses, Lorenzo – Chief Chaplain, Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center, Centenary CC 15
- Rowell, Eldridge – Chaplain, Medical University of South Carolina, Aldersgate CC 1

*Other Valid Ministries:*
- Jeffries, Nicholas A. (PD) – Camp Chestnut Ridge, Program Director, Efland, NC, Bethlehem-Prospect CC 3
- White, Charles L., Jr. – National Director of Field Operations, NAACP, Wesley, Yonges Island CC 9

**APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL:** None

**APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES:**
- Teagan, Deborah Luther – Altus First UMC, Oklahoma Annual Conference 2

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**
- Waller, Charles Brett – St. Andrews Parish CC 5

**FAMILY LEAVE:**
- Barrett, Mary Elise (PE) – St. Andrews Parish CC 2
- Cox, Robert Lincoln 1

**SABBATICAL LEAVE:** None

**INCAPACITY LEAVE:** None

**RETIREMENT**

Retired Ministers:
- Alewine, James Edwin
- Anderson, William F. (RL)
- Blackwell, Theodore E. (RL)
- Blocker, R. Richard
- Boone, John D., Jr.
- Brisbon, David A.
Brunson, Ashley  
Busch, George P.  
Cash, H. Carroll (RL)  
Couch, George W., Jr.  
Davis, Gloria R.  
Davis, R. Glenn, Sr. (RA)  
Derrick, Barbara A.  
Duffie, George S., Jr.  
Edwards, Annette C.  
Fender, Genevieve M. (RL)  
Fowler, F. Barney  
Gibbs, Sr., Joe (RL)  
Graham, J. Arthur  
Harper, James O.  
Heape, Ernest M.  
Hendricks, J. Kirkwood  
Hogue, Richard D.  
Holler, Adlai C.  
Hubbard, Hugh  
Hughes, Elizabeth C.  
Hughes, Jessie Clark  
Ivey, Ruth Ann (FD)  
Johnson, Franklin H.  
Johnson, H. Samuel  
Knight, Norman Lee (RA)  
Locklair, Josephine M.  
McClennon, Nathan  
McFadden, Vivian  
Mills, F. David  
Morris, William Robert, Sr.  
Myers, John David  
Myers, Sandra  
Pottieger, Cecil P.E.  
Seignious, Richard E.  
Stanton, Talmadge  
Stockman, Roy M.  
Tanner, Robert W.  
Wilson, Harlan E., Jr.  
Retired Missionaries: None

**DIACONAL MINISTRY**

**Diaconal Ministers:** None  
**Retired Diaconal Ministers:** None

**DEACONESSES**

**Active:** None  
**Retired:** None

**COLUMBIA DISTRICT**

(57 charges; 66 churches)  
WILLIAM TIMOTHY McCLENDON, DS 3

**BLYTHEWOOD:**

Trinity – Catherine Jamieson-Ogg 8  
Associate – Scott Bratton (PE) 2  
Upper Richland Charge – Billy Lee Lynch, Jr. (PE) 6  
(Beulah, Oak Grove)  
Zion – Debbie Miller (PL) 2
CHAPIN:
Chapin – Joseph D. Flowers 8

COLUMBIA:
Asbury Memorial – Edward L. McWilliams 3
Ashland – Joel R. Jones 8
Bethel – J. Bart Sistare, III 4
Bluff Road – Leatha W. Brown 1
College Place – Tiffany D. Knowlin (PE) 1
Columbia Korean – Hee Young Kim (OE) (346.1) 5
Epworth Memorial – Megan Stone Gray 2
Fair Lawn – Donald Ralph Brown (FD/FL) 1
Francis Burns – Thomas J. Bowman, Sr. 1
   Associate – Sheila L. Elliott (PE) 1
Grace – S. Alexander Stevenson 9
Greene Street – William Bradford Gray 4
I. DeQuincey Newman – Joseph Alva Wilson, II (PL) 6
New Church Start - Journey – George A. Ashford 2
Lebanon – Foy LaRue Cook 1
Main Street – Joe Cal Watson 7
Mill Creek-McLeod – Samuel Simpson Warwick 2
Mount Pleasant-St. Luke – Jerry Paul Nelson (RSY) 6
Northeast – James Kevin Gorry 3
Rehoboth – James R. Davis 1
Shandon – Michael L. Guffee, Sr. 11
   Associate – Mary Green Kearse 5
   Associate – Henry M. Davis, IV 5
St. James – Robert Manigault Vincent (PE) 2
St. John – Rudolph C. Barnes Jr. (RSY) 9
St. Mark – Daniel S. Burbage (PE) 3
Suber Marshall Memorial – Toni L. White (3/4) 5
Trenholm Road – R. Wayne Horne 2
   Associate – Mollie L. Bame 3
   Director of Adult Education – Debra Fambro (OD)(331.8) 2
Virginia Wingard Memorial – John W. Culp 4
Washington Street – Paul W. Harmon 4
   Associate – Evelyn C. Middleton (RSY) 1
   Minister of Education – Donald G. Thrasher (OD)(331.8) 2
Wesley – John Dicks, Sr. 3
Wesley Memorial – Michael Scott Bingham 7
Whaley Street – Noble F. Miller (RSY) 4
Windsor – Anthony S. Rowell 2

ELGIN:
West Kershaw – Daniel Flessas (PE) 3
   (Ebenezer, Salem, Smyrna)

GILBERT:
Beulah – Robert E. Dunn 1
Gilbert – Linda B. Dunn 1
   (Gilbert, Rehoboth)
Pond Branch – Matthew D. Rucker 5
Shiloh – Kenneth R. Colton 4

IRMHO:
Salem – Donald Mitch Houston 3
Shady Grove – Tresco E. Shannon 2
Union – William H. Phillips 6
   Associate – Joel W. McMakin 2

LEXINGTON:
Boiling Springs – Robert D. Reeves 3
Faith – W. Donald Britt (RSY) 4
Lexington – Richard H. Knight 10
Associate – Miyoung Paik 10
Director of Christian Education – Ruth H. Arant (FD) 20
Mount Horeb – Jeffrey G. Kersey 15
Associate – Brian T. Rainwater (OE)(346.1) 6
Red Bank – Thomas B. Wilkes, III 7

WEST COLUMBIA-CAYCE:
Brookland – Carol R. Cannon 5
Associate – Michael B. Henderson 5
Cayce – Randall Eugene Bowers (FL) 2
Mount Hebron – Lawrence Foy Hays, Jr. 1
Associate – Mandy Taylor Young (PE) 1
Minister of Counseling – Kenneth W. Barwick 26
Platt Springs – Paul M. Cheezem 3
Shiloh – John Jordan (PL) 3
Trinity – David W. Day 8

WINNSBORO:
Fairfield Circuit – Mary Kathryn Griffin 4
First, Winnsboro – Donald W. Boatwright 3
Gordon Memorial-Greenbrier – Walter C. Ballenger III 2

APPPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES
Within the Connection:
Anderson, David – Executive Assistant Pension and Benefits (Conference Benefits Officer), Main Street CC 4
Arant, James S. (FD) – Congregational Specialist Connectional Ministries, Lexington CC 20
Crews, Rowan D. – Professor, Columbia College, Washington St. CC 10
Gramling, Roger M. – President, S.C. United Methodist Foundation, Ashland CC 24
Henry-Crowe, Susan – Dean of the Chapel & Religious Life, Emory University, Wesley CC 18
Holler, John E. – President and CEO Epworth Children’s Home, Trenholm Road CC 3
Knowles-Tuell, James – Treasurer/Director of Administrative Services, Washington Street CC 4
McClendon, William Timothy – District Superintendent, Columbia District, Washington Street CC 3
Moseley, Diane Amanda – Executive Director of Killingsworth, Lexington CC 33
Nelson, Kenneth – District Congregational Specialist, Francis Burns CC 2
Ortigoza, Sonia – Hispanic Coordinator, Union CC 6
Taylor, J. Russell (OE)(346.1) – Director of Congregational Development 4
Wall, Tom H. – Director, Wesley Foundation, USC, Washington St. CC 19

Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:
Chong, Yu Fong – Chaplain, Agape Senior Community, Ashland CC 4
Collier, Elizabeth Jane – Coordinator Chaplain, Center for Spiritualcare, Alexian Brothers Med. Ctr., Elk Grove Village, IL, Union CC 5
DeDonato, David M. – Director of Pastoral Care, Lexington Medical Center, Mount Hebron CC 8
Dixon, Walter – Chaplain, Presbyterian Hospital, New York, Asbury Memorial CC 1
Gunn, James H. – Supervisor, CPE Penrose-St. Francis Health System, Colorado Springs, CO, Virginia Wingard Memorial CC 12
Williams, Robert T. – Chaplain, U.S. Navy, Virginia Wingard Memorial CC 22

Other Valid Ministries:
Booth, Steven (FD) – Director, eChristianEd, Department of Religion and Philosophy, Columbia College, Trenholm Road CC 2
Evans, John D. – Pastoral Counseling, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, Columbia, Washington Street CC 14
Kennerly, Kenneth R. – Counselor V.A. Medical Center Addiction Treatment Unit, Columbia, Trinity, West Columbia CC 29
Watson, J. Austin – Executive Director, Lighthouse Ministries, Florence, Main Street CC 10
APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL:
Compton, Dawn McGahee – Ashland CC 3

APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES:
Fowler, Vivia L. (FD) – Dean and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Wesleyan College, Macon, GA, Main Street CC 2

APPOINTED IN OTHER METHODIST DENOMINATIONS: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Evans, William F. – First, Winnsboro CC 11

FAMILY LEAVE: None

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE:
Pope, Lewis Carroll – Fair Lawn CC 6
Dodds, Roger 3

RETIRED MINISTERS:
Aiken, Clyde M.
Alexander, Robert E.
Alley, Joseph Walters
Anderson, L. Porter
Barnes, Rudolph Counts, Jr. (RL)
Betsill, Paul A.
Bigelow, Archie R.
Blackmon, Charles M.
Borom, W. Robert
Britt, W. Donald
Brooks, Boyce F.
Buff, L. H., Jr.
Buie, Franklin B.
Bynum, F. Bundy, Jr.
Carlson, W. Paul
Carter, Lemuel C.
Clary, Carl D.
Cooper, Wiley
Corderman, Delos D.
Cothran, Lee J.
Cox, Albert L.
Culp, Karin Bascom
Dunn, Charles L.
Edwards, Charlie Aycock
Ellis, Edgar H., Jr.
Fowke, J. Louis
Gadsden, James S.
Harmon, Samuel K.
Holmes, Eugene C.
Hutchins, Charles A. (FD)
Jones, Phil M.
Jones, Thom C.
Kinnett, William R.
Laney, Sterling S.
Lare, Marvin I.
Lazar, Julian
Linder, Alice D.
Long, Happy W. L.
Major, William M.
Matthews, Carolyn
McEachern, Theodore Bye
McKeown, Robert E.
McKeown, Robert E.
Middleton, Evelyn C.
Miller, Noble Franklin, Jr.
Montes, Grace Lovell
Moore, Raymond L., II
Morris, Franklin D.
Nates, James H.
Nichols, George H., Jr.
Palmer, Bruce
Parker, Harris H.
Pearson, John C.
Pfeiffer, Charles G.
Reese, Fred M., Jr.
Ruth, E. Devon
Spears, R. Wright
Simmons, Colin E.
Smith, Michael L.
Steil, W. Edwin
Summers, Thomas A.
Sweat, Howard D.
Walter, Ted H.
Way, Robert B.
Westerkam, Diana
Williams, C.D.
Williams, Thomas M., Jr.

Retired Missionaries: None

DIACONAL MINISTRY
Diaconal Ministers:
Brandes, Laurie G. – Minister of Christian Education, Epworth Memorial UMC, Asbury Memorial CC 17
Quackenbush, Lillian – Chair of Music Department, Columbia College, College Place CC 15
Walker, Cheryl – Personal Leave, Wesley CC 13

Retired Diaconal Ministers:
Watson, Carol Hart, Main Street CC

DEACONESSES
Active: None
Retired: None

FLORENCE DISTRICT
(60 charges; 99 churches)
JAMES L. FRIDAY, DS 1

CADES:
Bethesda – Robert L. Shuler 3
Bethesda – SY (Ervin L. Davis) 5
Cades-Cameron – James Douglas Marchant (PL) 1
Faith – Donald E. McAllister, Sr. (FL) 2
Hebron – Wanda Altmann (PL) 2
(Hebron, Pergamos)

FLORENCE:
Central – Thomas C. Pietila 10
Associate – William Francis Malambri, III 8
Associate, Young Adult Ministry – JoAnna M. Fallaw (1/2) 1
Cumberland – J. Jeannette Cooper Dicks 7
Highland Park – Raymond Paul Litts 2
Associate – Neal Young Woods (PE) 3
Liberty-Friendship – William H. McCown III 2
Mars Bluff – Eddie C. Thomas, Jr. (AM) 1
(Mount Zion, Bowers Chapel)
Pisgah – Pamela G. Ledbetter 3
Quinby-Bethsaida – Gerald L. Truluck (FL) 4
Salem – Barry S. McFadden 6
St. Paul – G. Dane Moorehead 3
Tabernacle-Dawsey – Carley Nicholas Lyerly (PL) 2
Wesley – Ebbie S. Abraham (PL) 1

GABLE:
Lewis Chapel-Zoar – John M. Bauknight 1

GREELEYVILLE:
Greeleyville-Lane – Harry R. Stullenbarger (RSY) 5
Greeleyville Parish – Richard McClary (PL) 2
(Wilson Chapel, Long Branch)
Mount Vernon – Vernon F. Deese (RSY) 5

HEMINGWAY:
Ebenezer-Old Johnsonville – Lawrence A. Watson 1
First – Milton L. McGuirt (RSY) 1

JOHNSONVILLE:
Johnsonville – Wayne Robert Major, Sr. 2
Johnsonville Circuit – Richard C. Jayroe (PL) 11
(Brown’s Chapel, Trinity, Vox Memorial)

JORDAN:
Jordan – Carl F. Ritter, II 1
(Jordan, Union, Bethlehem)

KINGSTREE:
Elijah – Jonathan Brown, Jr. (AM) 10
Friendship – Carlton J. McClam 3
Jeremiah-Mount Seal – Geneva G. Stafford 5
Jerusalem-St. Luke – Thurmond Williams (PL) 4
Kennedyville – Enrique Roberto Gordon (PL) 2
Kingstree – David D. Marcy 4
Kingstree Circuit – SY (Tony Booker) 1
(Millwood, Cedar Swamp, Beulah)
Kingstree East – Deberry P. Cook (FL) 1
(Asbury, Bethel)
Mount Zion – Jack C. Washington 3
St. Mary – Joshua Gaskins (PL) 7
St. Michael – Charles R. Conner, Jr. (PL) 12
St. Paul – James Charles Lane 1

LAKE CITY:
Lake City – Robert B. Clemons, Ill 4
Lake City Circuit – William H.D. Bowser, Jr. 2
(St. John, St. Luke, Ninevah)
Lake Point – Jerry L. Dicks (PL) 2
Mount Beulah – Mary L. Johnson (PE) 1
Wesley Chapel – Jerry Louis Gadsden 3

LYNCHBURG:
Lynchburg Charge – Jim M. Ridenhour (FL) 16
(Lynchburg, St Luke, Trinity)
Lynchburg Parish – Rufus L. Snowden (AM) 6
Associate – Mary A. Snowden (PL) 5
(Warren Chapel, New Haven, St. Paul-Wisacky, St. Paul-Elliott)

MANNING:
Manning – Debra A.S. Quilling Smith 7

MORRISVILLE:
St. Paul – Franklin D. James (PL) 8

NEW ZION:
New Zion – J. Melvin Bell (FL) 1
(New Zion, Trinity)
OLANTA:
Olanta-Coward – John M. Altman (PL) 4
Associate – G.W. Farrell Cox (RSY) 4
(Nazareth, St Paul)

PAMPlico:
Bethlehem – G. DeVere Williams (RSY) 1
Pamplico – Emmanuel Bruce Adams 2
(Pamplico, Prospect)

PINewood:
Pinewood – Michael C. Bell (RSY) 2
(Pinewood, Paxville, Andrews Chapel)

SCRanton:
Scranton-St. John – SY (Myrna K. Westfall) 1
(Scranton, St John)

SHILOH:
Shiloh – Samuel B. Cooper 4
(Asbury, St. John)

SUMMerton:
Summerton – Robert L. Allen 5

TIMMONSVILLE:
Mount Zion – Benjamin Graham (PL) 3
St. Luke – Jimmie W. Duncan (PL) 21
Timmonsville-Salem – Young In Lee 1

Trio:
Trio – J. Robert Huggins (FL) 8
(Trio, Earle, Sutton)

Turbeville:
Turbeville – Joseph A. Poston (RA) 2
(Pine Grove, Shiloh)

UNION:
Union – Jeremy L. Howell 3
(Union, Elim, Good Hope)

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
Fallaw, JoAnna M. – Director, Francis Marion Wesley Foundation (1/2) 1
Friday, James L. – District Superintendent, Florence District 1
Rogers, Timothy J. – Coordinator of Clergy Services, Central CC 4

Endorsed By Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:
Morrison, David Todd – Chaplain, United States Army, Highland Park CC 1

Other Valid Ministries:
Shugart, Steven L. – Reserve Component Full Time Support Chaplain, Manning CC 3

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None

APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Allen, Barry A., St. Paul, Florence CC 1
Ritter, Audrey G., Jordan CC 5

FAMILY LEAVE: None

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE: None

TRANSITIONAL LEAVE: None

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers
Adams, Gary B. (RA)
Bailey, Donald R.
Barr, Willie Joe (RL)
Bell, Michael C.
Bradley, James M.
Bragdon, Dannye O.
Brown, Matthew C.
Cousar, George Raymond (RA)
Cox, G. W. Farrell
Davis, Lucy (RL)
Deese, Vernon F.
Faulkner, Robert C.
Gibbons, W. Murray
Graham, Iverson
Graham, L. Junior
Kaney, Ralph S.
Matthews, Thomas F.
McClam, Louis J.
McFadden, Roosevelt M.
McGuirt, Milton L.
McLeod, Edward C. (RL)
Mills, Grady W., III (RD)
Moore, Hurd (RL)
Poston, Joseph A (RA)
Sellers, John A. (RA)
Smiley, John C. (RL)
Stullenbarger, Harry R.
Wagnon, Leon L., III
Watson, Jerry M.
Williams, G. DeVere (RA)
Retired Missionaries None

**DIACONAL MINISTRY**

**Diaconal Ministers:**
Mills, William B. – Minister of Music, Central CC

**Retired Diaconal Ministers:** None

**DEACONESSES**

Active: None
Retired: None

**GREENVILLE DISTRICT**
(59 charges; 76 churches)
CHARLES L. JOHNSON, Sr., DS 5

**EASLEY:**
North Easley Charge – James McCoy Bruce 5
(Dacusville, Antioch)

**FORK SHOALS:**
Lebanon – SY (Dwaine C. Stanley) 2
Pisgah-Oak Hill – William D. Blair (PE) 4

**FOUNTAIN INN:**
Trinity – David C. Taylor 2

**GRAY COURT:**
Bramlett-Owings – Renee K. Garrison 1
Dials-Shiloh – Forest D. Mixon 9
Gray Court-Trinity – Clarence O. Pittman (RSY) 3
Green Pond – Steven Keck (PE) 7

**GREENVILLE:**
Aldersgate – W. Michael Bruce 2
Associate – Carol D. Allison (PE) 2
Dir. of Christian Education – Cathy L. Woodcock Joens (FD) 14
Berea Friendship – Anthony S. Medlin 1
Bethel (West Greenville) – David A. Sems (OF)(346.2) 7
Brandon-Woodside – TBS
Buncombe Street – Jerry E. Temple 2
      Minister of Education – Gayle Jordan Quay (OD) (331.8) 12
      Minister of Adult Ministries – William Grover Putnam (FD) 8
      Director of Social Ministries and Mission Outreach – Jerry M. Hill (FL) 9
Christ – Larry G. Smith (PL) 8
Disciples – Debra Griffis-Woodberry 3
Dunean-Monaghan – Priscilla F. Pearce (PE) 2
East Greenville – Alfred T. Wright (AM) 14
      (Wesley Chapel, Allen View)
Francis Asbury – Peggy Jean Garland 3
John Wesley – Robin Dease 1
Laurens Road – SY (Robert A. Fortier) 10
McBee Chapel-St. John – SY (Charles T. Owens) 10
Minus Chapel – Brenda R. Washington (PL) 2
New Beginnings Mission Congregation – Audrey Boozer (PE) 2
Northside – Elizabeth A. Thompson 1
      Piedmont Hispanic Mission Congregation – Juan A. Fajardo (FL)(346.1) 4
      Piedmont Park – Joseph L. Cole (PL) 4
      Salem – Christine M. Matthews (PE) 2
      South Greenville – Cassandra P. Jackson 2
      (Bethlehem, Laurel Creek)
St. Mark – Rance Sprayberry (RL) 1
      St. Matthew – Cameron Y. Treece 5
      St. Paul – James F. Patterson (RSY) 2
      Trinity – Frank E. Copeland 2

GREER:
      Jackson Grove – John Rush (RSY) 5
      Covenant – Darren C. Hook 2
      Associate – Charles Summey (PE) 2
      Faith – Jon Ward (PL) 2
      Few’s Chapel – Robert Irvin Goulart (PL) 2
      Grace- Zoar – Jimmy W. Dillard 4
      Greer Circuit – Morris Waymer, Jr. 8
      (Bethel, St. Paul)
      Greenville Korean Mission – Chang-Hoon Jeong (OE)(346.1)(1/2) 3
      Liberty – Leroy Dan Mason (PL) 3
      Liberty Hill-Woods Chapel – David C. Norrell (PE) 3
      Memorial – Arthur H. Holt 5
      Mountain View – Kitty C. Holtzclaw 4
Sharon – Matthew L. Yon (PE) 1
      Slater – Murray Snow (PL) 7
      Victor – Leslie E. Gardner (PL) 6

MAULDIN:
      Mauldin – Clarence E. Kanipe, Jr. 2
      Associate – George W. Scott 8
      Minister of Christian Education – Alice E. MacKeil (FD) 4

PIEDMONT:
      Augusta Road – Michael C. Wolfe 9
      Piedmont – Justin M. Gilbreath (FL) 3

SIMPSONVILLE:
      Advent – Susan Leonard-Ray 8
      Associate – Peter K. Berntson (FL) 2
      Bethel-Ebenezer – Samuel E. Marcengill (PE) 3
      Hopewell – Linda Joyce McNatt 6
      Simpsonville – Nelson L. Stokes 2
Associate – Michael L. Hayhurst (PE) 4
Minister of Education and Volunteer Ministries – Patricia Gannaway (FD) 7

TAYLORS:
Lee Road – Lloyd E. White 1
St. Mark-St. Matthew – Janice Frederick-Watts 1

TRAVELERS REST:
North Greenville – Keith Taylor (FL) 1
(Mount Carmel, St. John, St. Luke)
Travelers Rest – Perry D. Evatt 2

WOODRUFF:
Emma Gray – Marie E. Ray (PE) 1
Grace – John P. Callahan (RSY) 5

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
Childers, R. Clayton – Program Director, Annual Conference Relations GBCS, Emma Gray CC 8
Dawsey, James M. – Professor, Emory and Henry College, Oak Hill CC 11
Henderson, Thomas C. (PD) – Executive Director, Camp Dogwood, Bethlehem Centers of Nashville, Memorial CC 5
Johnson, Sr., Charles L. – District Superintendent, Greenville District 5
McCUTCHEON, Edward – Director, Wesley Foundation, Furman University 1

Endorsed By Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:
Gillespie, Steven D. – Staff Counselor and Coordinator, Middle Tennessee Pastoral Counseling Center, Memorial CC 12

Other Valid Ministries:
Ray, Keith D., II – Associate Chaplain/Assistant Professor of Religion, Furman University, Advent CC 5

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None

APPointed in Other Annual Conferences: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Curtis, Lorna Lee, Buncombe Street CC 11
Matthews, Mary Katherine Brown – Mauldin CC 3

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE: None

FAMILY LEAVE:
McCoy-Bruce, Ashley – Dacusville CC 5

TRANSITIONAL LEAVE:
Bentley, Marsha (FD), Aldersgate CC 1

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers:
Bedenbaugh, Eugene H.
Bedenbaugh, Kenneth W.
Brown, Barry L.
Canaday, DeArmond E.
Cavin, Donald E.
Claytor, William R., Jr.
Davenport, John
Elliott, Richard F., Jr.
Errington, Joseph R.
Gilliam, James O., Jr.
Goewey, Harry
Greer, Oliver N. (RL)
Hall, Robert A., Jr.
Hatton, Donald S.
Hicks, Granville A.
Huff, A.V., Jr.
DIACONAL MINISTRY

Retired Missionaries: None

Diaconal Ministers: None
Retired Diaconal Ministers:
Orr, Freeman R., Jr.

DEACONESSES

Active:
Kendall, Holly – Director of Compliance, Vista Capital Management Group, Advent CC 1

Retired: None

GREENWOOD DISTRICT
(58 charges; 85 churches)
MARY V. TEASLEY, DS 3

BATESBURG:
   St. John’s – Jacqueline Connelly 3

BELVEDERE:
   Belvedere – Ann Dease Everett (PE) 2

CLINTON:
   Broad Street – A. Bruce Sayre 2

EDGEFIELD:
   Edgefield – David D. Bauknight 3

GRANITEVILLE:
   St. John-Warrenville – Alan N. Quarles (FL) 1

GREENWOOD:
   Aldersgate – George T. Thomas, Jr. (FL) 4
   Bethlehem – Tommy Layne Tucker (PL) 11
   Branch Hill-Martha’s Chapel – Bobby Gordon (PL) 5
   Cokesbury-Hodges – Christopher E. Arries 3
   Ebenezer – Charles Sperry (RL) 1
   Greenwood-Ninety Six Charge – Ronnie L. Jeffcoat (PL) 4
      (Mays, Trinity)
Lowell Street – Richard W. Waldrep (PE) 5
Lupo Memorial – S. Dean Lollis (PL) 1
Main Street – James D. Dennis, Jr. 5
Mathews-Harris – SY (William Harris) 1
Mount Carmel – SY (Myra Taylor) 1
Mount Lebanon-Kinards – Danial A. Wiley (PE) 3
Panola – Robert E. Titus (RSY) 7
Rehoboth – Keith D. Sweat (PL) 1
St. Mark – Barrett T. Alewine 3
Associate – Jason Wilson (PE) 3
Tranquil – Louis M. Mims 3
Troy – N. Keith Polk, Jr. (RSY) 3

JOANNA:
Epworth-Springdale – Daniel R. Smyth (PL) 3

JOHNSTON:
Johnston-Harmony – Rebecca J. Shirley 3

KINARDS:
Hopewell-Sharon Charge – James Counts, Jr. (PL) 2

LANGLEY:
Langley-Bath-Capers Chapel – Wade H. Everett 2

LAURENS:
Central-Sandy Springs – Billy Ray Osborne (PL) 10
First – William F. Rogers, III 5
Laurens Charge – Janie A. Gist (PL) 5
(Calvary-Mount Carmel)
St. James – Charlie Short 12

LEESVILLE:
Leesville – Stephen M. McCormick 1

McCORMICK:
McCormick – Jerry M. James 5
Minister of Christian Education – Bobbie O. Taylor (FD) (1/2) 6
Plum Branch Charge – Sandra Hatchell 2
(Republican, St. Paul)

NEWBERRY:
Central – Karen H. Radcliffe 1
Minister of Christian Education – Thomas C. Byrd (FD) 3
Epting Memorial-Lebanon Charge – David C. Inman 2
Greenwood District Hispanic Mission Congregation – Oswaldo V. Garcia (OF)(346.2) 3
Lewis Memorial – Walter S. Green (RSY) 8
O’Neal Street-Ebenezer Charge – Steven M. Todd 1
Trinity-New Chapel Charge – Hugh J. Bickley (RSY) 7

NINETY SIX:
Cambridge – Michael L. Written (PE) 1
St. Paul – Philip E. Chandler 1

NORTH AUGUSTA:
Grace – James Carl Adams 7
Minister of Outreach and Program – Terry A. Roof (PD) 3

POMARIA:
Mount Pleasant – Marian Dyer (FL) 2
Pomaria Charge – Richard C. Goldie (PL) 5
(Caper’s Chapel – New Hope)

PROSPERITY:
Wightman – Michael A. Turner 2
Zion – Lowry Tressler Drennen 2

RIDGE SPRING
Ridge Spring Charge – SY (John E. Kneece) 14
(Ridge Spring, Spann)
SALUDA:
Bethany-Zoar – Kerrie A. Plump (FL) 1
Bethlehem-Gassaway – William Hightower (PL) 1
Butler-Shiloh – Lee Cothran (RSY) 4
Emory-Nazareth – Joyce G. Murphy 5
St. Paul – Thomas Norrell 3

TRENTON:
Trenton-McKendree – John Henry Vickers, III (FL) 3

VAUCLUSE:
Vaucluse-Pentecost – Angela Etheredge Manly (PL) 1

WARE SHOALS:
Mount Bethel-King’s Chapel – Franklin D. McCoy (RSY) 2
Ware Shoals-Harmony– Tina A. Thomas (PE) 2

WATERLOO:
Waterloo – Blaine Hudson (RSY) 2
Soule Chapel – David Templeton (RSY) 2

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
Teasley, Mary V. – District Superintendent, Greenwood District 3
Wray, Carol Peppers – Chaplain, Wesley Commons, Main Street CC 9

Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:
Crooks, Marion B., Jr. (RSY) – Director, Canterbury Counseling Center, Central (Newberry) CC 3

Other Valid Ministries: None
APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None
APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Newell, III, John M. – Grace, North Augusta CC 6

FAMILY LEAVE:
Drennen, Elizabeth B. 2

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None
INCAPACITY LEAVE: None
HONORABLE LOCATION: None

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers:
Adams, Louis M.
Anderson, Vernon O.
Bennett, Hazel (FD)
Bickley, Hugh
Campbell, J. Taylor
Charles, Ada A.
Crooks, Marion B., Jr.
Crouch, Thomas N. (RL)
Cunningham, Ben
Curry, Eugene L.
Dudley, Charles G.
Eaddy, A. Eugene
Epps, John L.
Griffith, John P.
Grigsby, James A.
Hipp, John G.
Hudson, Blaine S.
Jenkins, Larry A.
Lupo, C.J.
Lusk, T. Joseph
Kelly, Lawrence A., Jr.
McAuley, Robert  
McCoy, Frank  
Medley, James D.  
Morton, Ted R., Jr.  
Napier, Robert B.  
Palmer, Bruce H.  
Peurifoy, Harvey O.  
Polk, N. Keith, Jr.  
Prewett, Ernest W.  
Reynolds, H. Robert  
Smith, W. Glenn, Jr.  
Sperry, Charles E. (RL)  
Stephens, Herbert, Jr.  
Swett, N. McDonald (RL)  
Taylor, Eben  
Templeton, David T.  
Vines, William Joseph  
Williams, James H.  
Younginer, John M., Jr.  

**Retired Missionaries:** None

**DIACONAL MINISTRY**

**Diaconal Ministers:** None  
**Retired Diaconal Ministers:** None

**DEACONESSES**

**Active:** None  
**Retired:** None

**HARTSVILLE DISTRICT**  
(64 charges; 105 churches)

**LILLIAN HYMES WASHINGTON, DS 4**

**BETHUNE:**
- Bethune – Barbara Rogers Segars (PL) 4  
  (Bethel, Sandy Grove)

**BISHOPVILLE:**
- Bethlehem – Paul Hinton Rogers 1  
- Bishopville Circuit – Charlie Thomas (PL) 10  
  (New Haven, Springhill)  
- Mechanicsville – Kenneth Neal Carter 2  
- Mount Zion – Lawrence Cantey, Jr. (PL) 4  
- St. Matthew Circuit – Richard R. Howell, Jr. (PE) 4  
  (Ashland, Concord, St. Matthew)

**CAMDEN:**
- Camden First – Ellis White, Jr. 1  
- East Camden – Kenneth Leroy Smith, Sr. 1  
  (Emmanuel, St. Matthew)  
- Good Hope Wesley Chapel – Willie Wilson 2  
- Lyttleton Street – Sheila D. Rogers 1  
- St. Paul – Franklin R. Garrett 3  
- West Camden – Blondell Stephenson Miller (PL) 6  
  (Rockspring, St. Peter)

**CHERAW:**
- Cheraw Parish – Earnest J. Reece, Jr. 3  
  (Bethel, Mount Zion, Wesley)  
- First Church – Paul Ariel Wood, Jr. 1  
  Mount Olivet-Pleasant Grove – Cheryl Dyke Toothe (PE) 2
Wilkes Chapel-Bethesda – SY (Charles Ronnie Caulder) 15

CHESTERFIELD:
Chesterfield Parish – Debra L. Anderson-Joe (PL) 4
(Mount Tabor, Wesley Chapel)
Shiloh – John Preston Grimsley 2
St. Paul – Rebecca J. Huguley 3
Zoar – Christine MacDonald Wechsler 4

DARLINGTON:
Indian Branch – Otis O. (Dale) McCluney (PL) 4
New Providence – Roberta C. Brown Josey 14
Pine Grove-Epworth – Larry R. Brown (FL) 1
Shiloh – William Simon James (AM) 10
St. James – Anna Graham Miller 7
St. John-Wesley Chapel – Amiri Bernard Hooker 2
Trinity – Joe Lee Blackwelder 2
West Darlington – Gusta Ger Ganes (PL) 3
(Bethel, Wesley Memorial)

HARTSVILLE:
Asbury Charge – Oliver Julius Hadden, Jr. 3
(Hebron, Twitty)
Bethlehem-Prospect – Patricia G. Warden (OE)(346.1) 3
Centenary-Kingsville – James Elliott Moore 3
Kellybell-Sandy Bluff – Raymond Frank Cook, Jr. (PL) 7
Mount Beulah-New Hope – James Elbert Williams (PL) 5
New Market-Tabernacle – Deborah Ward Taylor (FL) 2
St. Luke – Phillip Carlisle Thrailkill 1
Minister of Youth & Programming – Shelly Anne Holder (PD) 3
Minister of Music – Margaret Hutcherson Vance (OD)(331.8) 3
Wesley – Terry Clifton Martin 3

JEFFERSON:
Jefferson – John Patrick Bolin 4
(Fork Creek, Jefferson)
Jefferson Parish – Charles Samuel Branch, Sr. 2
(Hopewell, Mount Elon, Sandy Grove, Wesley Chapel)

LAMAR:
Lamar – Melvin Wilbur Flail, Jr. 8
Lamar Circuit – William Edward Herlong (PL) 7
(Elim, Newman Swamp, Zion)
Lamar-Ebenezer – Charles Kemith Wilson 9
(Ebenezer, John Wesley, Sandy Grove)

LUGOFF:
Lugoff Parish – Joseph Frazier (RSY) 2
(Mount Joshua, Mount Prospect, Shiloh)
St. John’s – John Walter Mims 1
Unity – Augustus Rogers 2

LYDIA:
Wesley Chapel – Scott Wayne Petry 2

MCBEE:
McBee Charge – Charles Gary Compton (RSY) 4
(Hebron, McBee)
Union – Miriam J. Graham-Hadden 3

OSWEGO:
Bethel – Cynthia Cooke Taylor 1
Oswego Circuit – Bobby Shaw 3
(Clark, Mount Moriah, St. Mark)

PAGELAND:
Oro – Willie Furman Dicks, Jr. 3
Pageland – Elizabeth Ashley Lowder (PL) 1
Salem – Allen Nesmith (FL) 1
Zion-Zoar Charge – Paul McKinney Ballard 3

REMBERT:
Rembert-St. John – Weston Campbell Cheatham (PL) 1
(Beulah, McLeod Chapel, St. John)

RUBY:
Ruby – Jerry Cal McManus, Sr. (PL) 8
(Bethel, Ebenezer, Friendship, Mount Croghan)

SUMTER:
Aldersgate – John Gerald Pickens 3
Dalzell – Emily Dawn Allen 2
Emmanuel – Joyce Marie McMahand Chiles 2
Mt. Zion-North Sumter – Barbara Lee Reid (PE) 3
(Antioch, Mt. Zion, Shepherd)
St. James – Cathy Delphine Mitchell 4
St. John – Roye Lynn Kulik (PE) 3
St. Mark – Telley Lynette Gadson 10
St. Mark’s – William Morgan Lewis (FL) 4
Trinity – Stephen P. Taylor 6

APPPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
Washington, Lillian Hymes – District Superintendent, Hartsville District 4

Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries: None

Other Valid Ministries:
Ross, Rosetta Everna – Associate Professor and Chairperson, Department of Philosophy and
Religion, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA, St. Mark CC 15

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None

APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES:
Elliott, Nicholas Scott – Executive Director for Southeastern Jurisdiction, United Methodist
Volunteers in Mission, North Georgia Conference, St. John’s, Lugoff CC 10

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Fletcher, Sarah Carolyn Tucker (FD), St. Luke CC 9

FAMILY LEAVE: None

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE:
Orr, Patricia Pepper – Bethlehem, Hartsville CC 2

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers:
Ammons, Gene Sarvis
Beckom, Terry Martin
Bolte, William Sterne
Compton, Charles Gary
Davidson, Edward Laney
Dawsey, Cyrus Bassett, Jr.
Dean, Dewey Levan
Frazier, Joseph
Griffith, Frank J.
Halter, Vincent Francis (RL)
Ishman, Everett William, Jr. (RL)
LeMaster, E. Edwin
McAllister, Joseph
McDowell, Edward Homer, Sr.
Myers, John David
Nelson, Jerry Paul
Parsons, Barbee Olis
Rivers, Lindsey Eugene, Sr. (RL)
Scoggins, Eugene King
Shepherd, James Herndon (RA)
Thackston, Thomas Reginald
Thomas, Theodore Brandon, Jr. (RA)
Thompson, Robert (RL)
Townsend, David Kenneth, Sr.
Wright, Virgil G.

Retired Missionaries: None

DIACONAL MINISTRY

Diaconal Ministers: None
Retired Diaconal Ministers: None

DEACONESSES

Active: None
Retired: None

MARION DISTRICT
(55 charges; 95 churches)
QUAY W. ADAMS, DS 6

ANDREWS:
Trinity – Sandra Stevens-Poirel 4

AYNOR:
Aynor – Robert A. Adams 1
Pisgah – Henry A. Altman 6
Rehoboth-Zoan – John P. Watts (FL) 3

BENNETTSVILLE:
Bennettsville First – Ben M. Gafford 4
Bennettsville Circuit – Herbert V.L. Fogle 2
(Aaron Temple, Ebenezer, Level Green)
Bennettsville Parish – Robert L. Malachi (PE) 9
(Old Galilee, Shiloh, Smyrna)
Christ-Antioch – Dora R. Gafford 4
Marlboro Charge – William T. Wicker (FL) 10
(Bethel, Boykin, Ebenezer)

Marlboro Circuit – SY (Sonny Hall) 1
(New Hope, Oak Grove, Pleasant Hill)
Shiloh-Smyrna – David E. Reed (PL) 10
St. Michael – Ardell Washington (PL) 2
Trinity – Stephen L. Love 11

BLENHEIM:
Blenheim Circuit – SY (Alex Stoops) 1
(Manning Chapel, Parnassas)

CLIO:
Asbury-Clio – Deloris T. Inman (PL) 5
Trinity (Clio) – Berea (McColl) – Paul E. Gasque (FL) 5

CONWAY:
Antioch-Poplar: George E. Olive (PL) 2
Brown Swamp-New El Bethel – John C. Preer 8
Centenary – Troy L. Metzner (FL) 1
Conway First – Paul M. Kinnett 3
Joseph B. Bethea-Salem – Stanley E. Weber, Jr. (FL) 3
Trinity – Carlton W. Hunsucker 9
Union – Scott A. Johnson (PE) 1

DILLON:
Dillon Parish – Willie Lawson 3
(Beulah, St. Luke, St. Stephen)
Little Rock Parish – Ronald I. McCall (FL) 12
   (Bowling Green, McCoy Chapel, New Holly)
Main Street – Michael E. Rouse 4
Oakland – J. Thomas Williams (RSY) 1

GEORGETOWN:
   Bethel-Oak Grove-Sampit – Robert L. Eubanks (RSY) 2
   Duncan Memorial – G. Edward Usher 1
   Herbert Memorial – Michael S. Leonhardt 6
   Wayne – Stephen R. Jordan 3

LAKE VIEW:
   Lake View Charge – Ronald C. Jones (PL) 1
      (Hopewell, Lake View, Union)

LATTA:
   Latta Charge – Walter Tart (RSY) 5
      (Andrew Chapel, St. Phillips)
   Latta-Mount Andrew – Jerry L. Phillips, Jr. 3

LITTLE RIVER:
   Little River – Stuart R. Smith 3

LORIS:
   Loris Charge- Daniel W. Chamblee (FL) 8
      (Camp Swamp, Ebenezer, Wampee)
   Loris First – W. Russell Freeman 4

MARION:
   Centenary-Central – Virgil M. Seaber (RSY) 8
   Marion First – Joe N. Long, Jr. 5
   Marion Parish – Shawn V. Bell 3
      (Bethel, Pleasant Grove, Springville)
   Shiloh – Alvin M. Shifflett (OF) 7

McCOLL:
   Main Street – Pine Grove – Kathy L. Carr (FL) 2

MULLINS:
   Center-Nichols-Tranquil – William F. Heustess 4
   Macedonia-Pleasant Hill – Thurmond K. Thomas 2
   Mullins Charge – John T. Hemingway (PL) 8
      (Beulah, Shiloh)

MURRELLS INLET:
   Belin Memorial – Boyd McIver Alexander, Jr. 4
      Associate- Maurice E. Nason, Jr. 2
   Brookgreen – Constance N. Barnes 5
      (Brown Chapel, Heaven Gate, St. James)

MYRTLE BEACH:
   Christ- Jeffrey B. Dunn 11
      Lay Pastor – Leslie H. McIver (FD) 5
   Myrtle Beach First – Kenneth B. Timmerman 7
      Associate- Scarlett Tanner Hester 7
      Minister of Education- Jean O. Osborne (FD) 9
   Socastee – Ray K. Smith 6

NICHOLS:
   Floyds – (TBS)

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH:
   Trinity – Steven L. Brown 7

PAWLEY’S ISLAND:
   St. Paul’s Waccamaw – Charles Nels Ledwell 3
      Associate – Jane A. Pearce (OE)(346.1) 1

SURFSIDE BEACH:
   Surfside – Scott H. Wachter 1
      Associate- Lisa Kim Eanes 2
TATUM:
Tatum Parish – Samuel O. Clardy (RSY) 3
(Ebenezer-Hebron)

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES
Within the Connection:
Adams, Quay W. – District Superintendent, Marion District 6

Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries: None

Other Valid Ministries:
Heustess, Kathy T (FD) – Executive Director, Coastal Samaritan Counseling Center, Myrtle Beach, Myrtle Beach First CC 6

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None

APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: None

FAMILY LEAVE: None

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE:
Daniel, Edmond (FL) – Trinity, North Myrtle Beach CC 4
George, Samuel B., III – Belin Memorial CC 2
Williams, Seth W. (PM) – Poplar CC 8

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers:
Brittain, Thomas N.
Clardy, Samuel O. (RA)
Dyer, Cynthia H.
Eubanks, Robert
Felder, William H.
Fenner, Jack L.
Gardner, Carlos O.
Gilmer, Clifford R.
Hall, James L.
Harris, Carl N.
Harris, Gene A. (RL)
Hucks, F. Levon
Hughes, William Steve (RL)
Hyatt, James L.
Inabinet, Charles R.
Jennings, Charles T. (RA)
Land, Kenneth S.
Lewis, Harold P.
Newton, J. Leon
Norris, Gene A.
Reynolds, Daniel T. (RA)
Rogers, Thomas G.
Tart, Walter (RL)
Timmons, W. Gordon
Williams, Bill B.
Williams, J. Tom
Williams, John M., Jr.
Williamson, Needham R.

Retired Missionaries: None

DIACONAL MINISTRY

Diaconal Ministers:
None

Leave of Absence:
Holt, Kimberly S. (DM) – Conway First CC 5
Retired Diaconal Ministers:
Carter, R. Fletcher

DEACONESSES

Active: None
Retired: None

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT
(54 charges; 93 churches)
RONALD A. PETTIT, DS 7

AIKEN:
Charles Wesley – James T. Bennett, III (RL) 5
St. John’s – George K. Howle 4
Associate – Billy Keith Stewart (FL) 1
Trinity – Rodney K. Powell 10
Wesley – Alexander Baker (PL) 2

BAMBERG:
Bamberg Circuit – Thomas Ray Sims (PL) 4
Bethel, Mount Zion
Claflin – Alexander Thomas (PL) 7
Mount Carmel – Grady B. Ponds 2
Main Street – Kenneth William Phelps (RSY) 1
Trinity – W. Webb Belangia, V 5

BARNWELL:
Barnwell Charge – Joseph A. McDonald 5
Barnwell, Siloam

BOWMAN:
Bowman Charge – Robbie V. Hall (FL) 3
Ebenezer, White House, Wightman
New Covenant – Leonard Huggins, Jr. 4
Pineville-St. Stephen – James Phillip Smith 1

BRANCHVILLE:
Branchville-Pleasant Hill – Grady W. Corder (PE) 5

CAMERON:
Cameron – Roger C. Goupil (PL) 2
Cameron, Jericho, Shady Grove

COPE:
Canaan – Whittaker Vernon Middleton (PM) (3/4) 11
Edisto Charge – Frederick S. McDaniel 9
St. John, Union, Wesley Grove
Edisto Fork – Hayes T. Gainey 11

DENMARK:
Bethel Park – Judy Correll Hames 1
Franklin-Orange Grove – Alfred V. Griffin, Jr. 3

ELLOREE:
Elloree – Michael Terrance Fleming (FL) 2
Elloree, Jerusalem

EUTAWVILLE:
Eutawville – J. Peter Belec (RSY) 3
Silas – Mark A. Williams (PL) 3
Target-Gerizim Charge – Barry F. Brinson, Sr. (PL) 8

HOLLY HILL:
Holly Hill – Millard Cooper Stonestreet (RSY) 2

JACKSON:
Jackson – William Burke Farley 1
Bethel, Wesley Chapel

LIVINGSTON:
Livingston-Pine Hill – David D. McManus, Jr. (PL) 4
NEW ELLENTON:
   St. Paul – C. Brian Gilmer 4

NORTH:
   North-Limestone – Ralph T. Bowling, III 4
   Orange Circuit – Reginald D. Wilson (PL) 2
      Associate – Jack Poole (RSY) 1
         (Ebenezer, St. John’s, Trinity)
   Saint Mark – Thomas J. Pearson 11

NORWAY:
   New Beginning – Arthur Rose, Jr. (OF)(346.2)(1/2) 1
   Norway – Mark A. Altman (PM) 6
      (Lebanon, St. John’s)

OLAR:
   Olar – Edward J. Stiltz (RSY) 12
      (Kearse, Mizpah, Salem)

ORANGEBURG:
   New Light – Norman A. Brown 5
   North Orangeburg – Eddie Calvin Williams 7
   Orangeburg Circuit – Joanne Walker-Brown 1
      (Bethlehem, Mount Nebo, St. John)
   Orangeburg Parish – Kay Adams Best 7
      (Cedar Grove, Forest Chapel, St. Stephen)
   St. Andrews – J. Michael Smith 2
   St. Paul’s – Kristen R. Richardson-Frick 1
      Trinity – Larry D. McCutcheon 5

PELION:
   Pelion – George R. Gain (AM) 6
      (Bethel, Pelion, Sharon)

PROVIDENCE:
   Providence – Karen E. Starr 4

ROWESVILLE:
   Rowesville Charge – Curtis L. Felkel, Jr. (PL) 3
      (Bethel, Cattle Creek, New Hope)
   Rowesville Parish – Albert L. Murdaugh (PL) 3
      Associate – Walter Harley (PL) 2
         (Central, Prospect, Mayes Chapel)

ST MATTHEWS:
   Calhoun Charge – Debra A. Armstrong (PE) 3
      (Andrew Chapel, Wesley Chapel)
   St. Matthews Charge – Bryant Allan Burden (SP) 1
      (East Bethel, West Bethel, Mount Zion)
   St. Paul – Patricia P. Mayfield 2

SALLEY:
   Clinton – David W. Williamson (PL) 6

SANDY RUN:
   Beulah – Thurmond O. Flowers (FL) 2

SPRINGFIELD:
   Springfield Charge – Gerald Edwin Davis (RSY) 1
      (Neeses, Salley, Springfield)

SWANSEA:
   Calvary-Oak Grove – Bruce E. Rucker (PL) 6

WAGENER:
   Wagener-Swansea – Hope Renee Avins (FL) 1

WILLISTON:
   Williston – Cynthia Raski Fuller (RSY) 3
      Associate – Thomas S. Summers (RSY) 3
         (Blackville, Williston)
APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
McGee, James R. – President/CEO, The Methodist Oaks, Clinton CC 4
Montgomery, Jimmy J. – Orangeburg Wesley Foundation, Campus Minister, North Orangeburg CC 19
Pettit, Ronald A. – District Superintendent, Orangeburg District 7
Shrawder, Kermit O., Jr. – Director of Pastoral Services, The Methodist Oaks, Edisto Charge CC 11

Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:
Collingwood, Robert B. – Coordinator of Pastoral Care, V. A. Hospital, St. Louis, MO, Main Street, CC 20

Other Valid Ministries:
Williams, Edwina Juliette (FD) – Adjunct Professor, Orangeburg Calhoun Technical College, Trinity CC 8

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None
APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES: None
LEAVE OF ABSENCE: None
FAMILY LEAVE: None
SABBATICAL LEAVE: None
INCAPACITY LEAVE:
Key, Willie Jerome – Wesley CC, Aiken 3

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers:
Calhoun, Clyde L.
Chewning, J. Boyd
Clyburn, Robert B.
Cowart, William G.
Crenshaw, Charles S.
Davis, Gerald Edwin
Dill, Elizabeth C. (FD)
Farmer, Zach R.
Gilliam, Thomas C.
Heape, Ernest M.
Huggins, Buster T. (AM)
James, Robert E.
Key, Willie J.
Mack, James
Manigo, George F., Jr.
Mullikin, M. Eugene
Nesmith, Harry V. (RL)
Parker, Jere Keith
Phelps, Kenneth William
Poole, Christopher Lee
Poole, Jack A.
Robinson, John W.
Stapleton, John Mason
Stiltz, Edward James
Stonestreet, Millard Cooper
Watson, George W.
Retired Missionaries: None

DIACONAL MINISTRY

Diaconal Ministers: None
Retired Diaconal Ministers:
Williams, Geneva B.

DEACONESSES

Active:
Williams, Geneva B. – Director of Religious Life and Services, Claflin University, Trinity CC 8
Retired: None
ROCK HILL DISTRICT
(49 charges; 70 churches)
SARA ANN WHITE, DS 3

CHESTER:
Bethel-Armenia – Harry Kyle Gindhart (PE) 1
Chester Circuit – Irvin Plowden, Jr. (FL) 2
(Capers Chapel, New Hope)
Wesley Memorial-Heath Memorial – Joanne Lockard-Hawkins (FL) 1

CLOVER:
Clover Parish – Marvin Lamont Caldwell 5
(Clover Chapel, Green Pond, Mount Harmony)
First, Clover – Michael Cunningham Walker 4
Associate – Christopher M. Lollis (PE) 1

FORT LAWN:
Fort Lawn-Van Wyck – SY (Brenda I. Curtis) 1

FORT MILL:
Belair – Gayle M. Summey 1
Osceola – Edward Galloway (RSY) 3
New Church Start - Grace Community – Randall Aabye Madsen 3
Philadelphia – William Kevin Cooley 3
Pleasant Hill – Michael Dowling Ritter, Sr. 3
St. John’s – John LaFitte Warren, Jr. 6
Director of Music – Carrie Ann Wright (OD)(331.8) 2

GREAT FALLS:
Bethesda – SY (Cora Campbell) 2
Mount Dearborn-Heath Chapel – Scott W. Smoak (PL) 1

HEATH SPRINGS:
Heath Springs Charge – SY (Fred Parker) 1
(Hanging Rock, Salem)

HICKORY GROVE:
Hickory Grove Charge – Larry Richard Hyder 2
(Canaan, Mount Vernon)

KERSHAW:
Kershaw Charge – D. Anita Bozardt 3
(Damascus, Kershaw)

LAKE WYLIE:
Good Samaritan – James E. Elder (PL) 1

LANCASTER:
Bethel – Glenn Williams Ribelin, Sr. (PL) 3
Camp Creek – Michael E. Catoe (PL) 1
Church of the Good Shepherd – Marie E. Nuckles 1
East Lancaster Charge – Arthur D. Vick (PL) 3
(Lynnwood, Trinity)
First Church – Dan Lindsay Batson 6
Associate – Jason D. Everson (FL) 1
Grace – Kathy P. Hudson (FL) 1
Hopewell – Steve Allen Patterson, Jr. 5
St. Luke – Kyle D. Randle 2
Tabernacle – John Scott Efird 4
Zion – Fred Davis 2

RICHBURG:
Mount Prospect-Ebenezer – G. Douglas Chambers (PL) 1
Richburg-Pleasant Grove – Linda Tedder Jenkins (PL) 9

ROCK HILL:
Adnah – Allen Dale Wolfe 6
Aldersgate – Joseph Lynn Curtis 3
Antioch – Donna Lollis (FL) 1
Bethel – Joshua T. McClendon (PL) 2
Catawba-El Bethel – Steven M. King 1
Cornerstone-Epworth – Rebecca Allyne McPherson Wilkins 3
Friendship – J. Michael Morris 1
India Hook – Stephen Douglas Gaither 1
Mount Holly – Daniel Senn Bradley 4
Rock Hill Central Charge – William Dargan (PE) 2
(Mount Olive, New Hope)
Rock Hill South Charge – Rufus Horace White (FL) 7
(Bethel, Harmony)
St. John’s – Kenneth D. Owens 1
   Associate – Sandra Lynn Smith King 3
   Spiritual Director – Miriam Mick (FD) 4
Woodland – Larry Randall Parker 6
   Minister of Youth & College – Karen Kluever (PD) 1

SHARON:
New Zion-Shady Grove – SY (Ray Reavis) 1
Sharon-Philadelphia – John McKinley Williams, III 3

YORK:
Kings Mountain Chapel-St. Paul – Anne R. Parrott 1
Trinity – Eugene L. Feagin, III 3
York-St. James Charge – Frederick Nortei Yebuah 2
(Hopewell, St. James, Wesley)

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
Jeter, Narcie Jo McClendon – Director, Wesley Foundation, Winthrop University, St. John’s
   Rock Hill CC 3
White, Sara Ann – District Superintendent, Rock Hill District 3

Endorsed By Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:
Wells, Curtis E. – Chaplain, US Army, El Bethel CC 3

Other Valid Ministries:
Smith, Jonathan Edward – Director, Portage County Pastoral Counseling Service, Kent, OH,
   Mount Vernon, Hickory Grove CC 24

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None
APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Sellers, John Paul (PE) – Mount Dearborn-Heath Chapel CC 3

FAMILY LEAVE: None

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE:
Hall, April Lee – St. John’s, Fort Mill CC 12
Osborne, Billy G. (AM) – Hopewell CC 4
Ashworth, Mary Susan – St. John’s, Rock Hill CC 3

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers:
Camlin, Cecil Martin, Jr.
Cross, William Kelly
Fuller, Walter Gene
Gibson, John Richard
Hook, Samuel Scott
Hopper, Robert L.
Hovis, Doris N. (RL)
Massey, Reese Martin, Jr.
Phillips, Jerry L., Sr.
Rumford, John R.
Smith, Franklin Oscar, Jr.
Steele, Thomas Fant, Jr.

RETIRED
Tysinger, Joseph Elmo
Watson, James Bert

Retired Missionaries: None

Diaconal Ministers: None
Retired Diaconal Ministers: None

Active: None
Retired: None

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT
(53 charges; 76 churches)
DENNIS R. LEE, DS 5

BLACKSBURG:
  Blacksburg Charge – SY (Don Boshell) 1
  (St. John, Sardis)

BOGANSVILLE:
  Bogansville – Gary Alan Peterson 8

BUFFALO:
  Buffalo – Kevin F. Dalton 5

CAMPOBELLO:
  Campobello- Fingerville – Ronald Dewey Towery (PL) 8

CHESNEE:
  Chesnee – Frances Lee Roper (FL) 1
  Friends in Christ – Hal Bruce Johnson (PL) 2

COWPENS:
  Cowpens Charge – Angelia P. Price (AM) 3
  (Salem, St. Mark , St. Andrews)

CROSS ANCHOR:
  Cross Anchor Charge – SY (Walter Forrester) 12
  (Hebron, Cross Anchor Yarborough)
  Golightly-Tabernacle – Louis D. Jamison (RSY) 2

DUNCAN:
  Duncan-Startex-Loree – Robin Audrey Griffeth 1

ENOREE:
  Trinity-Enoree-Patterson Chapel – Burton L. Ott 1

GAFFNEY:
  Mesopotamia-Asbury – SY (George Fizer) 6
  Buford Street – Joseph Ralph James, Jr. 1
  Dunton – Judith Ann Knox (PL) 1
  Limestone Street – James Ronald Singleton (1/2) 5
  Trinity – SY (Alester McKinney) 25

GRAMLING:
  Gramling – Benjamin Wade Herlong, Sr. 1

INMAN:
  Aldersgate – William H. Bynum 2
  Inman – Ronald Lee Leonard, Sr. 5

JONESVILLE:
  Jonesville-New Hope – James W. Ivey (RSY) 1
  Kelton Charge – J. Christopher Greene (FL) 1
  (Bethlehem, Foster’s Chapel)

LANDRUM:
  Jacksons Grove – SY (Michael E. Bowers) 6
  Landrum – Jane D. Jenkins 5

LOCKHART:
  Lockhart-Wesley Chapel – Gary B. Byrd (RSY) 1
LYMAN:
Lyman – James W. Hatchell 6

PACOLET:
Pacolet-White Stone – Patricia Caldwell McCain (PE) 2

PACOLET MILLS:
Montgomery Memorial – Todd G. Pickens (FL) 2

ROEBUCK:
Walnut Grove – Chris B. Snelgrove (FL) 2

SPARTANBURG:
Beaumont-Whitney – F. Edward Traxler, Jr. (PL) 5
Ben Avon-Roebuck – Jones Lester Brewer (FL) 2
Bethel – David E. Nichols 3
   Associate – David B. Smith 7
Cannon’s Camp Ground – Douglas W. Gilliland 3
Central – Luther H. Rickenbaker, Ill 4
Cherokee Springs-Liberty – Jack Howard Walters (FL) 2
Church of the Covenant – Phillip E. Stout 2
El Bethel – Jack Austell Caldwell (RL) 3
Fairmont – SY (Steve Williams) 1
Gravely Memorial – Scott Stephen Gilmer (PE) 1
New Beginnings – Thomas Wesley Smith 1
Reidville Road – James Ellis Griffeth 5
Silver Hill Memorial – Edward H. McDowell, Jr. 2
Skylyn-Arcadia – James B. Carter (FL) 4
Spartanburg Parish – Dwight Arnold Nelson, Sr. (PE) 5
   (Allen Chapel, Florence Chapel, Pleasant View)
St. James – Ellwood Holler Wiggins 2
St. Luke – Richard D. Lewis (FL) 5
St. Paul – Frank E. Lybrand 2
   Minister of Education and Church Programming – Mary Lynne Peterson
   (OD)(338.1) 4
Trinity – T. Lee Bryant, Jr. 4
   Associate – Heather B. Humphries (PE) 3

UNION:
Bethel – William Terry Mitchell (FL) 5
Duncan Acres – Thomas R. Bailey 5
Grace – K. David Caughman 1
Sardis-Unity – H. John Cribb (RL) 3

WELLFORD:
Immanuel – Robert M. Wofford (RSY) 16

WHITMIRE:
Whitmire-Carlisle – Kelly Lee Gallamore (PE) 4

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES
Within the Connection:
Bowers, Michael E. – Director of Gift Planning, Spartanburg Methodist College, Jacksons
   Grove CC 28
Copeland, Jennifer E. – Director, Wesley Foundation, Duke University, Church of the Covenant
   CC 9
James, Katherine L. – Congregational Specialist, Rock Hill & Spartanburg Districts, Buford
   Street CC 4
Lee, Dennis R. – District Superintendent, Spartanburg District 5
Pace, Phillip Lynwood, Jr. – Associate Chaplain and Director of Volunteer Services, Wofford
   College, St. James CC 6
Sloan, Candice Yeary – Chaplain & Director of Church Relations, Spartanburg Methodist
   College, St. James CC 7
Teague, Charles P. – President, Spartanburg Methodist College, Central CC 12
Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries:
Bennett, Traci S. – Chaplain, Piedmont Hospice, Cannon’s Campground CC 1
Franklin, E. Herbert, Jr. – Chaplain, United States Army, Bethel (Spartanburg) CC 7
Jones, Larry Vertice – Winston-Salem Wesley Foundation Campus Minister, Winston-Salem NC, St James CC 22

Other Valid Ministries: None

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL:
Rawlinson, Carol McGinty – Columbia Theological Seminary Decatur GA, Central CC 9

APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES:

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Cunningham, Daniel B. (PE) – Central CC 5
Wood, Sherry M. – Trinity CC 7

INCAPACITY LEAVE:
Shytle, Olyn D. (FL) – Church of the Covenant CC 7
Swofford, Cynthia L. – Inman CC 2

FAMILY LEAVE: None

RETISSION

Retired Ministers:
Anderson, Thurman W.
Barnes, Larry A.
Barrett, Charles D.
Bobo, Kenneth G.
Bowling, Douglas A.
Brown, Joe K.
Brown, Will Rogers
Byrd, Gary B.
Caldwell, Jack A. (RL)
Calvert, Melvin E.
Clyburn, David A., Jr.
Coble, William K.
Covington, James W.
Cribb, H. John (RL)
Culp, Dorothy N.
Culp, Wayne A.
Duncan, J.C.
Ervin, David F.
Farr, Wesley D.
Fields, George D.
Fisher, A. Mickey
Funderburk, Donald F.
Gavalas, Anthony N.
Gosnell, James W.
Graves, Charles A.
Griffin, Betty S. (FD)
Hill, Thomas H., Jr. (RL)
Hood, James F.
Hope, Donald J.
Hopper, Richard D.
Ivey, James W.
Jamison, Louis D.
Johnston, James W.
Kyllonen, Mitchell W.
LeMaster, James E., Jr.
Long, Allen E.
McCraw, Robert L. (RL)
Monson, Robert C.
O'Dell, Donald R.  
Price, Clayton Z.  
Ropp, John Wesley, Jr.  
Rowell, Mary E.  
Rush, James P.  
Senn, C. Allen  
Skinner, Talmage B., Jr.  
Smith, Dwight Moody  
Strother, Robert G.  
Tillerson, Elbert S. (RL)  
Wilkes, Molly F. (RA)  
Wilkes, Thomas B., Jr.  
Wofford, Robert M.  
**Retired Missionaries:** None

**DIACONAL MINISTRY**

**Diaconal Ministers:** None  
**Retired Diaconal Ministers:**  
Miller, Mary Lou

**DEACONESSES**

**Active:** None  
**Retired:**  
Miller, Mary Lou

**WALTERBORO DISTRICT**  
(51 charges; 99 churches)  
**ERNEST C. ETHEREDGE, DS 5**

**ALLENDALE:**  
Allendale – Ronald Lemuel Brewer (PL) 2  
(Gillette, Swallow Savannah)  
Central Circuit – Joseph Abram, Jr. 7  
(New Hope, Simpson, Union)

**BEAUFORT:**  
Beaufort Circuit – SY (Thomas A. Ross) 2  
(Bethel, Jones Chapel)  
Beaufort Parish – Wyatt Minton 2  
(Broomfield, Wesley)  
Carteret Street – Susan Ulmer 3  
Associate – Laura Caulder Byrd 5  
Fisher Chapel-St. Stephen – Calvin Washington (PE) 6  
New Church Start - Waters Edge – Melton A. Arant, Jr. 3  
Port Royal – Judith Alford 4

**COTTAGEVILLE:**  
Cottageville Charge – Sidney W. Mims III (PL) 2  
(Cottageville, Rehoboth)  
Jericho – Jerry Harrison, Jr. (PL) 1  
Macedonia-Wesley Grove – Paul Yvone Thomas (PL) 1

**DORCHESTER:**  
Dorchester Circuit – Robert E. Hoover (PL) 7  
(Salem, Zion)  
Dorchester Parish – Mark D. Mitchell (PL) 12  
(Oak Grove, St. John)

**EHRHARDT:**  
Ehrhardt – Lewis Christopher King, III (PL) 4  
(Wesley Chapel, St. James, Zion, Lodge)  
Ebenezer-Rizer’s Chapel – Davie Demetrius Sanders (SP) 2  
Friendship-St. Luke – Ronald Washington (FL) 2
HAMPTON:
Estill-Black Swamp – Peter Michael Lack (PL) 3
(Estill, Furman, Mount Carmel, St. John)
Fairfax – SY (Brian Edward Preveaux) 1
(Bellinger Chapel, Brunson)
Hampton-Varnville Charge – Harold Jackson Bailey 2
Toby-Mount Nebo Charge – Alpha Pauling (PL) 1

HARLEYVILLE:
Bethel-Duncan Chapel – Robert Lee (FL) 12
(Bethel, Duncan Chapel)
First Church – Philip Bostrom 3
Harleyville Parish – John P. Thomas (FL) 5
(Jerusalem, Morris Chapel, St. Daniel)

HILTON HEAD:
Bluffton – Larry W. Rodeffer 7
Church of the Palms – Julius Wayne Smith, Jr. 4
St. Andrew By-The-Sea – Neil M. Yongue 2
New Church Start - GracePoint – Michael James Hood 1

RIDGELAND:
Hardeeville Charge – Richard Smith 3
(Hardeeville, Tillman, St. Luke)
St. Paul – Phil C. Lavender 3

RIDGEVILLE:
Canaan-Sand Hill – Mack C. McClam 1
New Hope-St. Paul Charge – Jeffery Salley 8
Ridgeville Charge – James M. Cubie (PL) 7
(Cypress, Mount Tabor, Trinity)

RUFFIN:
Adnah-Williams Charge – David Cox (RSY) 1
Bells Parish – James Bernard Grant (SP) 2
(Red Root, Sykes Savannah)
Mount Pleasant – TBS
Ruffin Circuit – James A. Grubb (PE) 3
(Bethel, St. John, Tabor)
Ruffin Parish – Delbert Brown (PL) 3
(Buckhead, Hickory Hill)
Smoaks Circuit – SY (Timothy Eugene Soucy) 1
(Green Pond, Little Swamp, Trinity)
Springtown – Albert Middleton 2

ST. GEORGE:
Grover Charge – David Lloyd Fields (PL) 2
(Grover, Providence)
Indian Field – Fred Vance Buchanan, Jr. 1
New Grace – Warren Murdock, Sr. 1
St. George – Dennis James Mardis 1
St. George Parish – John H Elliott 21
(St. Mark, Shady Grove, Trinity)

WALTERBORO:
Bethel – Arthur Robert Nix 2
Bethel-Red Bank Charge – Anthony Whay 1
Colleton Circuit – Curtis Young (PL) 4
(Bethel, Heaven Gate, Trinity)
Hendersonville Charge – Lois Helms (PE) 4
(Ebenezer, Ritter; Ebenezer, Yemassee; Salem)
New Life – James Ronald Cannion 3
Walterboro Charge – Kinsler Boyd Mack (RSY) 5
(Mount Carmel, Peniel, Sandy Dam)
APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES

Within the Connection:
Etheredge, Ernest C. – District Superintendent, Walterboro District 5

Endorsed by Section of Chaplains/Related Ministries: None

Other Valid Ministries: None

APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL: None

APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES:
Quarles, Alice J. – North Carolina Conference, Trinity, Jacksonville CC (1/4) 8

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
Jefferson, Ethel G. – Centenary, Moncks Corner CC 2
Lane, Jerry

FAMILY LEAVE:
Bostrom, Katherine – First Church, Harleyville 2

SABBATICAL LEAVE: None

INCAPACITY LEAVE: None

RETIREMENT

Retired Ministers:
Barnes, Benjamin B.
Belangia, Washington Webster, IV
Branan, Roger Leo, Jr.
Cox, David W.
Geddis, Roosevelt
Gilliard, Arthur M.
Goff, Mack, Jr.
Graham, Hoyt, Jr.
Thomas, J. Herbert
Watry, Philip N.
Wilson, Clark Thomas

Retired Missionaries: None

DIACONAL MINISTRY

Diaconal Ministers: None
Retired Diaconal Ministers: None

DEACONESSES

Active: None
Retired: None
## SECTION VI, PART II

**COMPENSATION OF MINISTERS SERVING IN APPOINTMENTS TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES IN 2007**

(as required by Paragraph 627, 2004 *Book of Discipline*)

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### THE COUNCIL ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Report No. 1

We recommend that the following funds be distributed to churches on the basis of percentages of average net funds.

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**TOTALS**  
$16,995,194  
$17,552,072  
$17,531,312  
3.2%

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The Conference Benevolences Fund (Item 2, Report No. 1) will be divided as follows:

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### Other Conference Agencies

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**Total Conference Benevolences**

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Report No. 3

The Conference Administration Fund (Item 8, Report No. 1) shall be divided as follows:

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<th>Recommended for 2009</th>
<th>% Change</th>
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<td>(Less Benefits Administration Carry-Over)</td>
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<td>(60,000)</td>
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A. The compensation for the District Superintendents for the year 2009 will be set at $90,000.

B. The Council on Finance and Administration of the South Carolina Annual Conference, The United Methodist Church, hereby designates up to 15% ($13,500) of the district superintendent’s salary for the year 2009 as allocated for parsonage utilities and maintenance, not including maid service and such expenses as paid by the district.

C. The District Administration Fund will be handled as follows:
   1) The item “Office Expense” in the District Administration Fund will be for the operation of the District Office to pay such items as secretary, postage, and supplies and will be set at $21,000 per district.
   2) Exceptions: Inasmuch as the Columbia District Office must be in The United Methodist Center, one-half of that office rent will be paid from the Conference Expense Fund. Inasmuch as the Columbia District superintendent is designated as the Cabinet secretary, one-half of the salary and benefits of the secretary in that office will be paid from the Conference Expense Fund.
   3) The funds for program in each district are based on the membership of the district, beginning with a base of $3,500 for the smallest membership district and adding $100 for each one thousand (1,000) members, or major fraction thereof, above 15,000. The schedule for 2008 will be as follows:

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   4) Travel (in and out-of-district) is set at $144,000 for the total of all districts. This will be set at $12,000 per district or an allocated amount set by the Cabinet not to exceed a total of $144,000. In addition, insurance & pensions is set at $264,000 ($22,000 per district), and continuing education at $500 per superintendent.

   5) Vouchers for continuing education must be approved by the District Committee on Continuing Education prior to payment. The unused portion of the Continuing Education allowance may be carried forward from year to year during a district superintendent’s tenure, not to exceed a total amounting to three year’s Continuing Education allocation. Not more than fifty percent of accumulated funds shall be used for travel expenses. The accumulation is cancelled in full when a district superintendent leaves the superintendency. It does not carry forward to the new district superintendent. However, by application to the CF&A in advance of leaving the superintendency, the district superintendent may within a reasonable length of time use the unused portion of the Continuing Education allowance to take training that would assist in his/her return to the parish ministry or other appointment. For the year in which there is a move, one-half of the Continuing Education allowance will be available for each superintendent.

D. Each District Board of Trustees shall administer all funds for the District Parsonage Fund, which provides funds for parsonage payments, repairs, insurance and furnishings (not to include parsonage utility payments). The moving expenses of an in-coming district superintendent may also be paid from the District Parsonage Fund, not to include more than $350 packing expenses. Each district office shall provide its trustees with regular reports of all receipts and expenditures of the District Parsonage Fund.

E. Below are the percentages of average net funds that each church is asked to pay to its respective District Parsonage/Office Fund:
Recommended for 2009

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Report No. 5

A. We call attention to the “Special Days” designated by the *Book of Discipline* and recommend that they be observed with appropriate free-will offerings and that the following special observances be a part of the program of each local church.

- Human Relations Day – January 18, 2009
- Golden Cross Sunday – February 1, 2009
- One Great Hour of Sharing – March 22, 2009
- Native American Awareness Sunday – April 26, 2009
- Peace with Justice Sunday – June 7, 2009
- Epworth Children’s Home
  - Mothers’ Day – May 10, 2009
  - Work Day – September 13, 2009
- Church school offering first Sunday each month
- Aldersgate Special Needs Sunday – August 9, 2009
- Youth Service Fund Sunday – September 20, 2009
  - (youth offering)
- World Communion Sunday – October 4, 2009
- Conference Advance Specials Sunday – November 1, 2009
- United Methodist Student Day – November 29, 2009
- Global AIDS Awareness Sunday – December 6, 2009

B. An offering may be taken to support the Bessie Parker Memorial Scholarship Fund as a part of the observance of Women in the Pulpit Sunday, March 8, 2009.

C. We offer the following recommendations:

1) That all boards, commissions and committees receiving funds from the conference treasurer shall submit with each voucher adequate supporting data (receipts, bills, contemporaneous travel log, etc.).

2) That boards, agencies and conference institutions which are allowed to withdraw lump sums from the conference treasurer shall submit an annual audit (with management letter) by a certified public accountant to the Council on Finance and Administration, along with evidence of fidelity insurance coverage.

3) That all boards, commissions and agencies of the conference reimburse persons at a rate of 24 cents per mile when traveling on conference business. In order to encourage car pooling, we recommend that if a car contains two persons traveling on church business, the mileage rate be increased to 32 cents; if a car contains three or more persons all traveling on church business, the rate be increased to 40 cents per mile. Pastors who are members of such agencies should submit reimbursement requests to their appointed church or charge for the difference between their conference reimbursement and the approved IRS mileage rate, since participation in
the ministries of the district and conference is an expected responsibility of all appointed pastors. Conference employees will be reimbursed at the approved IRS mileage rate for 2009 when traveling on church business. We recommend that other expenses for travel on church business be paid. We also recommend that the guideline amount paid to a person for meals shall be $4.00 for breakfast, $6.00 for lunch and $10.00 for the evening meal.

4) That each charge place in its budget an amount of at least $500 per year to be used by the pastor as a continuing education fund, and that if the full amount is not used in a given year, the unused portion may be carried forward from year to year during the tenure of a pastor, not to exceed a total amounting to three year’s continuing education allowance. Not more than fifty percent of accumulated funds shall be used for travel expenses. The accumulation is cancelled in full when there is a change of pastor. It is also recommended that the health insurance premium be paid by the local church directly to the Office of Ministerial Affairs; if it is done on a salary reduction basis, the amount must be included in the charge conference worksheet which itemizes compensation and benefits for 2009.

5) That the balance held for each board, commission, committee or agency on the books of the conference treasurer shall be carried forward from one year to the next and that this shall be taken into consideration in the subsequent budget request.

6) That conference boards and agencies may not spend in excess of funds received on budget for the given conference year, except that funds carried forward may be spent in addition to funds received in the current year if such carryover funds were included in the budget presented to CFA. Any expenses beyond the combination of anticipated receipts (based on previous-year percentage of payment) plus budgeted carryover funds will not be paid by the treasurer.

7) That “average net funds” as used in the calculation of 2009 apportionments shall mean for each church the four-year average of net funds in the years 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007. When a church has declined for two consecutive years in “net funds,” the term “average net funds” shall mean the average of the last two years only; the first year net funds increases, a three-year average will be used, and the following year the normal four-year average. Newly organized churches will be treated in the same manner as other churches of the conference. A four-year average of net funds will be used, but for the years prior to the organization of the new church, the net funds figure will be zero.

8) That “net funds” be defined as the total of figures reported on lines 64 through 72 (inclusive) of Table II.

9) That once the apportionments are calculated from Table II statistics for any given year, those apportionments cannot be altered. Needed corrections can be made on Table II reports for use in future year calculations.

10) That the funds received on the apportionment for Methodist Homes Residents’ Assistance (item 14, Report No. 1) be divided 50% to Methodist Oaks (Orangeburg), 35% to Wesley Commons (Greenwood), 15% to Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee (Florence); that the funds received on the apportionment for Senior College Scholarship Fund (item 11, Report No. 1) be divided in three equal parts, one-third each going to Wofford College, Columbia College and Claflin College; that the funds received on the apportionment for Camps and Retreat Ministries (item 15, Report No. 1) be distributed to the various Camps and Retreat Ministries as determined by the Board of Trustees of the South Carolina United Methodist Camps and Retreat Ministries.

11) That the Annual Conference Council on Finance and Administration be authorized to grant amounts up to $7,500 from the Conference Contingency Fund to meet any individual emergency or unanticipated need.

12) That the salaries and fixed essential expenses of the Conference Council on Ministries (section A-4 of the Conference Benevolences budget) be funded up to 100% of budget by using funds from the Contingency Fund; the remainder of that budget will be funded at the percentage paid on the line item.

13) That the salaries and benefits portion of the Campus Ministry budget be funded up to 100% of budget by using funds from the Contingency Fund; the remainder of that budget will be funded at the percentage paid on the line item.
14) That the budgets of the Resource Center, Conference Archivist Contract and the Coordinator of Clergy Services be funded up to 100% of budget by using funds from the Contingency Fund.

15) The Council on Finance and Administration of the South Carolina Annual Conference, The United Methodist Church, hereby designates up to 15% of the salary for each conference clergy staff for the year 2009, exclusive of a designated housing allowance as allocated for utilities and maintenance, not including maid service.

16) That local churches of the conference incorporate, as recommended in The Discipline. A packet of materials prepared by the Conference Chancellor and the Cabinet is available from the district office to assist in this process. After incorporation, churches should take care to maintain with the Secretary of State, an accurate, up-to-date record of the name and address of their registered agent.

Report No. 6

A major reconstruction/repair project for the dam at Lake Junaluska was approved by the 2004 Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference and has been undertaken by the SEJ Council on Finance and Administration. By action of the SEJ, each member conference has been asked to raise $.50 per member over a four year period. South Carolina’s share would be approximately $121,000, or $30,250 per year. We ask each church within the South Carolina Conference to contribute $.125 per member during 2009, based on the membership as reported in the 2005 Report to the Annual Conference (statistical report).

Report No. 7

Following is a listing of the 2007 Average Net Funds for each district for the total Conference. These are the figures used in the calculation of 2008 apportionments.

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H. Samuel Johnson, President
D. Mitchell Houston, Vice-President
Paul Wood, Secretary
James H. Knowles-Tuell, Treasurer
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_Jim Knowles-Tuell, Treasurer_  
_January 19, 2008_
Comparison for the period January 17, 2007 through January 18, 2008

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Jim Knowles-Tuell, Treasurer
January 18, 2008
It is indeed a time for celebration of the many accomplishments made during this 2004-2008 Quadrennium. We are proud of the Congregational Specialists who are working in the various districts, listening to churches express their excitement of having someone from the conference listen to their concerns and provide needed assistance. The chairpersons of boards and agencies are accepting greater responsibility for planning and implementing programs to assist local churches.

This quadrennium began with our desire to strengthen lay-clergy partnership in ministry. Therefore, the members of Connectional Ministries participated in a book study and discussion, “Reclaiming the Great Commission” by Bishop Claude E. Payne and Hamilton Beazley. For one year the members were encouraged to emphasize Bible Study, Prayer and discernment. This study provided us with a frame of reference to clarify our vision and mission statement of our annual conference.

**Vision:**
A Church of diverse congregations called, united and sent by Jesus Christ.

**Purpose:**
“to make disciples for Jesus Christ by equipping its local churches for ministry and by providing a connection for ministry beyond the local church, all to the glory of God.”

_The Book of Discipline 2004 Page 351, p. 601_

**Process:**
1. commit to focus exclusively on realizing our vision and fulfilling the purpose of the conference
2. identify the needs of congregations, districts and the conference in realizing our vision and purpose
3. mobilize all resources of the conference to equip congregations to make disciples
4. develop a structure that is based on the needs of congregations and the conference; the structure must be fluid enough to meet the changing needs of the congregations and the conference.
5. provide a conference staff that will focus on equipping and connecting congregations for ministry

We welcomed Bishop Taylor as she shared her excitement about our ministries and the strength of our churches in the connection. She emphasized the need to do whatever we can to strengthen our connection by doing all things to God’s glory.

The “Program Review Committee” has been restructured to include only the staff and executive committee to evaluate all programs, events, awards, line items and advanced specials.

Chairpersons of boards and agencies have been given more responsibilities in planning and providing ministry opportunities for local churches. These persons will receive training or information about their responsibilities as chairpersons.

The Grant Funding Committee has been very effective in being good stewards of our gifts by utilizing the internet and conference calls to complete its work. Funding requests are being made according to specific needs and if that need ceases to exist, those funds are reverted back to the general fund. Any funds not used at the end of the year are rolled into emerging ministries funds.

All grants that are available in the annual conference are listed on the web site with criteria and person to contact.

A position of Director of Communications was established to improve communications in our conference.

The districts are being provided training to assist local churches in developing “Safe Sanctuary Policy.” Each local church is to have a policy by December 31, 2008.

As we prayerfully reflect on these accomplishments we look forward to continuing our restructuring process that will strengthen our local churches, encourage lay-clergy partnership and to make disciples for Jesus Christ.

_Earline Haywood-Ulmer, Chairperson_
A. MANDATED BY GENERAL CONFERENCE

Human Relations Day (GBGM, GBCS, CORR) January 18
Ecumenical Sunday (CUIC) January 25
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (CUIC) January 18-25
Black History Month February 2009
Golden Cross Sunday (GBGM) February 1
Boy Scouts Sunday / Scouting Ministries Sunday (UMM) February 8
Women’s History Month March 2009
World Day of Prayer March 6
Girl Scouts Sunday / Alt. Scouting Min. Sunday (UMM) March 8
One Great Hour of Sharing (GBGM) March 22
Religion in American Life Month (Worship) April 2009
Native American Awareness Sunday (GBGM) April 26
Asian Pacific American Heritage Month May 2009
Christian Home Month (GBOD) May 2009
National Day of Prayer May 7
Christian Family Week May 4-10
Heritage Sunday (Archives and History) May 24
Peace with Justice Sunday (GBCS) June 7
Hispanic Heritage Month (GBGM) Sept. 15-Oct. 15
World Communion Sunday (GBGM, GBGH, CORR) October 4
Laity Sunday (GBOD) October 18
Children’s Sabbath: A National Observance in cooperation with the Children’s Defense Fund October 9-11
World Community Day (UMW) November 6
Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday (GBGM) November 8
United Methodist Student Day (GBHEM) November 29
World AIDS Day December 6

B. S.C. ANNUAL CONFERENCE DESIGNATED SPECIAL DAYS AND MONTHS

United Methodist Camps and Retreats Sunday March 15
Women in the Pulpit Sunday (COSROW) March 8
Mother’s Day Offering for Epworth Children’s Home May 10
United Methodist Men’s Day June 21
Aldersgate Special Needs Sunday August 9
Work Day Offering for Epworth Children’s Home September 13
Youth Service Fund Sunday with Offering September 20
SC United Methodist Advance Special Ministries Sunday November 1

Resources for 2009 Special Day Observances

United Methodist Communications develops interpretive material for special days designated by the General Conference. Sample materials and order blanks are sent to pastors 60 days prior to the special day. Also check out the website at www.umc.org. Resources for special days designated by the Annual Conference will be provided as below:

SC United Methodist Advance Special Ministry Sunday – The Conference Board of Global Ministries provides materials for this special day.
Women in the Pulpit Sunday – The Commission on the Status and Role of Women publishes annually a Women in the Pulpit Sunday newsletter.
Mother’s Day and Work Day for Epworth – Epworth Children’s Home provides materials for this special day.
Golden Cross Sunday – Supports the work of health and welfare ministries in the annual conference, including nursing scholarships and emergency medical care scholarships.
United Methodist Camps and Retreats Sunday – The Board of Camps and Retreats Ministries provides materials upon request for this special day.
THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE ADVANCE SPECIAL MINISTRIES 2009

Alston Wilkes Society: Provides offenders, former offenders, others, and their families the tools to become productive citizens. Anne Walker, CCE, Executive Director, 3519 Medical Drive, Columbia, SC 29203
(803) 799-2490 Fax (803) 540-7223 www.alstonwilkesociety.org
sannewalker@alstonwilkesociety.org

Bennettsville-Cheraw Area Cooperative Ministry: Provides programs and resources for strengthening the Black Church. Rev. Stephen Love, Director, P.O. Box 397, Bennettsville, SC 29512, (843) 479-4895 or (843) 479-8889, or (843) 862-5166, Fax (843) 479-2752, bcam@localnet.com

Bethlehem Community Center - Columbia: Provides a safe, nurturing, and Christ-driven program for children and their families. Lena B. Stevenson, Executive Director, P.O. Box 4186, (2500 Elmwood Avenue) Columbia, SC 29240, (803) 254-8385 Fax (803) 254-4719

Bethlehem Community Center-Spartanburg: Strengthens families physically, emotionally, spiritually, socially, educationally, and intellectually. Paula V. Wiggs, MSW, Executive Director, P.O. Box 3501, 397 Highland Ave., Spartanburg, SC 29304, (864) 582-7158, Fax (864) 582-0695, bcadm58@bellsouth.net

Cooperative Ministry: Provides a way for religious congregations to respond to the needs of needy local and transient people. Rev. Art Collier, Executive Director, 3821 West Beltline Blvd., Columbia, SC 29204, (803) 799-3853 Fax (803) 252-8621, www.cooperativeministry.org


Grand Strand Leisure/Crisis Ministries:
Coastal Samaritan Counseling Center: Strengthens individuals and families through counseling, programs, and consultations. Kathy T. Heustess, (843) 448-4820

Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach: Provides assistance to those in need in our communities. Adrian Weatherwax, (843) 448-8451

North Strand Helping Hand: Provides assistance to those in need in our communities. Ray Silcox, (843) 399-0862

South Strand Helping Hand: Provides assistance to those in need in our communities. Brad Thompson, (843) 238-4594

Interfaith Community Services, Inc.: Provides training and technical assistance to organizations to respond to the needs of children. Joanne T. Emerson, Director, P.O. Box 11570, 819 Woodrow Street, Columbia, SC 29211-1570, (803) 252-8390 Fax (803) 799-1572

Killingsworth: Provides a supportive community for women who have experienced crisis in their lives. Rev. Diane Moseley, Executive Director, 1831 Pendleton Street, Columbia, SC 29201, (803) 771-6359 Fax (803), 779-6473, corrie6359@aol.com, www.killingsworth.org

Myrtle Beach Campground Ministry: Meets the religious and social needs of families visiting the Grand Strand. Ron Carpenter, Coordinator, P.O. Box 1367 Myrtle Beach, SC 29578, (843) 448-7164

Oliver Gospel Mission: Seeks to rescue men from bondage and to rebuild them to live fruitful lives. Wayne Fields, Executive Director, 1100 Taylor Street, P.O. Box 7791, Columbia SC 29202, (803) 254-6470, Fax (803) 254-0590, ogm@oliverm.com, www.olivergospelmission.org

Rural Mission, Inc.: Serves the Sea Islanders with children’s programs, crisis assistance, and home repairs or new construction. Linda D. Gadson, Executive Director, P.O. Box 235, Camp Care Road, Johns Island, SC 29457, Site Location: 3429 Camp Care Road, (843) 768-1720, lindagadson@aol.com, www.ruralmission.org

South Carolina Christian Action Council: Various groups & congregations of the council focus their ministry together for a just and loving society. Brenda L. Kneece, Executive
The Tracy Jackson Program of G.I.F.T. (General Instruction for Tomorrow): Serving children’s bodies, minds, and spirits. Mary Lou Edens, Executive Director, PO Box 606, Abbeville, SC 29620, (864) 366-8517, Fax: (864) 366-4637, marylouumd@wctel.net


United Methodist Volunteers in Mission: Serves the needs of communities around the world through short term missions. Rev. Tony Rowell, Chairperson, 255 Beechwoods Drive, Lexington, SC 29072, (803) 359-2354, lolobobo@alltel.net

United Ministries of Greenville: Provides life changing opportunities through employment, education, financial help, and case management. Mr. Keith Trout, Director, 606 Pendleton Street, Greenville, SC 29601, (864) 232-6463, director@united-ministries.org, www.united-ministries.org

Wallace Family Life Center: Enriches the lives of people in the Wallace community through educational, cultural, recreational, and religious programs. Maxzine Johnson, Director, P.O. Box 367, Old Wire Road, Bennettsville, SC 29512, (843) 479-7991

For more detailed information, please visit our website at www.umcsc.org.

THE BOARD OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY

One of the scripture verses displayed inside the entrance of The United Methodist Church Building on Capitol Hill comes from the book of the prophet Micah: “What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness and walk humbly with your God” (6:8). This verse provides guidance for the ministries of your Board of Church and Society as we seek to serve in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. We recognize the need for those of us who are disciples of Jesus to speak prophetically on issues of church and society in our world today. While we cannot address every pertinent issue, we can speak forth the mind of God on those issues He impresses upon us.

We continue to be concerned with the predatory lending industry. While claiming to serve the needs of those persons with special economic conditions, we believe this industry exasperates the financial realities of those who are its customers. The interest rates charged by predatory lenders are unreasonably high and disastrous for those who take their loans. Therefore, we ask that you continue to follow through with the directives of the resolution adopted at our Annual Conference last year by contacting your representatives to let your voice be heard.

Our board has decided to spend this year focusing on the educational needs of the children of South Carolina. We are currently involved in some initiatives that we hope to present at Annual Conference. We are encouraged by all the ways that United Methodists in South Carolina are helping to ensure that our children receive not just a minimally adequate, but a quality education. Our board would appreciate your proposals of models for ministry local congregations can undertake with local schools. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of our children. Additionally, by our willingness to serve others without asking anything in return we advance the cause of Christ by enhancing opportunities to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Speaking out on social justice issues and evangelizing the lost are both necessary components of our ministry as disciples of Jesus Christ. When we actively work to alleviate the suffering in our world, our message of salvation through Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is more aptly received by those who need to hear the Gospel.

I appreciate the opportunity you have given me to serve as the chair of this board for the last six years. I have done my best to guide this board to be prophetic without using pejorative language or being partisan or unnecessarily confrontational.

May God be glorified in all we do.

Scott H. Wachter, Chairperson
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Conference Board of Education’s Vision is: To be a vital resource for churches in the South Carolina Conference, to bring fresh, workable, and enabling ideas and challenges to equip churches to be places of learning, spiritual growth, and service in our world, while celebrating and fostering diversity and inclusiveness in support of making disciples for the world.

Throughout the year the Board of Education has attempted to adjust to the transition from activities led by conference staff with participation by Board of Education members toward a working board with minimal support from conference staff. Youth and young adult ministries were removed from the board’s purview prior to the August board meeting, leaving the board with the Children’s Council, eChristianEd, Ministries with Families, Older Adult Council, and Singles Council. As indicated later, the Singles Council members chose to resign and disband the council prior to the February Board of Education meeting, and the Board of Education has declared the Singles Council defunct. Sentiment of continuing board members is that a singles ministry is needed and that a new board should undertake to reorganize the Singles Council or similar singles ministry.

The board provided scholarships equal to 80 percent of the registration fee for Bible study training offered by Upper Room Ministries (Companions in Christ) and Cokesbury (Disciple, Christian Believer, etc.). It also facilitated obtaining the site for one of those training events.

Board members also participated in planning for implementation of the Safe Sanctuaries resolution. That effort was spearheaded and fully supported by Willie Teague and the Council on Connectional Ministries.

The Board of Education heard reports from the Board of Camps and Retreats Ministries at each meeting and commended the board for its stewardship and plans for the future. The BOE also approved the nominees to the Board of Camps and Retreats Ministries.

A board that meets only twice a year with members mainly outside Richland County will continue to struggle so long as adequate conference staff resources are not provided. At a time when Cokesbury has reduced its training events and Christian education is so important in the local church, we believe that the board should be in a better position to be a leader in knowing, understanding, and informing local churches and district superintendents about effective Christian education materials and teaching methods at all age levels, and with the present resources available to the board, that is extremely challenging if not impossible.

A new quadrennium will bring new members, a new chairperson, and a fresh approach to dealing with the responsibilities of the Board of Education.

We thank all members of the Board of Education for their faithful work this year and single out for special thanks the leaders of the councils: Dawn Compton, Ruth Arant, Will Malambri, Bart Sistare, Betty Shuler, and Vicki O’Brien, our congregational specialist Kathy James, our vice-chairperson Kevin Dalton, and our recording secretary Carol Singletary.

We thank and praise God for the extensive and effective efforts of the council chairpersons and their colleagues that made so many ministries and programs so successful this year. We are optimistic that the Board of Education indeed will be effective as it moves forward through the transition.

J. William Click, Chairperson

THE COUNCIL ON CHILDREN’S MINISTRIES

This year has been a year of reorganization, refocus, and rededication for Council on Children’s Ministries. Our council had not been active for a few years. This year the Chairperson approached the District Superintendents for guidance in securing new district representatives to serve on the council in addition to the few members at large who were still willing to serve. We are still working on locating representatives for some of the districts and are aware that a primary focus for additional representatives needs to be locating minority representatives and male representatives. We hope that in the upcoming year we will be able to fill all Children’s Council positions with a diverse group of people who love children and are working together to help local churches in their ministry with children.

In our reorganization, the council decided to focus on two main issues this year. The first
focus area was **Vacation Bible School Training**. We scheduled six trainings throughout the conference. After publicity began on these, we learned of a seventh training in Orangeburg that the district was hosting and we offered our support for that training and intend to include the people working there in any Vacation Bible School trainings offered next year. We believe this was a good place to start in meeting the needs of local congregations. Our focus was on the *Beach Party* theme from Cokesbury, and we realize that we did not address any training in the multicultural Vacation Bible School literature from Cokesbury. We intend to continue discussion about this in the upcoming year so that we can be more inclusive in any upcoming training events.

The second focus area was that of communicating **resources local churches can use** in their children’s ministries. We worked on creating a listing of websites, books and other resources that churches might find helpful. We are working on turning this list into a brochure the Congregational Specialists will be able to distribute as well as posting the information on the Conference website. We intend to constantly add to this list as we learn of helpful new resources in children’s ministries as well as finding new ways to share this information with local churches.

The Conference Children’s Council is made up of people who love children and desire for all children to know God’s love. In the work of the council, we are dedicated to finding ways to help local congregations in their ministry with children. We are dedicated to living out Jesus’ instruction: “Let the little children come to me…” *(Luke 18:16)*

**Dawn Compton, Chairperson**

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS FELLOWSHIP**

The South Carolina Chapter of the Christian Educators Fellowship continues to be an active support group for Christian educators in the conference, providing resources, nurture, training, and a network of persons serving in the areas of Christian education. Continuing education programs are planned twice a year, and persons attending both events receive 1 CEU.

In January 2007 Dr. Don Jones, Associate Chair of Religious Studies at the University of South Carolina, spoke on Gnosticism in the New Testament followed by a discussion of its influence on the religious culture of today. In August 2007 Christian educators met to explore children’s ministry resources with a presentation by Dawn Compton on the cultural influences on children’s curriculum. The Milk and Honey Cooking School, led by three CEFers, helped us learn about biblical history through cooking and eating. What a great way to learn the history of the Bible! CEF also cosponsored storyteller Tracey Radosavic on the topic of Communicating at All Ages, using technology in Christian Education.

In October 2007 the South Carolina, North Georgia, and South Georgia CEF Chapters teamed up for a retreat at Camp Glisson in Dahlonega, Georgia. Rev. James H. Ritchie Jr., Ed.D., pastor, educator, musician, and writer, led the Christian educators in exploring the sacredness of our calling in the ordinary life. It was a great time of personal and spiritual renewal.

For more information about the SC chapter, refer to the Web site at www.trinityanderson.com and click on U Methodist Church and then on SC CEF.

**Ruth Arant, President**

**eChristianEd™**

The eChristianEd web based online Christian education course continues to grow in South Carolina. For the year 2007, 40 students were enrolled in the courses. Of the 40, 26 were Columbia College students and 14 were persons working in churches. Students taking the courses who also are working in local churches are seeking more knowledge in the area of Christian education.

The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry of the United Methodist Church has approved this program, which is designed for anyone interested in biblical, theological, and
practical training in Christian education. By completing all six courses, students may receive certification at a Para-professional in Christian education. The courses include:

2 Foundational Courses: Biblical and Theological Foundations for Ministry
Foundations for Christian Education

4 Advanced Courses: Children’s Ministries
Youth Ministries
Adult Ministries
Family Ministries

At the 2007 Annual Conference, three students received certification as Para-professionals: Meg Jiunnies of Central UMC, Florence; Lou Jordan of St. Paul UMC, Florence; and Dianna Flake, St. Andrews Parish, North Charleston.

Please spread the word about this great educational program! Your churches will benefit from the education your staff will receive. For more information, go to www.eChristianEd.com.

Ruth H. Arant, S.C. Liaison

THE COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES WITH FAMILIES

This is a banner year for the Council on Ministries with Families. For nearly five years we have been laying the foundation for what we believe will be a new day for ministry with families in our Annual Conference. Led by Dr. Roland Martinson, we have developed four comprehensive areas that will offer support to the congregations who invite in our Local Church Facilitators. These facilitators will begin their training this year as they prepare to enter congregations with discerning spirits and faithful leadership. The facilitators will not impose any preconceived program. Rather, they will listen to the congregation’s concerns, celebrate their successes, and offer tailored support for that particular context. The support will be born out of the four areas of emphasis: Storytelling, Interacting with Integrity, Healing and Restoration, and The Baptismal Journey.

The year 2007 was significant in getting us to this point, as we concluded our fourth training with Dr. Martinson (Baptismal Journey) and began developing the concept of Local Church Facilitators. We also set the stage for the March 1, 2008, comprehensive event with Dr. Martinson that will review the four areas of emphasis and begin the training process for the facilitators.

The Council on Ministries with Families is excited to have grown to this point and we are eager to empower and employ Local Church Facilitators into action. All who would like to be part of the Council, to be trained as a facilitator, or would like their congregation to be supported by a facilitator, should contact one of the Council members. Council members include: Ms. Rubielee Addison, Rev. Steve Brown, Ms. Fran Elrod, Mr. Francis Hipp, Ms. Kathy James, Ms. Robin Landers, Rev. Will Malambri, Ms. Doris Seals, Ms. Carol Singletary, and Rev. Bart Sistare.

Rev. Will Malambri and Rev. Bart Sistare, Conveners

THE COUNCIL ON OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES

Providing opportunities for older adults to be in ministry together is one facet of the purpose of the Council on Older Adult Ministries. As an advocate for all older adults in the South Carolina Conference, we plan activities designed to inspire, enrich, and equip older adults to be in ministry with one another as they serve God through serving their fellow beings.

The Spiritual Life Retreat serves as a time of renewal, inspiration, and Christian fellowship. Dr. George Mathison, pastor of Auburn UMC in Auburn, Alabama, was the leader in 2008. “Victorious Living” was the retreat’s theme and Dr. Mathison’s messages revitalized our enthusiasm, assisted us in recognizing the fears that inhibit, revealed the keys that lead to victorious living, and emphasized the importance of prayer in a victorious life. Three hundred thirty-eight older adults attended the retreat.

A special Ash Wednesday Service was led by Rev. A.V. Huff, one of our Council members. The participants enjoyed music and recreational activities. Scholarships are available to those who need assistance to attend the retreat.
In keeping with the focus on the local church, we sponsor a Mission Event each year. In 2007 our mission was with the small membership churches on the Orange Circuit in Orangeburg District. Nineteen older adults from across the Conference worked together with older adults from those churches to paint, lay linoleum, install cabinets, lavatories, counter tops, install handicapped commodes, and build ramps to make the sanctuaries accessible to everyone. While many of these tasks required skill, any of us could do tasks like sweeping and light cleaning. Friendships were developed as we worked for and with these church members to make needed repairs to their buildings.

Participation in the Heart, Soul, Mind, and Strength Program is in recession since the close of the Duke Endowment Caring Communities Grant. However, materials are available and the Council will assist any churches who wish to begin this program. Eleven pairs of churches have completed the program and several groups still meet at various times.

The Council consists of two persons from each district, six at-large members, and seven ex officio members, including representatives from the four retirement communities.

We are grateful for the support of the South Carolina Conference in making it possible for our older adults to be a viable group in the Conference.

Betty C. Shuler, Chairperson

THE DIVISION ON MINISTRIES WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

The Division on Ministries with Young People began its year with a group of youth, young adults, and adults attending the first ever Global Gathering of the Division on Ministries with Youth People in Johannesburg, South Africa. In addition to Worship experiences and plenary sessions, the group toured Aids facilities, Nelson Mandela’s home and the museum that shares the story of Africa and the struggle for independence.

Youth Network

The Youth Network began its 2007 year with retreats…1 at Lake Junaluska and 4 at Springmaid Beach. These Spiritual Life Retreats continue to be a highlight in the life of the youth across the South Carolina Conference. Each year hundreds of youth and adult workers attend these retreats that move youth beyond youth ministry on the local church level to being a part of the Connectional Church.

The next event was the Basketball Tournament held in Columbia in 2007. W. Timothy McClendon was the preacher for the Sunday morning service and the Spirit Singers provided the music leadership for the Worship Service. Basketball Teams from across South Carolina were a part of this tournament.

The Washington Seminar with the theme on Immigration was another highlight of the year. Forty-six persons were a part of this seminar. These forty-six persons were an inclusive group representing the SC Conference. A lively discussion on the Immigration topic was held. The Worship experiences in the Chapel were exceptional.

An early morning visit to the Day Workers site in Maryland was deeply appreciated by the group. This was the second time a seminar group from SC had visited this group and were greatly impressed with the extent of work that had been done to make sure these workers were treated fairly and had good positions when they left the site. The first visit that the SC group made was in a parking lot. It was wonderful to see the building and the workers at the new site.

The Spirit Singers continue to be a blessing to this Conference. This group of 32 persons sang throughout the Conference. And in 2008, this group will be on a Mission Trip to Italy singing in different sites in Italy. Under the direction of Kathy Jo Long, Accompanist, Beth Lewallen, and the Deans, Scott and Liz Smith, this group continues to grow in their faith and in their witness.

Youth Annual Conference was held at Spartanburg Methodist College in 2007. What a delightful group to work with on the SMC campus. The youth network group for 2007-2008 were selected during interviews. Selected as Co-Chair persons were: Kayla Mullins and Detwain Scott; selected to serve on the Leadership Team were: Ariel Snow, Benji Spivey, Bryan Tucker, Chris Suggs, Detwain Scott, Elizabeth Sharpe, Hannah Williams, John Garrison, Katherine Haselden, Kayla Mullins, Kelcy McCray, Kelsey Taylor, Meredith Kidd, Tevin Johnson, and Wyatt Minton, IV. This group has been faithful in leading the youth of the South Carolina Conference during 2007-2008.
A Leadership group from the SC Conference was a part of Youth 2007 held in Greensboro in July of 2007. This was a faith forming event in all of our lives.

The Mission Possible Team of 12 from South Carolina worked with the children in Rio with the leading of Marion and Anita Way. Marion and Anita Way are retired missionaries from the SC Conference. The youth from Brazil spent two weeks in the South Carolina Conference. The team was led by Sonia Ortigoza and Lee McMillan.

The Youth Network group spent a weekend at Ashland UMC putting together the program for the coming year. During the weekend, the Youth Network wrote scripts to be made into videos for Lifted and Spiritual Life Retreats. Our thanks to the Media Bunch for giving their time and expertise to the SC youth to film these videos.

The Youth Network Group ended the year with two Spiritual Life Retreats at Springmaid Beach. They were challenged by both speakers, Bill Gravel and Tom Tufts, to live their faith in a world that is in need of persons to live as Jesus lived.

Kayla Mullins, Co-Chair
Detwain Scott, Co-Chair

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Are you between the ages of 18 to 30 years old? Do you feel that you have a place to belong in your local church? Can you remember the days when you went to church each Sunday and enjoyed the ministry that was being offered?

I can remember attending church and loving my Sunday school teacher. I appreciated and received so much from the lessons she taught. As I went through my teen years, I enjoyed church because it gave me an opportunity to go church, see friends, and most importantly, grow spiritually with Christ.

As I college student, I attended various churches around the state of South Carolina. I do recall attending many churches and not having a place to belong. The churches were very welcoming but did not relate to my age group or me. Many churches had ministries that focused on children, older adults, and adults that were over 30 years old.

Young adults (between the ages of 18-30) are yearning for a place to belong in church.

It is young adults who go to church all their lives and just one day decide they are too old to be a part of youth group, but too young for “senior” adult Sunday school” or other ministries.

It is young adults who just graduated from high school or college and need ministries and programs that teach how to handle finances, the workforce, how to be a young adult in church.

The young adult ministry has multiple categories where ministries are needed. After a recent meeting and survey, young adults would like to see ministries on prayer life, belonging in local churches, and how to worship as young adults.

Young adult ministry has such a broad age range from 18-30. There are young adults that further their education and those who go straight into the workforce. Many young adults are single, in serious relationships, or are married with children.

The wants and needs for young adults are going to be different as we grow in our walk with Christ.

The Division on Ministries with Young People has a young adult council (YAM net) for all young adults across the state. Our vision is to help young adults stay in their local churches and find ways to help our churches grow.

The YAM net is starting a model in the Columbia and Rock Hill districts that focus on young adults. The Columbia District will hold socials and meetings starting in September 2008, January, March, and June of 2009. For more information concerning young adult ministry in the Columbia district contact Joel McMakin at Joel.Mcmakin@unionunitedmethodist.org

The Rock Hill District young adult ministry is being conducted by the Rev. Narcie Jeter, contact her at winthropwesley@gmail.com

It is true that the youth people are the future. We must start now so we may continue to have growth and spread the love of God for young adults. We are working on starting a young adult movement in the state of South Carolina. For more information, contact Angela Johnson, chairperson of YAMnet at angelarenee.johnson@gmail.com

Angela Renee Johnson, Chair
THE SINGLES COUNCIL

The last three standing members of the Singles Council have discussed the future of the Singles Council and have concluded that the three of us do not have the energy to revive the council. The restructure of Conference staff seems to have left us without any support from the Conference. Therefore, we are tendering our resignations.

The chairperson joined the Council in 1987 when the Council received no financial or leadership support from the Conference. Eventually, with the help of Bishop Bethea and a member of the Finance Committee, we were brought under the financial sponsorship of the Conference. For years, we received valuable leadership support from June Willson and later Sidelle Derrick. Sidelle brought renewed energy to the council and we were able gain ground at planning programs ahead of the budget cycle. The chairperson realizes that the thinking is that the council should be able to be run with a minimum of support from the Conference, but in the “real world” that is hard to do when all the members have families, full time jobs, and local church obligations. Plus, members of the council live in different sections of the state. Conference staff also has information about speakers and music leaders that most lay members do not possess. Having a Conference staff member at most meetings reiterates to the council members that their work on the council is important to the Conference.

The three of us hope that the Singles Council will be revived at some point because we have each experienced how much good can be accomplished through the programs. Please feel free to contact us if you need any information about the council.

Vicki O’Brien, Convener

YOUTH WORKER MOVEMENT

The South Carolina YouthWorker Movement is a membership organization of adults who work in youth ministry. It provides a statewide conference network that connects people for the purpose of supporting their ministries in youth work and improving congregational youth ministry in the United Methodist Church.

In line with the new Division on Ministries with Young People, the group serves as the Adult Network Group of adults who work with youth and young adults. We are affectionately known as the AdNet (Adult Network), working with the YNet (Youth Net), and YAMNet (Young Adult Network).

At our by-monthly resource meetings, program topics for the year have included several areas of interest:

1. “How Can YouthWorkers Set Personal and Professional Boundaries?” This program was led by Dr. Alison Evans, Licensed Professional Counselor, member of St. Luke UMC in Hartsville, South Carolina.
2. “South Carolina Camps and Retreats Ministry.” This program was led by Rev. Jody Oates, South Carolina’s new Camps and Retreats Director.
3. “CyberSafety in Ministry.” This program was led by Rev. Shelly Holder and Suzy Speas and gave practical information to youth workers regarding the safe sanctuary aspect of the internet in ministry.

As well, many South Carolina United Methodist Youth Workers from around the Annual Conference have put in numerous volunteer hours for the variety of programs our conference does with the Division on Ministries with Young People. These programs include Youth Annual Conference, 6 Spiritual Life Retreats (both at Myrtle Beach and Lake Junaluska), Mission Possible, Washington Seminar, Conference Youth Choir, Young Adult events, among others.

As we continue the work of youth ministry in the South Carolina Annual Conference, know that United Methodist youth in our Annual Conference are being transformed and trained through the events of this Annual Conference.

Shelly Holder, Chair
THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM

The Board strives to be a source and provider of information regarding resources for local churches in South Carolina regarding programs and ideas in the area of evangelism. As a part of the review process in considering programs currently offered, the Board received some factual information early in the year about Natural Church Development. The booklet, “ABC’s of Natural Church Development” outlines eight identified characteristics. One of these characteristics is “need-based evangelism.” An insert was placed in the United Methodist Advocate by the Council on Ministries about “NCD Helps Churches to Focus” in January, 2007 – Connx).

The Board proposed to continue the Five-Star Award and the Denman Evangelism Recognition this year. Each year one clergy and one lay person are selected from the applications for the Denman Recognition. The recipients in 2007 were The Reverend H. John Cribb, Clergy; and Mr. John Willis, Jr. from St. James UMC, Sumter, SC, Laity. In 2007, there were 27 recipients of the Five-Star Award. Recipients this year will be announced during the 2008 session of the Annual Conference as well as at the breakfast held in honor of these accomplishments.

Each year the Board continues to strive to project budgetary needs accurately and prudently. The Board intentionally set out to find creative ways to disseminate information as inexpensively as possible. Cards were mailed announcing the deadlines for awards and recognitions and the applications and forms were placed online for those who have internet access. Those needing forms to be mailed could certainly request that option also.

The Bishop’s B.A.S.H. was held at Lexington United Methodist Church on March 15, 2008. This is quite an informative day for the confirmands, parents, chaperones, and youth leaders. It provides an opportunity for confirmands to meet with and get to know Bishop Taylor as well as learn about The United Methodist Church.

The Board is deeply grateful to Bishop Taylor, the Cabinet, the Reverend Jim Arant and Frank Deese for their support and assistance throughout the year.

Rufus Foster, Chairperson
Sandra Stevens Poirel, Secretary

THE BOARD OF GLOBAL MINISTRIES

The Conference Board of Global Ministries has gone through a year of great change as we have continued to work with the Connectional Ministries in equipping our local churches for mission and ministry in the world. We have restructured the Board, developing standing committees for mission education, promotion of Advance Special Ministries, promotion of and education about the grant funding areas of CBGM (the James M. Belin Trust, Church Extension Partnership, and Hungrief), volunteer support ministries, and promotion of special ministries (e.g. Spartanburg Methodist College). We have formed task groups to help our conference increase support of Hungrief/Hunger Ministries, Church Extension Partnership, and Advance Special Ministries.

The CBGM also participated in the Bishop’s “Great Day of Service” at Annual Conference. Following the action of the 2007 Annual Conference, the District Mission Secretaries from each district are now part of the CBGM in an advisory role. (Current membership of the CBGM is 38.) Training for the DMS’s was held in the fall. Further training is being planned for the fall of 2008.

The CBGM will be planning 4 area mission fair weekends in the Fall of 2008 and Winter of 2009. These will be designed to help local churches see the connection between our worship and our mission work.

During the year, the CBGM made the following grants:
From the James M. Belin Trust-
Ebenezer UMC, Hartsville District- $5,000 for a senior adult program
United Methodist Relief Center-Georgetown, Marion District- $15,000 for a housing program
Landrum UMC, Spartanburg District- $10,000 for a community meals program
Dunean UMC, Greenville District- $6,000 for an after-school tutoring program
Toxaway UMC/Tracy Jackson Program of GIFT, Anderson District- $5,000
St. Paul UMC, Florence District- $5,000
St. Paul UMC, Hartsville District- $3,500
St. James UMC, Marion District- $10,560
Mt. Nebo UMC, Orangeburg District- $5,000
Mt. Carmel UMC, Orangeburg District- $2,000

From Hungrief Funds-
God’s Helpers, Camden, Hartsville District- $1,277 for food for senior citizens
Wallace Family Life Center, Bennettsville, Marion District- $1,277 for breakfast and lunch programs
Eau Claire After-School program, Columbia, Columbia District- $800 for afternoon meals for students
Mt. Zion UMC, Florence District- $1,400
Dunean UMC, Greenville District- $500
Orangeburg Circuit UMC, Orangeburg District- $900

From Church Extension Partnership-
Mt. Sinai UMC, Anderson District (Advent Call, 2006)- $4,600
New Hope UMC, Hartsville District (Lenten Call)-$5,000
Sandy Grove UMC, Hartsville District (Conference Call)-$3,348

From the Renfro Trust (SEJ)-
St. John UMC, Florence District- $1,500 for church repair
St. Luke UMC, Greenville District- $3,000 for church repair

Guidelines and applications for the Belin Trust, Hungrief, and Church Extension Partnership may be found online at www.umcsc.org, and for the Renfro Trust by writing Renfro Trust Fund, P.O. Box 237, Lake Junaluska NC 28745

We would like to thank Margie Wilkie, Mary Lou Edens, Joseph Lloyd, Willie Key, Carolyn Little, and Angelin Simmons for their work on the CBGM. Especially we would like to thank Margie Wilkie and Mary Lou Edens for their leadership of the CBGM over the past few years. We would also like to thank Ms. Millie Nelson, Ms. Tammy Fulmer, and the Rev. Willie Teague for their invaluable help over the past year.

We invite any persons in the annual conference who may be interested in helping to develop our Hungrief/Hunger Ministries to contact the Reverend Ellis White, Jr. (122 Durham Creek Court, Columbia, SC 29229, office phone-803/776-8977, e-mail- EWhite7748@aol.com).

Michael B. Henderson, Chair

THE COMMUNITIES OF SHALOM

The Communities of Shalom initiative began as a response to the conditions that impelled, and the aftermath of, the Los Angeles rioting in 1992. An original Community of Shalom was created in Los Angeles. The model has been replicated throughout the United States and around the world.

The Biblical understanding of shalom (Hebrew word for peace), is not merely the absence of conflict but everything that makes for people’s highest good. It works toward hope and wholeness in which people, individually and collectively, experience health, prosperity, security, oneness with nature, and spiritual renewal. In John 14:27, Jesus, in one of his final moments with his disciples, offers peace....not as the world gives but as God gives (NRSV). Shalom is the transforming power of God at work through the church in individuals and the community.

Through the power of God, Communities of Shalom works for spiritual renewal, community economic development, and healthy communities. The prophet Jeremiah said: “Seek the shalom of the community for it is in its shalom that you will find your shalom.” Jeremiah 29:7 (NRSV)

The model has been replicated throughout the United States and around the world. The Shalom movement is on the loose and training for Communities of Shalom has taken place in more than forty annual conferences, as well as Central Conferences and autonomous church locations in Southern and West Africa. Communities of Shalom are committed to:
- Renewing the spirit of God in communities and congregations
- Developing the prosperity and economies of communities
Strengthening relationships among neighbors
Improving community health care and coordination of services

On October 23, 2007, it was announced that the Communities of Shalom would be housed at Drew University Theological School Madison, New Jersey. Drew will support and develop Shalom as a national network, and Global Ministries will continue as a partner.

The South Carolina Annual Conference has thirty-one Communities of Shalom sites. These sites represent the ethos and ingenuity of what makes Shalom important and impactful throughout the state of South Carolina. They demonstrate what is possible when the will of the people converge with the opportunity to create change with God’s help: transformation takes place. Whether tutoring youth and children or assisting the elderly, from rehabilitating homes or empowering lives through job training and computer training, health care awareness and initiatives, Communities of Shalom are doing great things in challenging times.

We celebrated our 13th Annual Communities of Shalom Celebration, February 29- March 1, 2008 in Columbia, under the theme, “The Power of Touch.” The Reverend Rudy Rasmus of St. John’s Downtown United Methodist Church, Houston, Texas was the guest speaker. Dr. Michael Christensen, National Director of Communities of Shalom, was present and shared with us the partnership and direction of Shalom. Touch shops were held covering the following topics: Parenting, Faith Based Health Outreach, Angel Food Ministry, Grant Writing, South Carolina Respite Coalition and for the Youth, Gang Awareness and Prevention. We were truly “touched” by God and one another.

We give thanks to Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor and the South Carolina Annual Conference for the continued support of the largest group of Communities of Shalom in the world. South Carolina’s finest. To God be the glory!

Ellis White, Chairperson

SHALOM LITERACY MINISTRY

Through tutorial assistance and enriching activities, Shalom Literacy has equipped local churches to work with academically at-risk students statewide in a positive environment to promote an increased awareness of the student’s abilities and accomplishments through engaging literacy programs and youth development.

This outreach ministry has brought many children outside their community to participate in learning experiences at United Methodist colleges, youth rallies, and special events. We have worked with parents so that they can become self-sustainable through GED and ESL programs.

Grant opportunities and technical support for after-school programming have continued through this office providing funds and assistance to local churches and United Methodist institutions. The conference was awarded for its outstanding efforts in after-school programming by the SC AfterSchool Alliance.

Partnerships with local agencies have served as a bridge between at-risk communities in need of assistance and those communities that have begun to be self-sustainable. They have been established to strengthen existing programs, and technical assistance has been provided to the faith community for new programs.
God’s work is seen through the eyes of the committed individuals across the state and those they serve. The Shalom Literacy Ministry attempts to bridge the gap between church and state. The focus is to utilize the faith community to serve academically at-risk students and adults. When individuals have the right tools and attitude, an at-risk community will achieve academic success, and the communities will become a vital part of society.

Robin P. Landers, Program Coordinator

THE DISASTER RESPONSE COMMITTEE

“Get Ready for Anything, Anywhere, and Any Time”

The South Carolina Annual Conference’s Disaster Response Committee seeks to empower the local and district settings to prepare themselves for disasters yet to come. Preparation continues to be the key for surviving the various storms and other disastrous events that may arise. There is no such thing as being “too prepared”. The American Red Cross reminds us that we must “get ready for anything, anytime, anywhere".

District and local church Disaster Response Coordinators are reminded to stay abreast of disaster response trainings in their areas and to take advantage of all training events. It is also urgent to build connections with the local town, city, and county disaster response teams. These counterparts will be significant and essential resources for our local churches and communities.

The Conference Disaster Response Committee is presently updating the Disaster Response Plan. Leaders have met throughout the past months to improve the Plan, and will be meeting in the near future to review the document. We are grateful for the Team Effort Covenant that has been established between UMCOR and UMVIM in this regard. With the renewed Covenant, both of these groups can more effectively serve the people who are impacted by disasters.

The Covenant was established by UMCOR and UMVIM on February 7, 2007 at Mt. Sequoyah (Fayetteville, Ar). “The goal of this consultation is to clarify the roles of the perspective disciplines of UMCOR and UMVIM, and of the Disaster Response Coordinators of the annual conferences; and to develop collaboration in responding to requests for assistance in disaster areas”.

As the work of the South Carolina Annual Conference’s Disaster Response Committee continues to update the Plan, all churches are reminded to support the One Great Hour of Sharing held in March of each year. Funds received from this special offering are used to assist communities at the beginning of a disaster. As we continue to prepare ourselves to do the ministry to which we have been called, let us call each other for support and prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee C. Bines, Chair

SPARTANBURG METHODIST COLLEGE

Spartanburg Methodist College and the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church continue to work in partnership together as we carry out our mission and ministry in higher education. The College is most grateful for the financial support we receive from the Conference through apportionment giving. This support is used in two very important ways: First, Conference support is distributed to worthy and qualified students in the form of scholarships; and second, Conference resources are allocated to support our religious life program. Our Chaplain, the Reverend Candice Sloan, uses her budget to support a wide variety of religious life programs, to make it possible for students to participate in service teams in the local community, to provide worship opportunities, and to enable students to participate in mission trips during the spring semester. The College is very grateful for the Conference’s investment in our mission and your prayers of support for our work.

The lifeblood of colleges and universities resides in student enrollment. When the Reverend Dr. David English Camak, founder of Textile Industrial Institute, the forerunner of Spartanburg Methodist College, opened the Institute in 1911, he did so with great anticipation
that many students would eagerly enroll. However, at the appointed time when the Institute began, only one student came to enroll, and he did not return the next day. For most persons, this would be sufficient reason to cast away the dream of starting an institution to educate workers on the mill-hills in Spartanburg County. With the patience of Job and the determination to make a positive difference in the lives of those in his church and in the mill hill communities, Dr. Camak pressed forward and enrollment soon began to grow. Although there have been years with low enrollment and years with high enrollment, the College has continued its mission as if divinely ordained by God. Our motto testifies to this very point: Deus Providet (God provides). Indeed, God has provided for the College when all external indicators pointed to failure. As my colleagues and I continue to carry out the mission of the College, the spirit of Dr. Camak continues to inspire us. Today, we are at a high point in enrollment as the 2007 fall semester opened with 797 students.

One of the hallmarks of Spartanburg Methodist College is the historic tradition to admit qualified students even if they do not have sufficient financial resources to pay for their education. Financial resources come from many sources to assist students with their financial obligations, including: Federal financial resources (such as the PELL Grant) and federal loan programs (such as the Stafford Loan program); State financial resources (such as the LIFE Scholarship, the Tuition Grants Award, and the Lottery Scholarship); gifts from friends of the College who establish endowed scholarships; resources from the College’s endowment; and the support we receive from the apportionment gifts from churches throughout the South Carolina Annual Conference. Because we are a mission institution, we are the only United Methodist College in South Carolina that reports to the Annual Conference through the Board of Global Ministries. This uniqueness is a reflection of our mission, a mission that finds ways to support qualified students who do not have sufficient financial resources to pursue their academic goals at the collegiate level.

Another hallmark of Spartanburg Methodist College is our commitment to leadership and service. On their first full day on campus each fall, the freshman class is divided into service teams and assigned to various service projects throughout the greater Spartanburg area. Members of the faculty, staff, administration, and volunteers from the community are assigned to student teams to participate in this ministry of service to those in need. Upon returning to the campus, the teams eat lunch together and talk about their experiences. The Freshman Day of Service teams stay together in our SMC 101 Freshman Year Experience class. Often the students bond into a small community that supports one another academically and socially. The College uses the Freshman Day of Service experience to promote leadership skills among students. With no competition from juniors and seniors, our students can immediately assume positions of leadership under the guidance of faculty and/or staff sponsors. Opportunities to serve in leadership positions at Spartanburg Methodist College come in diverse ways, including: the Student Government Association, the College Ambassadors, choral groups, athletic teams, Residence Hall Assistants, and religious organizations. We take this component of our mission very seriously because the student leaders of today will soon become adult leaders in the 21st Century.

The College is in the final stages of developing a ten-year Strategic Plan. The Plan will enable the College systematically to review our mission statement and, if necessary, amend it. The Plan will include a concise Strategic Statement to guide all institutional planning. It will assist us as we develop annual and long-range Institutional Goals. The Strategic Plan will assist the College to develop a “brand” identity, provide guidelines for future capital campaigns, focus our energy on the recruitment and retention of qualified students, and give us the opportunity to allocate our limited resources in ways that will promote student growth and development. Students are and will continue to be at the center of our mission in higher education.

As the only two-year regionally accredited institution in South Carolina, we take great care to educate and nurture the mind, body, spirit, and soul of our students. We shall continue to journey hand-in-hand with our students in our common pilgrimage of faith. Indeed, the need is great, our mission is solid, and our future is bright. As we approach our 100th Anniversary in 2011, we look forward to continuing our partnership with the South Carolina Annual Conference as we serve students entrusted to us for an education.

Charles Teague, President
THE BOARD OF HEALTH AND WELFARE

The Board of Health and Welfare continues to work to uphold the ministry of Christ and the tradition of John Wesley, in the United Methodist Church, with the ministry of health and wholeness.

Cora Taylor chairs the sub-committee on Golden Cross. One of our goals is to make Golden Cross a more visible ministry to our churches. Because of your gifts to Golden Cross, we were able to award four health care scholarships in the amount of $4,000. We awarded three grants for medical assistance in the amount of $3,600. We received $20,894 for the year 2007 and $2,297 for January and February 2008, from local churches in the conference for Golden Cross. We also received $1,441.86 from the Williams-Walker Trust Fund. We encourage all of our churches to remember Golden Cross Sunday, the first Sunday in February. It is through your donations that we are able to give assistance to those who are in need.

Rev. John P. Thomas chairs the programs sub-committee. Through the programs offered by our board, we awarded one grant in the amount of $425 to eliminate architectural barriers. We awarded a grant in the amount of $2,678 to Trinity UMC in Spartanburg. The purpose of this grant is to give Trinity support and assistance in piloting a program to serve as a role model for other churches in their endeavor to better serve the deaf community. Plans are to develop a step by step manual to assist other churches in this ministry.

Rev. Harry Stullenbarger chairs our committee on nominations. Nominations are made for the Board of Trustees of Epworth Children’s Home, Wesley Commons, Methodist Oaks, Pee Dee Manor and Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry. These Nominations are presented to the Conference Committee on Nominations and to the Annual Conference.

Rev. Athon Arant chairs the homes sub-committee. We continue to work for a strong positive relationship we share with each of the homes. We commend the splendid leadership provided by each home. As chair of the Board of Health and Welfare, I delegated the following board members as representatives of the Board of Health and Welfare, to the following institutions: Wesley Commons, Bayard Lindell; Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee, Cora Taylor; Methodist Oaks, Alice Pickney; Epworth Children’s Home. Rev. Joyce Chiles; Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry, Rev. Harry Stullenbarger

At present, there are nine housing units for retired clergy; four at the Methodist Oaks, which are occupied, one at the Pee Dee Manor, which is occupied, and four at Wesley Commons, two occupied and two vacant. We have worked together with the three homes, and have agreed to a more unified plan for filling the retired clergy units. As of December 31, 2008, there was a balance of $89,720.62 in the Elma Hill Endowment Fund. The interest from this fund helps maintain the retired clergy units. $4,600 was granted this past year for maintenance.

At present, the percentages of funds are allocated as follows: Methodist Oaks (50%), Wesley Commons (30%) and Pee Dee Manor (15%). We will continue to be in communication with the homes on the percentages and make recommendations as needed.

We are very grateful for the wonderful support and cooperation we have received throughout the conference. We look forward to working with you and for you as we continue the ministry of Christ, and the tradition of John Wesley, in the United Methodist Church, in the area of Health and Welfare

Athon M. Arant, Sr., Chairperson

ALDERSGATE SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry continues to make strides in the development of Christian homes for adults with developmental disabilities. Again this year, our focus was on educating the public, disseminating information about our ministry and fundraising. Of special significance is the fact that we broke ground on two homes.

Blessings flowed in August and September as construction began on our first home for males on The Oaks campus, followed by construction of our first home for females on the Epworth campus. As with any building process, there have been a few "bumps in the road", but our faith continues to carry us through these. Because the homes must be licensed by DHEC,
we must meet their stringent building and safety codes. These have caused a significant increase in the construction cost. Our board, friends and, most importantly, churches have been extremely supportive of our efforts. We applied for several grants, had the senior members of the Orangeburg Prep Tennis Team volunteer to sponsor a weekend tennis tournament and cookout fundraiser and had friends of a board member sponsor a birthday party fundraiser for her son. We continue to encourage individuals to become an “Aldersgate Angel” by committing to $24 a month. Our board continues to research and identify other means of financial support.

In an effort to educate communities, board members have spoken to various groups and churches, exhibited at the state Downs Syndrome Conference and the annual conference. We were also fortunate to have nametags donated for annual conference. Our development committee is presently working on updated brochures that more accurately detail the ministry and where we are today. There has been communication with some churches and individuals regarding land which could be used to build homes in the future.

Six women have been chosen to live in the home on Epworth Campus that the Columbia Home Builders Association is partnering with us to build. These women are extremely excited about their new home. The admissions committee is in the process of reviewing applications for the home for men at the Oaks. It is our hope that both homes will open the first of the summer.

Our board feels very blessed to be a part of this wonderful opportunity to help provide Christian homes for these very special adults. Our sincere gratitude goes to all who have so generously supported Aldersgate this year. We ask that you continue to keep us in your hearts and prayers and encourage each church to participate in Aldersgate Sunday on August 10, 2008.

May God’s blessings be with you.

Judy Weathers, Chairperson

EPWORTH CHILDREN’S HOME

Epworth Children’s Home has completed 112 years of providing residential care for South Carolina children who cannot remain in their own homes.

The primary goal of this annual conference mission is to provide a safe, nurturing, faith centered residential environment, where children who are not able to remain in their homes, receive the best possible care, and are prepared to lead wholesome and productive lives.

During this conference year Epworth Children’s Home:

I. Began year two of training all staff members who relate to residential work in the CARE (Children And Residential Experiences: creating conditions for change) model developed by the Cornell University Residential Care Project. This research based curriculum is based upon six underlying principles or beliefs that form good residential group care. The CARE training is funded through the Duke Endowment.

II. Averaged 81 children per day in the residential population plus four college students who live off campus. In addition, the Epworth Early Intervention Center served 18 children per week in a pre-school day program. This program serves children who are developmentally delayed because of conditions such as autism and Downs Syndrome. This program also served 41 families on a regular basis through its home based component.

III. Continued to strengthen the ties between Epworth Children’s Home and the United Methodist congregations in South Carolina through the training of Local Church Representatives, speakers and educational materials.

IV. Completed a Funds Development Plan that includes the goal of moving from the current average giving level of $4.38 per church member to an average of $6.00 per member, and moving from the present 70% church participation to 100% participation.

V. Adopted a financial policy that reduces the amount that can be drawn from the Epworth endowment each year in order to maintain the long-term financial security of Epworth.

VI. Adopted a budget of $4,530,656 for the fiscal year 10-1-07 through 9-30-08.
The Epworth Board of Trustees after careful study voted in a cost saving move to close the campus school in June 2008. The cost of operating the campus school is $600,000 per year. While the school offers educational advantages, it is one part of Epworth’s program where there is a viable alternative for the children’s education experiences. The Epworth campus is located in a good public school setting. Children who need help will continue to receive that assistance from both paid and volunteer tutors.

Other costs saving measures adopted include asking the Epworth Early Intervention Center to generate $113,000 annually in order to cover the cost of operating this program and requiring the Epworth Health Center to generate at least 15% of its expenses through Medicaid revenue.

Less than 8% of Epworth’s income is generated from a combination of state and federal money, and fees for services payments. It is largely through the generosity of South Carolina United Methodists that during this conference year Epworth Children’s Home was able to provide over four million dollars in subsidized services to children and families in South Carolina.

John E. Holler, Jr., President

THE METHODIST OAKS

The past conference year 2007-2008, has been an exciting year of new possibilities and possibilities fulfilled. The Oaks continues to take a leadership role in the ministry of caring for seniors, both on our very beautiful campus of 700 acres, and in the larger Orangeburg and surrounding communities.

- **PACE** – perhaps our proudest accomplishment this year is the full licensing of our PACE site in Orangeburg. The Program for the All-inclusive Care for the Elderly is a federal program that uses both Medicare and Medicaid to care for the most frail and poorest of seniors who are still living in their own homes. Qualified seniors receive free transportation to and from a day-care site that provides nourishing meals, medical care, physical and occupational therapy, and socialization and community. **Our PACE site will serve up to 150 seniors when it is full, and is only one of 15 sites in the nation, to receive the federal grant to make the site possible. The Methodist Oaks is the ONLY CCRC to receive the grant and one of only two faith based sites awarded.**

- **Academic Partnership Programs** – The Oaks has partnered with Claflin University to provide a scholarship to a rising senior who will be working in the senior services field, and an internship to one student who is majoring in a social service field and intends to work in a senior services occupation. The Oaks presented its first scholarship at the Claflin matriculation, and has received its first intern. The Oaks has also partnered with Orangeburg/Calhoun Technical College to be the classroom and clinical setting for their Certified Nurse Assistant program. This will help provide qualified nurse assistants for Orangeburg and the surrounding area.

- **Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry** – The Oaks is one of the sites for this wonderful new ministry of the SC Conference. The house is now complete and ready for the first residents.

- **Capital Campaign for New Wellness Center and Community Life Center** – The capital campaign continues to go very well, with half of our $2 million goal already pledged. When completed, the expanded spaces will provide much needed venues for our overflowing Campus Life and Wellness Programs. Already, more than 60% of our independent residents and 15% of our employees are active in the Wellness program. Our heated, enclosed swimming pool is getting extensive use by campus residents and community members of our Passport to the Oaks program.

- **CPE Program** – The Oak’s CPE program has graduated its first 2 classes of CPE Participants. The six participants in each unit of CPE spend one day a week on the campus for Didactics and another day each week during the Unit providing pastoral care in the Skilled Nursing Facility. The Methodist Oaks contracts with Palmetto
Baptist Pastoral Services to provide this fully accredited CPE program of our Pastors. The Methodist Oaks is the only United Methodist CPE program in South Carolina.

- **Financial Assistance** – The Oaks continues its mission of caring for the elderly by providing more than $500,000 in addition to the conference apportionments for those who have outlived their resources. We are committed to this mission.

While the Oaks has turned the corner from the financial difficulties of past years, the current economy is taking its toll on our ability to fill the Oaks to its total capacity. Slow home sales plus people's desire to live in their own home as long as possible have slowed move-ins. The Oaks is responding to this challenge with new programs that provide home health care on campus and concierge services to persons in their own homes, both on campus and in the Orangeburg community.

The board of trustees continues to support the Oaks commitment to providing quality care to seniors. We thank the Conference for its continued support of this vital ministry.

*Robert Cox, Chair*

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**THE METHODIST MANOR OF THE PEE DEE**

On Sunday, December 2, 2007, the Methodist Manor held a service of worship to name the chapel at the Manor the Ingram Chapel in memory of Mary Alice C. Ingram. Mary Alice C. Ingram was the lead contributor in providing the funding for the building of the Methodist Manor. Her leadership inspired others to contribute to the establishment of the Manor. After the initial funding was put in place to provide for the building and opening of the retirement home, Mrs. Ingram provided additional funding for the building of the chapel.

The past year has seen an expansion of new patio homes in the Asbury Village community of the Manor. Asbury Village has grown from 22 patio homes to 31 in the last year with 3 more under construction. The capital to construct these homes is paid into the Manor by their occupants. The program to finance these homes provides that when an occupant vacates a home a portion of the capital contribution can be refunded from a capital payment made by the next occupant.

The Manor is undergoing a remodeling of its independent living apartments to upgrade them to quality expected today by people seeking retirement housing. Refinements and improvements to service of residents have also been made to include the introduction of restaurant style dining, an increase in the amount of direct service staff and adding events and speakers that focus on current issues and stimulate mind and spirit. Management is infusing a new spirit of caring to enhance the quality of life of those who call the Manor their home.

The Manor is serving about 210 residents with an operating budget of approximately $6 million. The operating budget is funded primarily by service fees paid by the residents. The service fees are based on the level of service received by the residents. The Manor has a bonded indebtedness of $12.5 million as of December 31, 2007. Debt service payments on the bonded indebtedness are included in the annual operating budget of the Manor.

In the last year the South Caroling Methodist Conference contributed $80,732.00 to the residence assistance fund at the Manor. These funds are used by the Manor to assist those residents whose resources have been depleted and are not left adequate to meet their monthly service fees. There are currently three residents receiving assistance from this fund. The Manor also received $1,511.73 last year as its portion of the distribution from the South Carolina Methodist Conference and received $546.68 from the restricted endowment fund of the South Carolina Methodist Foundation which is held exclusively for the benefit of the Manor.

The Manor will continue to assess how its facilities and programs can be improved to meet the needs of its residents.

*D. Laurence McIntosh, Chairman, Trustees  
Wm. Frazier Jackson, Executive Director*
Fiscal Year 2007 marked another year of continued accomplishments for Wesley Commons. Our Ministry of Care and Vision of the Future remains vibrant and solid. To document the evolution of our Ministry, the Board of Trustees recently adopted a new Mission Statement which exemplifies our focus to "enrich lives by providing innovative living opportunities in accord with Christian principles.

Wesley Commons continues to be a blessed organization as evidenced by our growth of programs, stewardship and support. For the past ten years, Wesley Commons has completed a cycle of planning, building and growing our campus into a regionally recognized leader in retirement living. While we are very proud of our accomplishments, we find ourselves, once again, on the precipice of a new journey.

Our short term plans encompass visions of service not only on our current campus, but also the community beyond. While these plans are bold and dramatic; our planning remains well grounded and realistic. We take our charge of stewardship seriously and are committed to ensuring our gifts are used to benefit a majority of beneficiaries.

Currently, Wesley Commons is home to over 430 residents across our campus who are served by over 260 employees. The impact of this family of 690 individuals is not only evident on our campus, but across the greater community of Greenwood. Members of Wesley Commons can be found supporting organizations such as Lander University, Piedmont Technical College, Chamber of Commerce, Humane Society of Greenwood, and HospiceCare of the Piedmont to name a few. We are also working to better serve local youth through programs such as BEST, a mentoring program in our local elementary schools. Our campus is an impressive collection of caring and compassionate individuals who add great value to our local community.

The waiting list for many of our neighborhoods is impressive and our memberships for our wellness programs have proven to be very attractive to individuals living in the Greater Greenwood area. With more than two-thirds of our residents moving to Wesley Commons from all areas of the Southeast, we have re-engineered our services and amenities to accommodate this booming population. Close involvement with our Resident Committees allows us to continuously fine tune the scope of our offerings.

While 2007 continued to show improvement in our operations, it also showed advancements in our programming. Our advancements have not come easy. This year has been laden with many challenges which have tested our resolve. Yet, through determination, ingenuity, and keeping our focus on our core Mission, we have stayed the course. The negative indicators of our economy in both the financial and housing markets have had an impact on our Future Residents. In some cases individuals had to pass up their available position on our waiting list to move into Wesley Commons as a result of such issues. To assist our Future Residents and to enable better protection from the pain of this turn down, we continue to design and implement new options to enable them to make the right choice.

We remain humbled and honored to be reminded of our most important asset and blessing: our employees. God is good and has provided Wesley Commons with a wonderful team of dedicated and Mission oriented individuals, who pleasantly and compassionately serve our residents day in and day out. Currently, we have begun an awesome task of preparing our employees for our next major advancement in our Mission. It is our desire to retool and rethink how we deliver exceptional services to our current and future customers. We envision a campus which is based upon delivering much more individually focused service and support in a residential setting, as opposed to the current institutional standard prevalent in our Country. Noting a shift in consumer demand for various services, we have embarked on a mission to not only redesign certain accommodations in our neighborhoods, but we are redesigning our entire delivery of Health Services.

Through the generosity of our donors we have completed the first portions of this plan. We have completed advancements in our Wellness and Culinary environments and we are now researching how best to modify areas of our residential living and health services into a more homogeneous and less disruptive experience.

We recognize the fact and accept the charge to lead Wesley Commons into a new day of advanced services and offerings which remain highly regarded and conservatively priced. In doing so, we hope for a day which our vision of care and service can spread to others seeking a better way.
As you can see, our Ministry to serve our elders continues to grow as a result of our expanding programs. The support of the Methodist Homes Support Fund and other Private Supporters enables Wesley Commons to provide subsidies to many residents across our campus. In 2007, Wesley Commons provided over $1,000,000 of subsidized services. With the Methodist Conference providing just over $179,347, Wesley Commons’ Operational funds made up the difference of that subsidy to those unable to pay for their care.

Wesley Commons’, Methodist Oaks’ and Methodist Manor’s need for support will only increase as our communities continue to grow while conversely, state and federal funding for our nation’s seniors continues to be reduced. Wesley Commons' current level of support is extremely taxing on our resources; our ongoing Ministry will not be possible without the constant support of our friends, such as the Conference. I thank you for your continued financial support of those who built our great nation and deserve our fullest attention.

Rev. John T. Miller, Chairman
David B. Buckshorn, President/CEO

THE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAMPUS MINISTRY

This will be my final report as the Chair of the Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry, having served an 8 year term. It has been a joy and privilege to be a part of this vital ministry, and I urge you to read the exciting reports from our campus ministers and college presidents. I am grateful to God and to the S.C. Conference for the opportunity to work with such life-changing, disciple-making experiences. On behalf of the Board, I express deep appreciation to the local churches for generous support of the Senior College Scholarship Apportionment and the Campus Ministry Apportionment. Your prayers and financial gifts have enabled us to expand ministry and shape students as leaders and disciples who will transform the world.

This past year has been one of growth in campus ministry, as we have achieved several goals that were a part of our long-range dreams. Effective February 1, 2008, Rev. Jo Anna Fallaw was appointed to the newly created full-time position of Francis Marion Campus Minister & Central UMC Associate Pastor. Previously, Francis Marion Campus Minister was a part time position, but a nearly full-time program. Our next goal is to move the Furman Wesley Campus Minister position from ¾ time to full-time. Furman Wesley is thriving with strong student leaders, inspiring worship, and a commitment to missions. An increase in our Campus Ministry budget will help us expand at Furman. While we have expanded ministry at Francis Marion and Furman, our next growing program is Lander Wesley. We have seen growth in spirit and in numbers, with the capable leadership of Glenn Williams, a lay person who is the part-time Lander Wesley Director. Our more established Wesley programs (Winthrop, Clemson, Charleston, Claflin/SC State, and USC) continue to flourish with weekly Bible studies and programs, service projects, engaging worship, and international mission trips.

In a declining economy, it is critical to continue supporting the colleges, Claflin University, Wofford College, Columbia College, and Spartanburg Methodist. The Senior College Scholarship Apportionment enables the 3 senior colleges to offer financial support to students. Students need scholarships more than ever in this troubled economy. We can be proud that our Annual Conference supports 4 colleges, and each serves a unique niche of students. The stellar academic reputation, coupled with small student-faculty ratios, makes our Methodist colleges places where transformation occurs. We are not just about the business of education, but rather shaping students to be ethical, faithful, empowered leaders who can change the world. Read the college presidents’ reports, and you will see the “fruits of our labors.”

Let me close my report by sharing a concern on behalf of the Board of Higher Education & Campus Ministry. Our Board studied the survey that was conducted about the location of Annual Conference. We noted the question related to the importance of holding Annual Conference on our college campuses. The total response (clergy and laity) for the two categories of “Very Important” and “Somewhat Important” was 465. While this is a significant number, we realize that nearly as many indicated “Of Little Importance.” This disheartens those of us who are passionate about the ministry of higher education. The survey results indicate the need for even more promotion of our colleges. We hope the Annual Conference lay and clergy
delegates would consider these issues every year during the discussion and vote about the location of Annual Conference.

May God bless the “ties that bind” church and college in the ministry of making disciples.

In Christ,

Cathy Jamieson-Ogg, Chair

CLAFLIN UNIVERSITY

Having built upon the significant progress and achievements of 2006, Claflin University is pleased to provide an account of the 2007 academic year in which the institution acquired further notable national rankings, additional scholastic recognitions and was the recipient of outstanding awards. It was a year in which the University continued its successful global outreach and expansion while sustaining our vocation to educate, regardless of race, gender or religious opinion.

The University’s student population remains steady with approximately 1,800 students enrolled. They come from 44 South Carolina counties and 23 states. Sixteen countries are represented through our international students; an increase in countries from which our international students come. The University’s liberal arts and science curriculum is increasing the number of degree courses offered. In the fall 2008 semester, we will add Criminal Justice and Digital Design bringing the number of undergraduate majors to 35.

There is an international component to the third addition to our academic program. Claflin University’s School of Business now offers an MBA at the London Institute of Technology, in London, England. We hope to attract students from Asia, Africa and Europe. We are excited about this innovative international venture which takes us into the arena of preparing graduate students to pursue careers in global business markets.

In addition to being included for the 10th consecutive year by U.S. News and World Report, as one of “America’s Best Colleges,” ranked number 10 in the Top Tier among Baccalaureate Colleges in the South and number three for Highest Graduation Rate, we were also ranked number seven in the inaugural issue of “America’s Best Black Colleges,” again by U. S. News and World Report. Other ranking recognitions were bestowed upon Claflin this past year. We were included in the Chronicle of Higher Education rankings of HBCUs based on retention rates. Among “Very Selective HBCUs” the University was listed as having the second highest retention rate. Similar recognition came from The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education which rated Claflin second for its graduation rate. Another well known publication, Consumers Digest, surveying private colleges and universities nationally, ranked Claflin number three in its “Top Five Best Value” category.

Our recognition for academic excellence has been in tandem with our enhanced global visibility where our faculty has been in the spotlight. Claflin professors made headlines throughout India as they successfully introduced and implemented the U.S. government-funded HIV/AIDS prevention project. This culturally sensitive curriculum has been well received even in small rural communities. Continuing our role on the global stage, members of the Claflin University Concert Choir will be in China in June performing as part of a pre-Olympics concert tour. Students will travel and give concerts not only in Beijing, but in other locations throughout China including Shanghai.

This was also a year of academic firsts. The Master of Science in Biotechnology was awarded to the first class of candidates. The University also awarded its first degree in Master of Education in Educational Studies and its first Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering degrees. The University’s Continuing Education and Professional Studies program expanded. We now offer a degree program in Organizational Management and also a degree program in Sociology/Criminal Justice at Brookland Baptist Church in West Columbia.

With our strong and committed tradition of building character and instilling humanitarian values in each of our students, we take great pride in the outstanding community service achievements of our entire student body. For the 2007 Fall Semester, our students completed close to 15,500 community hours. For the second consecutive year, students were awarded first place by the National Kidney Foundation for sponsoring the most walkers in the annual Kidney Walk. As a result of the outstanding community service achievements and hours rendered to the community, Claflin University students became members of the President’s
Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. Inclusion into the Honor Roll is for recognition of innovative and effective community service and service-learning programs. We hope this is the first of many such inclusions.

Two inspiring awards were presented to the Office of the President for leadership. We received the CASE District III Executive Leadership Award for outstanding leadership and service in support of education. We were also honored to accept the Milliken Medal of Quality Award which was presented for demonstrated leadership, innovation and outstanding achievement in the implementation of quality systems in an organization.

We at Claflin University are encouraged and motivated by one of our very best years in making strides in academic achievements, faculty and student achievements and for being able to re-invest ourselves in sustaining and upholding our mission and goals by preparing students for leadership and service in a global and technological society.

Dr. Henry N. Tisdale, President

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

Enrollment
The fall semester saw record-breaking enrollment at Columbia College with the number of students in all programs surpassing 1,500 for the first time. In 2003 we had adopted a strategic plan which called for a cap on fulltime women’s college enrollment at 900 by 2012, and we reached that goal five years ahead of schedule!

Campus News

- As a part of the Staley Lecture Series, Joy Fisher Pollard will speak at Columbia College on Wednesday, January 30, on “Queen Esther: A Woman of Promise in a Postmodern Age.” A music therapist, she has worked with persons of all ages and disabilities, using the Psalms of David. She will also conduct a spiritual gifts workshop and conduct Bible study.
- Columbia College will celebrate Founder’s Day on February 13. Bishop Taylor will speak and members of the R. Wright Spears Legacy Society will be honored guests.
- Columbia College Student Health Services has achieved accreditation by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC). This is third consecutive AAAHC accreditation for the campus health services department, granted for a three year term.
- Columbia College will add softball as its fifth intercollegiate sport, in addition to women’s basketball, soccer, tennis, and volleyball. The new softball program will compete at the club level in 2008-2009; the team will begin intercollegiate play in 2009-2010.
- At the Medallion Dinner and awards ceremony on Thursday, November 1, Catherine and Gene Eaker of Columbia and Marshall L. Meadors Jr. of Anderson were awarded the Columbia College Medallion. The Medallion is presented annually to those individuals whom the College wishes to recognize for exceptional accomplishments, leadership, and service.
- Senator Hillary Clinton, a graduate of a women’s college and also a lifelong Methodist, visited Columbia College during a campaign stop in South Carolina on Sunday, January 13. A town-hall style meeting was held in the Godbold gymnasium.

Building Projects
This fall we completed renovation of the Edens Library and Goodall Art Gallery. In February we will start a field house, softball field, and parking lots at the athletic complex. We are working on a project with the Eau Claire Development Corporation to develop a combination of townhouses and retail space on the land we own on North Main Street and Columbia College Drive.

Trustees
As I reported in the fall, our trustees have established a new Committee on Trusteeship to help recruit and orient future trustees and to support current trustees in being most effective and engaged in their service to the college. They will suggest topics for board retreats and lead the board in an annual self-audit process.

Caroline Whitson, President
WOFFORD COLLEGE

Tramaine Brown has a good idea what it takes for children at Spartanburg’s Cleveland Elementary School to succeed. He attended the school as a youngster, graduated with honors from Spartanburg High School, and is now a Gates Millennium Scholar at Wofford College. As a Wofford sophomore, Brown set out to help the students following in his footsteps at the inner city school, and, following his example, more than 50 Wofford students and professors tutored Cleveland students one-on-one in mathematics this academic year. “We know that these Wofford scholars are showing to our students the spirit of community service,” says Cleveland’s principal, Dr. Audrey Grant. “The children will remember the time when college students took the time and made the effort to help them. This is sowing the seeds for higher education among kids who may have never known what college is like.” The Institute for Responsible Citizenship recently recognized Tramaine Brown as one of 24 young men to participate in its summer leadership program in Washington, D.C. He was chosen from hundreds of applicants from universities all over the country to be part of the sixth class of the Institute.

In the fall of 2007, Wofford signed on as a ONE Campus, part of a national campaign among colleges across the country to raise awareness about global hunger, poverty, disease, and efforts to combat these issues in developing countries (see www.one.org). This year has also seen the college move forward in issues related to environmental stewardship, to include the development of an Environmental Studies program centered in the nearby Glendale community on Lawson’s Fork Creek. In addition, the college is participating in the national “Recyclemania” project, enhancing its program of recycling paper, aluminum, and plastics, and is working in concert with others in the Spartanburg community to create a culture more conducive to bicycling. In the fall, 30 bicycles were purchased inexpensively to be used by students in an honor system to use around campus and the city. So far, it has proved enormously popular, and is influencing other students in significant numbers to bring their own bicycles to the campus.

The college’s campus ministry has 24 students participating in its ELI Project under the direction of Dr. Ron Robinson, Perkins-Prothro Chaplain and Professor of Religion. Designed to identify and equip leaders for the church, these students participate in six areas of exploration: (1) Spiritual Direction - meaningfully connecting the vocational discernment process with one’s spiritual and/or religious development; (2) Self-Awareness – experiences and assessments that enhance understanding of personal strengths, values and interests; (3) Service - opportunities to develop an awareness of broader global and local needs and an understanding of how one can respond; (4) Ministry Inquiry - opportunities for mentoring, internships and “hands on” learning; (5) Vocational Discernment - an intentional process of discovery involving listening to one’s life and identifying a sense of call; (6) Theological Education - connect and collaborate with divinity schools and theological seminaries.

Wofford enrolled 243 United Methodist students in the fall of 2007, and they received more than $5.1 million in financial aid. The Wesley Fellowship recently participated in a semester log study of the writings of C.S. Lewis. Their service projects included working with the March of Dimes. They joined the United Methodist Student Movement in a campus-wide “Nothing But Nets” project that raised funds to purchase mosquito nets to be sent to areas where malaria is a deadly problem. The UM Student Fellowship hosted the United Methodist Student Day on campus, and sponsored a campus-wide study break during the exam period. They also co-sponsor a weekly prayer group.

The Campus Ministry Center sponsors two weekly services of worship. A student-led service on Tuesday evenings, called United, attracts 80-100 worshippers. Each Thursday at noon Holy Communion is served, and is followed by A Simple Meal, which usually consists of homemade bread and soup, and features lively conversation. In the true ecumenical spirit of United Methodism, the college hosts weekly mass for Catholic students, and in an effort to promote positive inter-faith relationships, is in conversation with Muslim students about offering space for their prayer needs. Eight faith groups function as official campus organizations.

These examples of “thinking globally, acting locally” indicate Wofford College’s continuing commitment to founder Benjamin Wofford’s purpose in creating one of America’s best liberal arts colleges, and John Wesley’s vision for Methodism. The support of the South Carolina Conference in providing financial aid for deserving students continues to make the college a place where young people of diverse backgrounds are nourished academically and spiritually.

Benjamin B. Dunlap, President
Charleston Wesley Foundation has had a year of growth and grace. As our alumni base grows the internet is becoming an essential method of keeping in touch. We are now the proud grandparent to three beautiful children born to alumni: Michael to Michael McPherson, Citadel alumnus, Makayla to Anthony Reynolds, Citadel alumnus and Emeline to Aaron Meadows, Citadel alumnus. Our hearts go out to Christy and Aaron Meadows on the passing of Emeline this fall. Rest in the assurance that Jesus has a big rocking chair and Emeline is resting in the arms of our Divine Parent.

Mallory Forte is now in her second year at Candler School of Theology. Mallory, you make us so proud. Aaron Meadows is now a commissioned probationary elder in this fine conference. Aaron, we are delighted with your progress. Bill Houpt and Christopher Waldrop are serving in the armed forces in Iraq. Brandon Kirch is now a certified Navy Seal. Vaya con Dios!

The groups on the four campuses we are blessed to serve continue to flourish. Bethel UMC- Charleston continues to be the home for our College of Charleston programming. Thank you for continuing to make ministry to the college students a priority. The Charleston Southern University group continues to grow despite graduations. God is gracious. The CSU gospel choir continues to bless me and others. This winter I was fortunate enough to attend the Fifth Annual Concert of Worship and Praise at Northwoods Baptist Church, featuring the CSU Wind Ensemble. What a night of praise, prayer and worship we experienced there. Thank you, Keisha Wilkins and Wade Hurst for using your magnificent musical gifts to glorify God and edify the Church Universal.

Wesley UMC- Ladson, once again thank you for being the church home to many of the Wesley Foundation CSU students. The group at Medical University of South Carolina continues to be the most diverse of the groups; students, staff and faculty enrich our discussions and time together. Rev. Joe Cate of Point Hope UMC and Mary Ann Gilkeson, you truly are the wind beneath our wings. Your dedication, love and gifts continue to be the driving force behind Wesley at MUSC - or as it called TGIF (Thank God Its Friday). The Wesley Foundation group at Citadel is both active and growing. At the SCUMSM spring retreat Chase Hurst, Citadel cadet, was re-elected as the Vice Chairperson for year 2008-2009. He will be representing Charleston Wesley Foundation at the National Student Forum in Washington DC this summer.

Charleston Wesley Foundation in Mission had another successful year. We sponsored two adolescents in the HALOS angel tree event. Our annual Mission weekend with Winthrop Wesley Foundation at the United Methodist Relief Center was a time of Christian action, reflection and fellowship for all. It is with deep gratitude that we acknowledge John Wesley UMC’s generous and selfless financial underwriting of this weekend.

Because of your answer to God’s call students who would not have been financially able to attend gave of themselves to help those even less fortunate. Moreover, your generous Christian act allowed Charleston Wesley Foundation to meet the UMRC financial need as well as their need for human hands and feet. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you. The United Methodist connection is alive and well!

To the beloved churches of the Charleston district, thank you for your unwavering support in gifts of food, time and finances. Trinity UMC, you are our backbone in your selfless giving of physical space and office support. Our grateful hearts seem so inadequate but please know that we are deeply appreciative of your continuing Christian action. The ministry of Charleston Wesley Foundation would not be flourishing and innovative without the guidance, prayers and support of the dedicated Charleston Wesley Foundation Board of Directors. We are so grateful to all of the prayerful, generous churches of the Charleston District and of the South Carolina conference for your unceasing prayers and unwavering support. God bless each of you.

Lisa C. Hawkins, Campus Minister

Clemson Wesley Foundation

What does it mean to say, “I’m United Methodist”? As a Campus Minister nearing the end of my seventh year in Clemson, I find myself having to answer this question more and more. Sometimes the question comes from a student, sometimes it comes from within. To serve in a place like Clemson is to meet UM students who would answer this question in many different ways, usually depending on their ethnicity or geographic origin. When this diversity of
perspective is combined with the vast array of other traditions and theologies present on any college campus today, many students find themselves struggling with a spiritual identity crisis. If I say that I am Methodist, Baptist, Catholic, Reformed or even a participant in a house church, what does that mean exactly and how might such a label infringe upon my calling “simply” to be a disciple of Jesus? These are common concerns on college campuses today, with many churches choosing to drop any hint of their theological roots from their official name.

While I cannot speak for other traditions (as much as I might treasure the special place that they hold in the history and ongoing life of the universal Church), it is incumbent upon me as an ordained elder in the UMC to articulate an answer to what it means to say “I’m United Methodist.” I thought that you, members of the Annual Conference and therefore supporters of our ministry, deserved to know more about the approach that we take here in our ministry with and to students in the greater Clemson area.

In large part, through the combined efforts of Clemson Wesley and Clemson UMC, we seek to preach, teach and put into practice an understanding of the Christian faith, rooted and shaped by the Wesleyan-Methodist movement, which could be summarized with the following affirmations that seek to clarify some of our distinctives:

- **We believe that we are part of the Church but not exclusively THE Church.** To be UM is to understand and appreciate that God has been and will continue to do great things through other communities of faith and traditions, and hopefully through ours too! Therefore, UMs have always been highly ecumenical and cooperative, seeking to work closely with other Christians who claim the same “essentials” of the faith that we do.

- **We are apostolically rooted but also Spirit-led.** To be UM is to cherish the historic roots of the Church and to understand that any and all new and reform movements inspired by the Spirit are connected to the “great cloud of witnesses” that have preceded us. While treasuring our heritage and giving thanks for the faithful witness of the saints through the centuries, we also understand that the Spirit is always at work, doing new things in new places (sometimes, we hope and pray, even in and through us). For this reason, we seek to steer clear of “sacred cows” that over time become idols to worship rather than important rites, rituals and practices that point us to the only One worthy of our worship.

- **We believe both that God is sovereign and that humans are free.** To be UM is to hold in paradox two views that are often taught in opposition on today’s campuses: God’s sovereignty and the freedom of the will. While UMs believe that God is “in control” and that God and the forces of good will ultimately defeat the forces of darkness and evil, we also affirm that we as human beings have the freedom to choose daily between a path that leads to life or one that leads to death. Thus, much of the heartache that we experience in this world is a result of sin, not a part of God’s good, pleasing and perfect will. Of course, we see salvation as a great gift from God offered to all who, with God’s leading, say “yes” to God’s invitation in Jesus Christ.

- **We are both evangelistic and socially conscious in our core theology.** UMs have long proclaimed that God in Jesus Christ has the power to not only transform lives and hearts, but to transform the world as well. The “Good News” in Jesus Christ, however, should never lead us to feel spiritually superior or better than others. For UMs, a true response to God’s amazing grace leads us into the streets and into the world – working for and serving those who have no voice, no status, and no value in our culture. And a true response also leads us, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to advocate for peace, to work for justice, and to seek to tear down the walls of hostility that continue to separate us within the Body of Christ and throughout the world. While God’s grace is always free, it is also always costly.

- **We believe that we are saved by faith, but that faith without works is really no faith at all.** Arguably, the “yes” that we say to God in Jesus Christ is to be affirmed each and every day through our actions. UMs believe that simply saying “Lord, Lord” is not enough. In the end, Jesus will claim to know those who fed the hungry, clothed the naked, visited the prisoners, and greeted the stranger – indeed, those who cared for the forgotten of our world. UMs, unlike others, extend a helping hand to whomever has need, not just those within the community of faith. The UM student ministry in Clemson is most distinctive in this way.

- **We believe that loving God with our minds is just as important as loving God
with our hearts. In the UMC, we do not ask folks to check in their brains at the door of the sanctuary. Instead, we see our minds and our reason as great gifts from God that, if used faithfully, can help us better understand how to discern God’s will for the world. UMs have always sought to hold together two ideas that have long been “disjoined” – the pursuit of knowledge and vital piety.

- **We believe in the dignity of all persons.** UMs seek to extend God’s love to all people because we believe that Christ died for all and that all people are made in God’s image. We affirm that one of most important marks of the Christian community is how it cares and shows respect for those on the fringes of our society. UMs believe that a woman’s voice and role in the life of the Church is just as important as a man’s.

- **We believe that a life lived for God is the only life worth living.** UMs believe that following Jesus will require us to deny ourselves and live in cruciform ways as we seek to love God by loving others. Ideally, this is lived out in community where *agape* love and true *koinonia* is the goal. While we all know that cross-bearing is painful and never easy, UMs also affirm that the way of Jesus is, well, the way. True and everlasting life, therefore, begins when we start living our lives in service to God and God’s world, with the support and nurture of our brothers and sisters in the faith.

To summarize, we preach and teach that to be UM is to be a Christian, to be someone who, with God’s help, is seeking to follow faithfully in Jesus’ footsteps. With hearts full of gratitude for his work as Savior on the cross, we seek to celebrate his Lordship in all things by how we live daily. Renouncing the ways of the world, UMs seek to emulate God’s nature by practicing hospitality, forgiveness, mercy and generosity in tangible ways. Generally, it is our tendency to leave fruitless, dogmatic arguments to others, preferring instead to err on the side of gracious living.

This is a glimpse of the Gospel that we seek to share with the nearly 1,000 students that call CW and/or CUMC home each year. We give God thanks for the hundreds of graduates over the years who continue to serve God and the Church through full-time, ordained, and lay ministry.

To all the individuals, pastors, youth ministers, Sunday School classes, women’s and men’s groups and local churches who support this ministry through your apportionments or other special gifts – may God bless you all in your desire to reach today’s generation of young people with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

*C. Lane Glaze, Campus Minister*

**COLUMBIA WESLEY FOUNDATION-METHODIST STUDENT NETWORK**

What can a group of students and teachers do on a university campus if they open themselves to the Spirit of God? One needs only to look at the beginnings of the Methodist church on the campus of Oxford, England in the 18th century to find a “campus ministry” that gave impetus to the movement now known to us as the United Methodist Church. That combination of faith, students and university life still exists today and is empowering a new generation of students to become the church’s new leaders. With the largest number of students ever on our campuses what an amazing opportunity we have for mission and ministry. Many new and para-churches are raising great sums of money to be on campus. Sadly, there is not the level of support from the United Methodist Church to properly fund and equip campus ministry to do all the work, yet we have been faithful with what we have been given. What has our ministry been this year? How have we been faithful?

- The Wesley Foundation at USC (Methodist Student Network) puts its faith into action. Seven times a week students go into the community to serve at a soup kitchen, an after school mentoring program, Habitat –for-Humanity, an evening community children’s program and a newly begun ESL program for Latino women in the West Columbia area.

- Methodist Student Network has been to New Orleans on three occasions to be in service to and solidarity with its battered residents.

- We took a team of 31 to Peru to work with street children and provided ministry with the young people, a VBS, helped to build the village for street children and provided a health clinic for the community.
On campus we provided many opportunities for study and worship and support. Through various small groups, a program evening tackling tough issues of faith and life and Quiet-time, students can be spiritually grounded and transformed.

Sunday evening worship is a reconciling and unifying adventure as students of various nationalities, cultures, races and faith traditions discover a oneness in Christ that is real.

The faith community and Center provide hospitality and a place where life long friendships are formed and life/faith issues can be explored.

Three students have been admitted to seminary to begin studies for ordained ministry.

Thanks to all the students who live out their faith and lead in ministry at MSN. Thanks to faithful friends and supporters who believe in the mission of the Wesley Foundation. Thanks to all those churches, UMWs, Circles and Sunday School classes who have given money and food to sustain students on their faith journey. What a joy it is to accompany these students.

Tom Wall-Director, Campus Minister

FRANCIS MARION WESLEY FOUNDATION

The Francis Marion Wesley Foundation has been in a state of change this year. The Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry approved in 2007 to move the position of campus minister from a stipend position connected to a two point charge to a full time position in conjunction with Central United Methodist Church in Florence. The hope was to have someone in the position by June, but a qualified candidate was not found until January. The Wesley Foundation had an interim in the fall, and the Reverend Jo Anna Fallaw was appointed starting in February. This new partnership with Central is providing the much needed support for this ministry. This year has been a year of change and adaptation. We are excited about getting on a new routine starting in the fall with a large freshmen outreach movement, retreat opportunities, mission projects over the breaks, bible study, and engaging programs. We covet your prayers as the Wesley Foundation at Francis Marion University moves into this new life together.

Jo Anna Fallaw, Campus Minister

FURMAN WESLEY FELLOWSHIP

The Furman Wesley Fellowship is a thriving community. The outreach to the freshmen this fall proved to be extremely fruitful. These new freshmen have outstanding leadership skills; they've already assimilated to the community, and will be a major asset to the future of Wesley at Furman. The group continues in their mission work over semester breaks with a majority of the group participating. What has been accomplished with this group is what most ministers hope for in a group. They are self-sufficient. The group has leadership in place that plans and implements the programs of the group. In addition, every student is part of one of these leadership teams having ownership of the ministry. For example, a senior who helps lead the worship team realized that almost the whole team was graduating this year, so he took it upon himself to gather in a few freshmen and offer weekly lessons helping secure a music team for the fall. These kinds of stories abound with this fantastic group of young adults. Any church would be blessed to have one of these students as a member and leader in their congregation. The group is currently in a time of transition with campus ministers. The desire is that by conference the search committee will have found a full time replacement for the Reverend Jo Anna Fallaw who is now serving Francis Marion University. This will be the first time that Furman Wesley Fellowship will have had a full time campus minister. Praise God for the growth of the program and the Conference’s willingness to support this change.

Jo Anna Fallaw, Outgoing Campus Minister
THE UNITED METHODIST STUDENT FELLOWSHIP
AT LANDER UNIVERSITY AND PIEDMONT TECHNICAL COLLEGE

This year has been a year of building on a firm foundation that was laid last year by a dedicated board of directors following the lead of the Holy Spirit. Their mission and purpose was and continues to be: provide a safe, nurturing Christian environment for any and all students at Lander University and Piedmont Technical College.

Glenn Williams was hired in September to be the director/chaplain of UMSF. With most of the previous year’s students graduating, recruiting was a priority. Our president, Lindsey Arant, along with Emily Burch, and Lander faculty representative, Dr. Jon Bassett, worked hard to promote UMSF on the Lander campus. We also participated in an activities fair at Piedmont Tech with faculty representative, Kit Adkins. Conference pastors were also very helpful in providing the names of students from their churches. Through these efforts, God brought together a small, diverse group of students and we began to grow in our faith together.

Presently, we meet on Wednesday evenings for Bible Study at 6 o’clock. On Sunday nights at 8 o’clock we get together and watch a movie. All movies are screened and have Christian themes. On Tuesdays we meet for lunch at a local “fast food” restaurant. All of these activities include devotion and prayer and wonderful fellowship. The students participate in fund raising with “Belk Charity Day” and cooking a meal for the Main Street UMC family night dinner. Three of our students attended the SCUMSM retreat at White Oak in February, and our own Juliet Hawkins was elected president of SCUMSM for ’08. As a mission we plan to join Main Street UMC in the fall with a Child Evangelism Fellowship “Good News Club” in a local elementary school.

Main Street United Methodist Church in Greenwood continues to provide, at no cost, a wonderful student center very convenient to the Lander campus. The center has wireless internet, TV, game room, study room, and washer and dryer. The church also pays all utilities and maintenance.

This year has been a blessing to all involved. God has truly nurtured these students, and they have grown closer to Him and to each other. Praise be to God!

Glenn Williams, Director

THE ORANGEBURG WESLEY FOUNDATION

The Campus Ministry of the Wesley Foundation at Claflin and South Carolina State Universities in Orangeburg is truly a “Church for All People.” It’s a place that welcomes and accepts all people, regardless of where they are in their personal journeys of faith. The Campus Ministry is part of the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. The Ministry has touched the lives of countless individuals; it is also a Ministry through which God and the Holy Spirit prepare selected individuals for positions of discipleship and leadership in the Church.

The “Church for All People” Ministry, in cooperation with other ministries, was very active during the 2007-2008 conference year; listed below are some of the ways in which the lives of people in our community have been touched, through:

- Weekly Bible study for students and faculty
- Religious emphasis week, which included a number of worship services
- Students’ mission trip to New Orleans
- Students’ participation in the Summer Investment Program (SIP)
- Spiritual retreat
- Donation of Thanksgiving baskets to the needy
- Christmas tree lighting
- National student forum
- United Methodist Campus Ministry Association
- Nursing home ministry
- Food and clothing drive
- Weekly fellowship and discussions
- Student seminarian dialogue
- Disciple talent show
One of the blessings of this Ministry is that the lives of so many students have been transformed. Many young people come with scant experience in the pursuit of faith, and with little or no confidence in religious leaders or in the Church. As a result of their contact with the Ministry, many of them decide to make a serious commitment to the Church. It is among this group that we have found some of our most promising leaders. Thus we say, “To God Be the Glory.”

We express our sincere gratitude to God Almighty for the blessings that He has bestowed on our Ministry, and to the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church for their spiritual and financial support. We renew our dedication to making this ministry “A Church for All People.”

Jimmy J. Montgomery, Director

WINTHROP WESLEY FOUNDATION

Relevant. Authentic. Open. Loving. Honest. Meaningful. Community. These are broad words that need unpacking, but their essence is clear. For the church to meet the needs of young people today, not just in the future, but today, we must step out of old paradigms and create our vision anew. I’m not one who thinks that we should pander to young people, feeding into the already too rampant consumer driven church. But, I’m also not one who thinks we can keep going about the status quo asking young adults to fit into ready-made boxes and expecting them to assimilate and dive right in because that’s what previous generations have done. There’s got to be some balance, some God-inspired way to address and support this unique and critical journey, while also being faithful to ministry with all of God’s people in all the ways we can by all the means we can.

Some of this conversation came out of a Rock Hill District workshop where we discussed the challenges that go with providing young adult ministries or at the very least that catch-all Sunday School Class for college students, young adults, and those that don’t seem to fit anywhere else. It’s encouraging that our church both locally and within the general church is looking at these issues. In the latest colleague, put out by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, the lead article focused on the shrinking numbers of young clergy. “In 2005 Dr. Lovett H. Weems Jr. reported that 850 of the 18,141 probationary or ordained elders in the United States were 35 years of age or younger. Only 4.69 percent of elders were in this age group—down from 15.05 percent of elders in 1985.” Wow!

This isn’t scientific by any means, but in talking with young adult clergy about what led to their calls to ministry, there were some common themes. Some say it was a mentor, whether a teacher, a pastor, or a trusted friend, others say it was mission work, whether Salkehatchie, the Summer Investment Program, or other mission trips with campus ministries or youth groups, and many, many others speak very deeply and passionately about both Camp and Retreat Ministries and Campus Ministries. These experiences challenge and inspire and help people to grow and stretch out of their comfort zones, not because ministry back home is not meeting their needs, but because these ministries are geared specifically for them and where they are.

At Wesley this semester one of our small groups is reading Donald Miller’s Blue Like Jazz. Miller does a tremendous job of being very transparent and open within his story and incredibly real about his struggles with faith during this time in his life. There are many quotes that stand out and seem like touchstones for this generation, but one we discussed this past week, is a particular challenge to not only young people, but to all of us. He writes, “I have become an infomercial for God, and I don’t even use the product.”

Campus Ministries are not just infomercials for God. We use the product in faithful ways every day and we’re challenging our students, this crazy but amazing generation of young adults, to use it and to live it faithfully as well. The world doesn’t always notice our list of accolades, but it does note in a culture of slippery and shiny packaging, when something is “for real.” Each of our programs comes from the brilliant minds of these students, and although the next couple of lines are sort of an infomercial, know that it comes from a passionate crew of God-lovers who are actively seeking to be the church in the world.

Weekly Gatherings: Sunday Night CROSSFIRE Communion & Worship Service; Wednesday Night Wesley Dinner, Praise & Program; Monday Small Group Lunch Study; Wednesday Girl’s Lunch Study, Wednesday Prayer at the Pole.

Missions & Outreach: Mission Trip to the Center for Development in Central America in
Nicaragua December 2007; 30th Annual CROPWALK-highest total yet $35,459.36; Alyce T. Guettler Hunger Run; Interfaith Hospitality Network; Charleston-Winthrop Mission Weekend at The United Methodist Relief Center; collection for A Place for Hope; SIP Missioner, Renee Cave from Columbia, SC; 50 students SLEEP OUT on Dinkin’s Lawn during Homeless Awareness Week, Candlelight Vigil and Homeless Count with Catawba Coalition.

Ecumenical: Orientation, Pancake Exam Breaks, Halloween Game Night, Thanksgiving Worship Service, Lectures

Fellowship: Rafting, Laser Tag, Movie Nights, Charlotte Knights Baseball, Winthrop Sporting Events, Camping Trips, Christmas and Easter Dinners at the Jeter’s, South Carolina United Methodist Student Movement Retreat at White Oak.

Wesley House: There are 6 students living in The Wesley House, which is next door to The Wesley Foundation. We again extend a huge thanks to the churches that helped repair and donate to make the house a reality.

Connection: Quarterly Newsletter, Student-Created Website under construction, Wesley Sundays at local churches and UMW groups, led some District Youth Groups, hosted District Clergy Meeting.

We could not do this ministry without the support of the conference, district churches, and faithful prayer warriors throughout. A special thanks to those who provide our Wednesday night dinners and much-appreciated donations of supplies, as well as to the Rock Hill UMVIM who fixed our leaking roof! May God use this generation to shock all of our socks off as they shake, shape, charge, and change our world both making and living as faithful disciples for Jesus Christ.

Narcie M. Jeter, Campus Minister

THE BOARD OF LAITY

Report No. 1

The Conference Board of Laity experienced several changes in membership during the past year. We mourned the passing of Mr. Mike McKain who was appointed as the Director of Stewardship Task Group just prior to the 2007 Annual Conference. Mr. Donald Love accepted the role as Task Group leader for Stewardship. Mrs. Cynthia Williams was confirmed by the 2007 Annual conference as the Florence District Lay Leader replacing Dr. Robert T. Barrett who moved out of that District. We celebrate the work of several of our District Lay Leaders who will complete their term on the Board at this annual conference.

During the year the Conference Lay Leader was active in representing the Board as a participant with the Association of Annual Conference Lay Leaders on the jurisdictional and national levels. Meeting with the Extended Cabinet provided many opportunities to keep the Cabinet abreast of the workings of the laity in the conference. District Lay Leaders were active in the training of Lay Delegates to Annual Conference. The Conference Lay Leader and the Associate Lay Leader were elected as delegates to the 2008 General and Jurisdictional Conferences.

The Board worked to respond to the needs of congregations over the conference by providing workshops, special meetings and presentations, training of lay speakers, opportunities for spiritual formation, resources, and advocating unity among laity in our churches. Task Group leaders continued their work in areas to include (1) Laity Convocation, (2) Lay Speaking (3) Leadership Development, (4) Spiritual Formation, and (5) Stewardship. A summary of their activities follows:

Laity Convocation (Robert E. Scarborough) -The 2007 S.C. Laity Convocation, themed “The Family of Christ” was held July 13-15, 2007, Lake Junaluska, N.C. and featured Bishop Marcus Matthews, Bishop of the Philadelphia Episcopal Area. Bishop Matthews, a South Carolina native, was nurtured at Cumberland United Methodist Church in Florence, SC. Bishop Will Willimon, Bishop of the North Alabama Conference, also a South Carolina native, lead a breakout session on Saturday morning entitled “Exploring the Different Images of Family in the Bible”. Dr. Paul Chilcote, Visiting Professor at Duke Divinity School and President of the Charles Wesley Society preached at the concluding Worship Service on Sunday morning.

For the first time, a number of breakout sessions were offered Friday afternoon. They were
designed to appeal to all participants but some had a special attraction to Music Directors and Organists. The goal is two-fold, to lengthen the Laity Convocation by ½ day and reach out to a new group of United Methodists who could benefit by coming to the event. Overall there were approximately 30 breakout sessions from which to choose.

For 2008, Rev. Tony Campolo, is scheduled to return. Rev. Campolo, Professor Emeritus at Eastern University in St. David’s, PA was with us in 2006. The Convocation Task Force received an overwhelming number of requests to have him return. It is expected that he will again inspire us and confront us as he expresses what he believes the Scriptures are telling us.

The Convocation continues on the foundation of “A Weekend of Personal Spiritual Growth for Local Church Leaders and Practical Ideas for Your Church” and features numerous workshops dealing with church leadership, lay speaking ministries, safe sanctuaries, family ministries and many other topics. These workshops give the attendees practical and understandable information about how United Methodist laity can serve Christ through the local church. The dates for the 2008 SC Laity Convocation are July 11, 12, 13, 2008 at Lake Junaluska, NC.

Lay Speaking Ministries (Michael Cheatham) - remains a vital tool in the training and equipping of effective leaders in the laity of the South Carolina Conference. Local church leaders have taken courses to improve their leadership and communications skills. Local church and certified lay speakers are active in our local churches, and in the districts and at the conference level. Lay Speaking Ministries offers classes in every district. Many districts offer multiple schools each year. Lay Speaking Ministries offers courses in leadership, communications, and caring. Lay Speaking Ministries also equips the laity to be involved in ministry. Lay Speakers are developing many ministries across the conference as well as assisting our clergy. Lay Speakers lead prayer groups, prison ministries, Bible studies, homeless ministries through local soup kitchens and food banks, ministries for women, and many more. Lay Speakers serve their local church in every area of leadership, mission, and ministry.

Our conference director, Michael Cheatham, serves on the executive committee of the Association of Conference Directors of Lay Speaking Ministries as chair of the Communications Committee. He also continues to serve as president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Association of Directors of Lay Speaking Ministries.

Lay Speaking Ministries – Equipping United Methodist Laity for Ministry
It’s not just filling empty pulpits.

Leadership Development (John Allgood) - the Task Group on Leadership Development is concentrating on two areas: building the clergy-laity partnership in ministry and discovering and devising ways to better equip the laity for leadership and ministry. We have worked with the Task Group on the Laity Convocation to address each area in the 2008 Laity Convocation. There will be a workshop on Discovering Leaders through Spiritual Gifts and there will be a forum/discussion between the bishop and the conference lay leader on the clergy-laity partnership.

We are exploring the use of video conferencing to make laity training available to laity throughout the conference at the same time. We are working on a basic leadership training handbook and are examining approaches to leader development used in other conferences. The task group sees that we need to raise up a new generation of leaders in the church with a vision of servant leadership and kingdom living.

Spiritual Formation (Kathryn Scarborough) - Sixty-three people attended “Choosing Spiritual Leaders – Transforming Church Boards II”, a one-day event held at Cayce UMC in April 2007. Evaluations were very good, and we will provide seed money to support having this event in three areas of the Conference during 2008.

We will again sponsor two spiritual formation workshops at the 2008 Laity Convocation: Mary Lou Redding and Tom Albin will be our workshop leaders.

We worked with the leadership team in planning for The 5-day Academy for Spiritual Formation, held April 13-18, 2008 at White Oak Conference Center. The theme was Disciplines for the Journey, and faculty members were Liz Canham and Tom Albin.

God is continuing to reveal to us opportunities for working with the Local Church in this process of Spiritual Formation.
Stewardship (Donald Love) - Since accepting the role as chairperson, we are currently in the process of identifying and contacting members of the Task Group to establish a time and place for a meeting to review and evaluate the primary goals for focus that were previously established for 2007.

Work is continuing in the areas of these primary goals as we have made plans to load the manual Gifted to Give: Stewardship Alive to the Board of Laity Website. The Lay Speakers Lead in Stewardship course has been successfully offered in at least one of the District Lay Speaking Schools in 2007 for training leaders in the area of stewardship. Other districts will be encouraged to consider offering this course and the Lay Speakers Discover Spiritual Gifts Course in 2008 Lay Speaking Schools.

Also, a stewardship workshop “How to Create a New Spirit of Giving” was offered at the 2007 Laity Convocation in Lake Junaluska, NC.

The stewardship web page, when completed, will provide information on companies and individuals who lead capital and stewardship campaigns and will include a list of local churches that have successfully used specific campaigns and are willing to share their experiences with other local churches.

A listing of the Conference Resource Center’s stewardship resources will also be included to help promote use of the information currently available.

The Stewardship Task Group will continue to promote the importance of Stewardship in our daily lives as disciples of Jesus Christ by providing resources and training for individuals and churches to help reach our full potential as stewards of the mysteries and gifts of God.

Joseph E. Heyward, Conference Lay Leader

Report No. 2

Nominating Committee Report

In accordance with the South Carolina Annual Conference Standing Rule Number 30.h the Board of Laity Nominating Committee submits the following nominations for the Board of Laity.

Conference Lay Leader
Dr. Joseph E. Heyward, PO Box 384, Florence, SC 29503

Conference Associate Lay Leader
Mrs. Kathryn Scarborough, 278 Pen Branch Road, North, SC 29112

Secretary of the Board of Laity
Mrs. Jane Scott, 780 Charlotte Thompson Road, Camden, SC 29020

THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF ORDAINED MINISTRY

The Conference Board of Ordained Ministry has diligently fulfilled her responsibilities to the South Carolina Annual Conference and to The United Methodist Church. This year the Board will recommend 12 candidates for probationary membership and 17 candidates for full membership in The South Carolina Annual Conference. These candidates have been nurtured through the candidacy process and through the three year Residency in Ministry Program. The Board is grateful to those clergy who have served and continue to serve as Mentors to our conference’s candidates for Ordained and Licensed ministry. In addition, we extend our appreciation to Eddie Williams who coordinates our Licensing School. This school provides the basic training for those who will serve among us as Local Pastors. These pastors are a vital part of our ministry and their training is an important work of this Board. The ministries of our congregations are greatly enhanced by those who have been certified in ministry. Donna J. Poston has completed the requirements for Professional Certification in Youth Ministry. Donna is currently serving as Director of Youth and Children's Ministry at St. Mark UMC, Seneca. Her pastor is Reverend Steven D. Morgan.

The work of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry is multifaceted as we care for conference relationships as they begin, as they change when pastors have need for leaves of varied sorts or sabbaticals, and through all the rich years of service until retirement. We are living into the concept of Orders as established by the 1996 Discipline through our Clergy Gatherings. We want to express appreciation to The Reverends Frank Griffith, Jr., Chair of
Order of Elder, The Reverend Kathy James, Chair of Order of Deacon, and the Reverend Len Ripley who Chairs The Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members. Their leadership has been a blessing to this Annual Conference and to the work of The Board of Ordained Ministry. The Board is always seeking ways to enhance the ministries of our clergy through continuing education and spiritual formation. This year, at the request of Bishop Taylor, The Board of Ordained Ministry helped through ME Funds, to send members of the 2007 Ordination Class to Israel. The Board received a report on behalf of the attendees at her April 17th meeting. The Board is committed to making this trip available to each new class of Full Members and will be planning for the ongoing funding of this opportunity in the year ahead.

In addition to these ongoing ministries, the Board of Ordained Ministry has spent some time researching the cost of seminary education and is seeking to establish a relationship with Hood Seminary in Salisbury, North Carolina; the use(s) of Ministerial Education Funds; in conjunction with The Bishop and Cabinet prepared a new instrument for Pastoral Evaluation; worked on the issue(s) and the conference policy on pastoral ineffectiveness; and reviewed the requirements and guidelines for the Board of Ordained Ministry.

The Board of Ordained Ministry recommends the following changes to the Policy Guidelines (deletions are indicated by strikethroughs and additions are indicated by underlines):

**Amend guideline XXII. A. by insertion:**

“A. Course of Study Schools Participants: Through the MEF, the Board provides partial scholarships for attendance at the Course of Study schools. The scholarship is paid directly to Duke or Candler. Local Pastors enrolled in The Advanced Course of Study who are working towards Full Membership as an Elder in the South Carolina Annual Conference may apply for ME Funds for a maximum of three full seminary courses per year. The scholarship funds for Course of Study and Advanced Course of Study classes are to be paid directly to the seminary.”

**Amend XX.C. 5,6,7 & 8 by removing the last sentence:**

5. “Each year the Board's Committee on Proclamation and Preaching prepares instructions for the requirement of a written proclamation/sermon for applicants for Associate Membership (1992 Discipline Par. 420.9) or 2004 Discipline Par. 322.1(9)). Probationary Membership (1992 Discipline Par. 414.6)(Sermon (elder track) or a Contextual Project (deacon track), and Full Membership as Elders (Par. 424.5 1992 Discipline) or Par. 335(5) 2004 Discipline) and Full Membership as Deacons (Par. or Par. 330.3 2004 Discipline). These instructions are distributed by the Office of Clergy Services for the respective Division to all known applicants and become part of the requirements for that relationship. Only one rewrite will be allowed.

6. Committee on Theology and Doctrine prepares instructions for the oral and written doctrinal questions in the current Discipline for Associate Membership (324.9.a-i), all Probationary Membership (324.9.a-i), Deacons in Full Connection (330.4a) and Elders in Full Connection (335.7a). The doctrinal questions with instructions are distributed by the Office of Clergy Services to the respective known applicants. The completed responses of the applicants are read and evaluated by the Committee on Theology and Doctrine. Only one rewrite will be allowed.

7. Committee on Call and Disciplined life prepares instructions for the oral and written disciplinary questions concerning the applicant’s call and disciplined life for candidates for Associate Membership (324.9,j-p), Probationary Membership (324.9,j-p), Deacons in Full Connection (330.4b) and Elders in Full Connection (335.7b). The call and disciplined life questions with instructions are distributed by the Office of Clergy Services to the respective known applicants. The completed responses of the applicants are read and evaluated by the Committee on Call and Disciplined Life. Only one rewrite will be allowed.

8. Committee on Bible Study prepares instructions for presenting a plan and outline for teaching an assigned book of the Bible for the applicants for
Associate Member, Probationary Member, Elders in Full Connection; and prepares instructions for a Contextual Project for Deacons. These are distributed by the Office of Clergy Services. Only one rewrite will be allowed."

This will effect a change in that the Board of Ordained Ministry will no longer receive rewrites during the application process. All persons who submit the required materials on a timely basis will receive a complete evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of their submitted materials and will be scheduled to meet with the Board of Ordained Ministry.

Amend XX. C. 4. by deletion:

"4. Policies and Procedures for Academic Style and Intellectual Integrity Standards for Academic Style: All work submitted to the Board should be guided by standards of academic style commonly required by institutions of higher learning. Footnotes and bibliography should be done in accordance with the most recent edition of A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations, by Kate Turabian. Failure to properly document sources will result in a rewrite."

This statement is part of the Academic Integrity Policy. When a candidate is thought to have failed in providing proper documentation of sources, the candidate will be notified about the concern before their meeting with the Board of Ordained Ministry and these concerns will be addressed during their oral interviews.

Amend III. B. by addition of a new sub-paragraph:

"6. To be certified as a candidate one must submit to the district Committee on Ordained Ministry documentation of the successful completion of the TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education). This test may be taken at a county Adult Education Office in South Carolina. The cost of taking the TABE will be incurred by the candidate."

Amend XXIII. by addition of a new sub-paragraph:

"H. An individual applying for membership in The South Carolina Annual Conference must submit a Statement of Disciplinary Compliance and Substance Abuse provided by the Office of Clergy Services on behalf of The Call and Disciplined Life Committee of the Board of Ordained Ministry."

Add the “Policy on Pastoral Ineffectiveness” as amended below (previously found on page 230 of the 2006 Journal (Vol. I)) as XIII.D to the Policy Guidelines:

“Policy on Pastoral Ineffectiveness

The following statement of policy was adopted by the South Carolina Conference Appointive Cabinet and the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry. This instrument is intended to be used by the Appointive Cabinet in evaluations of clergy when issues of ineffectiveness are raised.

Pastoral Ineffectiveness

I. Definition of Ineffective Pastor

An ineffective pastor is one whose frequent moves are characterized by one or more of the following characteristics:

a. Unwillingness to focus on the work of the parish.
b. Poor relational skills
c. Indolence – sloth – “laziness”
d. Failure to meet the pastoral care, worship or leadership (preaching) needs of the parish.
II. Potential Reasons for Alleging Ineffectiveness:
   a. Service record – frequent moves (for example, three consecutive appointments lasting only one or two years)
   b. Evaluation covenant from the local church Committee on Pastor (Staff)-Relations.
   c. Reports and reviews of district superintendents.
   d. History of church’s effectiveness before and after the “ineffective” pastor.
   e. Pattern of ineffectiveness as defined in Section I above

III. Recommendations for Responding to the Ineffective Pastor
   a. Identify areas that need to be strengthened. The district superintendent will also share a copy of the policy on pastoral ineffectiveness with the pastor and have him or her initial the copy after reading.
   b. Identify resources that offer the pastor opportunities to strengthen the areas, and develop a plan to strengthen ministerial skills.
   c. Warn the pastor that failure to make progress in strengthening these areas could lead to administrative action. (Par. 362.2, 2004 Discipline)
   d. Continue to review at appropriate intervals and suggest appropriate consultations.
   e. Document the reviews in detail and place in pastor’s file.
   f. Consider leave options as provided for in The Book of Discipline.

IV. If substantial progress is not made, the Cabinet will initiate appropriate action in keeping with the Discipline.

The Board and Cabinet have agreed to publish this policy and other policies that set certain standards of behavior or performance criteria for clergy. They also suggest that these policies be published at least once a quadrennium in the conference journal.”

I have now completed my service as Chair of this Board. I express my deep appreciation to her members for their commitment to excellence in ministerial leadership. They have been diligent and compassionate servants of this Annual Conference and of The United Methodist Church.

   Patricia J. Parrish, Chair

THE BOARD OF PENSION AND HEALTH BENEFITS

PENSION SECTION

Report Number One

A. The Board of Pension and Health Benefits requests that the South Carolina Annual Conference fix $650 per service year as the rate for annuity payments to retired ministers. This shall include service annuity credits approved prior to January 1, 1982. An eligible surviving spouse shall receive 75% of the formula benefit upon the death of the participant.

B. The Board of Pensions requests that direct billings to salary paying units be made that will give the Board of Pension and Health Benefits (The Pension Fund), $5,415,181 for the pension program of the South Carolina Annual Conference for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009, and that this sum be apportioned or billed to the charges of the South Carolina Annual Conference.

C. Resolutions Relating to Rental/Housing Allowances for Active, Retired or Disabled Clergypersons of the South Carolina Annual Conference

The South Carolina Annual Conference (the “Conference”) adopts the following resolutions relating to rental/housing allowances for active, retired, or disabled clergypersons of the Conference:
WHEREAS, the religious denomination known as The United Methodist Church (the “Church”), of which this Conference is a part, has in the past functioned and continues to function through ministers of the gospel (within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 107) who were or are duly ordained, commissioned, or licensed ministers of the Church (“Clergypersons”);

WHEREAS, the practice of the Church and of this Conference was and is to provide active Clergypersons with a parsonage or a rental/housing allowance as part of their gross compensation;

WHEREAS, pensions or other amounts paid to active, retired, and disabled Clergypersons are considered to be deferred compensation and are paid to active, retired, and disabled Clergypersons in consideration of previous active service; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service has recognized the Conference (or its predecessors) as the appropriate organization to designate a rental/housing allowance for Clergypersons who are or were members of this Conference and are eligible to receive such deferred compensation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: THAT an amount equal to 100% of the pension or disability payments received from plans authorized under The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church (the “Discipline”), which includes all such payments from the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits (“GBOPHB”), during the year 2007 and 2008 by each active, retired, or disabled Clergyperson who is or was a member of the Conference, or its predecessors, be and hereby is designated as a rental/housing allowance for each such Clergyperson; and

THAT the pension or disability payments to which this rental/housing allowance applies will be any pension or disability payments from plans, annuities, or funds authorized under the Discipline, including such payments from the GBOPHB and from a commercial annuity company that provides an annuity arising from benefits accrued under a GBOPHB plan, annuity, or fund authorized under the Discipline, that result from any service a Clergyperson rendered to this Conference or that an active, a retired, or a disabled Clergyperson of this Conference rendered to any local church, annual conference of the Church, general agency of the Church, other institution of the Church, former denomination that is now a part of the Church, or any other employer that employed the Clergyperson to perform services related to the ministry of the Church, or its predecessors, and that elected to make contributions to, or accrue a benefit under, such a plan, annuity, or fund for such active, retired, or disabled Clergyperson’s pension or disability as part of his or her gross compensation.

NOTE: The rental/housing allowance that may be excluded from a Clergyperson’s gross income in any year for federal income tax purposes is limited under Internal Revenue Code section 107(2) and regulations there under to the least of: (1) the amount of the rental/housing allowance designated by the Clergyperson’s employer or other appropriate body of the Church (such as this Conference in the foregoing resolutions) for such year; (2) the amount actually expended by the Clergyperson to rent or provide a home in such year; or (3) the fair rental value of the home, including furnishings and appurtenances (such as a garage), plus the cost of utilities in such year.

D. For 2009, each institution, organization or district to which a minister is appointed and enrolled shall pay to the South Carolina Annual Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits an amount equal $500 per month for Full Time Equivalent for the Defined Benefit portion of the Clergy Retirement Security Plan (CRSP) for clergy (including deacons) who are under Episcopal appointment (receiving compensation) at a local church, charge, conference or conference-responsible unit or entity related to the South Carolina Annual Conference. An amount equal to 3.0% of the appointed participants Plan Compensation shall be paid for the defined contribution portion of the CRSP. An amount equal to 3.0% of the appointed participants Plan Compensation, limited by 200% of the Denominational Average Compensation shall be paid for Comprehensive Protection Plan funding. The South Carolina Board of Pension and Health Benefits will bill for those clergy at the charge level. Such payments shall be made for each minister so appointed, and paid monthly in equal payments each month during the year 2009, or in advance for monthly crediting in
twelve equal installments from deposits made in the Deposit Account of the South Carolina Annual Conference with the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits, by the treasurer of the South Carolina Annual Conference. In the event that monthly credits to the minister in appointment’s Church Account exceed the funds deposited for the minister in special appointment, an interest charge made at 12% per annum shall be made. This interest payment is due the following month with interest charges on a daily factor until the institutional account of the minister in appointment is current.

(1) For the purposes of this section, the Bishop and the Cabinet have established the following for guidelines as to the full or part time status of an appointment to determine FTE status by working quarters:
   a. Full time appointments are assumed to be full time in service. Defined Plan Compensation cannot be less than the 2009 CPP and HealthFlex threshold of $34,936. There is no classification for a three quarter (3/4) time local pastor. Local pastors must be classified as full-time, half-time, or one-quarter time. Student local pastors are less than full time, but study and compensation requirements have to be met on an annual basis.
   b. Three Quarter time (3/4) for members means Plan Compensation is no less than 60% of the DAC (the CPP and HealthFlex threshold of $34,936). Service time is no less than 35 hours per week. Paid vacation time is limited to three weeks annually.
   c. One half time (1/2) for members means Plan Compensation is no less than 40% ($23,290) of the DAC, service time of no less than 28 hours per week with paid vacation time is limited to two weeks annually.
   d. One quarter (1/4) time for members means Plan Compensation is no less than 20% of the DAC ($11,645). Service time of no less than 15 hours per week, with paid vacation time is limited to one week annually.
   e. Part-time local pastor (1/2) means Plan Compensation is no less than 30% of the Annual Conference Average Compensation ($17,468). Half time local pastor means service can be no less than 20 hours per week with two weeks paid vacation.
   f. Part-time local pastor (1/4) means Plan Compensation is less than $17,468 (30% of the Annual Conference Average Compensation). Service time can be less than 20 hours per week with one week paid vacation.

Report Two
2008 Pension and Welfare Operating Budget

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Estimated Income
**UM Publishing House**
Investment Income-Permanent Funds 450,000.00 300,000.00
Institutional Payments 376,653.00 396,752.00
Apportionment* 119,856.00 129,072.00
Direct Bill Payments 4,955,645.00 5,415,181.00
**Total Estimated Income**
5,902,154.00 6,241,005.00

*Amount to be apportioned
Clergy Transition* 89,856.00 99,072.00
Grants/Contingency* 30,000.00 30,000.00
**TOTAL APPORTIONED PENSIONS**
119,856.00 $129,072.00
E. The fiscal year of the Board of Pensions shall be the same as that of the South Carolina Annual Conference.

F. The Board of Pension and Health Benefits authorizes one time moving expense grants, not to exceed $1,500, and including up to $350 in verified packing expenses, for newly incapacitated ministers receiving CPP Incapacity Benefits, surviving spouses of ministers or newly retired ministers in benefit, moving from the parsonage provided by the charge. Persons moving must file for the one time grant within 90 days of first reception of pension or disability benefits and may use the funds for moving expenses and/or for connection/tap on or hook up fees in the new residence.

* To be apportioned
**The Bishops have asked that Jurisdictional Conference Publishing House Distributions be directed to Central Conferences to fund pension programs.

Report Three
South Carolina Annual Conference Funding Plan
For Supplement One to the Ministerial Pension Plan
As of January 1, 2008

The 2008 Past Service Rate (PSR) is $614, or 1.02% of the Conference Average Compensation (CAC). The Conference intends to maintain the Past Service Rate around 1% of CAC. For the past several years, CAC has increased by an average of about 5.23% per year, and we expect that pattern to continue. Therefore, we expect future Past Service Rates to increase by an average of about 4% per year.

As of January 1, 2006, assuming 4% annual Past Service Rate increases, the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits actuarial valuation of the plan for the Conference shows more assets than benefit obligations. The funding plan is summarized below:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>Current Plan Funding</td>
<td>$93,197,590</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supplement One Liability</td>
<td>(72,822,832)</td>
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<td>A PSR Increase of 4.0%</td>
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<td>Funding Surplus as of January 1, 2006</td>
<td>$20,374,560</td>
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<td>Assuming 7.0% interest and the RP 2000 Mortality Table</td>
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David V. Braddon, Chairperson  
Sherry Eisom, Secretary

THE BOARD OF PENSION AND HEALTH BENEFITS
GROUP INSURANCE SECTION
Report Number One

The insurance program of the South Carolina Conference is designed to provide its eligible employees (as defined herein) with a comprehensive plan for major medical benefits and a Medicare supplement. The following are eligible for coverage under the program:

1. Those fully employed and funded by a local church either as Elders in Full Connection, Deacons in Full Connection, Associate Members, Full Time Local Pastors, Probationary Elders, Probationary Deacons, Probationary Deacons/1992, Diaconal ministers and Student Local Pastors related to and serving a local church within the South Carolina Annual Conference and included in the Hospitalization and Medical Expense Program Adoption Agreement.
2. Ministers who are full time employees of and funded by the Annual Conference boards, councils or agencies.
3. District Superintendents.
4. Student local pastors appointed to and funded by a charge within the boundaries of the Annual Conference and actively at work.
5. Lay persons who are full time employees of and funded by the Annual Conference.

6. Retired clergy who have been under full time appointment to a local church with pension responsibility by the South Carolina Annual Conference, and who are immediately eligible to receive pension or incapacity benefits, and who have participation in the active group health plan of the South Carolina Annual Conference, the last ten (10) years of which were continuous and consecutive, shall be eligible for participation in the retiree health care program of the Annual Conference.

7. Retired lay employees who have attained age 62 and have been full time employees of the South Carolina Annual Conference or a local church of the South Carolina Annual Conference, and who are immediately eligible to receive United Methodist pension or incapacity benefits, and who have participation in the active group health plan of the South Carolina Annual Conference, the last ten (10) years of which were continuous and consecutive, shall be eligible for participation in the retiree health care program of the Annual Conference.

8. Those retired clergy or incapacitated employees, referred to herein as lay persons, immediately eligible to receive pension or disability benefits from the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits at the beginning of the month following the month in which the retired relation or disability leave with disability benefits takes place, and who had a minimum of ten (10) continuous and consecutive years of active participation in the South Carolina Annual Conference group health plan at the time of retirement or the granting of Basic Protection Plan incapacity benefits by the General Board of Pensions, and their respective spouses.

9. Ordained ministers from other United Methodist Annual Conferences and ordained ministers from other Methodist denominations, and other denominations, under episcopal appointment fully employed and funded by a local church or charge of the South Carolina Annual Conference under the provisions of Paragraphs 346.1 and 346.2 of the 2004 Book of Discipline.

10. Full-time employees, and their eligible dependents, enrolled and funded by a local church of the South Carolina Annual Conference currently meeting the underwriting guidelines of the South Carolina Annual Conference group insurance plan. The salary-paying unit must establish the funding basis with the annual conference on the current advanced premium.

11. Funding for the group insurance plans upon retirement in benefit from the South Carolina Annual Conference shall be based on full time employment by the Annual Conference, full time appointment to a local church or eligible extension ministry with pension responsibility by the South Carolina Annual Conference, and shall be based on the following schedule:

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<th>Years of Appointment and Participation</th>
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<td>10 continuous</td>
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<td>20 continuous</td>
<td>100%</td>
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The categories of eligibility 1 – 11 listed above are categories of access to the group insurance plan of the South Carolina Annual Conference. Funding of persons, other than those appointed as pastors or with pension funding responsibility by the South Carolina Annual Conference, is the responsibility of the salary-paying unit.
Report Number Two
Major Medical Insurance Benefits

The South Carolina Annual Conference will participate in Health Flex, the managed health care plan of the General Board of Pensions and Health Benefits of the United Methodist Church.

The South Carolina Annual Conference has elected HealthFlex BlueCross/BlueShield – Option B750 HealthFlex Pharmacy Plan 2 as the Health Care Plan. The yearly deductible is $750 individual and $1,500 for family.

The lifetime maximum coverage for each eligible insured and eligible dependent shall be limited to $2,000,000.

The South Carolina Annual Conference will participate in the Healthflex incentive program in 2008. If an active participant completes their annual wellness exam and the health risk appraisal offered through WebMD via Healthflex; that covered person will receive a $100 premium credit during the first quarter of 2009. The church will receive a corresponding $100 credit for 2009.

Additional information on the major medical expense plan is available from the Board of Pension and Health Benefits, Post Office Box 3787, Columbia, SC 29230.

Report Number Three
Medicare Benefits

The South Carolina Annual Conference has elected HealthFlex Medicare Plan 2 and HealthFlex Pharmacy Plan 2 as the Medicare Supplement Plan Option.

Eligible retired participants and their eligible dependents as well as active participants and their eligible dependents that have attained age 65 shall have benefits calculated by the Medicare Companion approach. This assumes eligible participants and dependents shall be enrolled in Medicare Part A and Part B immediately prior to reaching the age and status for Medicare eligibility.

A handbook explaining the provisions of Medicare is available from any district office of the Social Security Administration.

Report Number Four
Administrative Procedures

Enrollment in HealthFlex, the group insurance plan of the South Carolina Annual Conference must be made within the first thirty days of eligibility or the first day actively at work. Late enrollment or enrollment for January 1st of any year must be completed with the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits prior to November 30th of the preceding year.

Eligibility requirements are also set forth in the HealthFlex Administrative Manual published by the Health Care Division of the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits of the United Methodist Church, 1201 Davis Street, Evanston, IL 60201.

Billing: At the first of each month, the Board of Pension and Health Benefits will send premium statements to the participants enrolled in the Conference Insurance Program and to participants with Flexible Spending Accounts. Payments for group health premiums and Flexible Spending Accounts premiums shall be made on a monthly basis.

Cancellation of Coverage: It is imperative that each participant in the Conference Insurance Program keeps his/her premium payments current. The Board of Pension and Health Benefits has instructed the benefits administrator to cancel the insurance coverage or the Flexible Spending Account of any participant who does not pay his/her premium by the end of the month for which he/she has been billed.

Ministers Serving in Eligible Extension Ministries: It is required that all Conference Boards and Agencies, served by ministers and others eligible for group insurance participation, pay for the “institutional share” of the insured’s premium. This provision shall apply to the District Superintendents, Conference Staff and those serving United Methodist agencies for whom the South Carolina Annual Conference has pension responsibility. In every case the full cost of the group health premium must be paid by the insured, the employer, or through the combined
payments of the insured and the employer. Premium payments shall be made in accordance with the instructions printed on the quarterly “Statement of Account”. Premium payments are due at the first of the month for which the participant is billed.

Applications for enrollment in the Conference Insurance Program are available from the Board of Pension and Health Benefits, P.O. Box 3787, Columbia, SC 29230. The change enrollment form must be completed and in the hands of the benefits administrator within 30 days from the date of eligibility. If not, the applicant will be ineligible until the next following enrollment period.

The Board of Pension and Health Benefits is charged with oversight of the group insurance program of the South Carolina Annual Conference, the benefits of which program are outlined in the reports of the Board submitted to the Annual Conference. The Annual Conference approves the group insurance budget of the Board of Pension and Health Benefits. The Board is authorized to negotiate and contract with carriers or the Hospitalization and Medical Expense Program Administrator to maintain the level of benefits for the eligible participants, as defined by the Annual Conference.

Report Number Five
Group Health Insurance Operating Budget

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<th>Requirements</th>
<th>2008 Budgeted</th>
<th>2009 Estimated</th>
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<td>Active Group</td>
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<td>Participant Only</td>
<td>2,332,275.00</td>
<td>2,331,566.00</td>
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<td>Participant + Spouse</td>
<td>1,489,320.00</td>
<td>1,489,320.00</td>
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<td>Participant + Child</td>
<td>147,340.00</td>
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<td>Participant + Children</td>
<td>164,260.00</td>
<td>164,260.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Participant + Family</td>
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<td>Total Estimated Active Group</td>
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<td>7,122,478.00</td>
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<td>Retired Group</td>
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<td>Medicare Eligible Sub Group</td>
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<td>Participant</td>
<td>861,698.00</td>
<td>1,006,980.00</td>
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<td>Participant +1</td>
<td>1,291,970.00</td>
<td>1,545,480.00</td>
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<td>Participant less Part D Medicare</td>
<td>13,536.00</td>
<td>10,016.00</td>
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<td>Total Estimated Medicare Eligible</td>
<td>2,167,204.00</td>
<td>2,562,476.00</td>
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<td>Total Retired and Active Groups</td>
<td>9,264,607.00</td>
<td>9,684,954.00</td>
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<td>Other*</td>
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<td>Incapacitation/Transition</td>
<td>188,544.00</td>
<td>206,219.00</td>
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<td>Mandatory Coverage Charge</td>
<td>85,000.00</td>
<td>225,992.00</td>
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<td>Total Estimated Other</td>
<td>273,544.00</td>
<td>412,211.00</td>
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<td>Total Estimated Requirement</td>
<td>$9,538,151.00</td>
<td>10,097,165.00</td>
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Estimated Income
Billing to salary Paying Units | 4,977,904.00 | 5,262,896.00 |
Apportioned to Churches** | 1,746,246.00 | 1,749,952.00 |
From Insured | 2,129,221.00 | 2,042,114.00 |
From Medicare Participants | 433,440.00 | 768,743.00 |
From Institutional Payments | 251,340.00 | 273,460.00 |
Total Estimated Income | $9,538,151.00 | 10,097,165.00 |

Amount to be Apportioned
Incapacitated and Transitional Funding * | 188,544.00 | 206,219.00 |
Retiree Group Costs | 1,733,764.00 | 1,793,733.00 |
LESS: Investment Income | (176,062.00) | (250,000.00) |
Total | $1,746,246.00 | 1,749,952.00 |
The Board of Pension & Health Benefits makes the following recommendation for action by the 2008 South Carolina Annual Conference.

1. That the sum of $5,080,364 be billed to the local church charges and salary paying units for the Conference Insurance Program.

2. The Board of Pension and Health Benefits requests an apportionment of $1,749,952 and Investment Income of $250,000.00 to be used as follows:
   a. $206,219.00 for incapacitated and/or suspended participants.
   b. $1,793,733.00 for retiree Group Medicare Supplement.

3. That participant premium payments be set as follows:
   a. Personal group insurance premiums for eligible active clergy/survivor/conference lay employee categories shall be 30% of the single or family coverage premium.
      1. Effective January 1, 2009, the participant only premium shall be 30% of the rate; this 30% is expected to be $170.00 per month.
      2. Effective January 1, 2009, the participant plus spouse premium shall be 30% of the rate; this 30% is expected to be $355.00 per month.
      3. Effective January 1, 2009, the participant plus child premium shall be 30% of the rate; this 30% is expected to be $237.00 per month.
      4. Effective January 1, 2009, the participant plus children premium shall be 30% of the rate; this 30% is expected to be $322.00 per month.
      5. Effective January 1, 2009, the participant plus family premium shall be 30% of the rate; this 30% is expected to be $473.00 per month.
   b. Medicare Supplement premiums for eligible fully funded participants shall be 30% of the rate; this 30% is expected to be $110.00 per month per individual effective January 1, 2009.

4. In accordance with previous action of the Annual Conference and the Board of Pension and Health Benefits, retired participants and their eligible dependents shall have the Annual Conference contribution for group health premiums limited to the lesser of the employer contribution to the Medicare Companion Plan or the percentage indicated in the funding schedule found in Report One, item 11.

5. Active participants attained age 65, serving salary paying units that would otherwise qualify for a Small Employer Medicare Secondary Payer Exemption, and their eligible dependents, shall have the Annual Conference contribution for group health premium limited to the lesser of the employer contribution to the Medicare Companion Plan or the percentage indicated in the funding schedule in Report One, item 11.

6. The estimated 2009 monthly group health insurance premiums for persons with negotiated service, compensation and benefits, Deacons in Full Connection employed full time, full time Diaconal Ministers and full time Lay Employees of local churches, are expected to be: $563.00 monthly ($6,756.00 yearly) for participant only coverage, $1,182.00 monthly ($14,184.00 yearly) for Participant plus spouse coverage, $789.00 monthly ($9,468.00 yearly) for Participant plus child coverage, $1,071.00 monthly ($12,852.00 yearly) for participant plus children coverage, and $1,577.00 monthly ($18,924.00 yearly) for Participant plus family coverage. Enrollment must be made within 30 days of new hire status, or 60 days prior to January 1, 2009.

David V. Braddon, Chairperson
Sherry Eison, Secretary
The Board of Pension and Health Benefits
Group Insurance Section
Special Report

The Board of Pension and Health Benefits provides the following information to the South Carolina Annual Conference. The General Board has provided the following guidance to the South Carolina Annual Conference.

South Carolina Conference
of The United Methodist Church
Retiree Healthcare Benefits
Summary of Results

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<th>December 31, 2006+</th>
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<td><strong>Expected postretirement benefit obligation</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Gross EPBO (total costs)</td>
<td>$ 99,183,434</td>
<td>$ 93,605,383</td>
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<tr>
<td>Retiree Contributions</td>
<td>(18,389,319)</td>
<td>(14,664,740)</td>
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<td>EPBO (net Conference costs)</td>
<td>$ 80,794,115</td>
<td>$ 78,935,643</td>
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<td><strong>Accumulated post retirement benefits costs (APBO)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Gross APBO (total costs)</td>
<td>$ 77,226,865</td>
<td>$ 70,778,627</td>
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<td>Retiree Contributions</td>
<td>(13,952,026)</td>
<td>(10,272,719)</td>
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<td>APBO (net Conference costs)</td>
<td>$ 63,274,839</td>
<td>$ 60,205,908</td>
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<td><strong>Participant counts</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Active participants</td>
<td>603</td>
<td>603</td>
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<tr>
<td>Active Dependents</td>
<td>483</td>
<td>482</td>
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<tr>
<td>Retired Participants and survivors</td>
<td>339</td>
<td>329</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dependents of retired participants</td>
<td>156</td>
<td>161</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Totals</strong></td>
<td>1,581</td>
<td>1,575</td>
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<td><strong>Key actuarial assumptions</strong></td>
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<td>Valuation date</td>
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<td>Discount rate</td>
<td>6.00%</td>
<td>5.75%</td>
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<td>Valuation year medical trend</td>
<td>12.00%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultimate medical trend</td>
<td>5.00%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultimate medical trend reached in fiscal year</td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>2012</td>
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The cover letter from the Managing actuary stated the following “The retiree medical valuation provides a financial snapshot, if you will, of the benefit program as of December 31, 2006. The expected postretirement benefit obligation (EPBO) is the liability you will be interested in from a long range funding perspective. In other words, the net EPBO represents the amount of money the conference would need to have had on hand on December 31, 2006, to consider its retiree healthcare benefit program “fully funded”.

The letter goes on to state that the conference “…use the results of this valuation to structure a sustainable funding plan addressing retiree medical liabilities.” It further states that the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits requests the South Carolina Annual Conference submit a DRAFT retiree medical funding plan by December 31, 2008 that demonstrates “…that the conference either has a sustainable funding plans or is devoting considerable effort toward creating one.”

In light of that request, the Board of Pension and Health Benefits of the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church has appointed a task force to address the development of a retiree medical funding plan. This task force will meet the requirements of the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits and report back to the Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits.

David V. Braddon, Chairperson
Sherry Eisom, Secretary
THE COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

We are pleased to announce that we have had another successful year. I would personally like to thank the members of the commission for their assistance in all of the commission’s endeavors.

PON-PON CELEBRATION

John Wesley’s 1737 visit to the Pon Pon Chapel of Ease was remembered on April 22nd, 2007. The celebration began with an outdoor worship service at 11 am. This service was followed by a picnic on the grounds and the day concluded with another brief service. The Commission would like to extend a special thanks: to the Rev. Thom Jones for his wonderful portrayal of John Wesley, to the Spartanburg Methodist choir for their awe-inspiring music and our co-sponsors, the Old Jacksonboro Historic District, the Walterboro District of the SC Annual Conference and the St. Jude Episcopal Church.

LOCAL CHURCH HISTORIAN TRAINING

April 5, 2008- “Helping Historians Avoid Hysteria” Workshop will be held from 10:00-3:00 pm at St. Andrews UMC, Orangeburg. The $20 registration includes materials and lunch. Contact Dr. Roger Gramling, PO Box 212305, Columbia, SC 29221-1305 to register.

SEJ HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

The SEJ Historical Society Annual Meeting will be held at Tennessee Wesleyan College in Athens, Tennessee July 8-11, 2008. Contact Rev. Frank Buie, 209 Jabay Drive, Columbia, SC, 29229 or fbuie@sc.rr.com for more information.

GRAVE MARKERS

The Commission is pleased to provide grave markers for deceased clergy. This is a gift of appreciation from the Annual Conference to all who served as itinerant pastors. They are capable to be attached to stone or metal markers. They are available in each district office.

CHURCH CELEBRATIONS

This year we are pleased to recognize these Bicentennial Churches:
- First UMC, Winnsboro, Columbia District
- Green Pond UMC, Ruffin, Smoaks Circuit, Walterboro District
- Dials UMC, Gray Court, Dials- Shiloh Charge, Greenville District
- Millers UMC, Mullins, Mullins Circuit, Marion District
- Smyrna UMC, Lowndesville, Anderson District

The Centennial churches are:
- Estill UMC, Hampton, Estill-Black Swamp charge, Waterboro District
- Rizer Chapel UMC, Ehrhardt, Ebenezer- Rizer Chapel Charge, Walterboro District
- Dalzell UMC, Sumter, Hartsville District
- Calhoun Falls UMC, Calhoun Falls, Anderson District
- Allen View UMC, Greenville, East Greenville Charge, Greenville District
- Livingston UMC, Livingston, Livingston-Pinehill Charge, Orangeburg District
- Bethel Park UMC, Denmark, Bethel Park-Main Street Charge, Orangeburg District
- Gramling UMC, Gramling, Spartanburg District

Hucks Awards

All churches of the Conference are encouraged to celebrate their heritage with this award. This year we are pleased to present this award to the following congregations:

Pisgah, Aynor

Pisgah’s historian, Mrs. Judy Floyd, and her committee have made great strides this year in preserving their church’s history. They have collected records documenting the church’s history, have preserved many of the church’s historic furnishings, have written historical sketches for church newsletters, and have established a history room to collect and display...
their artifacts. They prepared a DVD recording of the church’s history, with pictures, documents, and interviews, which they have shown at several events.

**Washington Street, Columbia**

Chronicling church history has become a part of Washington Street’s culture. Thanks to a bequest from Ms. Mary Vann Raggio, the church produces a DVD each year that chronicles the events in the life of the church that year. The video is shared with members of the congregation, and copies become part of the permanent historical collection. Additionally, materials submitted for the annual report but not included in the DVD are added to the church archives.

**Bethel, Spartanburg**

Bethel, Spartanburg celebrated 150 years of ministry in Spartanburg during 2007. The church took this celebration as an opportunity to establish a history room, and members began the process of consolidating records into one location. Throughout the year, members of the church talked about different important events in the church’s history, and the year concluded with a Heritage Sunday celebration. Church historian Dr. Phillip Stone and committee members are continuing the work of collecting and sharing the church’s history.

**Mountain View, Taylors**

Mountain View’s historian, Mrs. Frieda Anne Liston, has continued to lead the church in building a strong archives collection. Committee members continue to add materials to the archives, and members of the church continue to be active participants in sharing Methodist history with each other and with their community. Memories have been collected and shared, and history continues to be a central part of the church’s life.

**Individual Hucks Award recipient:**

The Reverend Dr. Theodore R. Morton, Jr.

A Life Member of the South Carolina Conference Historical Society, the Reverend Dr. Theodore R. Morton, Jr., has distinguished himself in areas of service to the Church, the State, and the Nation many of which reveal a love for and appreciation of history and a desire to record, preserve, and recount significant historical events and locations. Included among these have been his service as Secretary of the South Carolina Annual Conference, Secretary-Treasurer of the Conference Historical Society, a Commissioner of the Cokesbury Historical and Recreational Commission responsible for the Cokesbury Conference School and community site, Treasurer of the Old Ninety Six District Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society, a Life Member of the Greenwood County Historical Society, National Trustee of the National Society of Sons of the American Revolution, and Chairman of Chapter Revitalization for the South Carolina Society of Sons of the American Revolution. He was for twenty-six years the chief executive officer of the Greenwood Methodist Home. His more recent service has included the Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits and the Board of Directors of the South Carolina United Methodist Foundation. Dr. Morton is a “walking encyclopedia” of information and recollections on matters related to the last fifty years in the history of the South Carolina Conference and its institutions in addition to the many special projects and activities in which he has been involved over the years.

**2009 Award Application and Criteria**

**2009 Herbert Hucks, Jr. Awards**

The S.C. Conference Commission on Archives and History is pleased to receive applications for the **2009 Herbert Hucks, Jr., Award** for Historical Preservation and Interpretation. This award will be presented to all qualified churches and one individual at the 2009 Conference Session. If your church qualifies or if you know of someone who has furthered the interpretation and preservation of United Methodist Heritage in South Carolina, please send the name with answers to the questions below. Please include your name, the name of the church and how to contact the pastor by name. Mail your application to Carol Spencer, 245 Quail Hollow Lane, Walhalla, SC 29691.
APPLICATION DEADLINE IS February 1, 2009

Local Church Qualifications
As many churches as have fulfilled the qualifications during the past year will be recognized. Churches may qualify any number of times in a period of years. The purpose of this award is to encourage ongoing efforts to maintain awareness of the heritage celebrated in all churches of the Conference and to create research materials for the future.

1. Describe how the church historian has been active in the local church: projects, publications, collection and preservation of objects/data.
2. What steps have been taken to organize and preserve records or artifacts or what additions have been made to the church’s archives in the last year? What is the overall quality of the current collection?
3. In what ways has Methodist heritage, conference or local church history been interpreted for people in the local church in the past year as part of the Sunday school or confirmation class curriculum; UMW, UMM or UMYF program; worship experience; or general interest display?
4. Has Heritage Sunday been celebrated in some form in the past year?
5. Has a record been made on paper or video/audio tape in the past year of recollections of members who witnessed aspects of the church’s story?
6. Have copies of published documents been sent to the Archives at Wofford College and/or Claflin University? (May be included with this application.)
7. Please include appropriate documentation for responses to questions above.

Individual Qualifications
Nominees for this singular recognition should be someone who during his or her life, or in some special way recently, has contributed significantly to the preservation or interpretation of United Methodist history/heritage beyond the local church. Please describe in a few paragraphs the contributions made by this person. One individual recognition may be awarded annually; re-nominations are welcome any time.

Deadline: February 1, 2009 The Commission regrets that no extensions to the deadline are possible; the Commission meets to finalize all actions on February 14, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa C. Hawkins, Chairperson

THE COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN UNITY AND INTERRELIGIOUS CONCERNS

The Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns is charged with the mandate to “interpret, advocate and work for the unity of the Christian Church in every aspect of the life of the conference and its churches, and to encourage dialogue and cooperation with persons of other living faiths.” This Commission also works “to stimulate understanding and conversations with all Christian bodies, to encourage continuing dialogue with Jewish and other living-faith communities, and to encourage an openness of mind toward an understanding of other major world religions.”

We must diligently work to create opportunities where local and community faith groups can dialogue and strive for unity and understanding. Unity and understanding is accomplished when we faithfully dialogue with our ecumenical friends, attend workshops and worship services, and honestly listen to each other’s conversation. By living in a global community, we have not done all that we can to expand our horizons to reach for unity. Our vision has become short-sighted because we may fear that the task is too daunting.

We hope and pray to be a visible an active presence on a local church, district, and conference level. We are grateful to the United Methodist Church for opening the door for dialogue between faith communities. We will be faithful in the task and ask that we continue to receive your love, prayers, and support.

On a personal note, this conference ends my second term with CUIC. It has been a joy and a privilege to serve as a member of this commission.

Morris Waymer, Jr., Chairperson
THE COMMISSION ON EQUITABLE COMPENSATION

Report Number 1

A. The Mission and Changing Focus of the Conference Commission on Equitable Compensation

Historically, the Commission on Equitable Compensation has served for the support of fulltime clergy and students serving as pastors in the charges of the South Carolina Annual Conference. Through the years, the Commission has been guided by The United Methodist Book of Discipline; the latest version states the following: “It is the purpose of the commission on equitable compensation to support full-time clergy serving in the charges of the annual conference by: (a) recommending conference standards for clergy support; (b) administering funds to be used in base compensation supplementation; and (c) providing counsel and advisory material on clergy support to district superintendents and Committees on Pastor-Parish Relations.” (The Book of Discipline, 2004, Paragraph 624.2) The Commission on Equitable Compensation supports the overall ministry of the local church, especially in transitional situations.

B. Total Compensation for Clergy

1. The Commission on Equitable Compensation reminds churches and charges that salary is only one portion of total compensation. Churches and charges are urged to consider dispersing compensation in ways that will assist clergy and their families to retain as great a portion of their income as is legally possible. Churches and charges are reminded to consider total compensation and not just think of salary when thinking of clergy family needs. Likewise, clergy are reminded that they are supported in a variety of ways, and total compensation most often exceeds salary.

2. Churches and pastors are urged to keep informed of their income tax responsibilities and rights. Pastors are advised to seek qualified assistance in making decisions that will affect their income tax liabilities.

Report Number 2

A.1. Budget Request for 2009

The Commission on Equitable Compensation requests that a line item apportionment of $570,000 be made to fund the estimated $620,000 Commission on Equitable Compensation operational budget for 2009. These funds will be used for base compensation supplements, salary support for clergy in new church starts and Hispanic Ministries, as well as support required and/or provided under these recommendations.

A.2. Schedule of Total Minimum Compensation for Clergy Serving in the South Carolina Annual Conference

In accord with the mandate of the Discipline, the Commission recommends that the South Carolina Annual Conference fix the following as its minimum base compensation scale, effective January 1, 2009, and continuing until changed by the Annual Conference.

FOR FULL-TIME APPOINTMENTS AS CLERGY IN THE LOCAL CHURCH:

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*These recommendations represent a 3% increase rounded up to the nearest $50 over the 2008 conference schedule for total minimum compensation.

Facts concerning individual pastoral compensation packages that may merit additional study by the local church:

Clergy who depend on the pastoral support package for medical insurance have experienced several years of consecutive insurance premium increases. Staff or Pastor-Parish Relations Committees are asked to adjust the clergy compensation package so
that a cash salary increase is possible if it appears that the health insurance premium increase will result in a reduction of cash salary, year-to-year. The commission on equitable compensation strongly encourages churches to pay the pastor’s business expenses through an accountable reimbursement plan which is a part of the administrative budget of the church, not part of salary. Please see sections “O.” and “P.” below, entitled “Reimbursement for Travel and Professional Expenses” and “Reimbursement as Administrative Cost.”

B. For Student Appointments
Each person serving a local church student appointment as pastor shall receive the compensation for his or her category, proportional to the percentage of time serving in a pastoral charge. (i.e., one-half time service would receive one-half the Equitable Compensation support for that person’s category.) The percentage of time serving the charge shall be determined by the cabinet.

C. For Deacons in Full Connection
Those persons who have responded to God’s call to lead in service and to equip others for ministry through teaching, proclamation, and worship and who assist elders in the administration of the sacraments and are full-time ordained deacons in accordance with Paragraph 303.2 of The Book of Discipline 2004, shall be compensated by the local church not less than the minimum amount for an ordained elder of the Annual Conference in accordance with Paragraph 331.14(b) of The Book of Discipline 2004. Deacons who are employed by the congregation, charge, or cooperative parish less than full time shall be compensated proportional to the percentage of time being served. (Half time would receive not less than half the minimum salary.) Deacons not employed by a congregation, charge, cooperative ministry, or who are appointed under Paragraph 331.14(c) are not affected.

D. Experience Merit
A clergyperson who has served for 5 or more years full time service or the equivalent thereof in the South Carolina Annual Conference, shall receive in addition to the minimum base, a supplement of $175.00 per year of service for up to 10 years of service.

Example: Year 6: equitable compensation base plus $875.00;
Year 7: equitable compensation base plus $1050.00;
Year 8: equitable compensation base plus $1225.00;
Year 9: equitable compensation base plus $1400.00;
Year 10: equitable compensation base plus $1575.00;
Years 11+: equitable compensation base plus $1750.00.

E. Housing Allowances
The Commission recommends that all money given to the pastor for housing by the charge he/she serves be considered income if the pastor is not a resident in the charge which he/she serves.

F. Application for Equitable Compensation Support for Base Compensation Assistance
The District Superintendent shall request the base compensation assistance required by each charge twice each year (by May 15 for the June through December compensation assistance period and by December 15 for the January through May compensation assistance period); these requests must be approved by the Commission before payment can be made. This request from the District Superintendent shall be accompanied by an application form provided by the Commission and completed by the pastor, the pastor-parish relations committee, and the district superintendent indicating income from all sources.

G. Cross Racial Appointments
If the Bishop and Cabinet, in making a cross-racial appointment, find it necessary to request an equitable compensation supplement, special consideration will be given on an individual basis. Guidelines listed under Report 3 will apply.

H. Cooperative Parish Ministries
Directors or coordinators of cooperative parish ministries which have been approved by the Board of Global Ministries, and application made by the district superintendent to the commission by January 1 preceding the appointment in June of the same year may be eligible for funds not to exceed $7,000.00. No pastor shall be eligible to receive funds unless the charge he/she serves agrees in writing to release him/her for these added duties. Assistance will be provided over a 4-1/2 year period and will decrease by 25% each year after the first year and a half.
I. Disbursement of Supplements
All compensation supplements from the Commission shall be disbursed monthly, and shall be paid to the local church involved for disbursement to the pastor or clergyperson. In the case of new mission situations or churches, monies will be dispersed directly to the pastor until there is a church treasurer. Equitable compensation funds will not be used for moving expenses, business expenses, or church administration.

J. Utilities Allowance
The Commission requests that the South Carolina Annual Conference designate 15% (or estimate of actual expenses as requested by recipient) of base compensation support funded by this Commission as parsonage utilities allowance. This request is made to satisfy the requirements of the Internal Revenue Service.

K. Investment of Reserve Fund
The Commission on Equitable Compensation recommends that all funds held in “reserve” be invested and the interest used in the Commission’s operating account.

L. Interpretation
The Commission recommends that an interpretation of its task and policy procedures be given as a part of the District Pastor/Staff Parish Relations Committee Workshops. It is further recommended that this interpretation be done by a member of the commission upon invitation by the District Superintendent.

M. Compensation Guidance
The Commission recommends that District Superintendents assist churches and charges in setting appropriate compensation and work load packages in accordance with Paragraph 423.3 of The Book of Discipline 2004.

N. Ineligibility
The Commission on Equitable Compensation recommends that the following not be eligible for Equitable Compensation support:
1. Retired supply pastors
2. Part-time local pastors
3. Pastors on leave of absence except as provided in Standing Rule 98
4. Special appointment categories within the itinerancy of The United Methodist Church as defined in Paragraph 344.1. a, b, c of the The Book of Discipline 2004.

O. Reimbursement for Travel and Professional Expenses
The Commission recommends that each church set up a reimbursement account for travel and professional expenses incurred by the pastor in performing pastoral duties.

Reimbursement for non-commuting church-related travel shall be at the IRS rate (currently 48.5 cents per mile). The pastor(s) shall submit a voucher and a log each month for reimbursement. For reimbursement for actual professional expenses (books, subscriptions, periodicals, etc.) the pastor(s) shall submit a voucher with supporting documentation for reimbursement. The amount set by the charge as reimbursement for travel and professional expenses should be determined after consultation with the pastor(s) (and the district superintendent, if desired or needed) by the Pastor/Staff-Parish Relations Committee. Each charge should annually evaluate the local needs and expectations of its pastor(s) and set an amount for reimbursement accordingly. Also, the procedures for reimbursement should be clearly stated.

P. Reimbursement as Administrative Cost
The Commission recommends that the reimbursement for travel and professional expenses be a part of the administrative cost of each local church and not considered or reported as part of the pastor’s compensation.

Q. Vacation Policy
The Commission reminds churches and ministers that vacation time plus time for renewal and reflection are an expected part of compensation. Time away is necessary for personal, spiritual, and family health. It is recommended that all clergy and diaconal ministers be granted, as a minimum, annual vacation and days of renewal according to the following schedule:
**Total Years of Service/Number of Weeks**

Less than 5 years a minimum of 2 (including Sundays)

5 years - 10 years a minimum of 3 (including Sundays)

More than 10 years a minimum of 4 (including Sundays)

In addition to the above it is recommended that the minister, regardless of years of service, be granted one day of retreat a month for prayer and reflection. Also, it is expected that the minister will have at least one day off a week. “Years of Service” reflect number of years under appointment in the ministry of the United Methodist Church, and not the number of years of service on a given charge. “Vacation” is meant as freedom from any responsibility in the local church or charge, district, conference area, jurisdiction, or general conference. Vacation should be a time of rest, recreation, and renewal. It should not be interpreted to mean time the pastor works at a church camp, is on a mission trip, a meeting of a general board, an agency of the conference, or a district retreat. Time away from the charge for annual conference and continuing education events shall not be considered vacation time. The charge shall make available as necessary the funds for pulpit supply while the pastor is on vacation.

It is asked that the Lay Member of the Annual Conference communicate this information to the Pastor/Staff Relations Committee and to the local church.

**Report Number 3**
**Mission Situations**

A. **Definition**
Mission situations are new churches and existing churches in transitional circumstances that are in areas that demand an effective ministry but are incapable of providing such ministry without equitable compensation assistance. Mission situations may also include intentional ministry to persons of low income.

B. **Eligibility**
To be eligible for equitable compensation assistance in mission situations the following procedures must be followed:

1. The district board for congregational development shall be the authorizing body to project a transitional situation and the Conference Committee on Congregational Development will project all new church starts.

2. The district board for congregational development will refer this to the Conference Committee on Congregational Development for verification as a transitional situation, and its priority rank among conference needs.

3. The potential new mission situation will then be referred to the Cabinet for approval. The cabinet will strive to inform the commission of potential new mission situations two years ahead of the time the appointment is to start. The commission will budget for new mission situations after cabinet approval.

4. At the time of appointment, the Cabinet will then designate a pastor or clergyperson with at least 4 years experience and request an appropriate base compensation for that particular mission situation.

5. In all cases where a new mission situation is to be launched, the District Superintendent shall notify the Commission on Equitable Compensation by January 1st preceding the Annual Conference at which an appointment is to be made providing, at that time, the projected base compensation cost to be incurred in June.

Note 1. The local church’s share of this base compensation schedule is interpreted to mean all sources of income from the local church or from any other source.

Note 2. In all cases where a mission situation is attached to an existing charge, these become charge figures.

Note 3. The District Superintendent may apply to the Commission for a compensation that is more in keeping with the amount received by this pastor in his or her previous appointment.

C. **Continuation of Supplements and Annual Evaluation**

1. If the ministry being served is unable to meet the schedule below for two years in a row, support from Equitable Compensation will cease after the next year following.

2. An evaluation shall be done annually on each mission situation. The Conference
Director of Congregational Development shall provide a report of this evaluation to the Commission on Equitable Compensation by January 1st.

D. Payment of Direct Billing Costs for Pensions and Health Benefits in Mission Situations Only

The Commission on Equitable Compensation will pay only the direct billing costs of persons in mission situations according to the compensation schedules listed below. The Commission will send its proportional share directly to the conference office of Pensions and Health Benefits.

E. Compensation Schedules for Mission Situations

Part 1.

Schedule for New Churches Initiated Prior to January 2008

Decreasing Support: Equitable Compensation assistance for compensation and payment on the direct billing plan will be provided over a 4-1/2 year period decreasing 25% each year after the first year and a half as follows:

First Year and a Half: As the sole salary paying unit, the Commission of Equitable Compensation will pay 100% of the clergyperson’s compensation and the direct bill for pensions and health benefits.

After One and A Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by one fourth for both the compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Two and A Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another fourth for both the compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Three and A Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another fourth for both the compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Four and A Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will cease for both the compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

New Church Travel: Upon request and appropriate documentation, the Commission on Equitable Compensation will provide travel allowance for new church pastors at the following rates:

First year and a half: up to $4,000.00 annually
Second full year: up to $3,000.00 annually
Third full year: up to $2,000.00 annually
Fourth full year: up to $1,000.00 annually

Part 2.

2008 Schedule for New Church Starts

Equitable Compensation for new church starts beginning in January 2008 shall be as follows:

Year 1 and Year 2: The Commission on Equitable Compensation will pay the minimum compensation base according to the minister’s category and half of the payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

Year 3: Support from Equitable Compensation will not exceed 67% of the minimum base compensation amount. The Commission will pay half of the payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

Year 4: Support from Equitable Compensation will not exceed 33% of the minimum base compensation amount. The commission will pay half of the payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

Year 5: Support from Equitable Compensation will cease for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.
Part 3.

Schedule for Ministry with Persons of Low Income

Equitable Compensation assistance in ministries with persons of low income will be provided for a pastor or clergy person, when requested by the cabinet, over a ten and a half year period decreasing as follows:

First Year and a Half: The amount of Equitable Compensation support will be according to the pastor’s category. As the sole salary paying unit in this mission situation, the Commission of Equitable Compensation will pay 100% of the clergyperson’s direct bill for pensions and health benefits.

After One and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by 5% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Two and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another 5% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Three and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another 5% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Four and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by 10% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Five and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another 10% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Six and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another 10% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Seven and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another 10% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Eight and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by 15% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Nine and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will decrease by another 15% for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

After Ten and a Half Years: Support from Equitable Compensation will cease for both the base compensation supplement and for payment of the direct billing for pensions and health benefits.

Travel for persons in ministry with persons of low income will be provided by the District or Districts in which the ministry is located.

Report Number 4

Category Summaries of Recent Disbursements

The following is a summary of the number of churches receiving base compensation support in each of these categories and the totals granted for each as of:

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Joseph R. James, Chairperson

THE COMMISSION ON RELIGION AND RACE

Jesus Christ our Lord says “now” powerfully, just like He says powerfully everything else from His heart and lips. “Now is the Son of man glorified, and in Him God is glorified; if God is glorified in Him, God will also glorify Him in Himself, and glorify Him at once. Little children…A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that also you love one another.”. (John 13)

Like Jesus said when He accepted His cross, so the Spirit of Jesus says the same to us now. Putting confidence in the Lord, we seek to be faithful and completely obedient to Jesus in this love commandment concerning love for God and all our brothers and sisters. We affirm that the power and grace of Jesus energize us to serve. Gladly we accept the Book of Disciplines’ mandate to lift up and to monitor the blessing of racial inclusion in our South Carolina conference.

Your commission is blessed to have embodied in its willing membership ethnicities of African American, Euro American, Hispanic American, and Native American: perhaps others of which we are not aware. Good and vast inclusion begins at home, so we encourage local charge conferences and districts to be sensitized to this at nomination time.

We are excited to report that from last year’s 2007 annual conference one of our long time members who monitored stated that in terms of racial diversity it was the best she had ever witnessed. This healthy racial diversity took place especially in worship leadership and in preaching and teaching.


Within the last few years, great interest has been expressed in finding out how people feel about effectiveness of the merger of the “black” and “white” South Carolina conferences in 1972. Low and behold, such a study has been already compiled by many dedicated folk from 1990-1992. We affirm the importance and helpfulness of “The Pros and Cons” study.

God helps us realize work God has been doing in cultivating wonderful diversity in God’s people’s created and redeemed nature in this marvelous conference. At the same time, God helps us realize that we can too easily overlook appreciating and affirming others, and when that happens God’s people suffer. Let us be faithful to God, and thereby ‘right now’ let God’s Spirit lead: to learn from others of all ethnicities; to be humble before, and blessed by, the leadership of others; to boldly stand for all Christ Jesus says, not putting over until later, but now and always living in the Spirit.

Fred McDaniel, Chairperson
THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS AND ROLE OF WOMEN

The Commission on the Status and Role of Women has used much of our time this year to begin planning what steps we need to take in order to be a more useful resource and support for the conference. We have moved from two scheduled meetings to three to help in our organizational structure and to give more space for brainstorming. We continue to work towards becoming more visible and viable through three different avenues:

1. Our Newsletter this year was a vessel to bring forth awareness of Domestic and Sexual Violence throughout our communities, state and the world. We offer it as a resource for Pastors and Laity.

2. This past year we invited the South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault to attend one of our meetings and share with us how the church may be in dialogue with them. SCCADVASA and Robin Griffeth gave us an enlightening presentation that brought us to the point of asking, “How do we offer this as a resource to our pastors and the laity?” As a result, we are looking into the future of offering a one day workshop/conference with the opportunity of receiving Continuing Education Credits. We are also purchasing two DVD’s for resources in the Resource Center.

3. We are still concerned about the Nurture of our Women in all areas of Ministry. Our planning has not taken us to this area yet - maybe next year!

God is working with us as we strive towards becoming a healthy and effective ministry in the South Carolina Conference.

Rebecca McPherson, Chairperson

THE COMMISSION ON WORSHIP

This past year has seen the conclusion of several projects and the inception of several others for the Conference Commission on Worship.

In the 2007-08 conference year we completed and distributed the first volume of the “Nuts and Bolts of Worship” books. We also prepared an updated brochure that detailed a “speakers bureau” of worship related seminars and presenters available here in the South Carolina Conference. Further, we formalized a long standing tradition of providing grants for local congregations to hold their own training events. An application (with rationale and procedure) was developed and a selection committee created. One copy of the materials was given to every pastor serving in a local congregation and one copy of the “Nuts and Bolts: Volume One” was given for every Chair of Worship (or counterpart) in every congregation in the conference. Many were distributed during the annual district set up meetings and others were given out at district monthly ministers meetings. We would like to thank the District Superintendents for their willingness for us to take that time. We also would like to remind the pastors to make sure that the books are passed along to the lay person that need them.

We continued to work with the Conference Liturgist (Bishop Taylor) and the appointed Celebrant to carry out the various worship experiences of the Annual Conference sessions. Our tasks include securing many of materials for the services, setting up for and cleaning up after communion, the recruitment and training of communion servers, arranging processions, and managing the ushers as well as others. Our intent in the 2008 – 09 year is to continue to plan ahead and create a manual for the work that we handle so that it will be easier in ensuing years.

We have had individual members that were asked and were able to present workshops at a few of the District Officer Training events. They seem to have been well received.

We further strengthened our relationship with the Fellowship of United Methodist in Music and Worship Arts by making the president an ex-officio member of the commission.

New or continuing projects for the coming year are: (1) To work with some of the more artistically talented persons across the conference to establish a worship environment and to secure the worship related items for the “All Saints” chapel within the Conference Building. Our hope is to also make it a library of current hymnals, older hymnals and books of worship and a repository of memorials for those beloved U.M. Congregations that have had to close their
doors for whatever reason. (2) To complete work on “Nuts and Bolts: Volume 2” and have it distributed in a similar fashion to Volume One. (3) To finish the work on filming and distributing the “Nuts and Bolts” Training Video. (4) To work with the Board of Global Ministries to prepare and present a series of five weekend worship and mission events entitled “We Worship / We Serve”. (5) Develop “Nuts and Bolts: Volume Three”. This volume will deal with all things musically related to worship. (6) To completely re-inventory all worship related materials owned by the Conference and kept in our care. (7) To work with the Conference Staff to establish a “Worship” page related to the conference web site to make all materials available on-line.

This proves to be an interesting coming year for the Commission on Worship in as much as there will be a significant turn-over (in relation to the new procedures for committee membership tenure) and as a result of other personnel issues. Between one-half and two-thirds of the members and all of the officers will be newly elected during the 2008 annual conference session. It is with regret that the energy and expertise of those departing members are lost to us. It is with anticipation that we await the new that comes our way.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Murdaugh, Chair

THE COMMITTEE ON THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Committee on the Annual Conference met on October 17, 2007, to evaluate the 2007 Annual Conference and to begin planning for the 2008 Annual Conference. The members of the committee reviewed the experience of the 2007 Annual Conference and specifically reviewed the results of the first-ever post-conference evaluation. The evaluation, directed by the 2007 annual conference, was mailed to all members of the clergy and all lay members of the annual conference. Over 900 responses were received. The committee was pleased to note that in every category, the ratings given to the various aspects of the conference were rated between acceptable and excellent by those responding.

In reviewing the over-all experience of Conference, the committee again agreed that less time should be devoted to informational reports, recognitions, and awards, and more time should be devoted to substantive matters that require a decision by the Annual Conference. This conclusion becomes even more important in 2008, since the Service Day was a successful addition to annual conference and will be included again. This means that there will not only be one less day, as conference returns to the normal Sunday to Wednesday format, but Tuesday afternoon will also be unavailable for business. As a result, almost all purely informational reports have been eliminated from the agenda, leaving more time for actions items. In addition, the new format for the presentation of awards and recognitions was judged to be a success and will be retained for 2008.

Following the 2007 Conference, committee members could consider their own experience from meeting in Florence, as well as the responses from the evaluations. In light of the favorable experience in Florence and the favorable responses of participants, the Committee recommends that the 2009 Annual Conference be held at the Florence Civic Center in Florence.

Finally, the Committee expresses its gratitude to Central United Methodist Church and to the Florence District for their work as hosts for the 2007 Session. Their gracious spirit and genuine enthusiasm over the opportunity to host Annual Conference - shared by many individuals and congregations around Florence - were crucial to the success of this Conference in a new location.

Mary Virginia Taylor, Chairperson
Timothy J. Rogers, Secretary

THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONFERENCE JOURNAL

The Committee on the Conference Journal continues to meet on a regular basis to provide oversight for the publications it is responsible for.

The Committee still has a large number of volumes of the 2001 edition of United Methodist Ministers in South Carolina. The Committee has reduced the price of the volume from $10.00 to
$5.00 each, and will make a special effort to sell them at the upcoming Annual Conference. In light of the large number of older Journals still retained in the conference center, the Committee has voted to give away any journals two years old or older, except those needed for archival purposes. The Committee also voted to give away copies of the 1991 Ministers Book, except those needed for archival purposes, as well as the 2003 and 2005 Ministers’ Pictorial Directories. The Committee has begun planning to have pictures taken at this Conference for a new Ministers’ Pictorial Directory. The Committee has also begun initial planning for the next edition of the Ministers’ Book, scheduled for 2011.

Volumes I and II of the 2007 Conference Journal were mailed together in January of this year. This was a more timely completion of the Journal, as Volume I of the 2005 Journal was not mailed until April of 2006, and both volumes of the 2006 Journal were mailed in February of 2007. The Committee is hopeful that progress can continue to be made in producing the Journal more quickly.

Both the 2006 and 2007 Journals are now available on the Conference web-site. The Committee is very pleased with this progress. Over time, the Committee expects to create a library of Journals available on-line.

The Committee wishes to express its gratitude to Sylvia Hulbert, secretary to the Conference Secretary, for her invaluable work on so many different projects, and Pat Mack and the staff in the Print Media Center, for their work in producing both volumes of the journal as well as all of the pre-conference and conference registration materials.

Velma M. Haywood, Chairperson

THE CONFERENCE STAFF RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Conference Staff Relations Committee continues to monitor the effectiveness and results of the deployment of district congregational specialists within our conference. These specialists have also received training to serve as coaches of the Natural Church Development process. Many positive reports have been received from local churches about the presence and helpfulness of the specialists. There does seem to be some concern for the workload they carry and the committee will keep this in mind as they continue to watch for changes that need to be made. Along with the transition came other necessary administrative staff repositioning and adjustments. A major task for the Conference Staff Relations Committee was the 2008 salary considerations to be submitted to the Council on Finance and Administration, but in the end the committee presented a salary plan that worked within the budget guidelines.

The staff of this conference works well together and they love the Lord. We are grateful for their work and desire to help others along the way.

Mary Virginia Taylor, Chairperson

THE COMMITTEE ON CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The work of congregational development is focused around two major areas; the establishment of new faith communities and participation in Natural Church Development by our existing churches.

We are currently working on five new church starts. Point Hope in Mt. Pleasant is actually a restart and is showing great progress by now having over 100 in worship. Waters Edge in Beaufort has outgrown the movie theatre and is now preparing to move into a much larger school facility. They are now averaging 140 in worship. Grace Community in the Fort Mill area is having 100 worshipers on a regular basis and began their launch series on April 20. Journey Church in Northeast Columbia is meeting in a leased space on Clemson road and their average worship attendance is approaching 100. GracePoint in Bluffton is developing their launch team and having regular “Taste and See” events.

We are not planning to launch any new congregations at this Annual Conference. It does appear that we will be on track to launch three next year. One of the critical needs is for us to have strong, healthy churches who want to give birth to new congregations. Churches that have budget and people resources are needed to help plant our new faith communities. Helping to
identify these mother churches will be a priority for the next conference year. Our Discernment Academy will once again be held this fall as we seek to identify those pastors who have the gifts and graces to plant a new church.

Over 250 churches have engaged in the Natural Church Development process. We now have churches that are taking the survey for the second time. Those who have worked on the process are showing significant growth by addressing their minimum factor. We are continuing to develop our coaching network. We are working with CoachNet in training and certifying people to come alongside and coach our pastors.

It is also important that we recognize the service of Rev. Dan Bradley who has served as the chairperson of the Conference Committee on Congregational Development for the past eight years. Dan has served the conference in a significant way and he has advanced the cause of Congregational Development across South Carolina. Thanks Dan for your faithfulness.

Respectfully submitted,

Rusty Taylor, Director

THE COMMITTEE ON EPISCOPACY

The Conference Committee on Episcopacy met in the spring and again on Monday, October 15, 2007, at the Methodist Center in Columbia.

The agenda was to summarize the results of an evaluation process recommended by the Council on Bishops to the Jurisdictional Committee on Episcopacy. The purpose of the evaluation was to provide input for the Bishops throughout the jurisdiction to assess areas in which they might better serve their Conferences.

The evaluation process began with a survey by the Conference Committee on Episcopacy, the Cabinet and leaders throughout the Conference. This enabled a broad and varied view from many perspectives. Results proved to be supportive, positive and also constructive. This led to a meaningful dialogue and provided helpful insight for our Bishop and the Committee.

One recommendation especially worth noting was addressing the need to provide assistance to the Bishop in carrying out the varied duties of her office. It came to our attention from the survey that the magnitude, demands and expectations of an Episcopal office are more than one person can realistically accomplish. A subcommittee has been formed to consider these needs and make recommendations.

Findings from this interaction have been forwarded to the Jurisdictional Episcopacy Committee. As a result, Bishop Taylor has been unanimously asked to return for a second quadrennium. The Committee affirmed her work among us and is deeply appreciative of the leadership she provides.

George K. Howle, Chairperson

ETHNIC LOCAL CHURCH CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Building and strengthening relationships across racial and cultural lines is a goal of ELCC. Churches are invited to grow in love and fellowship by studying, worshipping, praying and working together on projects with churches of different races.

We are charged with the ministry of reconciliation and inclusiveness. We need to embrace our uniqueness. Every ethnic group talents, gifts and graces should be recognized and valued. Toward this effort, a diversity (multi-cultural) event is being planned. This will be facilitated dialogue.

Some Concerns:

1) There is a great need and appeal for in depth leadership training for all church positions. Training in smaller groups (perhaps clusters) would be more effective and personalized.

2) Transportation is also a ministry issue, especially for the Hispanic/Latino and African-American communities. Budgetary restraints prohibits/limits outreach, evangelism, and youth ministry efforts.

3) Program Resources
Another goal of ELCC is to empower local ethnic churches to self-sufficiency. As the diversity population grows, we need to make sure that we are prepared for mission and witness. Three empowering events are planned:

April 2008 ELCC Grant Writing Workshop for persons interested in applying for ELCC funds

2009 Grant Writing Workshops for non-ELCC Grants (Conference Agencies. Other UM Church Grants, UM Loans, Federal/Other Grants for Ethnic Groups.) (Tri-Districts workshops are being considered to provide maximum attendance opportunity.)

2009 African-American Church Convocation

The African-American Task Force, in cooperation with ELCC, Black Methodists for Church Renewal and Connectional Ministries (via Rev. Kenneth Nelson, Congregational Specialist for the African American Ministries) conducted eight (8) tri-district Listening Sessions for strengthening the ministry of the African-American congregations in the SC Annual Conference. An invitation was extended to all African American Clergy and Lay Leaders. The clergy and lay met separately. Purpose of listening sessions: to discern the needs and concerns of the local African American congregations. The data from these sessions is being compiled and summarized for the writing of the Comprehensive Plan for the African-American Church. This plan will be presented at the 2008 Annual Conference.

The Hispanic-Latino Committee, led by Rev. Mary Teasley, completed its Comprehensive Plan. A report from the chairperson follows.

The Korean/Asian Task Force – Dialog has begun with clergy persons to reactivate this committee. It is hoped that the leadership of this Task Force will be identified by July, 2008.

The Native American Committee, led by Tracy Pender, activities were:

1) A continuation of its efforts of church visitations with Native American Ministries Sunday. It is hoped that every church in the SC Conference will celebrate Native American Ministries Sunday.

2) Scholarships were provided for SC American Indian families to attend the 19th Annual Native American Summer Conference at Lake Junaluska.

3) Involved in the exploration of starting a United Methodist Native American Church with a group of American Indians in Marlboro County.

4) This committee has been very involved in the discussions about reorganization at the jurisdictional level.

5) The Native American Comprehensive Plan has been completed.

6) Native American Salkehatchie Camp

7) Native American Representative Training

8) Christmas Elder Baskets

A report from the chairperson follows.

ELCC continues to provide leadership development of ethnic youth, laity and clergy via workshops, conferences, convocations, Harambee, YAC, Salkehatchie, and SEJANAM. Grants were awarded for community outreach, Christian Education, older adult ministries, youth/children Ministries and cultural activities.

Charlotte A. Grooms, Chairperson

THE AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMITTEE

Over the last year, the African American Committee has been committed to addressing its primary mission of recognizing African Americans as people of God and developing, empowering, enhancing, and vitalizing African American ministries by making disciples of all. As is customary, in partnership with BMCR and ELCC, we have continued to support local church initiatives, programs, and personnel that have focused on making disciples in the local church, and that have helped congregations connect to ministries beyond themselves.

The most important work done by our committee this year, however, was a collaborative
venture between the African American Committee, the Connectional Ministries Office, Ethnic Local Church Concerns (ELCC) and Black Methodists for Church Renewal (BMCR) to discern and identify the needs of African American congregations in the South Carolina Annual Conference. With an eye toward the 2008 quadrennium, we raised the question, “What can we be doing to strengthen the ministry of African American congregations in the South Carolina Annual Conference?”

This identification of needs resulted from a series of 4 Tri-District listening sessions held with African American clergy and laity across the state. These listening sessions had two stated purposes:

First, to identify the needs of African American congregations in the South Carolina Annual Conference. Second, to solicit commentary for writing a comprehensive plan that would make recommendations about how these needs might best be addressed.

Our ultimate goal is to strengthen the ministry of African American congregations in making disciples and transforming the world around them. In strengthening these congregations, we strengthen the ministry of the South Carolina Annual Conference and the United Methodist Church in making disciples for Jesus Christ and transforming the world.

In the listening sessions held in February, we asked, “What are the kinds of things that the South Carolina Annual conference might do that would enable the ministry of your local church, and second, what are kinds of things that get in the way of that?” Generally speaking, the following issues were identified as priorities and pressures points within local African American congregations.

- The need to affirm, celebrate and preserve the African American presence, ministry, history, and heritage within United Methodism and within the South Carolina Annual Conference.
- The need to strengthen, equip, and resource local congregations for the work of making disciples and transforming the world.
- The needs for leadership development related to having a well educated and trained clergy, and equipped and empowered laity.
- The need for a conference level staff position dedicated to the purpose of strengthening and interpreting the ministry the African American Church to and on behalf of the Annual Conference.
- The need for investigation of additional strategies (that are culturally and ethnically sensitive) in continuing new church starts in high growth areas and equally the need for revitalization of existing congregations.
- The need to address the precarious balance between funding the ministry needs of the local church and the desire and challenge of supporting the ministry needs of the greater connectional church.

For a more in-depth summary of these issues, one can read the full report entitled, “Strengthening the Black Church for the 21st Century: the Comprehensive Plan of the South Carolina Annual Conference”. (Located on the 2008 Annual Conference DVD)

By way of summary, the comprehensive plan begins with a narrative of the historical context of the African American presence in greater Methodism and the South Carolina Annual Conference. The report proceeds to the rationale for writing a comprehensive plan to strengthen the Black Church. The report identifies the issues raised in the state-wide listening sessions and also makes recommendations concerning each issue.

The issues section of the comprehensive plan attempts to do three things:

1) First, identify the most pressing issues identified by local congregations
2) Provide a rationale into factors related to the issues
3) Provide recommendations to conference boards, agencies, and personnel who might be a partner in addressing these concerns.

The majority of the recommendations raised in the report are specific to particular boards, agencies, and personnel of the annual conference. These recommendations do not require the action of the Annual Conference or of the Conference Council on Finance and Administration, and have been referred to the following boards and agencies: the Conference Staff Relations Committee, The Bishop & Cabinet, the Director of Connectional Ministries, the Conference Council on Finance and Administration, Black Methodists for Church Renewal, The African American Committee, and the Ethnic Local Church Concerns Committee.

There is one recommendation, however, that if acted upon favorably at this session of the
Annual Conference would provide significant impetus for achieving and implementing the remaining recommendations made in the report. That recommendation is as follows:

**Recommendation:** The Congregational Specialist for the African American Church be made a full-time position without additional district responsibilities.

This position’s energies would be poured into three central areas:
- Advocacy and Implementation of the Comprehensive Plan on Strengthening the Black Church for the 21st Century in the South Carolina Annual Conference.
- Interpretation of this ministry to and on behalf of the South Carolina Annual Conference.
- Equipping local African American congregations for the work of ministry

We recommend that the job description, salary, and accountability structure be referred to the Conference Staff Relations Committee in consultation with Connectional Ministries and the Conference Council on Finance and Administration.

In conclusion, we ask for the prayerful consideration of the Bishop, the Cabinet, the Connectional Ministries Office, CF & A, and the delegates to the 2008 South Carolina Annual Conference.

**Rationale:**

Since 1992, the General Conference and BMCR have been calling upon the church to devise strategies to strengthen the ministry of the Black Church for the 21st Century. As the South Carolina Annual Conference has amongst the largest presence of African Americans in Methodism, we thought it crucial that the South Carolina Annual Conference be trailblazers in any such initiatives of the General Church.

We believe that responding to this call is in keeping with the purpose of the Annual Conference of making disciples for Jesus Christ by equipping its local churches for ministry and by providing a connection for ministry beyond the local church, all to the glory of God.

In 2005, the South Carolina Annual Conference responded to this call with the creation of a position for a Congregational Specialist whose area of specialization would be re-sourcing African American congregations.

As was true of all of the congregational specialist positions however, this position was tasked with caring for needs of churches in two districts in addition to work related to conference board and agencies. There are nearly 49,000 African American United Methodists in the state of South Carolina or 25% of the conference population. There are 278 African American United Methodist charges in the South Carolina Annual Conference.

We believe that having a central clearing house, point person or agent to champion the needs and issues of this population on behalf of the Annual Conference would enable the Bishop, Cabinet, and Connectional Ministries to continue its mission to strengthen and resource local congregations. We believe that having a person in such a position would continue building on the strengths and diversity of this conference.

We believe that a position whose attentions were more focused on this particular task would further enable the SC Annual Conference to answer the call of the General Church and BMCR to strengthen the ministry of the Black Church for the 21 Century.

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert Fogle, Chair, The African American Task Force
Kenneth L. Nelson, Congregational Specialist, African American Ministries

**THE COMMITTEE ON HISPANIC/LATINO MINISTRIES**

A resolution passed by the 2007 session of the South Carolina Annual Conference brought this committee into being. Bishop Taylor named the members of the committee in accordance with the stipulations of the resolution, including persons from the previous task force, and

The Committee has met over the course of the past year, evaluating the current ministries, and has begun to identify leadership and sources of funding within the Annual Conference and the General Church agencies.

The Annual Conference resolution also called for making “ministries with the Hispanic/Latino population a priority.” In order for this to happen, the Committee is in conversation with:

- The Ministry Advisory Team, requesting that the Director of Hispanic/Latino Ministries become a full-time Connectional Ministries staff position;
- The Committee on Equitable Compensation, requesting the development of a policy which will include sustainable compensation for viable ministries with Hispanic/Latino persons.

Our goals for 2009 are to:

- Strengthen and resource current pastors and faith communities (identify and provide funding for training opportunities; develop a system of support and accountability)
- Identify and train non-Hispanic/Latino congregations that feel called and committed to work with Hispanic/Latino communities of faith.

While we are not asking for funding this year for Hispanic/Latino ministries, some of the requests that we are making will call for funding from Congregational Development, Connectional Ministries, the Committee on Equitable Compensation, and the Conference Board of Global Ministries.

We are excited about the variety of ministries already taking place within our Annual Conference, and look forward to the development of others. Our dream of being a church of Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors for all of God’s people is just beginning.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary V. Teasley

NATIVE AMERICAN COMMITTEE

In 1st Thessalonians, Chapter 3, I am reminded of Timothy’s Encouraging Report. We are truly thankful to the people of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church for your support and faith. You have uplifted us as a people, and we stand together, not as individuals or even races, but one body of people all united in the Blood of Christ. Thanks from the bottom of our hearts. Through Christ, all is possible.

As I begin my annual report, I bring you an encouraging report of progress and change. This year has been marked as one of the most successful years for our committee. Yes, we may have a long ways to travel on that Good Red Road, but we are traveling it together making positive steps with each step that we make together. As a church, we are making South Carolina native peoples “Visible” continuing our main goal of “Making the Invisible – Visible.”

One of the most successful outcomes of 2007 is the increase of churches inviting our committee members to present for Native American Ministries Sunday. We visited more churches this past year doubling the number from the previous year. From March through May, I was only home two weekends. The remainder of the time, I was traveling to another church. Combined with other committee members, we have spread the message. We are like traveling missionaries.

We hope to continue and increase the number of churches visited in 2008 with Native American Ministries Sunday. Please remember that we are not locked into that one date, April 6th, for Native American Ministries Sunday. Our committee is willing to travel throughout the year.

For the first presentation at a church, our chair typically provides the message portion of the sermon. The message covers myths and stereotypes about SC American Indians from past to present, American Indian spirituality, our committee and our outreach. We have brochures,
contact cards and a display board. Subsequent years may include traditional story telling or a presentation for a South Carolina tribe. At the end of the service, we present the church with a friendship necklace including a clay medallion made of Catawba clay by a Catawba Indian. Subsequent years will feature the presentation of a traditional Indian bead made by one of the tribes of South Carolina. We hope all churches will build their friendship necklaces. **To arrange a Native American Ministries Sunday, please contact the chair, Zan Tracy Pender, 803 905-5672.**

I was humbled in the month of June at annual conference when I received the Barbara Boultinghouse Bridge Builder’s Award. It is truly an honor. I hope to continue to be a good servant and leader. Yet, I must thank God and the members of our committee for all of their hard work and effort.

In June, we spent over $2,800 in scholarships sending South Carolina American Indian families to the annual Native American Conference at Lake Junaluska in North Carolina. The experience of gathering as American Indians from throughout the Southeast to worship and learn from one another is priceless. While there, our delegation lead worship services, sang and even presented a workshop on Advocating for Native Americans in the School System. It was very successful. However, we can always use support in providing annual scholarships to this event.

We continue to be good stewards of the money provided to our committee. Other projects included assisting with purchasing traditional regalia, purchasing supplies to make traditional drums for worship services, supporting the American Indian Scouting Association, and repairing tribal buildings just to name a few. As a conference and a committee, we are rebuilding the traditions of our cultures which have been long dormant.

In July, under the leadership of Rev. Bart Sistare, the Native American Salkehatchie Camp finished our work with the Pee Dee Indian Nation of Upper South Carolina. In 2008, we will move to the Wassamasaw tribe. This is one project that needs increased support and assistance. We are seeking volunteers to help with building and home repairs as well as donations of repair material and monetary support. The camp will be in the low country - probably in Berkeley County. **If you are interested in participating contact Rev. Sistare at 803 787-3058.**

We continue to work with Rocky Swamp American Indian Ministry. Our goal for this year is to finalize the formal plan with Rocky Swamp to make this outreach ministry a successful and productive Native American Ministry of Presence. Meanwhile, we are working on the possibility of establishing a Native American church in the Marion County area.

Our Christmas Elder Comfort Baskets had the most successful year to date. We saw a record level of donations of over $1,000 dollars. Nineteen churches participated in the project this year. We increased our baskets from 78 to 154 provided to the various tribes across the state. We partnered with Keepers of the Word to make this a success. We have developed a power point presentation illustrating the success. We have designated funding to support this program as we start 2008. We will gather and make Elder Comfort Baskets throughout the year. We need small laundry baskets to be filled with non-perishable food items, laundry detergent, dish washing liquids, bath soaps, shampoos, hand/body lotions, toothpaste and brushes, toilet paper, tissues, health care products for men and women, facial care products, nail clippers, and Christmas candy. **If your church can assist, please contact our vice chair, Cathy Nelson, 843-835-8589.** Our committee also handles cash donations for this project that we use to cover gas expenses for pick up and/or delivery of the baskets.

In February, we held our 5th Native American Representative training. Once again, the event was a success. The morning featured educational learning including a power point presentation about South Carolina Indian history. Beckee Garris made a presentation about Catawba clay for their pottery and link with all of us being the potters of God's clay. Cathy Nelson presented the power point presentation on our Elder Basket success. After lunch, participants enjoyed an orientation and traditional American Indian worship. The service featured the drum of the Wassamasaw, which our committee helped to purchase. It was a true blessing. This year, we videoed our training, and we will soon be able to offer copies for the Bishop, the Cabinet, and District Office’s at a minimum. We also hope to establish an email group or newsletter to keep all of our Native American Representatives up to date on happenings and needs.
Sarah Sanchez continues to process our newsletter. If you would like to receive a newsletter, please let me know, and I’ll provide the information to Sarah. We are thankful to her for the job that she does.

Our final accomplishment for 2007 was the revision of our Native American Comprehensive Plan. This is our guide in our outreach ministry and assistance to the native peoples of South Carolina.

Yet, we have unfinished business. While we seek to increase the efforts already mentioned, we hope to conduct a training for our youth in the conference like we do for Native American Representatives. We want a Native and non-Native youth to join our committee. We hope to arrange or write a grant for a bus tour for our Native American Representatives to visit the tribes of the South Carolina. These are some of our tasks we are currently working on. Although we might not finish these this year, we will work until they become reality.

**One of John Wesley’s major missions was outreach to the American Indians.** Please continue your strong support and acknowledgment of our vital outreach mission which is a part of this conference and all of our churches. We have only just begun to “Make the Invisible – Visible.” Yet, as Timothy stated, we are providing an encouraging report of our progress. This is only possible through your efforts. For that, Thank You!

*May the Great Spirit watch over you as long as the grass grows and the water flows.*

*God Bless.*

Zan Tracy Pender, Chair

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The Conference Committee on Pastoral Care and Counseling, at its inception in 1967, began as a safe haven to assist clergy and their families with the mental health needs that may arise. In the years that have passed many persons have been helped through this Annual Conference program. In the past eight (8) years, specifically, there has been a concerted effort to streamline the Committee and help in providing a more constant and consistent degree of services to the clergy and their families of the South Carolina Conference. In the past two years the reorganization of the Council on Connectional Ministries has assisted in helping the focus to be providing quality services from contracting therapists. This was accomplished through the revising of the voucher system submitted by therapists and the updating of the credentials on a yearly basis. This has helped the Committee to be good stewards of the fiscal aspects and maintain a sense of accountability on the part of all parties concerned.

In this last year, 2007, the committee has worked hard to adhere to the following mandates set forth by the South Carolina Annual Conference for the Committee on Pastoral Care and Counseling.

**Supplemental Program** – Strengthen the personal and family life of ALL clergy and their families by supplementing the fees of licensed therapists, and maintaining an updated list of these therapists and their area of expertise, if any.

**Wellness Program** – “Prevention” through training in interpersonal and life skills as a part of total health care. This includes the biannual retreat ‘A Time to Celebrate’ offered to ALL clergy and their spouses in April, 2008 this year.

In 2007, a total of 272 persons were assisted through the fee supplement program as opposed to only 64 persons two years ago. The fee supplement was used to provide services to 171 clergy, 59 spouses, 34 children, 3 couples, and 5 families. At this time we have a total of 15 therapists who have provided 264 individual therapy sessions and 8 group sessions with total disbursements of $10,628.00. Clergy and their families continue to receive services through the fee supplement plan.

With the growing needs in mental health, counseling, and like services, it is incumbent upon this committee to maintain and identify additional sources of funding, as well as increasing the level of accountability among service providers.

The Committee on Pastoral Care and Counseling owes a great debt of gratitude to all of those who have gone before them and hopefully will leave a greater legacy for those who come after them. The mental and emotional care of clergy and their families remains the highest priority of this Committee.

Special thanks and appreciation are extended to Tammy Fulmer and to Gail Corn in the
Connectional Ministries office for their support, guidance and gracious assistance in helping the Committee on Pastoral Care and Counseling carry out their work during this past year.

Melvin W. Flail, Jr., Chairperson

THE OFFICE OF CLERGY SERVICES

The primary purpose of the Office of Clergy Services is to serve as a support for and liaison between the Bishop and Cabinet and the Board of Ordained Ministry in areas related to clergy licensing, ordination and status.

I continue to be indebted to Bonnie Speas, the Administrative Assistant for Clergy Services. Her organizational abilities and knowledge of the clergy database that we maintain are crucial to the efficient working of this office. She nurtures and supports numerous candidates as they find their way through the process leading to licensing or ordination. I am also grateful to the twelve district secretaries for their outstanding work in the areas of certification and licensing. In addition, it is a pleasure to work with our Bishop and Superintendents on many matters related to our clergy, and to attempt to support them as they work to identify, nurture, instruct and supervises the clergy of our Conference.

The Conference Board of Ordained Ministry continues to fulfill its role in evaluating and approving new clergy to serve the local churches and various ministries of our Conference. The importance of this work cannot be overstated, as the future health of our churches is, in many ways, directly related to the quality of leadership provided by our clergy. The Rev. Patricia Parrish is completing her eighth year as chair of the Board, providing outstanding leadership to the many Board members who contribute many days and even weeks to the multi-faceted work assigned to this group of servants. It has been a privilege to assist the Board.

During the past year this office has helped organize the June orientation session for those seeking commissioning or ordination; assisted in organizing and holding the Bishop’s School of Ministry; and provided support for three meetings of the full Board of Ordained Ministry and meetings of the Board of Ordained Ministry Executive Committee. During this year this office has also begun to standardize the information kept in files, eliminate files that no longer need to be retained, and experiment with saving files in a digital format. In addition, the web page for the Office of Clergy Services has undergone a major revision designed to make it easier to use. I have invested more energy this year in helping arrange cabinet visits to the six seminaries in our area that train the majority of our new clergy. I have also attended the manager’s meetings for the Course of Study Schools at Duke and Candler; attended the annual BOM Staff Network Meeting; and participated in the first Holy Land trip for newly ordained clergy. Finally, I continue to respond to requests by phone, email, and correspondence related to licensing, ordination, and all matters related to clergy and their status within the conference, and have met with individuals seeking personal guidance in these areas.

It is a pleasure to serve in this area of ministry, and I look forward to the coming year.

Timothy J. Rogers, Coordinator of Clergy Services

MINISTRY ADVISORY TEAM

REPORT TO THE 2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Ministry Advisory Team was created by the 1998 special session of the Annual Conference. The purpose of the M.A.T. is to “facilitate conversation and interaction among the three ministry areas, while maintaining sensitivity to emerging issues that come before the annual conference.” (page119, 1998 Journal)

We have met three times this year and conducted 24 listening sessions across the annual conference. These sessions were to help us discover the needs of our local congregations. We hoped to better understand how effectively our three ministry areas are focusing on our mission of equipping and connecting local churches for the ministry of making disciples for the transformation of the world.

During the sessions we heard from a variety of laity and clergy. A few of the most often identified concerns were the following:

- more and better leadership training for both laity and clergy;
- more effective communications (especially with laity);
- more attention to small membership churches;
- help with developing stronger Sunday school and youth ministries;
- long term appointments;
- more focus on NCD with emphasis on training laity;
- more visibility of conference leaders and staff; more accountability;
- competing claims upon local church finances;
- the congregational specialists need to have more time for local church consultation;
- more people need to read the Advocate.

While these are only a few of the concerns we heard, we have asked the congregational specialists to develop lists of all the concerns. These lists will be collated and passed on to the appropriate board or agency to become a part of their work for the next quadrennium.

They will also be used in our effort to develop a more effective way for the annual conference to respond to the needs of local churches. We hope to present the proposal to the annual conference next year.

We have begun a conversation about a better way to provide leadership development. We believe that a systematic approach to training is needed and that training must be on going and of a high quality.

Respectfully submitted;

Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor, chairperson of the Ministry Advisory Team
Willie S. Teague, Director of Connectional Ministries

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM NORMAN BOBO, JR.

The 2007 South Carolina Annual Conference created a committee to determine the use of funds from the estate of William Norman Bobo, Jr., and directed the committee to report to the 2008 Annual Conference. That committee was called by Bishop Taylor to meet on May 7, 2008. After discussion of the needs of the conference and the intent of the grantor as understood by the family representative, the committee makes the following recommendations:

1) That the funds received from the estate (valued at $558,347.65 on December 31, 2007) be used to create an endowment for the purpose of funding clergy leadership and lay leadership within the conference;
2) That 25% of the income each year be added to the principal amount of the endowment, with the remainder being available for leadership development;
3) That 100% of the funds available from the endowment be used for programming rather than structure or bureaucracy;
4) That the Ministry Advisory Team be given the direction and oversight of the fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Virginia Taylor, Chairperson
Quay Adams
Sam Johnson
Jane McGahee
John Quackenbush
Willie Teague
Earline Ulmer

THE TRUSTEES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Board of Trustees continues to work on the proper disposition of properties of discontinued and abandoned churches. It is extremely time consuming to research and act on these properties, but the efforts of the Board continue to show results. The Executive Committee has proven to be a valuable addition to the Board, and has permitted work to be processed in a much more timely manner. During the past year, action was taken to deed the land and close the files on two properties.
The Trustees have devoted many hours to the property of the discontinued Asbury-Clark church, located in the Anderson District. A fence has been erected around the cemetery, and action is being taken to maintain the property. In addition, the property not included in the cemetery has been sold.

The Board of Trustees has continued to hold in trust the funds of the William Bobo Estate. The Trustees will invest and re-invest the funds until the Annual Conference directs their use.

Attached to this report and incorporated by reference herein is an accounting of the funds of the Board of Trustees for this past year, along with a listing of all real property being overseen by the Board of Trustees, as required by ¶2512.6 of the 2004 Book of Discipline.

Much work remains to be done. The Board of Trustees looks forward to its continued work on behalf of the Conference.

John Quackenbush, Chairman

Detail Accounting for UM Conference Trustees
December 31, 2007

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Real Properties Currently Being Overseen by the Board of Trustees:

Asbury Clark UMC cemetery (Anderson District)
This property is being prepared for sale.

Spring Branch UMC property (Marion District)
This property is being prepared for sale.

Sims Chapel UMC property proceeds (Spartanburg District)
This property has been sold. The Trustees are holding the proceeds pending distribution.

Solomon Temple UMC property (Charleston District)
This property has been deeded to Wesley UMC, pursuant to the intent of the 1990 Annual Conference resolution discontinuing Solomon Temple.

(As set forth previously in the report, the Board of Trustees has an ongoing effort to determine the status of a number of other properties throughout the various districts of the South Carolina Conference.)
THE BOARD OF CAMPS AND RETREAT MINISTRIES

The Board of Camps and Retreat Ministries continues its ministry of “providing quality ministry of Christian hospitality, intentional spiritual growth, and leadership development in year-round settings of natural beauty.”

This is a time of great transition and change for your Camps and Retreat Ministries Board. In this past year we shifted many parts of our ministry, including: closing on a conservation easement, pausing operations at Sewee Coastal Retreat Center, welcoming new staff, forming a building committee for Asbury Hills and restructuring the operations.

In August of 2007, the Board welcomed Rev. Jody Oates as their new Executive Director of Camps & Retreat Ministries. His work is to oversee the ministry of the two camp and retreat ministry locations. He brings experience from a similar role in the West Ohio Conference and as a national consultant for camp and retreat centers. Rev. Oates now works out of a central administrative office in the Greenville area. In January 2008, Holly Cunningham was welcomed as the new Director of Asbury Hills Camp & Retreat Center. She brings a wealth of experience from camps in Arizona and Indiana. She is putting a fresh perspective on all parts of the operation.

In the fall of 2007, the board closed on a conservation easement at the Asbury Hills property. This land will forever be set aside from commercial development with this easement. The State Conservation Bank gave a substantial grant to the board for this easement and an anonymous donor gave an additional 200+ acres to be added to this property. The board has created a building committee to use these funds for new youth cabins, an adult retreat center, and refurbishing existing buildings at Asbury Hills. Construction will begin in the fall of 2008.

The board made a very difficult decision to pause operations at Sewee Coastal Retreat Center at the end of December 2007. The purpose for closing Sewee is for study and redevelopment. The board plans to develop, expand and re-open this facility as an adult retreat center serving the churches across South Carolina. The present challenges of this facility include the very limited amount of rooms on this property (eight), zoning issues, infrastructure concerns and the need to invest significant capital funds. The board is hopeful to work through all of these concerns to have a vital and viable operation at Sewee. The board will communicate progress and plans as they become available.

While change is always hard, the board believes the shifts that are being made now will provide an even more effective ministry for local churches as lives continue to be changed in our camp and retreat ministry!

John A. Redmond, Chair of the Board of Trustees

THE JAMES L. BELIN BOARD OF TRUST

The Belin Board of Trust continues its contribution and commitment to mission projects in South Carolina. The Board retains its position of management and administration of the Belin Trust property and assets. Each year income earned by the Trust is allocated to the Board of Global Ministries to be used for one-time mission projects and programs.

It remains the policy of the Belin Trust that funds are to be provided for start-up projects and programs and not for funding where reoccurring grants would be required. It is anticipated that grants would conform to the spirit of the will of the Rev. James L. Belin, that the funds be used for mission projects.

The Board of Trust engaged in the following activities since its report to the last Annual Conference:

1. Received and approved the final audit from the CPA firm of Webster Rogers LLP at the Board’s February 15, 2008, meeting, per by-laws.
2. Continued using the financial management services of Smith Barney’s Consulting Group (socially responsible investment management) and Webster Rogers LLP (CPA firm).
3. Made available to the Board of Global Ministries the sum of $100,000 for missional grants for 2007.
4. Completed a review of the investment managers and also the asset allocation mix for the investment assets of the Trust. This review confirmed that the assets
were properly invested to meet the trust’s investment goal of total return using a socially responsible approach.

5. Elected officers for 2008:

Chairperson: Mr. James W. Moody, Jr.
Vice-Chairperson: Mrs. Shirley C. Robinson
Secretary: Rev. Leatha W. Brown
Treasurer: Mr. J. Robert Mauney

James W. Moody, Jr., Chairperson

TRUSTEES OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA UNITED METHODIST ADVOCATE

It is with joyful acclamation that the Advocate Board of Trustees can report to you that we have a fulltime editor on board after almost four years without one due to the military activation of former editor, Davie Burgdorf. We hope that you have already noticed the presence of our new editor, Emily Cooper, wife of the Rev. Wiley Cooper, by the new and improved Advocate. Emily brings to the Advocate extensive experience in journalism and communication as well as a love and knowledge of the church.

The board listened to the Advocate Focus Groups meeting across the state in 2007 and adopted a new purpose statement: The purpose of the South Carolina United Methodist Advocate is to connect United Methodists by independently reporting news, engaging readers, and providing a forum for dialogue. There is a new emphasis on local, district, and conference news coverage. There are stories that will encourage our readers to examine the Discipline and Social Principles. There are stories that will make us think about our theology. There are stories that will call you to respond.

Besides the content you will have noticed the whiter, brighter paper and larger print. The color really looks like color. When stories have to be continued they are easier to find. There are more and better pictures. Have you been reading the coverage of the youth programs as well as older adults? You can now excess stories on-line at http://umusc.org and clicking on South Carolina United Methodist Advocate. Readers are encouraged to tell us what they like and don’t like so we can continue to improve. We will be producing a demographics survey that will tell us more about our readers. This survey will be valuable in also attracting advertisers to the Advocate. Subscriptions are being increased through many different campaigns. Equipment has been upgraded. The Annual Conference edition will now be combined with the July issue.

In last year’s report we stated that we are committed to producing a newspaper that will be “opened with eagerness and anticipation”. If we are not there yet, we will be.

Marilyn Murphy, Chairperson

THE UNITED METHODIST CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Routine maintenance and operations have been carried out during the year.

Over the five year period ending in January of 2008, churches of the conference contributed more than $1.4 million to pay for the expansion and renovation of the UM Center. This equals 71.9% of the amount asked. The UM Center Board would like to thank those 627 churches that have paid their asking in full, and encourage the remaining 393 to make their outstanding contributions during this fiscal year.

Due to both the increase in interest rates during this five year period and the unexpectedly slow rate of payment by churches, the conference incurred significantly higher interest cost than anticipated. A balloon payment for the remaining balance of the construction loan will be due to the bank in February of 2009. We ask that even those churches that have paid their asking in full consider making a contribution over and above the original asking amount to help support the mission and ministry enabled and enhanced by the availability of a comfortable and updated Conference Center.

The Board would like to give our thanks and gratitude to the former chairperson of this Board, Clarence Gramling. He served this Board and this Conference well during his tenure, especially during the expansion and renovation of the UM Center.

Respectfully,

Franklin R. Garrett, Chairperson
THE REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE CHANCELLOR

The Conference Chancellor is the legal advisor to the Resident Bishop and the South Carolina Conference and is also an officer of the Conference corporation. Pursuant to Rule 95 of the Standing Rules and Resolutions, requests for the services of the Chancellor are made through the Episcopal Office. Due to the interdependent link between the offices of the Resident Bishop and the District Superintendents, the District Superintendents may request services directly from the Chancellor.

During the past year, I have been involved in assisting the Conference with various legal actions including those related to corporate governance, litigation, safe sanctuary, complaints under the Discipline, property issues, and other matters. Most of my work on property matters has been related to actions of the Conference Board of Trustees (the “Board”); however, property issues related to other entities such as Asbury Hills and local churches, particularly those under consideration for discontinuance, have also arisen from time to time.

With regard to the work of the Conference Board of Trustees (the “Board”), I assisted the Board with its efforts to address the proper disposition of properties of discontinued and abandoned local churches. Considerable work was devoted to the property of the discontinued Asbury Clark UMC (“Asbury Clark Property”) located in Anderson County. This property was entrusted to the Board by a 1988 resolution of the Annual Conference and is somewhat representative of property issues faced by the Board. The Asbury Clark Property contains a cemetery which has been subjected to some vandalism in the past. As a countermeasure to further vandalism, the Board erected a fence around the cemetery. Since that time, the Board has taken action to sell off the remainder of the property to generate funds for the perpetual care of the cemetery and other funds to support the work of the South Carolina Conference. The Board hopes to find a local church in the Anderson District to act as the caretaker for the cemetery property now that sufficient funds have been generated to care for the cemetery. A small parcel of land adjacent to the cemetery might be suitable for the caretaker church to have a small recreation area. I appreciated the opportunity work with the Board on the various legal issues associated with this property.

I would like to bring to the attention of the Annual Conference that Dr. James F. Leathrum, Vice Chairperson of the Conference Trustees, has performed many selfless hours of service relating to the care and sale of the Asbury Clark Property. His efforts exceeded what is normally expected of a Conference trustee. Sometimes, Dr. Leathrum’s work involved his own physical labor (e.g., removing weeds and debris from the cemetery) and was often done at his own expense. His spirit of volunteerism is truly exemplary and inspiring for other United Methodists.

Unfortunately, other properties containing cemeteries in the South Carolina Conference do not have the potential for generating funds for their care. Local churches should carefully consider the long term implications before establishing a church cemetery. The history of the South Carolina Conference shows that as local churches close provisions have often not been made for the future care of the cemeteries. The concept of a cemetery association for the care of a church is sometimes discussed, but the reality is that such an association is rarely feasible due to funding, corporate governance, and management issues.

On a final note, I would encourage local churches to review carefully their insurance program and termite bonds to ensure adequate coverages. Even if not statutorily required, I strongly recommend that workers’ compensation coverage be considered because this insurance coverage may provide the best method for protecting the local church and caring for an employee in the event of an accident in the course and scope of employment. Directors and officers coverage should also be considered. With regard to termite bonds, local churches should be aware that “retreatment only” type bonds provide no coverage for repairs related to termite damage.

R. Jeffords Barham, Chancellor

THE UNITED METHODIST MEN

Making Jesus Christ the center of a man’s life is the purpose of the United Methodist Men. The work in which the organization of United Methodist Men of the SC Conference is engaged has brought us closer to this goal during the past year.
Our spiritual well-being is a top priority. The good attendance at our Spiritual Retreat held in February at Springmaid Beach was an indication of the importance of our understanding the benefits of walking with Christ. Rev. Jeff Kersey and Rev. James C. Lane were the Retreat Speakers. In addition, there were breakout sessions on a variety of subjects and training for local church UMM officers. Thanks once again for an outstanding program organized by our Spiritual Life Coordinator, L. W. Smith of Rehoboth UMC in Columbia. 2009 will be another opportunity for the men at your church to connect with men across the conference. It’s men in ministry and yes; you can bring your wife.

We had great success with a Man In the Mirror event on Saturday, December 1, 2007. We expected 65 men, but 115 showed up.

We expect great success with another Man In the Mirror event May 15, 16, 17, 2008. This report is being written prior to the event; therefore an update will be necessary to announce the results.

We continue to work with communications and relationships. It is through personal, spiritual interaction that we will strengthen the life of one man, then a small group of men, then a congregation of men, then the men of the United Methodist Church. We are using a variety of spiritual growth opportunities that will lead men to put Christ in the center of their lives.

We are involved in work that will benefit only our church, or only our community. But we are also involved in work that will benefit persons across the state and nation; many we do not know personally, but know they are children of God.

Prayer, Scouting, and Feeding the Hungry continue to be major focuses of the United Methodist Men of the SC Conference. The SC Annual Conference hosts more remotes and covenant prayer groups of the Upper Room Prayer Line than any other conference. We donated over $3000 to the Upper Room Prayer Line. The prayer line is routed to the SC Annual Conference during each year’s session and calls are answered and prayers lifted up throughout the meeting. Training for this important ministry is always available. You are asked to be nothing more than a caring Christian on the other end of the phone line.

The Bishop’s Awards of Excellence are presented to boy and girl scouts each year at Annual Conference. The United Methodist Church continues to lead all denominations in sponsoring scouting units.

Hunger relief with its potato drops and gleaning in various parts of the state is reaching out to those who are hungry, working through the Society of St. Andrew. If you would like to sponsor or participate in this program, please get in touch with one of the UMM Conference officers.

We presented the 2007 SEJ G. Ross Freeman Award, a pastoral leadership award, to Rev. Jeff Kersey of Mt. Horeb UMC in Lexington. This annual award recognizes a pastor who has shown outstanding devotion to men's ministry. If you think your pastor is worthy of this award, call the Conference President at 803-730-8577.

United Methodist Men of the SC Conference are well represented in the leadership of the Southeastern Jurisdiction and National Associations of Conference Presidents and the General Commission of UMM. L.W. Smith is the President of United Methodist Men of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Our SC Conference past president, Bill Smith, is a vice president of the SEJ Conference Presidents organization and also serves as secretary of the National Association of Conference Presidents.

Let me repeat a statistic that I offered in last year’s report. When a child or teenager is the first of the family to come to Christ, 17% of the time the entire family follows; when a mother or wife is the first of the family to come to Christ, 34 % of the time the entire family follows; when the father or husband is the first of the family to come to Christ, 93 % of the time the entire family follows. Great Influence – Great Responsibility.

Robert E. Scarborough, Conference President

THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

I have been opened to God's surprises as your leader and have been richly blessed. This opportunity has afforded me many wonderful ways to connect with women all over South Carolina. The many activities and special events remind me that we are truly a community of women whose purpose is to know God. We have had many opportunities to grow in South Carolina. You have inspired my spirits.
The Executive Committee met on February 10th at the Conference Center to make plans to
sponsor programs and events to meet the needs of South Carolina United Methodist Women.
We hope that these needs were met for those who took the opportunity to attend the scheduled
activities and events.

March 6, 2007, our Legislative Day was held at the Clarion Hotel in Columbia. Two focus
groups were presented: Funding for Our Schools – leaders, SC Superintendent of Education
Dr. Jim Rex and Ashley Newton; Violence Against Women-leaders, Elizabeth Smith and
Yolanda Brady. Our luncheon speaker was Sheila Gallagher, President of the SCEA. Tips were
given for contacting and lobbying our elected officials.

April 9-12, 2007, 28 ladies journeyed to Beverly, Kentucky to Red Bird Mission. At the
mission more than 14,000 people are served. The health clinic serves more than 600 persons.
At the Mission School, along with academics, Christian education is taught to grades K-12. The
trip to Red Bird Mission was a great opportunity to learn about where our mission dollars go.

Our Spiritual Growth Retreat was a great success. The Rev. Dr. Teresa Fry Brown was our
leader. Evaluations were very positive toward her leadership. Suggestions were for her to come
again. She gave freely of herself and the audience responded. The theme was “Spiritual
Genetics”.

A time for fun and relaxation was shared at our “Come Together, Be Together” event on
Saturday, June 2, 2007 at Silver Hill UMC in Spartanburg. Our featured speaker was one of our
own, Sue Owens, WD Director. Evaluations for this event were also very positive.

Another highlight of the year was our participation at Annual Conference. Our Social Action
Coordinator presented to the conference a resolution regarding sentencing and incarceration of
juveniles. The resolution was adopted by the conference. We must now move from resolution to
legislation. Wallace Family Life Center was made visible by the board chairperson giving her
report of the many good things that have been happening at the center.

On the “Great Day of Service”, United Methodist Women were asked to assemble hygiene
kits and senior totes. The items were sent out to nursing homes, schools, shelters, and
churches. There were 141 Kids Paks and 258 Senior Totes. What a tremendous show of
support was shown on that day. Thanks to all of you who made it possible.

The South Carolina School of Christian Mission was held at Spartanburg Methodist
College July 19-22. Our theme was “Sing Across the Walls”. The spiritual growth study was
“Mission and Music”; the geographical study was “Israel/ Palestine” and our globalization study
was “Globalization: Its Impact on Our Lives”. These studies presented opportunities to continue
the legacy of justice and freedom. There were 285 participants. The Love Offering was $1401
and the Craft Sale was $1464.

We had two ladies to attend the National Seminar in August. This is an opportunity for
women to explore God’s actions in the current moment and dialogue about how we must
respond. Highlights of this event were featured at our Annual Meeting.

We want to welcome the six new units that have been added to our roster of membership.
May you be reminded that we are called to bring hope, peace, justice and love into the lives of
women, children and youth. As we close this year, I want to say thanks to you for your support
and I look forward to the new challenges and hopes that face us in the coming year.

Mary Johnson, President

SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION CONNECTIONAL TABLE

Greetings on behalf of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Connectional Table and our
President, Bishop Lawrence McCleskey. I am pleased to report to the South Carolina Annual
Conference on some of the actions and accomplishments at Lake Junaluska and in the
jurisdiction.

We were excited to consecrate the Bethea Welcome Center at Lake Junaluska on July 9,
2007. There were United Methodist leaders from several general agencies, colleges and
universities present for this historic event. We are happy to report that the building is in use and
offers Christian hospitality to Lake Junaluska guests and visitors to Western North Carolina. We
thank the South Carolina Conference for your financial commitment to make this symbol of
reconciliation a reality.

Lake Junaluska grounds and facilities are a priority. We have completed the new Lake
Junaluska golf course clubhouse. This was supported by a number of individuals who use this part of Lake Junaluska’s ministry of recreation.

As we prepare and plan for Lake Junaluska becoming a premier conference center for The United Methodist Church, we have a representative group from around the jurisdiction serving on the Lake Junaluska Campus and Stuart Center Design Group to recommend a master plan for the campus. We have Cornell University studying our operations and services to better serve The Church.

Along with looking at our facilities, we have reorganized our ministry area into the Ministry Event Development Office. Rev. Roger Dowdy is giving superb leadership in evaluating our ministries, establishing procedures, and developing partnerships to meet the needs of The United Methodist Church. An agreement has been made to establish Alban Institute at Lake Junaluska. We began to experience this partnership April 13-16, with Healthy Congregations seminar led by Alban Institute. The centerpiece of the partnership will be an Alban Institute seminar July 6-10, at the newly envisioned Ministry Summit (formerly the SEJ Minister’s Conference). There is a new relationship between Ministry and Marketing at Lake Junaluska. Ken Howle and Roger Dowdy are leading us in considering new possibilities for the future, built on research of needs of The Church coupled with good business practices.

The Ministries with Young People continues to serve the largest numbers of United Methodists at Lake Junaluska. The summer youth events and winter ski retreats are being well attended this year.

An outstanding multi-cultural event, Embracing God’s Diversity, was held in December. The leadership of the jurisdiction made this one of the most exciting and diverse groups that has ever met at Lake Junaluska.

Below are snapshots of the work of the seven southeastern jurisdiction agencies:

**GULFSIDE ASSEMBLY**

Mollie Stewart reports the Board feels good about the SEJ and thanks them. A draft of what the new campus might look like has been drawn. Two years after Katrina, during the week of August 13, we sensed a clear direction of hope and a future bright with promise. They began the relationship building in the community, began talking to officials in Waveland and the state and began building partnerships. They are considering senior housing on the gulf and won’t be selling any more land but will utilize what they have. When the tax revenues go through, they will redeem 25 acres of previously owned land. They are not duplicating ministry but enhancing what they have. They have a house that is being used as an office and a place to stay when in the area. When the campus is completed, that house will be used for the director’s home.

**INTENTIONAL GROWTH CENTER**

Larry Ousley reports that the Intentional Growth Center has been in business for 30 years and their area shows signs of health. They planned fifty seven (57) events this year. They drew on reserve funds each of the last three (3) years but this year have not and think they will break even at the end of the year. They trained over four hundred (400) interim ministers in this denomination. They are getting a good response from district superintendents all over the country with 1/3 from outside the jurisdiction. They helped with “heads in beds” in the Conference Center with $175,000 of business. IGC is grateful for the Morgan Charitable Trust that will help as they move into the future. They are planning a major keynoting event in 2008 and look forward to working with the Lay Leaders.

**SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTIONAL AGENCY FOR NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES (SEJANAM)**

Darlene Jacobs reports that SEJANAM became an agency in 1993 to strengthen Native American ministries. It provided advocacy, technical assistance in writing grants with $250,000 representing almost one hundred (100) tribes and twenty three (23) churches and ministries, over six thousand (6,000) who are United Methodists. They work with churches in rural and urban areas and one of the largest Native American churches with one thousand (1,000) members. They have a platform for holy conferencing and going beyond the boards of the SEJ. They allow for modeling and growth. Programs have increased from 25 to 50% and one of the largest Native American events in The United Methodist Church is at Lake Junaluska. Through
mission trips we have erected homes and are establishing health clinics, water systems, and have two hundred fifty (250) team members for that mission project alone. They are in ministry in Mississippi with Choctaw and in Louisiana where Katrina struck. They have received $100,000 for the Cummins endowment for the support of SEJANAM's program. They are raising money to name the Cummins and Queen room in the Bethea Welcome Center. Their agency is unique as it is the only one of its kind throughout all the jurisdictions. It gives presence, a voice and visibility in the jurisdiction. They deal with violence, health and other issues in the course of their work and appreciate the support of the SEJ.

SOUTHEASTERN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AGENCY FOR REHABILITATION, INC. (SEMAR)

Chryl Eure reports that SEMAR is the oldest agency – thirty eight (38) years old. The most defining moment in 2007 was the creation of the Laurels of Junaluska, affordable housing for the elderly. October 12 was the grand opening and the residents moved in November 15 to a safe and comfortable place. We appreciate the Western North Carolina Conference and Givens Estates making this a reality. SEMAR provides technical systems to annual conferences for persons with developmental disabilities. They have entered into a contract with Mike Dyson to run SEMAR. He will lead the Board in strategic planning and determine how SEMAR can continue to be effective for The United Methodist Church. They are seeking additional board members, interested people with a passion and desire to be involved with persons with development disabilities.

UNITED METHODIST VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION (UMVIM)

Nick Elliott thanks all annual conferences for their support over the last thirty one (31) years. They began in the SEJ and are now national. In 2005, twenty six thousand (26,000) people went out in service and in 2006 it was thirty one thousand (31,000). Half of them responded to the hurricane disasters on the gulf coast. 80% of the Katrina relief people are faith based and United Methodist.

HINTON RURAL LIFE CENTER

Clay Smith reports that the United Methodist Church has more local churches than there are US post offices. Rural communities are growing for the first time in one hundred (100) years. Hinton does consulting, provides training and builds effective ministries. Mollie Stewart and Clay spent four (4) days in the Virginia conference, three (3) days in the Florida conference and will spend every weekend to Easter next year working with small group congregations. They have a wonderful First Parrish Project for young clergy in small churches. Thirty five (35) came to Hinton for six (6) weeks during the last two years – ten (10) of whom are United Methodist. They work with affordable housing and substance abuse intervention. They have a conference and retreat center which brings in one thousand two hundred (1,200) people a year. At General Conference in April someone took trees from Gulfside Assembly, and is making furniture for general conference. The whole church is committed to Katrina relief and Gulfside Assembly.

ARCHIVES and HISTORY

Nell Thrift reports that Art Swarthout is the interim director of Archives & History and The Heritage Center. The main focus of The Commission is the Heritage Center, which acquires, organizes, preserves and makes available records of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. The Center provides training for confirmation classes from throughout the jurisdiction, with approximately one thousand three hundred (1,300) young people using the Center in 2007. The Museum is also part of the tour for youth groups meeting at the Lake. In addition, drop-in visitors, researchers, and mail, telephone and e-mail requests for information make the Heritage Center a vital and lively place. The Center has received several notable acquisitions this year. Anne Blanchard, widow of the Reverend Richard Blanchard, author of the hymn “Fill My Cup”, continues to share manuscripts of his music as well as hymnals and other copies of his many songs. The family and friends of Bishop Ed Tullis have recently donated artifacts of his life and ministry, including photographs and diplomas. When you are at Lake Junaluska visit the Heritage Center in the lower level of the Harrell Center.
We were thrilled to host the United Methodist Council of Bishops and the Extended Cabinet in November. In July it will be our honor to welcome the 2008 Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference to Lake Junaluska. The SEJ Connectional Table appreciates the support we receive from annual conferences.

Jimmy L. Carr, Executive Director

CANDLER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Candler School of Theology is grounded in the Christian faith and shaped by the Wesleyan tradition of evangelical piety, ecumenical openness, and social concerns. Our mission is to *educate faithful and creative leaders for the church’s ministries in the world*. Candler is one of the thirteen official seminaries of The United Methodist Church and is one of nine schools at Emory, a top twenty research university, founded in memory of Methodist Bishop John Emory and his commitment to “mold both character and intellect.”

Unlike other large research campuses, Emory is neither indifferent to nor embarrassed by religion. Rather, this university is eager to address an urgent need at home and abroad: helping different faith traditions cooperate rather than collide. Emory prides itself in being a destination university internationally recognized as an inquiry-driven, ethically engaged, and diverse community whose members work collaboratively for positive transformation in the world.

At Candler, we proclaim the Gospel and nurture students’ growth in the Christian faith. A stellar faculty, a dedicated staff, and vibrant students form an active community of teaching and learning that prepares excellent leaders for Christian ministries. We carry out this mission, however, in an extraordinary university-based educational environment where hearts and minds engage across deeply held religious differences, preparing our students to meet the challenges of the twenty-first century.

Candler’s faculty continues to be among the most distinctive in theological education. Forty-three members hold full-time appointments, and five hold part-time appointments. An additional twenty-three serve in an adjunct capacity. Woodie White and Jack Meadors serve as the United Methodist bishops in residence. Bishop L. Bevel Jones III remains at Candler working with the Development Office.

In our commitment to the practice of ministry, we partner with eighty churches to ensure that ministerial preparation takes place in both the local church and on the campus. Candler’s Contextual Education program intentionally pairs a faculty member with supervisors from church and community ministries so that teaching teams represent the church and the academy. Twenty-two teaching supervisors support our Contextual Education and Teaching Parish (student pastor) programs. The Rev. Dr. Alice Rogers has broadened the Teaching Parish program to include students appointed to churches in the Alabama-West Florida, North Alabama, North Georgia, South Georgia, and South Carolina Annual Conferences. We also taught more than 250 United Methodist students in the Course of Study in 2006-2007.

This year, enrollment was 535, with 440 in the Master of Divinity program, 54 in the Master of Theological Studies program, 12 in the Master of Theology program, 10 in the Doctor of Theology program and 19 enrolled as Special, Non-Degree students. Eighty-three percent of students are enrolled full-time. The student population is 25 percent US ethnic minority, 11 percent international, and 52 percent women. Nearly 50 denominations are represented with 52 percent of MDiv students being United Methodist from 37 Annual Conferences. Other denominations of the Methodist family represented at Candler include African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal Zion, Christian Methodist Episcopal, Church of the Nazarene, Free Methodist, Wesleyan Methodist, and the Methodist Church of Korea. The average age of our students is now 31, with 57 percent under thirty. The median age of our MDiv students is 27.

Lots of wonderful new initiatives are underway. We will move into Phase I of our new building in early August 2008. It offers 65,000 square feet for classrooms, offices, and community life. We hope construction on Phase II will begin late in 2008. It will hold the Pitts Library and the Wesley Teaching Chapel. The first year of implementation of a new MDiv curriculum is nearly complete. This program deepens faculty roles in advising and mentoring and requires a course in a religion other than Christianity. A new director of lifelong learning should be in place by fall 2008 to initiate a renewed emphasis on programs that benefit congregations and their leaders in continuing
education. Designed to address the changing needs of church and society both at home and abroad, this program will work cooperatively with local churches, judicatory leaders, and denominational agencies to strengthen the church and its ministries.

At the center of our upcoming capital campaign is a program to boost financial support for students. This year, 76 percent of eligible students received scholarship support from Candler with an average scholarship covering 71 percent of tuition. Among these awards, more than $2.4 million was provided to 198 United Methodist students. Gifts from the Methodist Education Fund (MEF) have played a large role in this support. However, so much more needs to be done. More than 60 percent of Candler’s MDiv graduates leave school with educational debt. This burden undermines their effectiveness in ministry, such that some seek alternative employment. Your continued support, gifts, and prayers mean a great deal as we work to provide a strong educational program as well as support for the courageous and committed students who choose to undertake the challenge of theological education.

Thank you for your support of Candler. Candler exists to serve the church of Jesus Christ and The United Methodist Church in particular. If you have insights on what we could do better to fulfill this service, please let me know.

Jan Love, Dean
and Professor of Christianity and World Politics

DUKE DIVINITY SCHOOL

Duke Divinity School prepares students to become effective, faithful leaders in the church, the academy and the world through its attention to spiritual formation and transforming ministry as well as to leadership and academic rigor. The school is committed to preparing ordained leaders in the United Methodist Church. It is also an integral part of Duke University, and divinity students enjoy and contribute to the university's intellectual, spiritual and social resources.

Programs:

The Divinity School began work on two major initiatives in 2007 that build on previous efforts to partner with the church and other institutions to provide leadership in areas of great importance to congregations.

The Duke Endowment awarded Duke Divinity School $12 million in the summer of 2007 to lead a wide-ranging effort that aims to assess, track and improve the health of every United Methodist pastor in North Carolina. The Divinity School is collaborating with the Western North Carolina Conference and the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church on the project.

The initiative in clergy health, planned to last seven years, will include an initial health assessment of ministers followed by a longitudinal study of their physical, spiritual and mental health. Information gathering will focus on such issues as job satisfaction, spiritual practices, exercise, cultivating friendships and general well-being.

Also in 2007, the Divinity School began planning for an initiative in Christian leadership that will help Christian leaders combine theological insight with wise business practices to meet real-world challenges.

Leadership Education at Duke Divinity will teach, coach and provide resources for leaders of key Christian institutions that support and sustain congregations and pastors. Its reach will extend from bishops and executive directors of denominations to senior leaders of seminaries and other organizations that serve congregations. Supported with a $14 million grant from Lilly Endowment Inc., the initiative will develop a variety of programs that focus on leading and managing Christian institutions. The initiative also will convene Christian leaders at Duke and across the country to address pivotal issues, and will develop a website where leaders of Christian institutions can interact to share resources and ideas.

Students:

We welcomed a superb and diverse group of new students to Duke Divinity School in the fall of 2007. Total enrollment remained steady at about 575 students representing 34 states and seven foreign countries. More than half of our Master of Divinity students are United Methodist, 14 percent are Baptist, and the others come from more than 30 different denominations in the Christian faith.
The median age of the entering Master of Divinity class continues to be low – this year it was approximately 24. The overall entering class has an ethnic minority enrollment of approximately 21 percent. The median undergraduate G.P.A. of the entering class was 3.61. We also welcomed our second class of Doctor of Theology students. Eight outstanding students entered in this class, out of more than 50 applications.

Our field education program continues to provide important contextual learning for students. More than 180 of our students experienced summer field education placements, including many in rural United Methodist congregations (whose stipends were supported by The Duke Endowment), 12 in our Teaching Congregations program, 6 in the Center for Reconciliation’s Teaching Communities program, and 18 international placements in South Africa (5), Guatemala and El Salvador (4), Brazil (2), Canada (2), Peru (2), Uganda (2), and Kenya (1).

Events and Activities:

The Divinity School hosted “Charles Wesley at 300,” a three-day conference in June 2007 celebrating Wesley’s life and work. The school also sponsored our annual Summer Wesley Institute for scholars from around the world to gather for four weeks of study, research and conversation.

In August 2007 the Divinity School was well represented at the Oxford Institute of Methodist Studies, where eight faculty and one Th.D. student participated and several provided significant leadership.

The Divinity School’s Center for Reconciliation convened a gathering of more than 40 Christian leaders in Africa in November 2006 and again in January 2008 to develop strategies for focusing the church’s work in addressing issues and conflicts such as genocide, civil war and AIDS.

In February 2007, the Divinity School welcomed Archbishop Elias Chacour, a Palestinian-Israeli priest, educator, peacemaker and leader, for several days of lectures and conversation. And the Right Reverend George Carey, former Archbishop of Canterbury, spoke at the Divinity School the following month as a part of the efforts of the Anglican Episcopal House of Studies.

The Divinity School hosted the Fund for Theological Education’s summer conference for African-American doctoral students in June 2007. In addition, we hosted the Hispanic Summer Program, which brought to our campus Hispanic students and faculty for two weeks of coursework, worship and reflection.

Faculty:

Stephen Gunter became Associate Dean for Methodist Studies and Research Professor of Evangelism and Methodist Studies. Gunter taught at Candler School of Theology before serving as President of Young Harris College. This new position enables the Divinity School to build on strengths in Wesleyan Studies and further develop service and outreach to United Methodist constituencies.

Edgardo Colon-Emeric joined the Divinity School as director of our new Hispanic Studies Program and Assistant Research Professor of Theology and Hispanic Studies. We anticipate this program will enhance course offerings and field education for M.Div. students, while also addressing Course of Studies education and other workshops for practicing Hispanic pastors.

Lauren Winner, who had been serving as a visiting faculty member, joined the Divinity School in a full-time tenure-track capacity. A Ph.D. graduate of Columbia University, Winner is well-known for such books as “Girl Meets God” and “Mudhouse Sabbath.” She also writes regularly and widely for such publications as Books and Culture, Christian Century, Christianity Today, and The New York Times Book Review.

Paul Griffiths, an internationally known scholar in the field of Catholic studies, was appointed as Duke Divinity School’s first William K. Warren Foundation Professor of Catholic Theology. Griffiths previously was the Schmitt Chair of Catholic studies at the University of Illinois in Chicago.

Notable books published by our faculty in 2006-07 included “Early Methodist Spirituality” by Paul Chilcote; “Prophets, Sages, and Poets” by Jim Crenshaw; “Places of Redemption” by Mary McClintock Fulkerson; “Matthew” and “The State of the University” by Stanley Hauerwas; “Saving Women” by Laceye Warner; and “Power and Passion” by Sam Wells.
Honors & Achievements:

Richard Lischer, Duke Divinity School’s James T. and Alice Mead Cleland professor of preaching, was presented with a lifetime achievement award by the Academy of Homiletics.

Richard Heitzenrater, William Kellon Quick professor of church history and Wesley studies, was honored for his academic achievements in a special session of the American Society of Church History.

We are thankful for the relationships among the United Methodist Church, this Annual Conference, and Duke Divinity School, and we look forward to another year of working to prepare men and women for Christian ministry. To learn more about Duke Divinity School, please visit our website at www.divinity.duke.edu.

L. Gregory Jones, Dean

GAMMON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Gammon Theological Seminary is one of thirteen accredited theological institutions of The United Methodist Church. Gammon is the only historically African American graduate theological school related to the United Methodist Church.

Gammon will celebrate its 125th year of founding this year during the annual Founders’ Day and Thirkield-Jones Lecture Series, October 6-9, 2008. “Remembering Who We Are: Seeking New Pathways” is our theme for our 125th celebration. Bishop Violet Fisher will serve as our Founders’ Day Worship Service Speaker and Bishop Gregory Palmer will serve as our guest lecturer for the Thirkield-Jones Lecture Series. A Founders’ Day Banquet and Gala will be held during this event to honor the alumni who have matriculated at Gammon and served The United Methodist Church for the last 125 years. The Methodist Episcopal Church founded Gammon Theological Seminary in 1883. Bishop Gilbert Haven and the officers of the Freedmen’s Aid Society had purchased nearly 500 acres of high land in the southern suburbs of Atlanta, Georgia. Gammon initially began as a Department of Theology at Clark University. Through the efforts of Bishop Henry White Warren and the gift of $20,000 for endowment from the Rev. Elijah H. Gammon, a Methodist minister of the Rock River (Illinois) Conference. The enthusiasm of these two men led to the construction of Gammon Hall. The Rev. Wilbur Patterson Thirkield was elected dean, and Gammon School of Theology was officially opened on October 3, 1883.

Gammon is the United Methodist member of the consortium of theological schools, known across the world as The Interdenominational Theological Center located in Atlanta, Georgia. We offer a broad curriculum in the scholar-minister tradition and also offer a holistic educational experience that continues to stress scholarship and service.

Students prepare for administration and leadership, counseling, teaching and preaching and a range of other spiritual and secular roles, with a blend of scholarship in the classroom and practical experience in the community. The interdisciplinary curriculum integrates theological studies with preparation for the ministry, merging theory with practice to equip the student for scholarship in the academy, service in the parish, and leadership in the community. Degree programs offered are Master of Divinity; Master of Arts in Christian Education; Master of Arts in Church Music; Dual Degrees and Doctor of Theology and Doctor of Ministry with a Specialty In Pastoral Counseling;

Madelyn C. Greene, Alumni & Student Affairs Director
Dr. Walter H. Mckelvey, President
SECTION VIII
RECORD OF REMEMBRANCE

Retired Ministers
Ralph Alston Cannon
James Chadwick Davis
J. Claude Evans
Henry Franklin Flowers
Duncan Leroy Floyd
Willis Timothy Goodwin
John Thomas Hayes
David Wilton Holder
Denver Steedly Lee
Walter Edwin McDaniel
John Frederick Norwood
Buford Hayes Robertson, Sr.
Amos Nathaniel Rogers
William Fletcher Rogers, Jr.
Lewis Ramey Sherard
John David Williams

Spouses
Dorothy Inez Hemker Gamble
Eura Vernelle Stone Gavalas
James William Jenkins, Jr.
Audrey Novella Woodard McNeill
Dorothy Joree King Pittman
Roselyn Craig Pridgen
Martha Bayne Mallary Taylor

Surviving Spouses
Susie Frances Burns Bedenbaugh
Pauline Adams Boggs
Clara Burnette Bolt
Rosa Rumph Cunningham
Sara Clois Vickery Black Emory
Maxilla Everett Evans
Laura Elizabeth Heyward Gregg
Eliza Blake Nelson
Alberta Swinnie Parker
Grace Helen Nunn Poston
Patricia Ann Gullis Price
Violet F. Tyler

Others
Emeline Ruth Meadows
RALPH ALSTON CANNON
March 5, 1929 – February 25, 2008

Ralph Alston Cannon was born March 5, 1929, in Spartanburg, South Carolina, son of Eulalie Earle and John Burns Cannon. He was a 1950 graduate of Wofford College, having been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the Senior Order of Gnomes, and Blue Key. In 1953 he received a B.D. degree from Yale Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut and married his Yale classmate, Mildred (Mimi) Bowers from Hagerstown, Maryland. They took pride in their three children, Cynthia, Jeffrey, and Teresa.

In 1965, at the young age of 36, Wofford College awarded him the Doctor of Divinity degree for “an interest in scholarship that does not stop with graduation; a continuing academic growth; a keen conscience, both social and personal; and an ability to speak and act vigorously, clearly and tactfully in behalf of Christian principles in twentieth century society.”

His appointments in the South Carolina Conference were Chesnee Circuit; St. James, Spartanburg; Bethel, Bethune; Hibben, Mt. Pleasant; Trinity, Darlington; Trinity, Sumter; St. John’s, Rock Hill; Lyttleton Street, Camden; and St. Matthew, Greenville. The retirement years as a member of Bethel, Charleston, provided many opportunities to continue teaching and preaching.

Ralph said he would rather preach and prepare to preach than any other duty. In response to requests, transcripts of his sermons were offered to his congregations, and distributed on a subscription basis across the United States. A selection of them appeared in book form under the title *Faith of a Fiddler*. After his retirement, the 41-year complete collection of sermons was bequeathed to the Yale Divinity School Library.

He has written for Christian Century, Methodist curriculum resources, and the General Board of Temperance, receiving a special citation in 1958 from that board, “for a unique and scholarly analysis of sex exploitation on the newsstands of America.” He was widely known for timely and insightful messages which appeared each week on his church bulletins and were printed monthly in the South Carolina United Methodist Advocate under the title “Cannonaids.” To quote an Advocate editor, he made “the profound appear simple and the deeply theological a matter of common understanding.” A sampling of these columns was published as “Jots and Tittles.”

His wider ministry included Registrar of the Board of Ministry, Chairperson of the Board of Education, Board of Christian Social Concerns, S.C. Christian Action Council, S.C. Christian-Jewish Committee, and Claflin Campaign; and Trustee of the S.C. United Methodist Advocate and Spartanburg Methodist College. It was his privilege to serve on the merger committee as it began the work of uniting two conferences that had been racially divided. He was also President of Ministerial Associations and active with the South Carolina Mental Health Association and Rotary Club.

He was an instructor at pastors’ schools and lay schools in the fields of youth ministry, leadership training, Christian education, social ethics, clergy training and qualifications, race relations, world peace, United Methodism, and theology.

Ralph served the South Carolina Conference in many beyond-the-parish ministries. He was elected six times by his clergy peers to represent them at the General and Jurisdictional Conferences from 1972 to 1992. A lifelong friend wrote “that he involved himself in everything important, everything creative and controversial”; that, “year after year, he was the choice of his colleagues to represent them, their livelihood, their passion and their destiny at the General Conference; that he did it all with what outwardly appeared to be a comfortableness and easiness; always prepared, always ready, thinking ahead.”

“The Lord equipped me by nature to be a scholar,” he once wrote, “to study, then tell what I have learned; to interpret, to help people understand-I was a rabbi, a scribe, but with a Christian credo.”
JAMES CHADWICK DAVIS
April 27, 1934 – October 1, 2007

The Reverend James Chadwick Davis was born in North Charleston, South Carolina, a son of Felix Charles Davis and Elizabeth Jackson Davis. In 1957 he married Faye Hughes of North Charleston. He is survived by two daughters, Amanda Faye Davis Barnes and husband Ben of Beaufort; Melissa Jane Davis Mandell and husband David of Beaufort; son James Chadwick Davis Jr. and wife Nancy Lewis Davis of Atlanta. He has six grandchildren.

He grew up in the Garco Village and graduated from North Charleston High School in 1952. He was a graduate of the College of Charleston (1956) and the Candler School of Theology (1959). While a student at the College of Charleston, he was organizing pastor of Dorchester Road UMC (now Cokesbury). After graduation, he served as pastor at Laurel Bay (1959-1963); Union UMC, Irmo (1963-1968); Aldersgate, Sumter (1968-1971) and Trinity UMC, Charleston (1971-1975). He was District Superintendent of the Columbia District from 1975-1981. Then he continued to serve as pastor at Bethel UMC, Spartanburg (1981-1989) and Central UMC, Florence (1989-1999).

He was one of the early heart transplant recipients at MUSC in August 1993. Following his successful transplant, he worked tirelessly as an advocate for organ donation and counselor for transplant recipients. His friend, Reverend Bob Howell, who claimed Chad was his mentor, said After his transplant, Chad found renewed energy and renewed calling. He attacked the ministry with the abandon of a condemned inmate who had received a Governor’s pardon. The best work he did in Florence was the work following the heart transplant. He knew better than any of us what it meant when the Bible said that a man died that we might live. He had experienced that first hand, and determined to make his life worthy of the sacrifice that the family of Jason Yandle made to give him a new heart. His renewed commitment was renewing for me as well."

Chad was instrumental in forming Lighthouse Ministries in Florence. He has also served as a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and as a chaplain for Hospice of Charleston. He is credited with launching a master plan at Central UMC, Florence, where the Davis Christian Life Center is named for him and Faye. Rev Tom Pietila, his successor at Central, said “Chad was a real visionary for this church. He worked with leaders of the church to plan for the future. The work he did has really been fruitful and right on target. Chad was a pastoral kind of fellow who was sensitive to the needs of the congregation. He was a leader who knew how important the master plan would be down the road. He knew that expansion would be important. So, what we have here now is his initial vision.” Ralph Porter, former Florence police chief said: “Chad was a fine fellow who gave hope to a lot of people.”

His strength was in his humility, but also in his determination to take a stand for what was right.

Mention must be made of his love of sports. He had played golf, baseball, football, racquetball, and even half rubber. He also had a wonderful sense of humor. When someone told him he was looking good, often he would reply, with a twinkle in his eye, “Looks never was my problem!” He loved people and connected with the young and the old. He accepted people the way they were, enjoyed being with them, and loved them into being better. He touched the lives of countless people, as witnessed by the mountain of thank-you-notes he received and saved.

He could differ with people and still remain friends. His friend, Bill Kinnett said, “The time I spent with him on the Tullis Cabinet was rich. He was always a trusted colleague, and at times a worthy adversary. We would fight during a cabinet meeting and then go have lunch together.”

Talmage Skinner said: “Chad was the one who would always hear me out and tell me the truth as he saw it. He always saw the possibilities in people and situations rather than the weaknesses and problems. He called himself a Deep Water Methodist. I call him a Deep Faith Methodist who never got so holy that he lost his humanity.”

His idea of keeping up with modern technology never went beyond using a calculator.
Chad continued his ministry well beyond his official retirement. He served temporarily at John Wesley UMC, Charleston. He also conducted finance campaigns for several churches. In 2005 and 2006 he was instrumental in forming a new congregation on Lady's Island near Beaufort which is now the Waters Edge UMC mission. He was pastor emeritus at Trinity UMC, Charleston, where he attended in retirement.

He continues even after death, to serve others through the donation of his body to medical science for research and education.

Words cannot express how deeply he will be missed by family and friends. They were blessed to have known him while he was alive and know that he has received his heavenly reward.

J. CLAUDE EVANS
February 5, 1917 – September 7, 2007

J. Claude Evans was born in Anderson, South Carolina, on February 5, 1917, a son of the late Joseph Manley and Mary Ligon Evans. He graduated from Wofford College in 1937 and Duke Divinity School in 1940 and received an honorary doctorate from Wofford College. A member of the South Carolina Methodist Conference, he served as associate pastor for Washington Street Methodist Church in Columbia, South Carolina, and pastor at McCormick Methodist Church before joining the Navy and serving as a chaplain in the South Pacific during World War II. After that he was the minister for Methodist churches in Walhalla (Saint Luke’s) and Clemson, South Carolina, and then editor of the South Carolina Methodist Advocate from 1952-57, during which time he also served as interim pastor in the founding year of Trenholm Road UMC in Columbia. In 1957 he accepted a position as Chaplain to the University at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas which he held until 1982. In 1975, he and his wife of 67 years, Maxilla, built a home in Waynesville, North Carolina, where they lived full time from 1982 until 2003 when they moved to Asheville. In Waynesville, Claude worked as a family counselor and a columnist for the Waynesville Mountaineer. He also starred in the Haywood Arts Regional Theater production of Foxfire in 1992. In addition to his wife, he is survived by four children: Sara, Claude Jr., Robert, and John, and two grandchildren.

Throughout his career, Claude Evans spoke out on the issue of racial inequality and in the latter years on issues of gender, economic injustice, reproductive choice, and gay rights as well. He was renowned for preaching a sermon at Washington Street Church in 1942 that challenged the biological idea of race and called on South Carolinians at war with fascism to live up to their own democratic ideals by abolishing the white primary. Banned from that pulpit, he and Maxilla were moved to McCormick, but the experience only confirmed his commitment to generate conversations about issues of social justice throughout his career. Many in the South Carolina Conference remember his prophetic role and relied on him for support, seeing him as “a pastor to pastors.” Claude was the kind of person who could maintain close personal friendships despite deep disagreements because he listened deeply and respectfully. His own views were expressed with courage and conviction but without self-righteousness, always looking for the common ground. In the 1980s and 1990s, his columns were often very personal, including a series in 1999 in which he used the occasion of his diagnosis with dementia to explore this issue, its many causes, and its impact on someone whose verbal abilities and mental acuity had been central to his life. Many felt spoken for when he wrote, and he in turn found that breaking this silence opened the door to waves of loving support from both family and community. As he wrote in one of his last columns, “The God I know is the God who holds us in being. That’s why dementia is not the terror it’s supposed to be. I’m still held in existence by God…. Just as I was not prepared for life, yet found myself alive, my faith is I’ll be surprised in death - and I’ll like it.”

The courage with which Claude Evans faced his final years and the gentle humor and sweetness that marked his presence at Givens Health Center in his last 2 years reflected decades of work to make the world a better place.
HENRY FRANKLIN FLOWERS  
November 27, 1929 – February 22, 2008

Our family agrees that this is what Henry would say:

As I remember back to Spartanburg, South Carolina and my very meager beginnings, my mother, Lottie Sullivan, comes to mind; she loved me and my siblings but died at an early age of cancer. My dad, Vernon Flowers, was father to Buddy, Bill, and Jack, they were great brothers; I am with them now. My sister Dorothea Poindexter still lives in Vinton, Virginia; what a beautiful and genteel woman she is. “I love you, Dot”. We didn’t have much but we had each other. When mom died we all went our separate ways.

I took a job at a motel where I rented and cleaned rooms in exchange for a room. I was able to finish high school and was accepted at Young Harris Jr. College, Georgia. Maude Potts took me in; thank goodness! I joined the Marines while at school and then landed in the middle of the Korean Conflict. I was one of the elite “Frozen Chosin” where I somehow survived. I received a purple heart, 5 battle stars, many citations and was honorably discharged. I returned to college and later graduated. I was accepted to Birmingham Southern where Mr. and Mrs. Kent McWilliams took me in. Next, I attended Duke University Divinity School. I have a vivid memory of how the divinity intramural football team always beat the regular intramural team. I also remember the weeding out process; I never lost my faith!!!! My Duke endowment placed me in Cullowhee. I met Marie Roberts, courted her, and later married her. Marie had the most beautiful voice. We were a ready pair to do God’s work. “Marie, I appreciate so much you making a home for our family wherever God sent us.”

My Methodist journey: The following made me the circuit rider that I was. I feel I was gifted with humor and patience and I believe I was graced with the art of oratory.

In North Carolina:
   - Oxford – I was Chaplain at the Masonic Orphanage.
   - Central, Asheville – I was an associate pastor; how I loved the ritual of this big church.
   - Bethpage, Kannapolis – My first church. Kannapolis became my hometown. My daughter Julia Marie was born here. “Julie, I was proud to be your Dad.” My family acquired life long family friends in Joe and Gladys Ervin.
   - Oakview, High Point - My son Hal Timothy was born here. “Hal, I was proud to be your Dad.”
   - Skyland, Asheville - This is where I became a member of the freemasons.
   - Oxford - I was assistant superintendent (1971-1973) and then superintendent (1973-1974) of the Masonic Orphanage. I was a speaker and a fundraiser for this worthy cause.
   - French Broad, Asheville - I volunteered here for $300.00 a month.
   - Haywood Street, Asheville - Back in the conference again.
   - Fair Grove, Thomasville - I became lost here hoping to be found.
   - Intermission - Florida and somewhere near Bennettsville, South Carolina - This is where I began writing my 3 books: Discovery, Heartbursts and Stones by the River.
   - Found!! Starting over in the South Carolina Conference !!!
   - Surfside - I was associate pastor.
   - St. Johns and Lebanon, Norway - Quintessential South Carolina.
   - St. Pauls Waccamaw, Litchfield - My daughter was married here to Stacy Lewis, “Stacy, your open mind and heart meant so much to me”. My grandson David was born while I was here. “David, I never tired of being called “Papa Flowers”. I am so honored and humbled to have been part of building and leading this loving church for 9 years. Thanks for all the golf, fellas!!
   - Retirement - “Why did I retire?” I came back to Kannapolis and was diagnosed with Lupus. I presided over my son’s second marriage to Susan, “Susan, thank you for loving my son.” I married Helen Perdue of Thomasville, North Carolina. “Helen, you took the greatest care of me until my death. I was proud to be your husband.”
DUNCAN LEROY FLOYD  
February 10, 1923 – April 10, 2008

Duncan Leroy Floyd, the son of Jennings J. and Maude M. Floyd was born in Olanta, South Carolina, February 10, 1923. He graduated from Olanta High School and attended Claflin College and the Conference Course of Study.

There were two children from his first marriage: a son, David of Atlanta, Georgia and a daughter, Marie Bragg, of Springfield, Georgia. He married Peggy Granger of Greenville, South Carolina.


Duncan is survived by his wife, Peggy, his two children and a sister, Mary Nell Brown of Bishopville, South Carolina. We are grateful for the ministry of this servant of God.

WILLIS TIMOTHY GOODWIN  
September 2, 1935 – December 10, 2007

The Reverend Willis Timothy Goodwin was born in Charleston County on September 2, 1935 and departed this life on December 10, 2007 in the Medical University Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina after a brief illness.

In 1961, Rev. Goodwin graduated from Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia after receiving his undergraduate degree from Claflin University, Orangeburg, South Carolina. He received an Honorary Doctorate from Teamer School of Religion.

Rev. Goodwin’s zeal for the ministry has served him as pastor in the following locations within the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church: Midway Charge-Bamberg; Minus Chapel-Greenville; Easley Charge-Easley; The Johns Island Parish-Johns Island; Emmanuel-Sumter; New Francis Brown & Washington-North Charleston.

In 2001, Rev. Goodwin retired after serving 47 years in active ministry. At the time of his demise, he was pastoring as a retired supply at Centenary UMC in Moncks Corner.

Ever cognizant of the plight of the less fortunate, Rev. Goodwin made it a point to take the ministry from behind the pulpit into the communities, and did not limit his ministry to places in which he served but his work extended around the world. Rev. Goodwin’s participation and contributions in church and civic life includes: testifying before the United States Senate Subcommittee on the health and plight of the Migrant and Seasonal farm workers, preaching at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, DC during the bi-centennial, conducting leadership training in West Africa. He has toured Central America, The Philippines, Appalachia, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Belize, Caribbean Islands, and The Dominican Republic. At the time of his illness, he was planning to visit Harper City, Liberia as special guest of The Liberian Annual Conference of the UMC.

Rev. Goodwin was the founder of the following institutions that continue to exist today: Rural Missions Inc. the Sea Island Comprehensive Health Care Corp. Island Oaks residential living center (formerly Hermenia Traeye Nursing Home), The Small Farmers Cooperation, The Phoebe Taylor Health Center, The Wadmalaw Island Community Center, Wadmalaw Island. While serving Emmanuel UMC in Sumter he constructed the W.T. Goodwin Family Life Center. His most recent accomplishments were:
The Twin City Outreach Mission located in North Charleston to serve the needs of the city and surrounding areas

- Serving as Senior Advisor at the South Carolina World Trade Center in Charleston
- Appointment by Gov. Mark Sanford to the Commission Board of Human Affairs

Rev. Goodwin loved people. He had a great sense of humor and enjoyed laughing with others while making them feel comfortable and contented. He had the ability to inspire affection and admiration in everyone he met.

Among Rev. Goodwin’s many survivors is his wife of 46 years, Eartha Dowling Goodwin, two sons: Irvin M. Goodwin of Chester, South Carolina and Quentin W. Goodwin of Charlotte, North Carolina; two daughter-in-laws, two granddaughters, one brother, two sisters, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his oldest son, John Wesley Timothy, in 2005.

“Servant of God, Well Done!”

JOHN THOMAS HAYES
May 11, 1928 – August 18, 2007

The Reverend John Thomas Hayes, the son of the late Samuel Whitaker and Willie Sarah Hayes, was born in Anderson, South Carolina, May 11, 1928. He died peacefully on Saturday, August 18, 2007. His life spanned over seventy-nine years, forty-seven as a minister in the South Carolina Conference. John married Sarah Margaret Dickerson on August 3, 1951. They had three children: John Thomas (Tom), born March 10, 1953, David Dennis, born July 29, 1956, and Paul Durham, born June 29, 1960. John and Sarah’s faith and commitment to Christ lives on in their children and everyone they touched in the ministry together.

In 1949, at the age of twenty-one, John began his ministry at Hopewell (Walhalla), Chicopee-Zion (Walhalla), Latimer Memorial (Belton), Traveler’s Rest-Renfrew, Unity-Sardis (Union), St. Luke (Hartsville), Laurens Road (Greenville), St. James (Spartanburg), St. Mark (Greenville). In 1976, John was appointed to the Alston Wilkes Society where he served for three years. In 1979, he became a Director of the Pre-Trial Intervention Program for Spartanburg and Cherokee counties. John continued to work for Christ, touching lives by his genuine love and his warm expressions. His concern for people and his sacrificial nature brightened the lives of all. On June 3, 1992, John retired from the South Carolina Conference, but he never retired from being a minister.

In his retirement, he served Faith (Greer), Cherokee Springs (Spartanburg), Salem (Cowpens), St. Andrews (Clifton), and Loree (Wellford). John’s charge conference was held at Lyman United Methodist Church where he faithfully attended with his lifelong partner in ministry, Sarah.

John and Sarah touched the lives of people every day by sharing the love of Christ. Their presence filled us with genuine love. John’s contagious laughter and smile will live on forever in each of us. He was faithful to the ministry for 47 years. John was always there to bring the sense of God’s presence when needed. His faith and commitment to Christ was remarkable. John’s favorite hymn was “Blessed Assurance”; he was constantly assured of the saving grace of God. John embraced and was embraced by God on Saturday, August 18, 2007, and he is assured of eternal salvation. We can truly say of John Hayes, “Well done good and faithful servant.”

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long. (Fanny Crosby)

– Jay Hatchell
DAVID WILTON HOLDER  
February 6, 1928 – October 25, 2007

The Reverend David Wilton Holder was born on February 6, 1928 in Spartanburg, South Carolina, a son of James Herbert Holder and Frances Elizabeth Wilkins Holder. He attended Spartanburg City Schools, Spartanburg Methodist College, University of South Carolina, Emory University Course of Study and Advanced Course of Study.

On July 30, 1948, he married Madora Bonner Holder of Spartanburg, South Carolina. Children are: David Len Holder, born May 24, 1950 and Denise Elaine Holder Jones, born June 23, 1954. He served in the United States Army in the Philippines and worked with the United States Postal Service before entering the Ministry.

The Reverend David Wilton Holder was Licensed to Preach on February 24, 1958; Ordained Deacon on June 22, 1960; Ordained Elder on June 14, 1962; Received in Full Connection in 1966.


David loved life and shared the Love of God with those that he came in contact with in the Churches and community and he continued this until October 20, 2007 when he sustained a left hip fracture and underwent the surgery to correct it. He then passed away on October 25, 2007, in the hospital.


– Madora Bonner Holder, Wife

DENVER STEDELEY LEE
October 6, 1918 – May 2, 2008

Denver Steedly Lee, the son of Elijah and Lessie Holder Lee, was born in Pacolet, South Carolina, October 6, 1918. He died peacefully and entered the Church Triumphant on Friday, May 2, 2008.

Our father married Marie Hodge on July 1, 1939. The two of them were devoted partners in marriage for almost 69 years. They had three children: Wedrell Wayne, Dennis Ray, and Joyce Marie.

Dad was a graduate of Spartanburg Methodist College and Wofford College. He also attended Emory University. He was licensed to preach in 1940 and was ordained deacon in 1945 and elder in 1947. He served the Cross Anchor Charge, Galloway Memorial-Panola (Greenwood), Bethel (Rock Hill), Edgefield-Trenton-McKendree, St. John (Batesburg), Francis Asbury (Greenville), Brookland (West Columbia), Mount Dearborn-Bethesda (Great Falls), Kings Mountain Chapel-St. Paul (York), and (after retiring) Bethlehem-Foster’s Chapel (Jonesville).
Dad served on various conference boards and committees. They included the World Peace Committee, Board of Evangelism, Conference Relations Board, Board of Pensions, Board of Insurance, and Ministerial Affairs Executive Committee. The Credit Union had special meaning to him. He was a charter member and served on the Board of Directors from 1962-2000. He greatly enjoyed the relationship he had with fellow directors and the credit union staff.

Our father was active in civic and community clubs and organizations. He received the Lions International Service Award, the Batesburg Chamber of Commerce Service Award, and the White House Conference Special Award. After retiring, he and our mother were dedicated volunteers for Mobile Meals of Spartanburg County, delivering meals to people in Pacolet.

Daddy lived a full life. He was a man of zest, zeal and emotion. He was outgoing and made friends easily. He was witty and enjoyed sharing a laugh.

Daddy’s favorite hobby was gardening. He once said that had he not felt called to ordained ministry, he would probably have been a farmer. He was well known for producing delicious vegetables and took great pleasure in sharing them with others. Over the years many neighbors, colleagues and friends received the fruits of his labors.

Our father was a churchman in the finest sense of the word. He loved God, loved God’s church, and loved God’s people. His ministry was one marked by great commitment and integrity. He was a faithful and effective preacher, administrator and spiritual leader. And he was particularly strong as a pastor to persons who were sick, grieving or in need.

To his family he was a loving son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He went to great lengths to host family gatherings and to nurture family relationships. Every member of the family was important to him.

He is missed. But he has left many of us with memories, experiences and examples of love, which if considered, can provide encouragement and direction for our own faith journey as we seek more and more to love God and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

– The Lee Children

**WALTER EDWIN MCDANIEL**
April 25, 1921 – January 31, 2008

The Reverend Walter Edwin McDaniel was born April 25, 1921 in Anderson County, South Carolina. He was the son of Walter E. McDaniel, Sr. and Zelpha Hudgens McDaniel. He graduated from Pelzer High School. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Furman University and did postgraduate work at Emory University.

Walter married Mary Ellen Upton and had two sons: Walter E. “Dan” McDaniel, III of Greenville, South Carolina; Joseph “David” McDaniel of New Market, Alabama; and two grandsons, Walter E. IV and Joseph McDaniel.

Reverend McDaniel was a United States Army Ranger veteran and served during World War II. He received three purple hearts during combat and was a prisoner of war for fifteen months before making his escape.

Reverend McDaniel served many United Methodist churches, including Ebenezer, Greenville, Liberty, Gowanville; Bethel, Simpsonville; Buncombe Street, Greenville; Piedmont United Methodist, Piedmont; Montgomery Memorial, Pacolet Mills; Grace, Greer; Appalache; Appalache; St. Pauls, Ridgeland; and Zion in Lancaster.

Reverend McDaniel was active in the Ruritans and enjoyed: fishing and golfing. He was always interested in improving church properties: where he served. He did the actual work of carpentry and remodeling in several churches he served. Reverend McDaniel went to be with the Lord January 31, 2008.

During his thirty-two years in the ministry, Reverend McDaniel always put the church and his God First.
JOHN FREDERICK NORWOOD
November 4, 1926 – December 7, 2007

Having completed his earthly mission, the Reverend John Frederick Norwood, Sr., entered eternal rest on December 7, 2007. He was born on November 4, 1927 in Darlington, South Carolina, to the union of John Ruben Norwood, a Methodist minister, and Benzena McCurry Norwood, a public school teacher.

In 1948, Reverend Norwood answered the call to ministry. He graduated from Claflin College in Orangeburg and joined the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

In 1950, he was appointed to Rock Spring United Methodist Church in Chester County.

In 1954 he was appointed to Wesley United Methodist Church in Aiken, South Carolina. During this tenure he graduated from Gammon Theological Seminary. He met and married Zanthia Bush Norwood. Three children, John Jr., Iris, and Lydia were born to this union.

Reverend Norwood also served in the Alabama Conference of the United Methodist Church. He was appointed pastor of Bowen United Methodist Church; Tuskegee, Alabama, and later, Superintendent of the Huntsville District of the United Methodist Church.

Upon completing these two assignments, he served briefly as interim president on Gammon Theological Seminary; Atlanta, Georgia (1968), prior to his appointment as Secretary of Finance of the United Methodist Church.

Throughout a ministry spanning fifty-two years, Reverend Norwood served church and community with a depth of commitment and compassion for people that endeared him to many. He was a pastor, leader, mentor and friend, generous with his time and resources.

He received local and national commendations, but his greatest joy came from helping people and leading them to Christ. Giving and serving was his mission; it is his legacy.

Though formally retired, he continued tirelessly in civic, community and ministerial involvement. He accepted pastorate of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Evanston, Illinois, where he worked over twenty years, and where, by his request, his funeral was held. Reverend Taurus Scurlock delivered the eulogy.

Reverend Norwood is survived by a son - John Frederick Norwood, Jr. (Linda), two daughters - Iris Williams (Lonnie), and Lydia Norwood. There are two surviving brothers - James D. Norwood (Bernice) and Nathaniel Norwood (Dorothy). Mildred Owens (Alton) is the only surviving sister. His five grandchildren are John Michael, Joshua, and Nichel Norwood; and Rachel and Leah Williams.

He was predeceased by his parents, Reverend and Mrs. John Ruben Norwood; four sisters; Juanita Rory, Geneva Norwood, Gertrude Lloyd, Lonzena Brown; and one brother, Charles Norwood.

– The Norwood Family

BUFORD HAYES ROBERTSON, Sr.
August 6, 1929 – September 30, 2007

Reverend Buford Hayes Robertson was the ninth child born to Elijah and Sophie Robertson in Pickens County, Alabama. He graduated from high school at age 16.

He became affiliated with the Macedonia CME Church at an early age. While there, he served as Church School Superintendent, junior steward and was licensed to preach at age 17. In addition to his father being a minister, he was one of three ordained ministers in his family. He then served as local pastor of that church and Summerville CME Church until he entered college for a year. Upon leaving college, he moved to Chicago, Illinois. It was while residing there that he enlisted in the United
States Marine Corps. He served in two wars—the Korean War and Vietnam War. He remained in the Marine Corps for 21½ years until retirement as Administrative First Sergeant in 1970. He also served as a Barber at Parris Island USMC for 15 years after retirement. He was a member of the first platoon of Black recruits trained at Parris Island, which is currently noted in a display at the Parris Island Museum.

He became a member of Hiram Lodge #469 in Beaufort, South Carolina. He received the 32° in Masonry at Ezra Consistory in Savannah, Georgia, and the 33° and final degree in Masonry in 1975 at the Supreme Council in Dallas, Texas. He was the only 339 Mason in Beaufort County. He then served as Worshipful Master of Hiram Lodge, President of the Shrine Club and District Deputy, Grand Masters of Masons, all over a period that spanned ten years.

He became a member of Wesley United Methodist Church in Beaufort, South Carolina in 1972. Soon after, he re-entered the ministry. Upon completion of United Methodist ministerial candidacy school he received his first appointment in 1986 to serve as pastor of the Fishers Chapel UMC church in Hardeeville, South Carolina and St. Stephens UMC in Ridgeland, South Carolina. He was ordained in the United Methodist Church in 1993. In 1995, he completed the course of study of the Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. In 1996, he became pastor at Wesley United Methodist Church in Beaufort, South Carolina and Broomfield United Methodist Church, serving for three years. At the time of his death he was Pastor Emeritus at Wesley United Methodist Church. He was recently involved in ongoing efforts to preserve the heritage and history of Wesley United Methodist Church.

His community affiliations were numerous and included being a member of Beaufort County Zoning Committee; Beaufort County Voter Registration Commission; Beaufort County Tax Equalization Board. He also served as a Delegate to the State of South Carolina Democratic Convention; Beaufort City Council and Beaufort County Council as requested in religious capacity. He was Cluster Leader for the Walterboro District UMC, and willingly worked to aide organizations in the church including United Methodist Men, Administrative Board, Board of Trustees, and United Methodist Women. He was with Operation Good Neighbor from its beginning. He assisted the Chaplain at the United States Naval Hospital in Beaufort, South Carolina.

His legacy of love will be cherished by his loving and devoted wife of forty years, Alvesta Robertson; two daughters, Gail Robertson-Pinto (Jerry) of Newburgh, New York, Deborah Robertson-Ward (William) of Vidalia, Georgia; two sons, Jeffery Robertson of Athens, Georgia, Buford Robertson, Jr. of Dallas, Texas; three brothers, Robert Robertson (Mattie), Fay Robertson (Ruth), and Osie Robertson, two sisters, Vera Wright and Clovita Hill (Richard) all of Chicago, Illinois; three grandchildren, Rebecca and Danielle Pinto of Newburgh, New York and Shanece Terrell of Rock Hill, South Carolina; a total of 23 nieces and nephews as well as several cousins and a host of friends throughout the United States.

AMOS NATHANIEL ROGERS
June 6, 1931 – April 30, 2008

Amos Nathaniel Rogers, was born June 6, 1931, in Cross, South Carolina, the second son of the late Reverend Samuel W. Rogers and the late Edna Smith Rogers.

Reverend Rogers received his early education in Berkeley County. He later attended Morris College in Sumter, South Carolina where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. While working on his undergraduate degree at Morris College, he worked transporting the College President and students. He obtained an Associate Degree in Theology from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. Due to his desire to learn and to be kept abreast of current events, he pursued additional courses of studies and attended numerous workshops to include the Bishop’s School of Ministry, E.M.L.C. Pastor’s School, Mason’s Shoe Company, Amway, Crisis Ministry, and the Board of the Ordained Ministry.

Reverend Rogers attended Mt. Nebo United Methodist Church which merged with Bethel United Methodist Church. He was an active member who heard and yielded to a voice that said,
“Go out into all the world and preach the gospel.” He served as a leader as well as a pastor layman, Sunday School Superintendent, and Education Committee Member. As a minister, he served as pastor of Silas United Methodist Church in Eutawville from 1981 to 2001. Under his leadership, the congregation grew, the church was renovated, and many new auxiliaries were organized. He was involved in programs in the local churches where members discussed objectives and worked strategies to achieve these objectives. For example, goals were established for bringing more young people into the church via games, suppers, carnivals, creative expressions, etc. as well as religious programs.

Reverend Rogers was the owner of Rogers Auto Sales, a retired teacher of Berkeley County School District, a retired employee of South Carolina Department of Transportation, a retired instructor of Bonneau Vocational Center, and the Coordinator for Concentration Employment Program. He was an active community leader in the National Education Association, South Carolina Education Association, Jehovah Lodge #351, F.A.&M., American Legion, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Berkeley County Progressive League, and the Citizens of Berkeley County. He was a 32nd Degree Mason. He received recognition and awards for volunteer service with the Berkeley County Progressive League, the Citizens of Berkeley County, Cross Community Center, Berkeley County School System, Cross High School Advisory Council, Cross Community Center and other community organizations. Also, he was instrumental in lobbying with US Congressmen in naming the new community high school, Cross High School. Moreover, Rev. Rogers served his country through a tour of military duty in the United States Army.

Reverend Rogers served the community from his heart, so it was fitting and proper to forever recognize the accomplishments of this son of South Carolina. In September 2006, the Department of Transportation named the bridge in Berkeley County that forms the boundary between Lake Marion and Lake Moultrie along South Carolina Highway 45 “The Amos Nathaniel Rogers Bridge” in his honor.

Reverend Rogers was united in holy matrimony to the late Clara Jones Rogers. This union was blessed with four children. One child, Adelaide Rogers, preceded him to the grave.

He leaves to cherish his memories five children: Maryann Toone of Jersey City, NJ, Robert Gadsden (Loleatha) of Philadelphia, PA, Alphonso Rogers (Yvonne) of Cross, SC, Gwenevere Cynthia Elerby (Johnny) of Cross, SC and Nathalina Tolbert, Ed. D. (Barrett) of Montgomery, AL; one aunt, Ermine B. Rogers of Maryland; nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends.

WILLIAM FLETCHER ROGERS, JR.
March 12, 1912 – January 30, 2008

Nicknamed “Ducky” by his family, Will was the sixth of seven children. He graduated from The Citadel, where he was the recipient of the prestigious John O. Wilson ring. (Later, he was to receive an Honorary Doctorate from his alma mater). Instead of the medical path he had anticipated, Will answered his call to the ministry. He graduated from The Candler School of Theology and started his mission service in Macon City, Georgia helping underprivileged children.

Later, at Scarritt College, Will met Agnes Dawsey. They were married in Brazil on August 22, 1940. They stayed and served as missionaries in Quarai, Carazinho, Santo Angelo, Cruz Alta, Natal, and Belem for the next 23 years. During this time, they built churches and parsonages, spread the Gospel on horseback and by car, and had five sons -- Bill, Paul, Cy, Sammy, and Johnny.

In 1963, Will and Agnes were appointed to Buffalo United Methodist Church, where they served until 1971 when they returned to Brazil. Three years later, Will and Agnes returned to

However, in 1982, he and Agnes traveled to the island of St. Vincent, which is in the West Indies, to serve as missionaries with their son Paul and his family.

In 1984, Will retired once again. Yet, in 1992, Will and Agnes accepted an appointment to Dunean UMC in Greenville. Finally, Will and Agnes retired for good in 1995. In 2000, they made a move to the Brooks Howell Home for Missionaries in Asheville, North Carolina, where Will eventually passed away. He spent a mere 95 years on this earth spreading the Good News. He was the first recipient of the Harry Denman Award for Evangelism.

Will is loved for his stories and his sense of humor. He is described as a humble man, but when he stood in the pulpit, he was a giant. He is survived by a brother, his wife, four of his five sons, five daughters-in-law, ten grandchildren, six grandchildren-in-law, and thirteen great-grandchildren, all of whom miss him dearly.

“Peace is going at a gallop in the midst of storms.”

– William F. Rogers, jr

“Yes, I have dreamed many dreams and God in His loving way has answered all of them in His own special way, making me much more joyful than I ever could have dreamed of being.”

– William F. Rogers, jr (1971)

LEWIS RAMEY SHERARD
March 29, 1930 – September 4, 2007

The Reverend Lewis Ramey Sherard was born March 29, 1930, in Abbeville County, South Carolina, a son of Samuel Wiley and Sallie Sue Ramey Sherard. His educational journey began on the family farm, nurtured by family, surrounded by learning experiences in farm life and historically rich Abbeville. Higher education began at nearby Erskine College in 1949, continuing at Wofford College with graduation in 1953. In Fall 1953, he received his License to Preach and entered The Divinity School, Duke University.

Graduating from Duke in 1956, Lewis began a forty year itinerancy that took him from South Carolina’s Low Country to the Foothills. His first appointment was to Lodge Circuit, four Churches in Walterboro District. Arriving at Lodge he likely recalled continents of Dr. Charles Allen during a Wofford “Religious Emphasis Week.” Recounting his experience with Methodist appointments, Dr. Allen said his first appointment was a five Church Circuit in Georgia: “Just about the time I figured out how to manage them, the Bishop took them away and gave me one Church. I do believe we have this system set up backwards!” After four years at Lodge, Lewis moved to Travelers Rest, a Station Church! He later served St. Paul, Spartanburg; Holly Hill; Herbert Memorial/Sampit, Georgetown; Trinity/Berea, Clio; St. Paul, Ninety Six; Epworth, Rock Hill; Lyman; and Mathews, Greenwood.

While serving Lodge, Lewis married Georgia Williams Britt, of McCormick County on June 15, 1958. At Annual Conference, August 1958, Lewis was ordained Elder and received into Full Membership. Throughout nearly a half century of marriage, the Churches they served benefited from this couple’s united service to God, Church and Community. Three children -- Rebecca, Susan and Samuel -- enriched family life and ministry from Appointment to Appointment.

Service Lewis rendered beyond the Local Church testifies to his range of interests and leadership: Conference Board of Education; Commission on Archives and History (four years as Chairman); Board of Health and Welfare Ministries; and World Methodist Conferences as a Delegate in 1966, 1971 and 1981. Energetic and enterprising contributions to communities he served always resulted in leaving them better than when found. Ministry Lewis Sherard provided was steady, authentic, solid.

Lewis had scholarly interests but did not wear them “on his sleeve.” He was on a District Education Committee when a second printing of a facsimile issue of John Wesley’s “A Collection of Psalms and Hymns” was released in 1977 by the Dalcho Historical Society of
The original was printed in 1737 at Charleston by Lewis Timothy, colleague of Benjamin Franklin. John Wesley prepared the text, journeyed to Charleston and commissioned printing to support his work in Savannah. Lewis Sherard knew two copies of the original printing had been found (one now preserved in New York’s Public Library, the other in the British Museum, London). Other copies might never be found, but Lewis Sherard was intrigued with the idea that Lewis Timothy’s “Colonial Printing Office” -- or at least its former location -- could be found. On January 10, 2004, after years of research and continuing effort by the Conference Commission on Archives and History and Conference Historical Society, a marker was unveiled on Charleston’s King Street (between Broad and Tradd) to identify the area where the “Printing Office” once stood. Lewis delighted in the achievement; a fragment of history had been uncovered; John Wesley’s footsteps in Charleston had been recovered!

Lewis Sherard retired from Itinerant Ministry in 1995, not from ministry. To the day of his death, he was Minister of Visitation for Greenwood’s Main Street United Methodist Church. Daughter Rebecca Sherard Winans wrote in a tribute to her father that quizzing him in the hospital about his favorite color, his response was “light.” She later realized the significance of his response: he had not singled out a portion of the spectrum; he had named the sum of all colors. His physical life was near end, light of Heaven was already shining, a new life was dawning and Christ whom he had served faithfully approached to escort him to a new home. “The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never mastered it” (John 1: 5). Lewis Sherard preached that Gospel; he lived that Faith.


JOHN DAVID WILLIAMS
July 4, 1924 – February 12, 2008

The Reverend John David Williams, husband of Alice Eulee Moseley Williams, died Tuesday, February 12, 2008. Born in Aynor, South Carolina, he was a son of the late Reverend Thomas Walker Williams and Sarah Lowrimore Williams. He was a United States Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, graduating from pilot training at Frederick, Oklahoma and serving in the Southwest Pacific area, including the occupation of Japan. Rev. Williams was a 1950 graduate of Watford College, receiving his A.B. degree. He attended Candler School of Theology and finished the Conference Course of Study. He was licensed to preach in 1947, became an ordained deacon in 1952, and an ordained elder in 1954. He was received into full membership of the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church in 1952, serving the following appointments: Kingstree Circuit, 1947; Camp Croft, 1947-48; Chesnee, 1949-50; Associate, St. Paul, Orangeburg, 1950-51; Norway, 1951-55; Mullins Circuit, 1955-59; First Methodist, Latta, 1959-63; Wayne, Georgetown, 1963-67; Duncan Memorial, Spartanburg, 1967-73; St. Mark, Charleston, 1973-77; Epworth, Joanna, 1977-79; Grace, Lancaster, 1979-84 and First, Harleyville, 1984-88. He retired in June of 1988. He served on numerous committees including the Ministerial Qualifications Committee, Health and Welfare Ministries, 1956-64; Trustee, Belin Property, 1962-68, and the Columbia College Presidential Advisory Committee, 1982-84. Rev. Williams was active in community work, scouting, Rotary and Ruritan Clubs and others. He was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church, Greenwood and the Hut Sunday School Class. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family, which consisted of eight children. Surviving is his wife of the home; three sons: John David Williams, Jr. and his wife, Joy, of Columbia, Benjamin Moseley Williams and his wife, Irina, of Gaffney and Stephen Arthur Williams and his wife, Melissa, of Spartanburg; six grandchildren and one great grandchild.

His first sermon was on Hebrews 13:8, “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” He never forgot that and it meant much to him. He had recently received his license to preach and was filling in for his father, who was in failing health.

John usually began and ended his ministry at each church with Genesis 5:18-24 about
Enoch walking with God. His life was a steady day by day walk with God - not a meandering but a steady walk.

He loved working with people, especially children and the elderly. He was a loving pastor as well as an evangelistic preacher.

He loved his family with a never-ending love. He was always there for any one of them when they had a disappointment or problem.

His wife of 60 years as well as his children will miss him very much but feel so thankful to have had him with them for many years.

John was a man we would all benefit from emulating. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, he was able to serve God the Father and his Saviour Jesus Christ without neglecting the needs of either his family or friends.

SPOUSES

DOROTHY INEZ HEMKER GAMBLE

Born in Newberry, South Carolina, Dorothy was the daughter of Byron Jerome Hemker and Johnie Inez Cordle Hemker. A graduate of Newberry College, she earned a degree in elementary education. She taught grades 1-7 in public schools for 26 years. She loved teaching, and always enjoyed meeting former students later in life. She was a member of the South Carolina Education Association and the National Education Association.

In 1950 Dorothy married Lamar Gamble, a minister in the Methodist Church. Although Dorothy and Lamar could not have children, they decided to adopt a “wide eyed boy”. By coincidence, their son’s birthday was September 2, the same date they were married 15 years earlier.

After retiring she joined Trinity UMC in Anderson, where she was a member of the Wesley Sunday School Class and the Julia Camps Circle.

Her calendar read like a journal, full of notes about family and friends, birthdays and anniversaries, phone calls and visits. Although not able to travel much, part of Dorothy’s ministry was simply keeping in touch with others, by calling or sending cards and letters of remembrance on holidays and anniversaries. Her gift was remembering things most people forget. Those she remembered included childhood friends, colleagues, people from her husband’s ministry, to her last entry which was the birthday of their newest pastor, which he was surprised to discover she knew.

When she was nine, Dorothy had polio and lost the use of her left hand. She handled her difficulty so well that few people ever recognized it. Her granddaughter, however, noticed almost immediately. When praying, Laurel would make everyone at the table hold their hands cupped the same way as her grandmother. Laurel is as observant and caring as her grandmother.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Rev. Lamar Gamble; son, Mark Gamble, daughter-in-law, Stephanie LeBlanc Gamble; and granddaughter, Laurel Yvette Gamble.

– Lamar, Mark & Stephanie Gamble
EUR A VERNELLE STONE GA VALAS
July 28, 1938 - January 21, 2008

“Nelle Gavalas was a saint and didn’t know it!” So spoke her pastor, the Rev. Gary Byrd, at her Service of Death and Resurrection held on January 23, 2008 at Grace United Methodist Church, Union, South Carolina. All whom Nelle touched and loved knew Rev. Byrd was right. Nelle died on January 21, 2008 after a long and courageous illness. Like her Lord, in her suffering and death she gave witness to the gospel truth that in life and in death, God is with us...what more can we ask! She was laid to rest in the Grace Church cemetery.

Nelle was born July 28, 1938 in Effingham, South Carolina, a daughter of the late Wilbur C. and Marie Farrell Stone. She graduated from Winthrop College in 1960, and taught art in the Aiken and Charleston County School systems. She married Anthony N. Gavalas on February 14, 1970 and assumed the role of a pastor’s wife. Together they raised four children. During their pastorates, Nelle sang in the choir, often taught Sunday school and was active in the United Methodist Women. She served as a UMVIM to Mexico in 1987.

Surviving in addition to her husband are four children: Vikena Yutz of Dallas, Georgia, Christa Godwin of Lake City, South Carolina, Frances Carswell of Travelers Rest, South Carolina, and George Gavalas of Athens, Georgia; a stepson, Nick Gavalas of Graniteville, South Carolina, eight grand-children, and two sisters, Ruth Hill of Lexington, South Carolina and Linda Baxley of North Augusta, South Carolina. “May your memory be eternal, Sweet Nelle, for you are worthy of blessedness and everlasting memory.”

– Anthony N. Gavlaas

JAMES WILLIAM JENKINS, JR.
April 27, 1947 – October 16, 2007

James (Jay) Jenkins, spouse of Reverend Linda T. Jenkins, was born in Rock Hill, South Carolina. He had seven brothers and sisters. Jay and Linda were married thirty-nine years and have two children, Angela J. Constantine and Dr. William Jenkins. They have three grandchildren: Andrew, Alex, and Ayden.

When Linda went into the ministry, Jay was wonderfully supportive. He always worshipped with her, even when she began a two church charge. He considered himself the public relations person and loved the congregations. His sense of humor and his charm contributed to the love the people of the churches they served had for him. Jay was a man of strong faith; but the fellowship times and church dinners were his favorite times because at those times, he was able to enjoy the company of his brothers and sisters in Christ.

Jay had retired because of disability from Caroustar, Inc. where he had worked since he was a teenager. He served in the Army and was stationed in Vietnam during the war from 1968-1969. While he was in Vietnam, he earned a bronze star award. He was proud of his service, and that period of his life affected him in many ways throughout the years.

Jay loved his children and grandchildren, his family, his church, his friends, and his Lord. His legacy will continue in the lives of those he touched.

– Linda T. Jenkins
AUDREY NOVELLA WOODARD MCNEILL  
December 20, 1927 – April 13, 2008  

The true compassion that Novella had was rooted in her strong Christian values. She was a caring, giving, person to all of God’s creation. She was a dedicated teacher and counselor, inside and outside of the classroom. Her stories were etched out with such detail that one could picture everything perfectly as she spoke. She was a dedicated wife of over 60 years to Rev. William W. McNeill. Together they served Harris UMC-Greenwood, Hibben UMC-Mt. Pleasant, St. Andrew’s UMC-Orangeburg, St. Matthew’s UMC-Greenville, Trinity UMC-Anderson, Duncan Acres UMC-Union, North Charleston UMC-Charleston, and the Orangeburg District. While maintaining her position as pastor’s wife she taught as the director of the Verner Springs Mission in Greenville, South Carolina; in Anderson with the child development program that was the forerunner of the Kindergarten for South Carolina; and as the Director of the Senior Citizens Council, Anderson-Oconee-Pickens.

As a mother and grandmother, she took great pride in teaching her children: Lynne McNeill Swafford, Elizabeth McNeill Marks and William Whitfield McNeill, Jr., and her grandchildren: Rob Swafford, Whit Swafford, Ben Swafford, Elissa Marks, Caleb McNeill and Joe McNeill about faith and the need to take firm, but loving stances, all rooted in the scriptures. She was a beautiful example of how to live a Christian life to us all.

DOROTHY JOREE KING PITTMAN  
February 25, 1933 - April 19, 2008  

Dorothy Joree King Pittman, 75, of 420 Lakeside Circle, Greenville, South Carolina, went to be with her Lord on April 19, 2008. She was the daughter of the late E.C. and Elsie Shook King. She was a homemaker and a loving wife to her husband, Dr. Clarence O. Pittman, who survives her. She attended the Gray Court and Trinity United Methodist Churches where her husband serves as pastor.

Funeral services were held at the Wood Mortuary in Greer, South Carolina conducted by the Rev. Don McKinney and the Rev. Dr. Charles Johnson. Entombment followed in the Graceland East Cemetery. Memorials were made to the Gray Court and Trinity United Methodist Churches.

For over fifty years she had served as a faithful pastor’s wife, assisting her husband and participating in the various activities of the churches in which they served. She was universally loved by the members of their various congregations. With her loving spirit and her faithful service she added greatly to the ministry of the churches.

Dorothy had two consuming hobbies. She was a lover of house plants. She had collected numerous books on house plants and usually always succeeded in making them beautiful. She also loved needle work, making anything from afghans to beautiful pictures that now hang on the walls.

She served the Lord all her life and she has now received her eternal reward. Her love among us will always remain.

ROSELYN CRAIG PRIDGEN  
May 16, 1926 – February 10, 2008  

“Safe am I! Safe am I, in the hollow of His hands.” This song and many others remind me of my mother. My mother loved to sing and would sing all day as she went about her work caring for her home, husband, and five children.

Roselyn Craig Pridgen was a gracious lady who taught her children how to live as
Christians. She taught them to be generous by showing generosity. She taught them to care for each other and to be kind to others. She taught them to pray and to trust in God. Through her example, her children learned to sing and “make a joyful noise.”

She always took the time to do things right...the ironing had to be just so; grammar needed to be perfect; gravy must be smooth as silk. If any job was worth doing it was worth doing well.

Roselyn was a medical expert, an advisor, a nutritionist, a cake decorator, a flower arranger, a master gardener, and a superb seamstress. She was all of those things as a mother. Visitors were always welcome in Roselyn’s home and at her table. This included exchange students or people far from home on a holiday. Being a minister’s wife presented many challenges but she took them in stride and kept on singing.

Over the years, Roselyn served the church as Sunday School teacher, Vacation Bible School teacher, choir member, circle member, missionary, and church hostess...always doing her best with a gracious attitude and a song in her heart.

– Lynne Chandler, daughter

MARTHA BAYNE MALLARY TAYLOR
June 2, 1924 – November 4, 2007

“She is clothed with strength and dignity, she laughs at the days to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and kindly counsel is on her tongue.” (Proverbs 31: 25-26) Martha was a gentle pioneer, a passionate educator, and the foundation of her family. She was among the first women to earn a Masters of Divinity degree from Duke University, where she also met her beloved Eben to whom she was married for 56 years. She was the mother of four boys -- Eben III, Mark, Charles, and Stephen - and doting grandmother of Sarah, Ben, Mallary, and Wesley. Martha exhibited unwavering support for racial and economic justice throughout her life, including being on the front lines during the time of school desegregation as a guidance counselor in the public schools. Later, students at a high school dedicated a yearbook to Martha, reflecting her influence as a tough English teacher and dedicated guidance counselor over the course of twenty years. She was known among congregations and communities for her gracious hospitality and for her willingness to do whatever she could to support local churches, from teaching Sunday School to relearning to play the piano so that there would be musical accompaniment for hymns at a small church served by Eben in his retirement. Martha embodied that which she so often aspired to be in offering her favorite prayer. She was an instrument of peace, sowing love, pardon and faith.

– Mark, Charles, and Stephen Taylor

SURVIVING SPOUSES

SUSIE FRANCES BURNS BEDENBAUGH
December 19, 1916 – April 5, 2008

Susie Frances Burns Bedenbaugh, wife of the Rev. Kenneth Wilson Bedenbaugh, died peacefully in her sleep April 5, 2008, at Oakmont Nursing Home. She was born December 19, 1916, in Peachland, North Carolina, the daughter of the late James Atlas and Dora Jane Birmingham Burns. She was the last surviving member of her immediate family. She was an asset to her husband, a loving and sacrificial Mother, and gave true meaning to the “Grand” in Grandmother.

Susie was working in Lancaster, South Carolina, for her brother, CW Burns, when Kenneth Bedenbaugh went in to buy a car. He ended up with a bride. They were married June 8, 1942,
by the Rev. W.T. Bedenbaugh, the father of the groom. They were married for 65 years. They had four children: Suzanne, Sylvia, Ken, Jr., and Sandra. Over the years, as she gave love and Christian guidance, along with doses of discipline, these children grew up, married, became productive members of society, and what began as a loving couple became a crowd of ten grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. One of the joys in the lives of both Kenneth and Susie was the family Christmas party with everyone in attendance as they looked with love and pride and awe at what they had produced.

After her husband retired, they traveled all over the country with family members. Susie found a love of reading, something that she never had time to do as a minister’s wife and the mother of four children. Her life was a blessing to all who knew her.

PAULINE ADAMS BOGGS  
November 21, 2007

Pauline Adams Boggs, 91, widow of the Rev. William Troy Boggs, died Wednesday, November 21, 2007. She was survived by her son, William C. Boggs, MD; grandchildren Mary Ann Betenbaugh, Allison Boggs, Elizabeth Boggs, and Creighton Boggs, all of Columbia; William C. Boggs, Jr., of Ackworth, Georgia; Brian and Scott Boggs of Melbourne, Florida; Sheryl McAhren of Flower Mound, Texas; and five great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a son, Wallace H. Boggs.

A private graveside service was conducted at St. Luke United Methodist Church in Lancaster, South Carolina.

CLARA BURNETTE BOLT  
March 26, 2008

Clara Burnett Bolt, beloved wife of the late Reverend Lloyd D. Bolt, died March 26, 2008, at Covenant Place in Sumter, South Carolina, and was laid to rest at Mountain View Cemetery in Greer.

She was born in Greer, South Carolina, a daughter of the late John Oliver Burnett and Carrie Maude Bishop Burnett. Clara loved life — her family, her friends, her church — and especially her home at Lake Junaluska. She was a talented musician and music was one of her great joys. She loved and appreciated “All things bright and beautiful” and inspired others to do the same. While a resident at Covenant Place she spent many hours working in the Covenant Place library, cataloging books and magazines. She was a devoted member of Trinity United Methodist Church. Clara endured the problems of advanced age with determination, grace, dignity and humor, frequently quoting her favorite motto:

“If at first you strike a thorn or rose,  
Keep a’going, just keep a’going”.

And so she did, leaving us better for it.

— Judy B. Moorman, daughter
Rosa Rumph Cunningham, surviving spouse of Rev. Robert H. Cunningham (deceased Full Member of the South Carolina Conference) died November 20, 2007, at The Oaks in Orangeburg. Funeral services were held on Saturday, November 24, at St. Mark United Methodist Church in North.

Born on March 3, 1911 in North, South Carolina, she was a daughter of Elijah “Sweedie” Rumph and Annie Cornelia Rumph. She joined Canaan Methodist Church, now St. Mark United Methodist Church, at an early age. She graduated from Claflin University and was a dedicated educator in the public schools of Orangeburg and Calhoun Counties, finally retiring from North Elementary School after teaching for more than thirty-five years. In later years she joined Trinity United Methodist Church, where she served in many capacities, including work in the United Methodist Women.

Survivors include one sister, Mrs. Blondell R. McKay, and a host of loving nieces, nephews, grand nieces, nephews, cousins, sister-in-law, caregivers and friends.

SARA CLOIS VICKERY BLACK EMORY
November 13, 1922 – February 8, 2008

Mother had six children: Stanley Black, Richard Black, Johnny Black, Harold Black and Carol Black Varn, and the little girl she lost, Lona Jean. Her grandchildren are: Greg Black, Tommy Black and Kimberly Black Jussley.

Mother helped raise R.C. Emory's two sweet boys, Jimmy and Chris Emory. Mother had two sisters, Ruth Burdette and Nell Clark, and one brother, Bernice Vickery.

Mother lived for her children. She grew up with us. She raised us all under God's Laws. She raised us by herself, till she and us kids were blessed with R.C. Emory, which we miss so much. He was the dad we never had.

Mother lived her faith always, and loved her family and friends and the shut-ins. She would bake cakes for them. She loved to cook and have friends and family over all the time. She missed that a lot.

Mother loved God and witnessed to everyone when she had a chance. She prayed and wanted to go to church always. She talked about her faith and Bible until she got to go to Heaven to be with God. She wanted to kiss Jesus, and her Mother, and her family that went before her – people that she greatly missed here.

Mother is and was my Mother, best friend, and sister. I miss her terribly.

Mother had the most beautiful blue eyes and smile.

All of us miss her so much.

One of the greatest gifts God has given all us kids is that we'll see her again, and the rest of our precious family that has gone before!

– Carol Black Varn, Harold and Stanley Black

MAXILLA EVERETT EVANS
April 13, 1917 – December 25, 2007

Maxilla Everett Evans died on December 25, 2007, in Asheville, North Carolina. She was born on April 13, 1917, on a farm in Palmyra, North Carolina, the daughter of Benjamin Bryan Everett and Sallie Baker Everett. She graduated from N.C. State in 1940 with a degree in Landscape Architecture. Her marriage to J. Claude Evans that same summer lasted 67 years.

Maxilla’s life was characterized by a passion for the natural world. Born into a generation in which few women were encouraged to pursue science, she taught herself ornithology and
botany. While shouldering the responsibilities of a Methodist minister’s wife in South Carolina she became an avid bird-watcher and gardener. In Dallas, Texas, where Claude served as chaplain to SMU (1957-1982) she became an active environmentalist. In retirement in Waynesville, North Carolina, she raised prize-winning canaries as well as Gouldian finches, mandarin ducks, cockatiels, and peacocks. She also amassed a unique collection of rare native Appalachian wildflowers and shrubs and was the driving energy and vision behind the creation of the Corneille Bryan Native Garden at Lake Junaluska. Under her direction the garden became a showcase of native Appalachian wildflowers and shrubs with more than 500 different species. In 2005 she received the Thomas Dodd, Jr. Award of Excellence from the Annual Cullowhee Conference on Native Plants in the Landscape.

A celebration of her life was held at Lake Junaluska Memorial Chapel on December 29, 2007. She is survived by her four children (Sara, Claude Jr., Robert, and John) and two grandchildren.

LAURA ELIZABETH HEYWARD GREGG

Mrs. Laura Elizabeth Heyward Gregg, the fourth of six children, was born on January 23, 1916 to Hamilton Theodore Heyward and Madeline Holmes in Charleston, South Carolina. She passed away on January 23, 2008.

Laura committed her life to Christ at an early age, and became a member of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston. She received her early education at Avery Institute in Charleston, her Bachelor of Arts degree from Talladega College, and a Master’s degree in Education from Boston University. She pursued additional studies at The Citadel College and Howard University.

Following her graduation from college, she taught in the Charleston public high schools for many years. She also taught at Claflin University and was the chairperson of the Department of Social Studies and the Division of Social Sciences until her retirement in 1975. She was formerly married to the late Reverend Dr. Wilbur R. Gregg.

Mrs. Gregg was listed in the Outstanding Educators of America, 1971 edition, and was “Teacher of the Year” in 1974. She was affiliated with many educational, community, and religious organizations, including Pi Gamma Mu National Honor Society of Social Science, Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History, Orangeburg Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Avery Institute Research Center, and a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church where she served in many areas. In 1988 she received a special “Mission Recognition Certificate” from the Women’s Division of the General Board of Global Ministries. She was named “United Methodist Women’s Woman of the Year” for 2001.

Laura was a quiet, kind, and generous person who held high standards and high expectations. She loved people and was always willing to do something for someone else.

Mrs. Gregg leaves to cherish beautiful memories: a brother, John E. Heyward (Mildred), Chicago, Illinois; nieces and nephews, grand nieces and nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.
ELIZA BLAKE NELSON  
August 31, 1926 – April 24, 2008

Eliza Blake Nelson, daughter of the late Frank Blake Sr. and Willie Mae Montgomery Blake, was born on August 31, 1926 in Marion, South Carolina. She was the second oldest of four children. Two brothers (Mr. Frank Blake, Jr. and Dr. James A. Blake, Sr.) preceded her in death. Eliza died peacefully on April 24, 2008 at McLeod Regional Hospital, Florence, South Carolina.

Eliza was educated in the public school system in Marion County, South Carolina and graduated from the Marion County Training School. She received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics and a Masters of Education Degree with a minor in Home Economics from South Carolina State College in Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Eliza's professional career began with her employment as an instructor of Home Economics at the following schools: Johnson High School in Sumter County, South Carolina, Palmetto High School in Mullins, South Carolina, and Marion High School in Marion, South Carolina. She was the Marion High School Teacher of the Year and the Marion School District One Teacher of the Year (winning both titles) in 1986. Eliza was a member of the National Education Association, the South Carolina Education Association, and the Marion County Education Association.

Eliza trained not only her students but also her nieces and other family members early in the area of cooking and sewing. She delighted her family and friends with her delicious fruitcakes, turkey and dressing, and pecan caramel icing cakes.

Eliza’s spiritual life was even more profound than her professional life. She joined Saint John African Methodist Episcopal Church at an early age serving as a Junior Trustee, Class Leader, Member and Treasurer of the Senior Choir, Member of Stewardess Board Number Four, Chairperson for the High School Graduation Committee and Program for the church, member of the Deaconess Board, Vacation Bible School Teacher and Tutor for the church Tutorial Program.

Eliza’s community affiliations were the following: Member of Beta Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Pi Chi Sorority (serving as Treasurer), Lily of the Valley Chapter # 264, Order of the Eastern Star (serving as Secretary).

Eliza later met and married the Reverend Otis Jerome Nelson, Sr. from Sumter, South Carolina. She then moved to Sumter and from this union was introduced to a host of new family members and friends. She joined the Mount Zion United Methodist Church in Sumter, South Carolina where she was a member of the Choir and the Sumter Interdenominational Ministers’ Wives Alliance. Eliza’s husband preceded her in death.

Eliza leaves to cherish her precious memories, her sister Mrs. Louise Blake Conner, of Marion, South Carolina, step mother-in-law Mrs. Lillie B. Nelson of Sumter, South Carolina, sisters-in-law Mrs. Rita Bridgewater Blake, of Marion, South Carolina, Mrs. Mary Baker Blake of Vaux Hall, New Jersey, and Mrs. Johnalee Nelson of Orangeburg, South Carolina, nieces Karen E. Blake, of Marion, South Carolina, Brenda Drakes (Alva), Doris Wilson and Cheryl Taylor of Vaux Hall, New Jersey, nephews Al Blake, William Blake (Diane), and Kevin Blake of Marion, South Carolina, and James A. Blake, Jr. (Gail) of Rock Hill, South Carolina, great-nephews, Frank Jeffrey Blake of Raleigh, North Carolina, James A. Blake, III, Preston Tyler Blake, Vernon Sebastian Drakes, and Malcolm McGregor Drake, great-nieces Shakyra Wortham, Verna Latrece Wilson, Dawn Mary Wilson, special adopted children Enola and James of Sumter, South Carolina, special friends Carrie Mae, Frances, and Louise of Sumter, South Carolina, and a host of other relatives and friends.
ALBERTA SWINNIE PARKER  
August 28, 1914 – November 1, 2007

Alberta Parker died on All Saints Day on November 1, 2007. She served faithfully as a Methodist minister’s wife to the late Carl L. Parker. They were a devoted couple. She enjoyed her role as wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. As a Methodist minister’s wife she lived in many small towns in South Carolina and gave herself to making a home in each one. She loved her family, her friends and always the church. She delighted in opening her home to each new church family and always looked for ways to serve. She was indeed a sweet, gentle spirit.

A service of Death and Resurrection in Celebration of her life was held at Mt. Hebron United Methodist Church in West Columbia on November 4, 2007, All Saints Sunday. Officiating in the service were her son-in-law Bishop William H. Willimon and her granddaughter’s husband, a UMC minister, the Reverend Craig Langston.

She is survived by her three sons, Carl Parker, Jr., Fred W. Parker, Donald E. Parker and one daughter, Patricia Parker Willimon. She had 7 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

“For all the Saints, from whom their labors rest”. We give you thanks.

– Patsy Willimon

GRACE HELEN NUNN POSTON  
June 25, 1919 – July 07, 2007

A dear and precious person, Grace Helen Nunn Poston, was promoted home on July 7, 2007, in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Grace, daughter of William Jeff Nunn and Martha Sue Wagnon Nunn, was born in Tyler, Texas. She lost her beloved mother at age twelve and spent the remainder of her teenage years living with various relatives. She felt that God became her companion and guardian, who helped her through these difficult times. While she naturally was gifted with a wonderful sense of humor, the hard years gave her a greater appreciation of life and the ability to cope with adversity. She remembered so many wonderful stories and events and often delighted her family with tales of her youth and young adulthood.

Grace met her husband, the late Daltrum Holmes Poston, Sr. in New York City. They married and moved to Texas, where Daltrum took a position with Greyhound Bus as a mechanic. God continued to guide this young couple as he led Daltrum to become a minister. Grace stood steadfastly beside Daltrum as he began his schooling for the ministry and offered encouragement and advice during this long process.

As a minister’s wife, Grace fulfilled numerous roles within the church, but her most important one was being a wonderful mother and wife and a role model to her children and family.

Grace is survived by her daughters Karry Lynn, Lynda Huseman, and Jo Poston and her son, Dal Poston, Jr.
PATRICIA ANN GUILLIS PRICE  
January 29, 2008

Patricia G. Price, the surviving spouse of Reverend William H. (Bill) Price (a deceased Full Member of the South Carolina Conference), died on January 29, 2008. Services were held at Trinity United Methodist Church in West Columbia, South Carolina.

Born in Bluefield, West Virginia, she was the oldest daughter of Grace Duncan Guills and the late Jesse O’Dell Guills. She graduated from West Virginia Wesleyan College where she earned a B.S. in Education. She later completed graduate work at the University of Virginia and the University of South Carolina. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, where she served at different times as Chairperson of the Administrative Board, and as a member of the Board of Trustees, the Parsonage Committee, and the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee. She taught in public schools for twenty-eight years, beginning in Dunkirk, New York, and teaching at various schools in West Virginia and South Carolina. She retired from Crayton Middle School in 2003. She enjoyed her book club, friendships, current events, traveling, and sports. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother, devoted teacher and friend, and will be deeply missed.

VIOLET F. TYLER  
March 15, 1921 – July 29, 2007

As Jesus said to His disciples, “I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. Being true to His word, with open arms, Jesus received unto Himself Violet F. Tyler on July 29, 2007. Waiting in the Heavenly portals also with open arms, was her beloved husband, Rev. Royce B. Tyler, and their eldest son Tommy Royce Tyler.

She was born on March 15, 1921 and at the tender age of 17, she and the man she would stand beside for the next 61 years (prior to his death in 1999), eloped and were married in Georgetown, South Carolina on May 18, 1938. From this marriage came three sons: Tommy Royce (deceased), Rodney Nolan, and Burnan Creig. Mother would often say, “God didn’t bless your daddy and me with daughters of our own, but he gave us, through you boys the best daughters any parents could have ever wished for.” Those daughters were: Elaine (Briscoe) Tyler, Barbara (Livingston) Tyler, and Gilda (Reynolds) Tyler.

She loved being married to a Methodist Minister, even though at times, it was not the easiest “row to hoe”, and she didn’t mind being under the scrutiny that ministers and their wives are often under. She loved the churches that her husband served, but she especially loved the Lamar United Methodist Church in Lamar, South Carolina. She loved it partly because this is where they spent the last 24 years of his active ministry, and she loved its people.

A service to commemorate her death and resurrection was celebrated on August 1, 2007 at the Lamar United Methodist Church, Lamar, South Carolina conducted by her pastor, Rev. Melvin Flail, with graveside services also in Lamar. She is survived by her two sons and their wives, a daughter-in-law, eight grandchildren, and ten great grandchildren.

– Rodney N. Tyler
On Sunday afternoon, after fourteen hours of labor, Emeline Ruth finally met us face to face. There she was, 8 lbs 7 oz, 23 ¾ inches long. I couldn’t believe how big and beautiful she was when the doctor pulled her out. Christy was exhausted and Emeline’s lungs were strong as she announced to the world she had arrived. She was the first grandchild on both sides of the family and instantly beloved by everyone.

For the next seven weeks, Emeline was the joy of our life. We began to learn how to take care of this little bundle of joy. The days were challenging, the nights were long, the sleep was sparse... and we would never change one single second of it. Her deep blue eyes, beautiful nose, mouth, cheeks, and ears were something you would never tire of gushing over. The final week she was with us she was starting to form smiles in response to our voices. Emeline never got worn-out of attention from her parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and just about anybody who could get their hands on her. She instantly gained dozens of adopted grandparents the first time she met our congregation. In her short life, she changed all our lives forever.

On Wednesday, the second week of November, Emeline got sick. After several visits to the hospital and pediatrician we were told she had a virus, but was getting better. That Sunday night we realized she had taken a sharp turn for the worse, and we rushed her to the hospital. She passed away moments after we arrived at half past three a.m.

The pain and loss we have experienced is something that Christy and I cannot express in words. Yet, we know we are not the only people who have lost in this way. Through it all, we still hurt and weep, we still miss her so much. But God is still God, He is still good, and He has sustained us thus far. In the words of King David, “Can I bring (her) back again? I will go to (her), but (she) will not return to me.” Until that day, we hold on to the time that God gave us with her, realizing He also knows what it is like to lose a child, and she is in His arms until we can be with her again.

– Aaron and Christy Meadows
Emeline’s parents
The following is a listing of all councils, boards, commissions, committees and boards of trust of the South Carolina Annual Conference together with the paragraph references to the 2004 *Book of Discipline* (BOD) and the Standing Rules (SR) of the South Carolina Annual Conference as amended and revised and in accordance with Paragraph 606 of the *Book of Discipline*.

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I. ANNUAL CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER
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1. The procedure of the Annual Conference shall be governed by the following in the order listed: The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church, The Standing Rules of the Annual Conference, The Rules of Order of the preceding General Conference and the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised. For the purpose of transacting business, the quorum shall be those present and eligible to vote.

2. The official roll call of the Annual Conference shall be the roll signed by the clerical and lay members present. The record of attendance shall be made from this roll.

3. Lay members of boards, councils, commissions and committees; lay members of the Conference Staff; and lay persons who are heads of Conference institutions supported by the Conference, who are not members of the Annual Conference, shall have the privilege of the floor without vote.

4. In order to secure the floor a member desiring to speak to the Conference shall stand at his or her seat, if able, with one arm raised, but shall not move to a microphone until recognized by the chair. At the microphone the member shall first state his or her name and the charge or appointment represented.

5. No member who has the floor may be interrupted except for a point of order, a misrepresentation, a parliamentary inquiry, a point of information, or to call attention that the time has arrived for a special order.

6. A member of the Conference may not speak more than once on a question before the Conference until every member who wishes to speak has spoken, subject to rules limiting debate. A member shall not speak for more than three (3) minutes at any time, except by permission of the Conference.

7. When the report of a board, council, commission, or committee is under consideration, the chair shall ascertain, when recognizing a member of the Conference, to which side the member desires to speak: the chair shall not give the floor to any member to speak on the same side of the pending question as the speaker immediately preceding if any member desires to speak to the other side. Except for undebatable motions, but not including the undebatable motion calling for the previous question, no report shall be acted upon or question relating to the same decided without opportunity having been given for at least two speeches for and two speeches against the said proposal. After three speeches for and three against, the question shall be put automatically. However, the chairperson or designated member presenting the report shall be entitled to speak before the vote is taken. This right shall prevail in like manner to a limit of three minutes when a vote is about
to be taken on a motion to amend, to substitute, to postpone, to refer, to lay on the table, or any other motion whose adoption is pertinent to the report under consideration.

8. A copy of any motion made on the Conference floor shall be sent to the secretary’s desk as soon as the person making the motion returns to his or her seat.

9. The report of a board, council, commission or committee duly presented to the Conference for its action shall be deemed properly before the Conference without the necessity of a motion to adopt and a second thereto.

10. A member rising to a point of order shall state the point as briefly and concisely as possible citing the rule or disciplinary provision invoked in the point of order. A point of order shall be decided by the chair without debate unless the chair submits the question to the body for advice or decision. When the chair rules on a point, debate is closed; but the decision may be appealed to a vote of the body.

11. When a motion is made and seconded and stated by the chair, or a resolution is introduced and seconded, or an agency report is made or is published in the Pre-Conference report(s), it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference and may not be altered except by action of the Conference.

12. The main question may be opened to debate under the following motions: to adopt, to commit, to substitute, to postpone, and to reconsider.

13. If any one or more of the following motions shall be made when one or more other motions are pending, the order of their precedence in relation to one another shall be the same as the order of their listing below:
   1. To fix the time to which the Conference shall adjourn. (This motion is subject to amendment, or it may be laid on the table.)
   2. To adjourn.
   3. To take a recess.
   4. To raise a question of privilege.
   5. To call for the orders of the day.
   6. To lay on the table.
   7. To order the previous question.
   8. To limit or extend the limits of debate.
   9. To postpone to a given time.
  10. To refer.
  11. To amend or substitute (one amendment being allowed to an amendment.)

14. Motions that are to be acted upon without debate:
   1. To adjourn, when unqualified, except to adjourn the Conference finally.
   2. To suspend a rule or rules or any provision of the Standing Rules.
   3. To lay on the table.
   4. To take from the table.
   5. To call for the previous question.
   6. To reconsider a non-debatable motion.
   7. To limit or extend the limits of debate.
   8. To call for the orders of the day.

15. When a member moves the previous question, it shall be regarded as applying only to the immediate pending question. This motion shall be taken without debate, and a two-thirds vote of those present and voting shall be required for its adoption. If adopted, the vote shall be taken on the motion to which it applies without further debate.

16. After discussing a pending question and before relinquishing the floor, a member may make a motion, but not one whose adoption would limit or stop debate.

17. A motion to reconsider an action of the Conference shall be in order at any time if offered by a member who voted with the prevailing side. If the motion proposed for reconsideration is non-debatable, the motion to reconsider may not be debated.
Regular Calendar and Consent Calendar

18. The report of the Committee on Standing Rules shall be made as a part of the organization of the Conference and as often during the session as necessary.
   a. All proposed changes in the Standing Rules shall be submitted in writing for referral to the Committee on Standing Rules and then reported out with recommendations after twelve (12) hours.
   b. It shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote to suspend the rules.
   c. When the rules are to be suspended, only that specific portion of the rules under consideration shall be suspended.
   d. The Annual Conference by a majority vote can amend or alter the Standing Rules with or without the concurrence of the Committee on Standing Rules, provided that any change or alteration not originating in the committee on Standing Rules may be voted on after the lapse of twelve (12) hours from the time of its submission to the Conference.

19. It shall be an Order of the Day at the morning session of the first full day of Annual Conference that the floor shall be opened for additional nominations to all boards, councils, commissions and committees to which the Committee on Nominations and parent boards are prepared to make nominations.

20. It shall be an Order of the Day on the third full day of Annual Conference to have the election of boards, councils, commissions, and committees. If additional nominations have been made per rule 19, and if requested by the Annual Conference, ballots shall be prepared by the Conference Secretary for use in the election.

21. The report of the Council on Finance and Administration shall be placed on the Conference Program for information on the first full day of the Conference and for action on the last day of the Conference. When a motion for an increase in Conference Benevolences arises from anyone other than the Council on Finance and Administration and is approved by the Annual Conference, that motion shall be held a minimum of twelve (12) hours and shall require an affirmative vote at a second reading for final approval. If such a motion arises from the Conference floor on the last day of Annual Conference, a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote shall be required for approval.

22. There shall be a Consent Calendar for the session of the Annual Conference composed of items to be "moved to the record without reading" and such other items which do not necessarily require deliberation by the Conference in open session. The Executive Committee of the Committee on Annual Conference shall determine items to be placed on the Consent Calendar and shall distribute a list of those items in the pre-conference materials. Items placed on the Consent Calendar shall be limited to items requiring no more than a simple majority vote for adoption. Prior to the adoption of the Consent Calendar by the session, any fifteen members of the Conference may request that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, and it shall be removed and considered at an appropriate time as determined by the President and the Secretary. The Consent Calendar shall be adopted by a majority vote of the session.

Voting Procedure

23. At any session of the Annual Conference there shall be a Board of Tellers which shall conduct elections as the Annual Conference may direct. The Board of Tellers shall be nominated and organized by the Conference Secretary and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that this include at least one (1) minister and at least one (1) lay person from each district.

24. Voting shall be by voice or by show of hands or otherwise as ordered by the chair of the Conference. A standing or written count vote may be ordered on call of any member supported by one third of the members present and voting.
25. The Conference shall fix the voting area, also known as the bar of the Conference, at the opening business session and voting on all Conference matters must take place within the prescribed area. The voting area of the Conference shall be distinguished from other areas of the meeting site. Voting shall be by official badge only. When a vote is taken on any question, only those members within the voting bar of the Conference shall be entitled to vote. No member may enter the voting bar after the question is put.

26. Chairs of Annual Conference program boards, councils, commissions and committees and their subcommittees may authorize mail ballots on administrative matters arising between regular meetings of these bodies.

27. Election of Lay Delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conferences System of Nomination: The following system of nomination and selection shall be followed in the election of lay delegates to the General and Jurisdictional Conferences:

1. District Nominations
   a. Each local Church may submit nominations to the district superintendent. The district superintendent and the District Board of the Laity will be responsible for requesting a list of nominees from each local church. These nominees shall be selected by the Administrative Board, certified by the Board chairperson and pastor. Only nominations from local churches, prepared on proper forms and received on scheduled time (on or before January 10th), shall be considered for election by the district's lay members of the succeeding Annual Conference.

2. Conference Procedure
   a. A maximum of 120 names selected by the Districts shall be listed and presented to the Conference United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, the Conference Board of the Laity, and the Conference Council on Youth Ministry. Each of these may select up to five (5) additional names.
   b. The biographical format shall be consistent for all nominees and shall be submitted on a form prepared by the Board of Laity. It shall be submitted to the Conference Secretary by the District Superintendent no later than March 1st. It shall include prior years elected to General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference; sex; race; age level and a summary of qualifications up to twenty (20) words in length submitted by the nominee. If a biographical sketch does not adhere to specifications of this resolution, the name and sketch shall be omitted from publication in the Pre-Conference Journal.
   c. Provision shall be made for write-in ballots.

28. The following system of nomination and selection shall be followed in the election of clergy delegates to the General and Jurisdictional Conferences:

1. The Conference Secretary shall inform all eligible clergy members of their eligibility (pursuant to the provisions of The Book of Discipline) by November 1 of the year preceding the election of delegates and shall provide each eligible clergy a nomination form.

2. Eligible clergy may nominate themselves or other eligible clergy with their consent.

3. The nomination form shall provide information about the nominee’s current appointment, conference relationship, age, racial/ethnic identification, and gender. The nominee shall sign a statement of consent indicating a willingness to be a nominee, to attend and participate in the conferences if elected, and to attend meetings of the delegation to the extent possible. The nomination form shall be submitted to the Conference Secretary no later than the February 1 preceding the election of delegates. The Conference Secretary shall compile and publish in the pre-conference materials a list of eligible nominees nominated through this process. Each eligible clergy member nominated through this process shall be considered a nominee and shall be listed or assigned a voting number as may be appropriate.

4. Write-in votes for persons not listed or assigned a voting number shall be permitted.
Any eligible clergy member receiving twelve or more write-in votes on any ballot shall be considered a nominee and listed or assigned a voting number as may be appropriate.

II. ANNUAL CONFERENCE RULES OF ORGANIZATION

29. The Boards, Councils, Commissions, and Committees of the Annual Conference shall submit their reports and any recommendations requiring Conference consideration to the Conference Secretary no later than March 1st of each year for printing in the preconference materials. Reports and recommendations shall be submitted in a format acceptable to the Conference Secretary. The Board of Ordained Ministry, the Board of Pension and Health Benefits, the Committee on Nominations, the Committee on Standing Rules, and the Council on Finance and Administration shall be excluded from the March 1st deadline but are requested to submit their reports and recommendations as soon as possible in consultation with the Conference Secretary.

30. The officers of the Annual Conference, to be elected quadrennially, shall be elected at the Annual Conference preceding the beginning of the quadrennium and shall be as follows:
   a. The auditor, whom the Council on Finance and Administration shall nominate.
   b. The chancellor, upon nomination by the Bishop.
   c. The parliamentarian, upon nomination by the Bishop.
   d. The secretary, upon nomination by the Bishop and the Cabinet, or upon nomination from the floor.
   e. Assistant secretaries as required, upon nomination by the Secretary of the Annual Conference.
   f. The Conference recorder, who shall be employed by the Conference Secretary.
   g. The treasurer-statistician, who shall be elected on nomination of the Council on Finance and Administration.
   h. The Conference Lay Leader, the Associate Conference Lay Leader, and the Secretary of the Conference Board of Laity shall be elected by the Annual Conference on nomination by a nominating committee composed of the representative on the Conference Board of Laity from the Conference United Methodist Men, the Conference United Methodist Women, and the Conference Council on Youth Ministry; three (3) District Lay Leaders to be elected to this nominating committee by the Board of Laity; and three (3) at-large members elected by the Board of Laity, to insure inclusiveness. This nominating committee shall make its report to Annual Conference as Report No. 2 of the report of the Board of Laity without endorsement by the Board of Laity. The Conference Lay Leader, the Associate Conference Lay Leader, and the Secretary of the Conference Board of Laity shall be elected each quadrennium and the tenure shall not exceed eight consecutive years.

31. Compensation for the officers of the Annual Conference shall be determined by the Council on Finance and Administration subject to the approval of the Annual Conference. The Conference Treasurer shall pay those persons from the appropriate fund(s).

32. The number of additional lay members required to equalize lay and clergy representation in the Annual Conference shall be implemented on the basis of the membership reported to the last Annual Conference as follows:

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The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be authorized to adjust this base up or down so as to provide the needed number of additional lay members. The Secretary shall notify the pastors of each charge qualifying for additional lay members by August 15th of each
year. Local charges shall be responsible for the expenses of such members.

33. The Conference Treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds collected unless otherwise specifically designated. He/she shall be custodian of the funds held by the Annual Conference Trustees. (The Trustees shall administer these funds.) He/she shall be the custodian of the Board of Pension and Health Benefits funds. (The Board of Pension and Health Benefits shall administer these funds.) He/she shall be custodian of all district funds. These and all funds allocated to the various boards, councils, commissions and committees by the Council on Finance and Administration shall be credited by the Conference Treasurer in separate accounts to the boards, councils, commissions and committees. Disbursement of funds to Conference agencies shall be made by the Conference Treasurer upon order by voucher drawn by the secretary or other signer designated by the board, council, commission or committee requesting funds. Vouchers must be accompanied by adequate supporting data (receipts, bill, contemporaneous travel log, et.). The expenses of ex-officio members on Conference boards and agencies shall be charged to the boards, councils, commissions or committees on which they serve as ex-officio members, except district superintendents, whose expenses will be reimbursed by the district.

34. Membership resulting from election by the Annual Conference on all boards, councils, commissions and committees which are considered quadrennial shall be for a quadrennium, and shall not exceed two quadrennia. Vacancies shall be elected to complete the quadrennium. In accordance with The Book of Discipline, members of the Board of Ordained Ministry may serve a maximum of three (3) consecutive four year terms. After this period of service that member shall be ineligible for re-election to that same agency until a lapse of two (2) years.

35. Membership resulting from election by the Annual Conference shall be limited to one quadrennial agency and one non-quadrennial agency, except ex-officio members as provided. The Committee on Investigation and the Committee on Petitions to the General Conference shall be considered neither quadrennial nor non-quadrennial.

36. All Annual Conference boards, councils, commissions and committees are considered quadrennial except the following: The Board of Camps and Retreat Ministries; The Board of Pension and Health Benefits; boards of trust for, The South Carolina United Methodist Advocate; Belin Property; Claflin University; Columbia College; Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry, Epworth Children's Home; Wesley Commons; The Methodist Oaks; The United Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee; Spartanburg Methodist College; Trustees of the Annual Conference; Wofford College; and The United Methodist Center. Within sixty days of the adjournment of Annual Conference, the Conference Secretary shall notify the non-quadrennial boards, councils, commissions, and committees of the names and addresses of those elected. The term of office for persons elected to all non-quadrennial boards, councils, commissions, and committees shall begin with the first meeting of that body after Annual Conference unless otherwise specified by the Discipline or by written policies of that board, council, commission, or committee.

37. The Chairperson of the Conference Committee on Nominations shall notify the Annual Conference Secretary and the Director of the Conference Council on Ministries within ten days following Annual Conference of the names, addresses, local churches, and districts of those elected. Within ten days of notification, the Director of the Conference Council on Ministries will notify the elected individuals of their election. The secretaries of the board, commission, committee or agency will also be notified of those elected by the Director of Connectional Ministries, except at the beginning of a quadrennium.

a. The term of office of all quadrennial boards, councils, commissions and committees shall begin with the organization of that board, council, commission or committee and continue until their successors are elected and organized. Board, council, commission and committee members may continue to serve on program implementing task
groups through the program year in which their term of office ends.

b. At the beginning of a quadrennium all quadrennial boards, councils, commissions and committees shall be convened within sixty (60) days upon the close of the Annual Conference session for organization of the boards, councils, commissions and committees, excepting the Conference Nominating Committee. The out-going chairpersons, except where the Annual Conference has elected a chairperson, shall convene and preside over the organizational meeting. Thirty (30) days prior to the organizational meetings, the outgoing chairpersons, or the newly elected chairpersons, shall send the following to the members:
   1. Notice of meeting date and place.
   2. Copies of General and Annual Conference mandates for the boards, councils, commissions and committees.
   3. Outline of present organizational structures of the boards, councils, commissions and committees.
   4. Roster of present and newly elected members showing names, addresses, telephone numbers.

38. Members of general church agencies, who serve as ex-officio members of the related Conference agencies, shall be ineligible to hold office.

39. Members of the Annual Conference Council on Connectional Ministries staff, when appointed as representatives to various Conference agencies, shall be ex-officio members without vote.

40. Ex-officio members (excluding Conference staff) of all Conference boards, councils, commissions and committees shall have vote (unless prohibited by the Discipline or the Standing Rules), but shall be ineligible to hold office.

41. No trustee, member of the faculty, manager of any interest, or staff person shall at the same time be a member of the parent or supervising board, council, commission or committee, unless otherwise required by the Discipline or the Standing Rules.

42. Parent boards may not nominate their own members to any board of trust until said member has been off that parent board for at least one (1) year.

43. Every corporation related to the Conference shall provide and maintain on file with the Conference Chancellor its current bylaws and articles of incorporation. Notification of proposed amendments to the bylaws and articles of incorporation shall be filed with the Conference Chancellor no less than thirty (30) days prior to adoption.

44. Any member of a quadrennial board, council, commission or committee who is absent from two (2) consecutive meetings of the same, without rendering an acceptable excuse to the chairperson, shall forfeit membership on such board, council, commission or committee and the chairperson shall notify the person of this action. The chairperson shall notify the Committee on Nominations of such forfeiture. The Committee on Nominations shall nominate for election replacements at the next session of the Annual Conference.

45. When a minister is appointed as District Superintendent, membership on any quadrennial board, council, commission or committee shall automatically cease: provided, that this shall not apply to ex-officio membership on any board, council, commission or committee as required by the Discipline or the Standing Rules.

46. There shall be an Annual Conference Ministry Advisory Team to facilitate conversation and interaction between Program Services, Administrative Services and Clergy Services. The membership shall consist of: The Resident Bishop, as convener; the Conference Lay Leader; the Conference Council on Connectional Ministries Chairperson; the Conference Director of Connectional Ministries; the Treasurer/Statistician; the President of the Council on Finance and Administration; the Chairperson of the Board of Ordained Ministry; the Cabinet President; and the Conference Benefits Officer.
[47. In making nominations for Boards of Trustees, it is recommended that parent boards or agencies (CCOCM, BHECM, EDUCATION, BHW, GLOBAL MINISTRIES) within the framework of the institution's charter (if applicable) maintain at least 25% ethnic minority representation; and when vacancies are filled, at least 25% ethnic minority representation be maintained in the total number of members. It is further recommended that until this representation is achieved, if from one to four members are to be elected, at least one be an ethnic minority; if five to eight members are to be elected, at least two be ethnic minority persons. Nominations from the floor of the session shall comply with the recommended representation.

48. The following Annual Conference Boards shall be composed of eighteen (18) members. It is recommended that twelve (12) be lay persons with at least one (1) lay person from each district and six (6) be clergy persons with no more than one (1) clergy from a district at the time of election, nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations for election by the Annual Conference for a quadrennial term:
   a. Board of Church and Society shall relate to the General Board of Church and Society. (See functions in Para. 628)
   b. Board of Education shall relate to the General Board of Discipleship, Division of Education. The ex-officio members shall be the chair of The Christian Educator's Fellowship, Council Chairpersons for Children, Youth, Singles, Young Adult, Adult, Older Adult, Family and a representative of the Board of Trustees of South Carolina Camps and Retreat Ministries.
   c. Board of Evangelism shall relate to the General Board of Discipleship, Division of Evangelism, Worship, and Stewardship. (See functions in Para. 629.3 through 629.5)
   d. Board of Health and Welfare Ministries shall relate to the General Board of Global Ministries. (See functions in Para. 632.4b(27) through 630.4b(37) Two additional members may be added to be inclusive of disabled persons as an alternative structure to establishing a committee on disability concerns as required by Para. 652.
   e. Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministries shall relate to the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, Division of Higher Education. (See functions in Para. 633)
   f. The Board of Global Ministries shall relate to the General Board of Global Ministries. A body of liaison members shall be related to the board as advisors only and not voting members. This body shall be composed of one member each from The Shalom Ministries, The Belin Board of Trust, The Conference Advance Special Ministries, a Representative of Spartanburg Methodist College, and a District Mission Secretary from each District Council on Ministries or comparable body. These members shall be selected by the representing bodies for terms established by the body itself. They shall be individuals other than those elected to the body of the Conference Board of Global Ministries. (See functions in Paras. 632.2 through 632.4b(26); 632.5).

49. There shall be a Conference Board of Laity composed of the Conference Lay Leader, the Associate Conference Lay Leader, the Secretary of the Board of Laity (these three persons will be nominated by the procedure listed in the Standing Rule 30h.), Immediate Past Conference Lay Leader, the UMM President or appointee, the UMW President or appointee, and the Council on Youth Ministry President or appointee. The Board may elect Task Group Leaders for the following program areas who will also serve as members of the Board: Lay Life and Work, Lay Speaking Ministries, Laity Convocation, Leader Development, Stewardship and other task groups to meet emerging needs. Ex-officio members will include the twelve (12) district lay leaders, a Cabinet Representative (appointed by the Bishop), CCCCM Staff Liaison (assigned by the CCCCM), and the Resident Bishop. The Conference Board of Laity may appoint up to eight (8) persons to insure inclusiveness.

50. The Board of Ordained Ministry shall be composed of fifty-seven (57) members. In accordance with The Discipline, no less than one-fifth (1/5) and no more than one-third (1/3) of the total membership shall be lay persons. The Annual Conference Coordinator of Clergy Services shall be an ex-officio member, with voice, but without vote. If the Psychological Assessment Vendor is United Methodist, the vendor may serve as an ex-
officio member of the Board with voice but without vote, in accordance with the nominating process of *The Book of Discipline*.

51. The Board of Pension and Health Benefits shall be composed of eighteen (18) members nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that six (6) be lay men, six (6) be lay women, and six (6) be clergy persons who are active participants in the pension and group insurance plans in which the Annual Conference is the Plan Sponsor. In addition to fulfilling the responsibilities mandated by the *Book of Discipline*, the Board of Pension and Health Benefits shall supervise the Annual Conference group insurance program. The Conference Benefits Officer shall be nominated by the Board of Pension and Health Benefits and elected by the Conference Staff Relations Committee.

### Boards of Trust

52. There shall be a Board of Trustees of South Carolina United Methodist Camps and Retreat Ministries, Inc., an inclusive body consisting of eighteen (18) members. It is recommended that: nine (9) shall be lay persons of whom at least four (4) shall be women; and nine (9) shall be clergy, of whom at least two (2) shall be women.

   a. Trustees shall be nominated by the Board of Education and elected by the South Carolina Annual Conference for four (4) year terms. Ex-officio members of the Board, without vote, shall be the Directors/Managers of Camps and Retreats facilities and a Connectional Ministries staff member assigned by the Director of Connectional Ministries. The Board shall be divided into four (4) classes. The Board of Education of the South Carolina Annual Conference may fill vacancies in the Board after prior consultation with the Board of Camps and Retreat Ministries. Trustees shall be eligible for re-election to a maximum tenure of two (2) consecutive terms. After a full tenure of service, a former trustee shall be ineligible for re-election until a lapse of two (2) years.

   b. The Board of Trustees shall report to the Annual Conference through the Board of Education.

   c. In accordance with the *Book of Discipline*, property held in trust by this Board of Trustees shall be subject to paragraphs 2515 and 2516 of the *Book of Discipline*.

53. There shall be a Board of Trustees of the James L. Belin Property composed of twelve (12) elected members. It is recommended that six (6) be lay persons and six (6) be clergy persons. The Marion District Superintendent shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Board without vote. The Conference Board of Global Ministries shall appoint a representative to serve as an ex-officio member of the Board without vote.

   a. Persons serving on this Board shall be nominated by the Board of Global Ministries.

   b. The Board shall be organized into four (4) classes of three (3) persons.

   c. One class shall be elected annually to serve for four years.

   d. The tenure of the Trustees shall be limited to three (3) consecutive terms and this tenure shall apply to the consecutive terms of present Trustees. After such period of service a former trustee shall be ineligible for reelection until a lapse of four (4) years.

   e. The Board of Trustees shall report to the Annual Conference through the Board of Global Ministries.

54. There shall be a Board of Trustees of Claflin University composed of not less than nine (9) nor more than twenty-seven (27) members divided into three classes serving three years respectively, elected at the annual meeting of the Board, in accordance with the Claflin University Board of Trustees By Laws. Successors for each class, as their term expires, shall be nominated by a university related agency and/or the Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees and elected by the Board of Trustees for a term of three (3) years. After twelve (12) years of continuous service, trustees may be placed in a class of Trustee Emeritus.

   a. The Trustees shall elect their successors from a list of nominees submitted by the South Carolina Annual Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry
and the Claflin University General Alumni Association. The composition of the Board shall at all times include three (3) members from the South Carolina Annual Conference and with one representative of the Conference to be placed in each class and shall be replaced or renominated by the South Carolina Annual Conference upon the expiration of each succeeding class. The remaining membership of the Claflin Board of Trustees shall be elected by the Board from nominations made to and approved by the Nominating Committee of the Board from recommendations received from the General Alumni Association and other college related Conferences and agencies.

b. This institution shall report to the Annual Conference through the Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry.

55. There shall be Boards of Trustees for Columbia College and for Wofford College, each of which shall be composed of up to twenty-eight members (28) in 2004, twenty-nine (29) members in 2005, thirty (30) members in 2006 and thirty-one (31) members in 2007. Board members shall be elected by the Annual Conference in conformity with the respective charters. The term of office for trustees shall be four (4) years. In 2007 and thereafter, each board shall be organized into three (3) classes of eight (8) members each and one (1) class of seven (7) members.

a. The Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry annually shall nominate suitable persons to fill vacancies in each class after prior consultation with the respective Boards of Trustees as stated in the policies adopted by the South Carolina Annual Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry (February, 1989) and the Restated Articles of Incorporation of Wofford College and Columbia College. Trustees may be re-elected for additional terms, but may not serve more than a maximum of three consecutive terms. After a full tenure of service a former trustee shall be ineligible for re-election until a lapse of two (2) years.

b. These institutions shall report to the Annual Conference through the Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry.

56. There shall be Boards of Trustees of Epworth Children’s Home, Wesley Commons, The Methodist Oaks and the United Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee. Each board shall be composed of twenty-one (21) members elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that eleven (11) be lay persons and ten (10) be clergy persons and at least one third be women. Ex-officio members may serve as designated in the bylaws of their respective boards, having the right to voice, but not vote.

a. Persons serving on these boards of trust shall be nominated to the Annual Conference by the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries after consultation with the respective boards of trustees, using proper procedure and forms as adopted by the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries.

b. The tenure of trustees shall be limited to eight (8) consecutive years, after which period a person shall be ineligible for re-election until two (2) years have elapsed.

c. The boards shall report to the Annual Conference through the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries.

57. There shall be a Board of Trustees of The South Carolina United Methodist Advocate composed of fifteen (15) members nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that eight (8) be lay persons and seven (7) be clergy persons.

a. The Board of Trustees shall be organized into three (3) classes, with trustees elected to serve for a term of four (4) years.

b. In accordance with the By-Laws of The South Carolina United Methodist Advocate, vacancies occurring in the Board of Trustees shall be filled by election for the unexpired terms.

c. Tenure on the Board shall not exceed two (2) consecutive terms. A trustee shall not be eligible for re-election until a lapse of two (2) years.

58. There shall be a Board of Trustees for The United Methodist Center composed of nine (9) persons and one ex-officio member. It is recommended that of the elected members four
(4) be clergy and five (5) laity. They shall be elected by the South Carolina Annual Conference upon nomination by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations. The tenure of trustees shall be limited to two (2) consecutive terms, after which a person shall be ineligible for re-election until a period of two (2) years has elapsed. The Board shall be organized into four (4) classes with at least one lay and one clergy in each class. In addition, one ex-officio member, without vote, from the employees shall be chosen annually by the employees of the United Methodist Center to meet with the Board. The business manager shall serve as an ex-officio member without vote.

59. There shall be a Board of Trustees of Spartanburg Methodist College composed of twenty-four (24) elected or named members and one (1) Student Advisory Trustee who shall be a recent graduate of the college.
   a. Persons serving on this Board of Trustees shall be nominated to the Annual Conference by the Board of Global Ministries. Those elected and named Trustees shall be divided into three (3) classes of eight (8) each. One class shall be elected each year to serve for three (3) years.
   b. The tenure of the Trustees shall be limited to four (4) consecutive terms. The tenure of the Student Advisory Trustee shall be one (1) year.
   c. The Board of Trustees shall report to the Annual Conference through the Board of Global Ministries.

Annual Conference Councils

60. The Council on Finance and Administration shall be composed of fifteen (15) members nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that seven (7) be clergy persons and eight (8) be lay persons and such ex-officio members as *The Book of Discipline* may prescribe. (Para 611.2c)

61. The Council on Connectional Ministries shall be composed of the following: the presiding Bishop; the district superintendents; the Conference Secretary; two (2) representatives of the Conference youth organizations; two (2) representatives of the Conference United Methodist Men; two (2) representatives of the Conference United Methodist Women; one (1) lay person from each district. Membership will include the chairperson of the following boards: Church and Society; Education; Evangelism; Health and Welfare Ministries; Higher Education and Campus Ministries; Laity (the Conference Lay Leader); Ordained Ministry; and Global Ministries. Membership will include the chairpersons of the following commissions: Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns; Religion and Race; Status and Role of Women; Worship; Communications. Membership will include the chairpersons of the following committees: Congregational Development, Ethnic Local Church Concerns and Pastoral Care and Counseling. The following shall be ex-officio members without vote: the Conference Staff (salaried and volunteer); the Conference Treasurer; one (1) representative from the Council on Finance and Administration; and the Conference Benefits Officer.

62. The Council on Youth Ministry shall be organized by and amenable to the Annual Conference Council on Connectional Ministries. The Council shall function as per paragraph 648 of *The Book of Discipline*.

Annual Conference Commissions

63. The Commission on Archives and History shall be composed of eight (8) persons nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that four (4) be lay persons and four (4) clergy persons. Ex-officio members shall be: the President of the Annual Conference Historical Society, the Annual Conference Historian, the Conference Secretary, the archivist of Claflin University and the archivist of Wofford College. The libraries at Claflin University and
64. The following Annual Conference Commissions shall be composed of twelve (12) members. It is recommended that eight (8) be lay persons with no more than one (1) lay person from a district and four (4) be clergy persons with no more than one (1) clergy from a district at the time of election, nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations for election by the Annual Conference for a quadrennial term:
   a. Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns relates to the General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious concerns. (See functions in Para. 641)
   b. Commission on Religion and Race relates to the General Commission on Religion and Race. (See functions in Para. 642) It is recommended that of the eight (8) lay persons, there be five (5) from ethnic minorities and three (3) from the majority membership; and of the four (4) clergy persons, there be two (2) from the ethnic minorities and two (2) from the majority membership.
   c. Commission on the Status and Role of Women relates to the General Commission on the Status and Role of Women. (See functions in Para. 643) It is recommended that of the twelve (12) elected, four (4) be lay women, four (4) lay men with no more than one lay person from any one district; and four (4) clergy of whom at least three (3) be women. In addition, one member at large shall be named from the Conference United Methodist Women.
   d. Commission on Worship shall relate to the General Board of Discipleship, Division of Evangelism, Worship and Stewardship. (See Para. 629.4) The ex-officio members shall be the president, or a designated representative, of the South Carolina Chapter of the Fellowship of United Methodists in Worship, Music and Other Arts.

65. The Commission on Equitable Compensation shall be composed of twelve (12) elected members nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that six (6) be lay persons and six (6) clergy. One ex-officio member shall be designated from each of the following boards: Global Ministries, Ordained Ministry and Laity. (Note: In accordance with Para. 624 of the Book of Discipline, one district superintendent is named by the cabinet as a member. At least one of the elected lay persons and at least one of the elected clergy shall be from a church of fewer than two hundred (200) members.)

66. There shall be a Conference Commission on Communications (CCOC), amenable to the Conference Council on Connectional Ministries, composed of nine (9) members nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that five (5) be lay persons and four (4) be clergy persons. Members shall be placed into three classes of three (3) members each at the 1998 session of the Annual Conference.

Annual Conference Committees

67. There shall be a Committee on the Annual Conference. In accordance with paragraph 605.2 of The Book of Discipline, membership includes the Bishop, the District Superintendents and Conference Lay Leader. There shall be twelve (12) elected members nominated by the Committee on Nominations for election by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that these twelve (12) elected members be lay persons; up to four (4) additional clergy may also be nominated. The ex-officio members shall be: the Director of the Conference Council on Connectional Ministries; The Annual Conference Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian; and one (1) representative of the Commission on Worship, the United Methodist Women, the United Methodist Men and the United Methodist Youth Fellowship (who is elected by the Conference Council on Youth Ministries). The pastor(s) of the host church(es) of the next Annual Conference session shall meet with the Committee in the pre-conference meetings.
a. The Bishop shall serve as the chairperson of the Committee.
b. The Committee shall prepare a proposed agenda for adoption by the Annual Conference, giving due regard to any special orders required by the Discipline or as ordered by the Annual Conference. The Committee shall determine the compensation and expenses to be paid speakers invited by this Committee, and the Treasurer shall make such payments from the Conference expense funds.
c. The Committee shall receive all invitations to host the Annual Conference. It shall recommend to the Annual Conference the place for the entertainment of the Annual Conference at least two (2) years in advance.
d. The Committee shall conduct all matters of courtesy and make such introductions as are necessary during the sessions of Annual Conference.
e. The Committee shall arrange for an appropriate Memorial Service to be held annually and shall select the speaker.

68. There shall be a Committee on the Conference Journal composed of nine (9) persons nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that three (3) be clerical members and six (6) lay members. The following shall be ex-officio members: the Conference Secretary; the First Assistant Conference Secretary; the Editor of the South Carolina United Methodist Advocate; and the Statistician.
a. The Committee shall cooperate with the Conference Secretary in the publication of the pre-conference reports.
   1. The Conference Secretary shall inform the boards, councils, commissions and committees when reports shall be due in order to maintain the printing schedule for the pre-conference reports.
   2. No report by any board, council, commission or committee shall be considered by the Annual Conference that has not been distributed to the members of the Annual Conference at least four weeks prior to the Conference session. Excluded from this requirement are the reports of the Board of Ordained Ministry, the Committee on Nominations, and the Committee on Standing Rules.
b. The Committee shall determine the accuracy of the Journal of Proceedings where differences exist.
c. The Committee and the Conference Secretary shall be responsible for the publication annually of the South Carolina Conference Journal (see The Book of Discipline, Para. 606.3) and shall have the Journal ready for the printer at least by October 1st following the close of Annual Conference. The Journal shall include the informational reports included in the pre-conference reports, the proceedings and actions of the Annual Conference, and the Statistical Reports.
   1. The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall edit the Conference Journal.
   2. The Committee and the Conference Secretary shall annually request of the Council on Finance & Administration the funds needed to publish and distribute the pre-conference reports and the Conference Journal, and shall provide for the printing at least one year in advance.
   3. One copy of the Conference Journal will be sent to each charge, and to each retired minister. The required number of copies will be sent to those mandated by The Discipline. Other copies may be ordered by subscription at a cost to be set by the Committee.
d. The Committee shall be responsible for the publication every ten years (cycle beginning in 1991) of the volume entitled United Methodist Ministers in South Carolina, which shall feature biographical sketches and photographs of the ministers of the South Carolina Conference.
e. The memoirs of the ministers and ministers’ spouses who have died during the conference year shall be printed in the Conference Journal; those of the ministers shall not exceed 600 words and those of the spouses shall not exceed 250 words.

69. There shall be a Committee on Congregational Development (CCD) composed of eight (8) at large members, nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference; one representative from each District Board for
Congregational Development; and one representative from each of the following: the Board of Global Ministries, Board of Evangelism, Board of Laity and the Commission on Equitable Compensation. The purpose of the CCD shall be to work with the Bishop and Cabinet to provide long term planning and provide the framework for all the efforts of the Annual Conference related to new church development, church redevelopment and congregational revitalization.

70. The Joint Committee on Incapacity shall be composed of two (2) members of the Board of Ordained Ministry (to be named by the chairperson of the Board), the chairperson and secretary of the Board of Pension and Health Benefits and a district superintendent appointed by the Bishop.

71. There shall be a Committee on Ethnic Local Church Concerns composed of twelve (12) members. It is recommended that four (4) be clergy, four (4) lay women, and four (4) lay men nominated by the Conference Council on Ministries and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that all ethnic groups be included in this membership.
   a. Ex-officio members shall include one representative from each of the following groups: the Commission on Status and Role of Women, the Commission on Religion and Race, the Committee on Pastoral Care and Counseling, the chairperson of all recognized ethnic program committees, and two (2) representatives from the Cabinet.
   b. The Committee shall implement the South Carolina Annual Conference Comprehensive Plan for Continuing Emphasis on the Ethnic Minority Local Church while at the same time carrying out mandates from the General and Jurisdictional Conferences.

72. There shall be a Committee on Native American Ministry which shall function as a task force of the Committee on Ethnic Local Church Concerns.

73. There shall be a Conference Committee on Nominations of twenty-four (24) members composed of two representatives nominated and elected by each district. It is recommended that these be one clergy and one lay representative from each district. The additional members shall include: the resident Bishop; a youth and young adult nominated by the Conference Council on Connectional Ministries; up to six (6) at large members, who may be nominated by the Bishop to ensure adequate representation; and the following members: the Conference Lay Leader, an elected representative of United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, the Conference Council on Youth Ministry, a retired member of the Annual Conference selected by the retired ministers, and two superintendents named by the Bishop. The Chairperson of the Committee on Nominations shall be elected by the Annual Conference. A nominee shall be presented by the Committee on Nominations for consideration at the beginning of each quadrennium. The Conference Committee on Nominations shall elect additional officers at its first regular meeting in the new quadrennium. The following shall be ex-officio members without vote: the chairperson of the Committee on Standing Rules, the chairperson of the Conference Council on Connectional Ministries, the chairperson of the Conference on the Status and Role of Women, the chairperson of the Commission on Religion and Race, and the chairperson of the Conference Missional Priority Coordinating Committee.
   a. It is recommended that there be one (1) lay person nominated and elected by each District Board of the Laity of each of the twelve (12) districts. Where there is no District Board of the Laity, the one (1) lay person shall be nominated and elected by the church lay leaders of that district.
   b. It is recommended that there be one (1) clergy person nominated and elected from each district by the ministers of each of the twelve (12) districts.
   c. These nominations, both lay and clergy, shall be elected by secret ballot in each district after at least three (3) persons shall have been nominated from the floor of each of the electing bodies. Election shall be by simple majority.
   d. If a member of the Committee on Nominations, who has been nominated by the District moves beyond the boundaries of the District in which he/she was nominated, his/her membership on the Committee shall be terminated, except for the chairperson,
vic:chairperson, and secretary, who should continue to serve as members-at-large on the Conference Committee on Nominations until the end of the quadrennium.

e. When district vacancies occur on the Committee, replacements shall be nominated as per rule 71.c to serve the remainder of the quadrennium. In the event that the elected chairperson of the Nominating Committee is one of the two elected representatives of a district, that chairperson shall become an additional member-at-large and the respective district shall elect another representative for that district, both of whom shall serve until the end of the quadrennium.

f. Current members of the Committee on Nominations shall not be nominated for membership on any board, council, commission or committee whose membership arises from nominations from this committee.

g. Ex-officio members of the Nominating Committee shall be excluded from rule 71.f.

h. The Committee shall make all nominations needed by the Annual Conference except as provided elsewhere by the Discipline or Standing Rules of the Annual Conference. When the Discipline or Standing Rules require nominations be made by other agencies of the Annual Conference, those nominations shall be reported to the Committee no later than March 15 of each year for information only. These nominations will not be submitted to the Annual Conference through the Committee on Nominations.

i. Nominations of chairpersons of all quadrennial boards, councils, commissions and committees, whose election is not prescribed by the Discipline or other sections of these Standing Rules shall be a nominated member of that board, council, commission or committee and shall be submitted by the Committee on Nominations to the Annual Conference for election.

j. When nominations are made, the persons nominated shall be consulted and their consent to serve received; whether nominated by parent boards, the Committee on Nominations or from the floor of the Annual Conference.

k. The Annual Conference Committee on Nominations shall make nominations so that approximately one half (1/2) of the membership of all boards, councils, commissions and committees shall be rotated each quadrennium.

l. The report of the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations shall include the full name, current address and phone number(s) of each nominee.

m. It is recommended that the Nominating Committee nominate at least 25% ethnic minority representation to all Conference Boards and Agencies where such nominees originate with the Conference Committee on Nominations. When vacancies are filled and nominations from the floor are offered it is recommended that at least 25% ethnic minority membership be maintained. It is also recommended that until this representation is achieved, if from one to four members are to be elected, at least one be an ethnic minority; if five to eight are to be elected, at least two be ethnic minority persons.

n. Unless otherwise provided in the Book of Discipline, a vacancy in the membership of a board, council, commission or committee may be filled, ad-interim, by the board, council, commission or committee for the remainder of the Conference year in which the vacancy occurs. At its next session the Annual Conference shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. The respective board, council, commission or committee shall inform the Committee on Nominations of the vacancy and its action.

74. There shall be a Committee on Pastoral Care and Counseling composed of twelve (12) persons nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that eight (8) be clergy persons and four (4) be lay persons.

75. There shall be a Committee on Petitions to the General Conference (see The Book of Discipline, Para. 507) composed of six (6) members nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that four (4) be lay persons and two (2) be clergy persons. This committee shall be considered a task force and neither a quadrennial committee nor a non-quadrennial committee.
76. There shall be a Committee on Resolutions and Appeals composed of nine (9) members nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that six (6) be lay persons and three (3) be clergy persons.

a. Resolutions initiated by a constituted board, council, commission or committee are properly before the Annual Conference without the necessity of referral. Resolutions not initiated by a constituted board, council, commission or committee may be referred to those agencies. Any such resolution not referred to a constituted board, council, commission or committee shall be referred to the Committee on Resolutions and Appeals, and shall be reported by this Committee to the Annual Conference with a recommendation of concurrence or non-concurrence with rationale.

b. Resolutions delivered to the Conference Secretary no later than March 15 of each Conference year shall be published in the Pre-Conference Journal.

c. Additional resolutions should be referred to the Committee on Resolutions and Appeals by the end of the afternoon session on the first full business day of the Annual Conference. The group, individual or cluster presenting a resolution must be responsible for printing their resolution for all members of the Annual Conference session. The resolutions considered by the Committee on the first full day of the session shall be distributed by the close of the morning session of the second full business day of the Conference. The Report of the Committee on Resolutions and Appeals will be an ‘Order of the Day’ the morning of the third full business day of Annual Conference.

d. The Committee on Resolutions and Appeals shall on the first full business day of Annual Conference provide time for persons offering resolutions to come before the Committee on Resolutions and Appeals to define and talk about their resolutions.

77. There shall be a Committee on Standing Rules composed of nine (9) members nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that six (6) be lay persons and three (3) be clergy persons. The following shall be ex-officio members with vote: the President of the Conference United Methodist Women, the President of the Conference United Methodist Men, the President of the Conference Council on Youth Ministry, the Conference Secretary, the Conference Lay leader, the chairperson of the Conference Council on Ministries, at least one district superintendent and the Conference Parliamentarian.

78. The Conference Committee on Episcopacy shall be composed of fifteen (15) members. In accordance with the Discipline (Para. 636), membership shall consist of the following: one-fifth (1/5) appointed by the Bishop, and the balance nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference. It is recommended that one-third (1/3) be clergy persons, one-third (1/3) laywomen, and one-third (1/3) laymen, provided that one layperson shall be the Conference Lay Leader. Ex-officio members with vote shall be the lay and clergy members of the Jurisdictional Committee on Episcopacy.

79. In order to provide for consistent Annual Conference staff personnel decisions, management, policy and collegiality, there shall be a Conference Staff Relations Committee composed of the following members, nominated by the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference: three (3) lay persons, one of whom has professional experience in personnel/human resource management; one (1) elder in full connection, serving a local church at the time of election; one (1) deacon in full connection, employed by a local church at the time of election; one (1) full time local pastor; and two members-at-large, to insure inclusiveness. The Resident Bishop shall serve as chairperson without vote. Ex-officio members, with voice and vote, shall include the Conference Lay Leader, who shall serve as vice-chairperson of the Committee; the Chairperson of the Conference Council on Connectional Ministries; and the President of the Council on Finance and Administration. No staff member or immediate family member of a staff member may serve on the committee.
III. DISTRICT RULES AND ORGANIZATION

80. There shall be twelve (12) districts in the South Carolina Annual Conference.

81. Where there is a District Conference it shall be composed of all ministers, deaconesses, the church lay leader, the lay members of Annual Conference, the President of the United Methodist Women, the President of the United Methodist Youth Ministries, and the President of the United Methodist Men from each church in the district; the District Lay Leader and Associate Lay Leaders; the District President of the United Methodist Women; the District President of the United Methodist Men; the President of the District Council on Youth Ministry; the chairperson of the District Council on Ministries; the chairperson of the District Trustees; the chairperson of the District Committee on Church Location and Building; the chairperson of the District Committee on Superintendency; and the District Superintendent who shall preside over the Conference.

82. There shall be in each district a District Council on Ministries. The responsibilities of the Council are set forth in paragraph 656 of The Book of Discipline 2000. The District Superintendent shall consult with the District Committee on Nominations in the selection of persons to serve on the District Council on Ministries. The membership of the District Council on Ministries shall include the following: the District Superintendent, the District Lay Leader, the District Director of Lay Speaking Ministries, the District President of the United Methodist Men, the District President of the United Methodist Women, the President of the District Youth Council, the Disaster Response Coordinator for the district, and the Chairperson of the District Board of Congregational Development. Persons representing program areas and additional resource persons may be added. The chairperson shall be elected from the membership. A vice-chairperson and secretary may also be elected from the membership. The selection process shall be in keeping with a spirit of inclusivity. The term of office for members of the District Council on Ministries shall run from the close of one annual conference session to the close of the next. The District Superintendent in consultation with the District Committee on Nominations may act at any time to fill vacancies in the membership of the District Council on Ministries.

83. Where the Discipline allows for a district director, representative, or secretary for a Conference agency, the person or persons named shall be from among the elected members of that agency.

84. There shall be a Committee on Nominations in each district. This committee shall make nominations to be forwarded by the two district representatives to the Annual Conference Committee on Nominations for election by the Annual Conference.

   a. The District Committee on Nominations shall be composed of: the District Superintendent as chairperson; the District Lay Leader or his/her designated Associate Lay Leader; the District Director of Lay Speaking Ministries; the Presidents of the District United Methodist Men, the District United Methodist Women, the District Youth Council and one other representative of each selected by the respective organization's executive committee. Where there is no District Youth Council, the district superintendent shall appoint two (2) youth members. It is recommended that gender and racial balance be considered in selection. The two (2) Conference Nominating Committee members from the district shall also serve.

   b. The District Committee on Nominations shall request of each local pastor, lay leader, Council on Ministries chairperson, United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, and United Methodist Youth Fellowship president possible nominees to serve. Forms designed by the Conference Nominating Committee will be provided each District Committee, which in turn, shall make them available to each local church. These forms shall include biographical data, local church experience, etc., and shall include a space for the possible nominee’s signature indicating willingness to serve.

   c. The District Committee on Nominations shall review all forms submitted and will forward these recommendations through the two (2) district representatives to the Annual Conference Nominating Committee after signatures indicating willingness to
serve have been secured. District Nominating Committees shall be encouraged to be inclusive of the constituency of the district in their nominations.

85. The District Lay Leader and two (2) Associate Lay Leaders, the District Director of Lay Speaking Ministries, and the Associate District Director of Lay Speaking Ministries shall be nominated by the laity on the District Nominating Committee and elected by the Annual Conference. They shall be nominated and elected quadrennially and may serve no more than eight (8) consecutive years.

86. Persons elected by the annual conference to membership on district boards and committees shall begin their terms of service at the conclusion of the annual conference session at which they are elected. Between sessions of annual conference, vacancies on district boards and committees may be filled upon nomination by the District Committee on Nominations. Such vacancies shall be subject to election by the next annual conference and reported by the Conference Committee on Nominations.

87. In accordance with the Discipline (Para. 666.2) the eight (8) elected members of the Committee on the District Superintendency shall be nominated by the District Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference or by the District Conference where it exists.

88. There shall be in each district a District Board for Congregational Development (DBCD). The DBCD shall be elected quadrennially by the Annual Conference, upon nomination by the District Committee on Nominations. Vacancies shall be filled annually by election by the Annual Conference. The DBCD shall be composed of not fewer than five (5) or more than nine (9) elected members, plus the district representatives appointed by the District Superintendent to the Conference Committee for Congregational Development. The District Superintendent or the District Superintendent’s designee shall preside over the work of the Board.

a. The purpose of the DBCD shall be to promote long term planning and provide a coordinating framework for all the efforts of the district related to new church development, church redevelopment and congregational revitalization.

b. The responsibilities shall be:
   1. Update population statistics and informational data of the district.
   2. Review facility conditions and congregational vitality.
   3. Develop district strategies and priorities for new church development, church redevelopment and congregational revitalization.
   4. Administer all funds raised at the district level and received from all Conference sources for congregational development.
   5. Submit proposals to Annual Conference boards and agencies (Equitable Compensation, Congregational Development, Trustees of the Annual Conference, Council on Finance and Administration, etc.) for funding of congregational development within the district.
   6. Locally held accounts held by the DBCD shall be audited annually, with copy filed to the Council on Finance and Administration. Funds received and disbursed through the office of the Conference Treasurer do not require audits but are managed by voucher only.

89. Each district superintendent shall transmit the complete list of lay members to the Annual Conference from the district in triplicate to the Secretary of the Annual Conference at least five (5) months prior to the opening date of the Annual Conference.

90. Youth and young adult members of the Annual Conference, and their reserves, shall be elected by the District Council on Ministries from nominations which arise from the District Council on Youth Ministry, District Coordinators of Adult Ministry and from the local churches within the districts. Their expenses shall be borne by the districts electing them.

91. Guidelines for Quadrennial Training of Lay Members of Annual Conference

a. A training session shall be held in each district no later than January 30 of the year in
which delegates are elected to General and Jurisdictional Conferences. The purpose of this session is to prepare local church members of the Annual Conference for this highly important quadrennial process of the United Methodist Church. The training session, which would precede the district nominations for the pool of possible delegates, would include the following:
1. The important role of Annual Conference lay members
2. Connectionalism/Representative system.
3. Functions of General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference.
4. Commitment and involvement of delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conferences.

b. This training session shall be planned by the District Superintendent, the District Lay Leader, and a committee of no less than five (5) persons; and include all persons in the district who have served as delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conferences. A follow-up session may be held in each local church for education of local church members.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS RULES

92. All lay persons employed by the agencies of the Conference shall conform to the compulsory retirement age set for the ministers of the church. Such retired lay persons may be employed on a part-time basis without executive administrative responsibility.

93. All monies to be credited to the accounts of local churches for the fiscal year shall be in the hands of the Conference Treasurer no later than fifteen (15) days after the end of the fiscal year.

94. "Moving Day" for the ministers shall be the Wednesday preceding the 1st of July beginning in 2009.
   a. Where special circumstances dictate any alteration of this moving date, the affected persons and the district superintendent involved shall be permitted to make the necessary adjustments.
   b. Ministers shall be paid during the month of June by the charge from which they are moving. Ministers will be paid during the month of July by the charge to which they are moved.
   c. The moving expenses of the pastor shall be paid by the charge to which he/she is moved, not to include more than $350.00 in verified packing expenses.

95. Pastor’s reports to Annual Conference shall cover the calendar year (January 1 - December 31) and shall be sent to the Conference Treasurer-Statistician so as to reach that office not later than January 15 of the year immediately following.

96. All support ministries or agencies which receive funds from the South Carolina Annual Conference, but which are not directly responsible to the Conference shall submit an annual program and an audit including a management letter to the sponsoring Conference agency.

97. No requests shall be made for the services of the Conference Chancellor except by the Episcopal Office.

98. Persons applying for Sabbatical shall apply to the Board of the Ordained Ministry prior to February 1st preceding the Annual Conference session.

99. When a leave of absence is granted, and upon the recommendation of the Bishop and the Cabinet, the Council on Finance and Administration shall make a sustentation grant from the Conference contingency funds not to exceed forty percent of the denominational average compensation paid on a monthly basis. All interim sustentation grants shall be reported to the Annual Conference at its next session. Upon the recommendation of the Bishop and Cabinet and the approval of the Annual Conference, the Commission on
Equitable Compensation shall continue to fund the sustentation grants in the same monthly percentage for a period not to exceed one additional Conference year. No claim may be made on the sustentation fund when disability benefits are granted from the Board of Pension and Health Benefits.

100. All persons at the Annual Conference level who are officially involved in the trial process, including the members of the trial court, the witness at the trial, the counsel for the church, the counsel for the respondent, and the respondent shall receive only reimbursement for vouchered travel, meals, and lodging expenses from the Annual Conference Contingency Fund according to the schedule of payments adopted by the Annual Conference for those involved in the official business of the Annual Conference.
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES
OF THOSE RECEIVED AS FULL ELDERS JUNE 2008

Adams, Emmanuel Bruce - Born: 1/30/1952; Clemson, BS 1975; Asbury, MDv 2003; PE2004; FE2008; Pamplico, Pamplico
Addis, Howard Donald - Born: 12/6/1946; Furman, BA 1978; SBTS, MDv 1981; EP2006; FE2008; Union Grove, Belton
Arries, Christopher Edward - Born: 12/15/1972; USC, BS 2002; Candler, MDv 2005; PE2005; FE2008; Cokesbury-Hodges, Greenwood
Bame, Mollie Louise - Born: 12/9/1977; Columbia College, BA 2000; Candler, MDv 2003; PE2005; FE2008; Trenholm Road Associate, Columbia
Barnes, Constance Nelson - Born: 2/25/1959; SC State, BA1992; LTSS, MDv 2005; PE2005; FE2008; Brookgreen, Murrells Inlet
Byrd, Lara Caulder - Born: 1/7/1979; College of Charleston, 2001 BA; Candler, MDv 2004; PE2005; FE2008; Carteret Street Associate, Beaufort
Griffin, Mary Kathryn Boyd - Born: 11/30/1942; USC, BA 1976; PE2005; FE2008; Fairfield Circuit, Winnsboro
Jeter, Narcie McClendon - Born: 3/5/1980; Winthrop; Candler, MDv 2005; PE2005; FE2008; Dir. Wesley Foundation, Winthrop,
Mitchell, Cathy Delphine - Born: 9/20/1965; MUSC, BS 1988; Candler, MDv 2005; SC State, MA 1997; PE2005; FE2008; St James, Sumter
Parrott, Anne Richardson - Born: 3/24/1944; Winthrop, BA 1966; Erskine, MDv 2004; PE2004; FE2008; Kings Mountain Chapel-St. Paul, York
Summey, Gayle Minor - Born: 9/19/1953; Central Wesleyan, BS; Erskine, MDv; PE2005; FE2008; Belair, Fort Mill
Taylor, Mae Francis - Born: 1/17/1963; Limestone, BS 1997; Erskine, MDv 2004; PE2005; FE2008; Joshua, Moncks Corner
Thomas, Thurmond Kemzy - Born: 9/29/1948; U of Texas, 1971; Erskine, MDv 2005; PE2005; FE2008; Macedonia-Pleasant Hill, Mullins

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THOSE RECEIVED AS PROBATIONARY ELDERS AND COMMISSIONED JUNE 2008

Burbage, Daniel Seay - Born: 2/15/1978; Wofford, BA 2000; LTSS; PE2008; St Mark, Columbia
Dargan, William Thomas - Born: 8/14/1948; Morehouse, BA 1970; Duke, MDv 2008; Wesleyan, 1982 Phd; PE2008; Rock Hill Central Charge, Rock Hill
Elliott, Sheila Lamar - Born: 12/30/1966; USC, 1983 BA; Candler; USC, 1996 PHD; PE2008; Francis Burns, Associate, Columbia
Johnson, Mary Louise - Born: 5/15/1952; USC, 1975 BS; Erskine, MDv & MACM 2007; PE2008; Mount Beulah, Lake City
Keck, Steven Paul - Born: 3/11/1959; Armstrong State/USC; Candler, MDv 2008; PE2008; Green Pond, Gray Court
Lollis, Christopher Matthew - Born: 7/10/1973; Williamson Christian, 2004; Erskine,MDv 2008; PE2008; First, Associate, Glover
Lynch, Jr. Billy Lee - Born: 11/7/1957; USC, 1993 BA; LTSS, MDv 2007; PE2008; Upper Richland, Blythewood
Nelson, Dwight Arnold - Born: 8/4/1953; Morris College,BA 2004; Candler, MDv 2008; PE2008; Spartanburg Parish, Spartanburg
Ray, Marie Elizabeth - Born: 10/17/1944; Stockton, 1964 Associate & Ashland BA Music; Ashland, MDv 2008; PE2008; Emma Gray, Woodruff
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MacKeil, Alice Elaine - Born: 9/15/1951; Kent State, BS 1973; Erskine, MDv 2005; PD2005; FD2008; Mauldin Minister of Christian Education; Mauldin
Putnam, William Grover - Born: 12/10/1953; Gardner-Webb, BA 1976; Golden Gate Baptist, MDv 1979; PD2001; FD2008; Buncombe Street Dir. Adult Ministries; Greenville

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A detailed history of the South Carolina Conference can be found in The History of South Carolina Methodism by Albert D. Betts (Columbia: The Advocate Press, 1982), and the following chronology is based on the information contained in Dr. Betts’ history. When John Wesley called his lay preachers together in London on June 25, 1744, to “confer” on the work of the growing Methodist Societies, the pattern for an annual “Conference” was begun. The practice was brought to America as the Methodist Societies developed here.

In the early days of American Methodism the Conferences were not neatly divided by the geographic boundaries we have today, and, correspondingly, it is difficult to trace precisely a lineage that would make it possible to identify “the first Conference.” Dr. Betts refers to the “first American ‘Annual Conference’” (p. 34) as the one held in George’s Church, Philadelphia, July 14, 1773, on the call of John Rankin who had been sent to America by John Wesley. The work of Methodism in South Carolina was organized in 1785, when a “section” of the Conference was called at Louisburg, North Carolina, on April 20, 1785, at which Francis Asbury presided. About two years later, on March 22, 1787, the first session of a South Carolina Conference was held in Charleston, with both Bishops Francis Asbury and Thomas Coke sharing responsibilities as presiding officers. Sessions of the 1785 Conference are shown in the tables below.

The 1866 South Carolina Conference was organized on April 2, 1866, in Charleston, South Carolina, by leaders of the Methodist Episcopal Church to minister to African Americans, many freed slaves, who would not accept the continued segregated worship of the races. A history of the 1866 Conference may be found in Passionate Journey by John W. Curry (St. Matthews: Bill Wise Printers, 1980.) Pursuant to the 1964 General Conference action which dissolved the Central Jurisdiction to achieve “racial inclusiveness at all levels of the church,” the 181st Session of the South Carolina Conference (1785) passed a resolution requesting bishops of the two South Carolina conferences to appoint a committee to work out a plan of merger.* The two conferences became one in 1972. Sessions of the 1866 Conference are shown in tables below.

In 1914, the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, voted to divide the South Carolina Annual Conference (1785) and instructed the conference to fix a line of division. At its 129th Session the South Carolina Conference (1785) created the Upper South Carolina Conference.** The two were combined again in 1948. Sessions of the Upper South Carolina Conference are shown in tables below.

* Journal and Yearbook, South Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, June 13-17, 1966, Columbia, South Carolina, pp. 94-95.

** Minutes and Yearbook, The Upper South Carolina Conference, The Methodist Episcopal Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina, October 29-November 2, 1947, p. 152; Journal minutes, 129th Session, South Carolina Annual Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 1914, p. 18.

SESSIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE (1866)

Based on a study of the Conference Journals 1866-1972 and taken from the Cumberland Methodist Church Anniversary Booklet 1952 (Update).

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RECORD OF MINISTERIAL SERVICE AND CLERGY INFORMATION
(a Indicates Absence From Session)
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KEY TO STATUS ABBREVIATIONS

AF - Affiliate Member
AM - Associate Member
DM - Diaconal Minister
DP - Deacon recognized from Other Denomination serving UM probation
EP - Elder/Full minister recognized from Other Denomination serving UM probation
FD - Deacon in Full Connection
FE - Elder in Full Connection
FL - Full Time Local Pastor
LP - Local Pastor
OA - Associate Member of Other Annual Conference
OD - Deacon Member of Other Annual Conference
OE - Elder member of Other Annual Conference
OF - Full Member of Other Denomination
OP - Probationary Member of Other Annual Conference
OT - On Trial
PE - Probationary Elder
PL - Part Time Local Pastor
PM - Probationary Member
PD - Probationary Deacon
RA - Retired Associate Member
RD - Retired Deacon
RE - Retired Elder
RP - Retired Probationary Member
RT - Retired Probationer (1992)
DR - Retired Diaconal Minister
RL - Recognized Retired Local Pastor
SP - Student Local Pastor
SY - Supply Assigned without authority for Sacraments, Weddings, etc.
RSY - Retired FM, PM, AM & RRLP or other AC clergy appointed by Bishop with authority

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