

2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE WORKING AGENDA

Partnership in the Gospel... Celebrating Together

Sunday, June 7

- 1:00 p.m. Conference Registration Opens - Atrium
- 2:00 p.m. Bishop and Cabinet Meeting - Parlor
- 3:00 p.m. Orientation Session for Lay and Clergy Tellers - Rooms 6104 and 6108
- 3:30 p.m. Orientation/Set-Up Session for Assistant Secretaries - Wesley Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Board of Ordained Ministry Meeting - Room 6111
- Experiential Prayer Room Opens - Room 4100
- 4:30 p.m. Board of Laity Meeting - Room 7203
- 5:00 p.m. Cabinet - Room 6102
- Archives and History - Room 8114
- 6:00 p.m. Conference Registration closes for the day - Atrium
- 7:00 p.m. OPENING WORSHIP CELEBRATION - Sanctuary
Introduction and Welcome to Bishop and Mrs. Leeland
Dr. Lester Spencer, Chairperson, Committee on Episcopacy
Message: Bishop Paul L. Leeland
Conference Mission Offering: Blue Lake Capital Campaign
- 8:45 p.m. Rehearsal for Ordination and Commission Service - Chapel

Monday Morning, June 8

- 6:30 a.m. Health Screening Opens (closes at 10:30 a.m.) - Cokesbury Room
- 7:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens - Atrium
- Experiential Prayer Room Opens - Room 4100
- 7:30 a.m. Clergy Directory Photographs (closes at 4:00 p.m.) - Rooms 3101, 3103, 3105

- 8:00 a.m. BIBLE STUDY – Wesley Hall – Dr. C. Jason Borders
Who Is He? and Who Are We? Messiahship and Discipleship in Luke 9:18-27
- 9:00 a.m. Board of Laity Business Session – Wesley Hall
- Clergy Executive Session – Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 a.m. Break – Preparation for Worship
(Families of deceased clergy and clergy spouses gather in the Chapel; members of annual conference are invited to come by to greet them.)
- 10:45 a.m. ORDER OF THE DAY
Memorial Service and Holy Communion – Sanctuary
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| Liturgist: | Bishop Paul L. Leeland |
| Special Music: | Preston Frazier |
| Sermon: | Rev. Robert Spicer |
- 12:00 Noon Lunch – Fellowship Hall
- Archives and History Luncheon – Room 8114
- Asbury Club – Room 6111
- Birmingham Southern Luncheon – Room 7201
- Christian Educators Fellowship – Room 6103
- Clergywomen in Ministry – Room 7202/7204
- Spiritual Formation Luncheon (Learn about the Spiritual Formation opportunities available to our conference) – Room 7207/7209
- Wesley Heirs – Room 6110

Monday Afternoon, June 8

- 1:30 p.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
- Gathering Music and Opening Prayer
- Opening Business and Organization of the Conference – Wesley Hall
- Setting the “bar” of the Conference
 - Election of secretarial staff
 - Approval of the 2008 Conference Journal
 - Adoption of the 2009 Conference Agenda
 - Presentation of the 2009 Consent Agenda
- Committee on Standing Rules (changes to lay on table overnight)
- Committee on Resolutions and Petitions (to lay on table overnight)
- Committee on Nominations

Video Presentation

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(Retirees and presenters take place on stage for next session)

- 2:00 p.m. ORDER OF THE DAY – Recognition of Retiring Clergy
- 2:45 p.m. Break – Reception for Retiring Clergy – Atrium
- 3:15 p.m. Proposed Constitutional Amendments
Presentation and Balloting
- 4:00 p.m. Conference Registration closes for the day
- 4:45 p.m. Board of Ordained Ministry
Reception of commissioning and ordination classes
- 5:00 p.m. Conference Announcements and Recess
- Council on Finance and Administration – Room 6101

*****NO MONDAY EVENING DINNER*****

Monday Evening, June 8

- 7:30 p.m. SERVICE OF COMMISSIONING AND ORDINATION
FUMC, Montgomery
Liturgist: Bishop Paul L. Leeland
Sermon: Bishop Joe Pennel
Music: Jack Horner, FUMC, Montgomery
Reception in the FUMC Fellowship Hall at the conclusion of the service

Tuesday Morning, June 9

- 6:30 a.m. Health Screening Opens (closes at 10:30 a.m.) – Cokesbury Room
- 7:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens – Atrium
COSROW Breakfast – Room 6111
Extension Ministries Breakfast – Room 6101
Holy Communion/Prayer Room – Room 4100
- 7:30 a.m. Clergy Directory Photographs (closes at 4:00 p.m.) – Rooms 3101, 3103, 3105
- 8:00 a.m. BIBLE STUDY – Wesley Hall – Dr. C. Jason Borders
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- 9:00 a.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
 Gathering Music and Morning Prayer
 (Persons presenting awards take place on stage)
- Special Awards and Recognitions – *A Celebration*
Denman Evangelism awards – Division of Evangelism
Alice Lee Award – COSROW
Local Church Heritage Award – Commission on Archives and History
 Annual Conference presentation - Director of Connectional Ministries
 Courtneika Hudson, Historic Black Colleges
 Director, Mission, Advocacy and Ethnic Ministries
 Foundation Scholar – Executive Director, UM Foundation
- 9:30 a.m. Report of the *Journal* Committee
- Action on Changes to Standing Rules
- Action on Resolutions and Petitions
- 10:00 a.m. ORDER OF THE DAY – FIRST TEACHING SESSION – Wesley Hall
 The Rev. Dr. James A. Harnish
Transformed Leadership for Transforming Congregations
- 10:45 a.m. Break – Atrium
Hosted by the United Methodist Foundation
- 11:00 a.m. ORDER OF THE DAY – SECOND TEACHING SESSION – Wesley Hall
 The Rev. Dr. James A. Harnish
Transformed Leadership for Transforming Congregations
- 12 Noon Lunch – Fellowship Hall
 Clergy Spouses Gathering – Room 7202/7204
 Educational Opportunities – Room 6107
 Emory Club Lunch – Room 6111
 Fellowship of Associate and Local Pastors – Room 6102
 SBC21/Gammon Alumni Luncheon; Board of Advocacy – Room 7208
 Spiritual Direction Luncheon (Find out about our new Spiritual Direction
 Ministry) – Room 7207/7209

Tuesday Afternoon, June 9

- 1:30 p.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
 Gathering Music and Afternoon Prayer

- 1:35 p.m. Board of Laity – Conference Lay Leader
 United Methodist Women
 United Methodist Men
 United Methodist Youth and Young Adults
 Lay Speaking Ministries
- 2:00 p.m. Board of Pension and Health Benefits

 Close of Conference Registration
- 3:15 p.m. Break
 (Pension/Insurance Meeting for incoming pastors - Atrium)
 (Board of Communications Meeting – Room TBA)
- 3:45 p.m. Commission on Equitable Compensation
- 3:55 p.m. Video Presentation
Partnership in the Gospel – Celebrating Together
- 4:00 p.m. Blue Lake Trustees – Capital Campaign Update
- 4:15 p.m. Board of Ordained Ministry (continued)
 Recognition of First-Time Licensed Local Pastors
 Recognition of Clergy in Extension Ministries
- 4:50 p.m. Report on Constitutional Amendments Balloting

 Conference Announcements and Recess
- 5:00 p.m. LAITY BANQUET/CELEBRATION – Fellowship Hall
*****Clergy members are encouraged to attend the Laity Banquet*****

 PCCT Dinner – Room 6101
- 5:30 p.m. Duke Club Dinner – Room 6103

Wednesday Morning, June 10

No Conference Registration Today

- 6:30 a.m. Health Screening Opens (closes at 9:00 a.m.) – Cokesbury Room
- 7:00 a.m. Experiential Prayer Room/Holy Communion – Room 4100

9:00 a.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
Gathering Music and Morning Prayer

9:05 a.m. Report of the *Journal* Committee

9:10 a.m. Video Presentation
Partnership in the Gospel – Celebrating Together

9:15 a.m. Council on Finance and Administration
Action Item: 2010 Conference Budget

Statistician’s Report

9:45 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Report of the Cabinet – Wesley Hall
Changes in Charge Lines
Property Resolutions

Closing Business of the Conference
Where shall the 2010 session be held?
Courtesies and Appreciation – Wesley Wachob

10:45 a.m. CLOSING WORSHIP SERVICE – Wesley Hall
Sermon: Bishop Paul L. Leeland
Fixing of the 2009-2010 Appointments

Noon Adjournment *Sine Die*

*****NO WEDNESDAY LUNCH*****