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APPOINTMENTS: CHURCHES AND PASTORS IN TRANSITION?

Every active pastor receives an appointment every year. Most will be appointed back to the church they are currently serving. Several of our churches will be appointed new pastors at annual conference. A few will be granted retirement status, or leave of absence, or disability status. . The full-time appointments should be complete within the next week and the part-time appointments should be complete in the next two or three weeks. Here are some facts of interest for those who will be moving this summer:

- **Moving day is Tuesday, June 21st.**
- **Churches will pay their current pastor for the entire month of June.** The new pastor's first check from the new church will be for the month of **July**.
- **The first Sunday in the pulpit is June 26th.**
- **Training for Pastor's who are moving will be held at Philander Smith College on May 24th-25th.** All pastors who are moving are expected to attend. If you are moving you should have already received information on this from the conference office. If not, please contact the district office.

Appointment Changes Updated April 25, 2011

Retirements (Upon approval at the Clergy Session of Annual Conference)

- James L. Bacon (PL) - Center Grove
- Charles Cooper, (FE) - Trumann / Tyronza
- Ronnie Eldridge, (PL) - Lewisville
- John Farthing (FE) - Greenbrier, First
- Denman L. Gillett (FE) - Salem, Benton
- Fred Haustein (FE) - Saint James, Little Rock
- Daryl Hines, (FL) - Foreman
- Chester Jones (FE) - South Central District
- Ed Kerr (FE) - Incapacity
- Nicholas C. Lascaro (FE) - Bull Shoals / Yellville
- Aline McCracken, (PL) - Cedar Grove / Floral
- Ralph G. Riley, (PL) - Lisbon
- Gene M. Ross, (PL) - Friendship
- Sidney Royce Savage, (AM) - Sparkman Charge
- David D. Scroggin (AM) - Wesley, Russellville
- James Scruggs, (AM) - White Memorial
- David M. Smith (PL) - Everton / Valley Springs
- Billie Jean Tate (FE) - Incapacity
- Virginia Sue Trexler (FL) - Incapacity
- Julia Beth Turner (FE) - Concord, Lonoke
- Raymond Vining (FL) - Cabot, Associate
- Edward Warren (FE) - Leslie / Marshall
- Keenan C. Williams, (FE) - Old Washington

Retirements (Prior to 2011 Annual Conference)

- Don J. Hewett (PL)
- Bruce T. Howard (FE)
- Margaret Sue Kelly (FD)
- Kay Wiggins (FD)

Incapacity Leave

- Regina Gideon (FE) - Conway, First, Associate

Other

- Susan Howe - Faith, Little Rock (taking appt in Great Britain)
- Harry Cross - Grace, Rogers (appointed military chaplin)
- Judyth Ross - Bayou Meto (taking CPE program for a year)
- Dane Womack (PL) - Plummerville (going to seminary)
- Josh Allen (PL) - Cleveland / Overcup (going to seminary)

Confirmed Full Time Appointment Changes (to begin July 1)

Any additional or different full time appointments you may hear other than those confirmed by the cabinet are not helpful to repeat. Doing so can provide false and damaging expectations to pastors and churches, or even jeopardize an intended appointment by releasing information before the congregation has an opportunity to receive it from their district superintendent. Please use discretion when speculating!

- Sieg Johnson - Little Rock: Saint James, Sr. Pastor
- Jeff Weaver (FL) -- Trumann/Tyronza
- Lynn Kilbourne (PE) -- First Conway, Associate (effective May 1)
- Donnie Hudson (FE) -- Bull Shoals/Yellville
- Steve Brizzi (FE) --Green Forest
- Bill Fish (FE) -- Prescott
- Tony Hill (FE) -- Osceola
- John Embrey (FE) -- Lakeside, Lake Village
- James Wainscott (FE) -- Murfreesboro
- Harriet Akins-Banman (FE) -- Faith, Little Rock
- Sue Howe (FE) -- extension ministry in Great Britain
- Aubrietta Jones (FE) -- Pulaski Heights, Associate
- Rodney Steele (FE) -- Mountain Home
- Larry Martineau (FE) -- Lonoke
- Jeff Jones (FE) -- Grace Community, Fort Smith
- Stephen Dickinson (FE) -- Sardis/Grace
- Zack Underwood (FE) -- Grace, Rogers
- DeeDee Autry (FE) -- Wesley, Russellville
- Ben Crismon (PE) -- Cabot, Associate
- Josh Ditmer (FE) -- transfer to Indiana Conference
- Danyelle Ditmer (PE) -- transfer to Indiana Conference
- Daniel Kirkpatrick (FE) -- DeWitt/St. Charles
- Wade Shownes (FE) -- Highland Valley, Little Rock
- Steve Wingo (FE) -- Goddard, Fort Smith
- Tom Letchworth (FE) -- Marion
- Bill Leslie (FE) -- Paragould, First
- Blake Bradford (FE) -- St. James, Little Rock (Associate)
- Vida Williams (FE) -- Texarkana, First (Associate)
- Deanna McCormack (FE) -- Kibler
- Lee Myane (PE) -- Bella Vista, First (Associate)
- Rob Williams (FL) -- Springdale, First (Associate)
- Carlton Cross (FE) - Salem, Benton
- Robert Cloninger (PE) -- First, Fort Smith (Associate)
- Terry Sager (FL) -- Foreman / Wade's Chapel
- Donna Alberts (AM) -- Melbourne/Cushman/Bethesda Campground
- Bill Sardin (FL) -- Brookland/Union Grove
- Hammett Evans (FE) -- Bryant
- Todd-Paul Taulbee (FE) -- Morrilton
- Jerry Collins (FE) -- St. Paul, Little Rock
- Roger Armstrong (RE) -- Amboy, North Little Rock
- Sara Bainbridge (FE) -- retiring from Bella Vista First
- Dede Roberts (FE) -- adding North Central District to Central District Charge
- Mike Morey (FE) -- South Central District Superintendent
- Mackey Yokem (FE) -- adding West District to Northwest District Charge



MAY BIRTHDAYS

6	Jason Ferguson
6	James Conn
17	John Love
21	Larry Martineau

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



THE DISTRICT OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 30th IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

- Meeting with District Leadership Team, District Superintendency Committee and District Trustees on Tuesday, July 12th at 6:30 pm at Good Faith Carr UMC. A light meal will be served.

DISTRICT PASTORS' MEETING REGARDING IMAGINE MINISTRY

On Wednesday, May 25th, **ALL SOUTHEAST DISTRICT PASTORS** are invited to meet with Kurt Boggan of the Imagine Ministry Team to ask questions and offer feedback. The actual meeting will be held at First United Methodist Church in Pine Bluff at 1:00 pm. However, all pastors are invited to a complimentary lunch at Chef Lee Restaurant in Pine Bluff at 11:30 am. Please make your reservations to this meeting by contacting the district office.

ARKANSAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2011 JUNE 5, 2011 - JUNE 8, 2011 HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

In April the pre-conference journal packets will be sent along with registration information. To get the best rates and rooms, please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible. For additional housing information and options, go to www.hotsprings.org then click on "Places to Stay" and then click on "Hotels/Motels" or "Bed and Breakfast". When you call be sure and say you are with the "Methodist Conference" to obtain low rates. Below is a list of some hotels to call. You can find a complete list on the district website: www.umcsed.org (go to the calendar and click on the dates of annual conference). If you have any questions, please contact the district office.

ATTACHED TO THE CONVENTION CENTER:

Embassy Suites, 501-624-9200, \$144
Austin Hotel, 305 Malvern Avenue, 501-623-6600, \$85.00

ONE MILE OR LESS FROM CONVENTION CENTER:

Arlington Hotel & Spa, 239 Central Avenue, 800-643-1502, \$97
Travel Lodge, 1204 Central Ave., 501-321-1332, \$69 (pet friendly, \$10)
Howard Johnson, 400 West Grand, 501-624-4441, \$85

ONE TO THREE MILES FROM CONVENTION CENTER:

Comfort Suites, 320 Nash St., 501-624-3800 (breakfast incl.), \$119
Springs Hotel (Downtown), 135 Central Ave., 501-624-5521, \$79.95
Best Western, 2520 Central Ave., 501-624-2531, \$119
Candlewood Suites, 3404 Central Ave., 501-624-4000 (full kitchen), \$99
Red Roof Inn & Suites, 1125 E. Grand Ave., 501-624-4441, \$59

FOUR MILES FROM CONVENTION CENTER:

Hampton Inn, 151 Temperance Hill Rd., 501-525-7000 (breakfast incl.), \$120

For more hotels and information, please visit the district website at: umcsed.org or the conference website at: <http://www.arumc.org/ac2011>.

“Honor . . . Your
mother, as
the LORD
your God
has commanded
you”
Deuteronomy 5:16

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Happy Mother's Day