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From the District Superintendent

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A new conference year has started! Several clergy and their families have been appointed to churches outside our district. They go with our best wishes and gratitude for the ministry they provided. Two pastors have moved within our district, and other clergy have moved into the Spartanburg District from other districts in the state. To these we say, "Welcome!" (Please see the list of appointments and awards on page 2.)

It is my privilege to be appointed by Bishop Taylor to serve a sixth year as Superintendent of the Spartanburg District. Significant ministry is taking place in churches all across our district. My hope is that the coming year will see a growth in existing ministries and the creation of new ones. These challenging times call us to concentrate more than ever on our mission to offer Christ to others and to be in ministry to people who need help and hope.

A primary way we are involved financially in ministry is through the paying of apportionments. Our missional giving touches people around the world in the name of Christ. Some of you may be troubled that at mid-year you are not current with apportionment payments. To date our district-wide giving is 3.4% behind 2008. I trust that you will prayerfully make every effort to catch up and pay 100% of your fair share.

It is natural for us to enjoy times of vacation and leisure during these summer days. Let us also be intentional about faithfully planning and implementing ministries of nurture, outreach and witness.

Grace and peace,
Dennis Lee



*2009 Mileage Rate
Is 55 cents per mile.*

Set-Up Meeting for Clergy

The annual set-up meeting for clergy and spouses will be Thursday, August 6, at 6:00 p.m. at Bethel UMC, Spartanburg. Charge Conference packets and materials will be distributed. Attendance is expected for all clergy serving churches. Retired pastors, spouses, and surviving spouses are also invited. A registration form is being sent to the clergy by email. Please return the form by the due date.



*Complimentary copies of the **Conference Journal** are **no longer** sent to each charge and each retired Ministerial Member of the Annual Conference. Therefore, if you want a copy of the 2009 Conference Journal for your church or for yourself, you must order a copy. Order forms are available at your district office, the district web site and conference web site. They were also emailed to those with email capacity.*

The Conference Journal may be ordered for \$20.00 per copy in print or for \$5.00 per copy as a DVD. Payment must accompany your order.

Send orders to the Secretary of the Annual Conference. (Make checks payable to: The South Carolina Annual Conference.)

New Appointments & Accomplishments Begin June 24

We welcome the following pastors and spouses to the Spartanburg District.

Steve & Sissy Holler to Trinity, Spartanburg
 Roye Lynn & George Kulik to Salem/St. Andrews/St. Mark
 Will & Sally Malambri, III to St. James
 Fred & Debby Parker to Immanuel
 Chris & Cynthia Thompson to Allen Chapel/Florence Chapel/Pleasant View
 Jim & Mary Williams to Whitmire/Carlisle

In-district changes:

Kelly Gallamore to Montgomery Memorial
 Angelia Price to Mesopotamia/Asbury as retired supply

Also coming to the district as Minister of Christian Education:

Karen Jones to Central
 Mary Lynne Peterson to New Beginnings

New Retirees in district:

Charles & Daune Teague
 Bob & Doris Wofford, re-retiring

Moving to new positions:

Lyn Pace to Chaplain, Oxford College, Emory University
 Carol Rawlinson as Pastoral Counselor in Counseling Center at Roswell UMC, Roswell, Ga.

Moving to appointments out of the district:

Lee & Cathy Bryant to Moncks Corner, Charleston District
 Jackie Carter Harris to Central Charge, Rock Hill District
 Dwight & Flora Nelson to New Life, Walterboro District
 Woody & Susan Wiggins to Lewis Memorial, Greenwood District as retired supply.

Congratulations to: Revs. Pat McCain, Kelly Gallamore & Heather Humphries who were ordained Elders at Annual Conference.

Congratulations to the following who received awards at Annual Conference

Duncan Acres - Hucks Award
 Walnut Grove - Hucks Award
 Christopher Thompson - Seminary Student Scholarship award.
 Mesopotamia - Bishop's Five Star Award
 New Beginnings - Bishop's Five Star Award

S.C. Laity Convocation

The Laity Convocation will be held July 10 - 12 at Lake Junaluska, NC. The featured speaker will be Dr. Connie Shelton, Senior Pastor, Galloway Memorial UMC, Jackson, MS and Bishop Woodie White will be the Bible Study Leader.

Registration for the Convocation is to be sent to SCUMC, Connectional Ministries, 4908 Colonial Drive, Columbia, SC 29202

Call Lake Junaluska to make your room reservations: 1-800-222-4390.

Yah-Yah Fun Day

Spartanburg District Yah-Yah Fun Day will be held this year on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at St. James UMC, 213 North Langford Road, Spartanburg.

Guest speaker for this event is Dr. Arnetta Beverly, a gifted storyteller and humorist.

Registration will be limited to the first 300 persons who enroll by August 3rd. The cost is \$10.00 and includes lunch by Mutt's Barbecue.

E-Mail Reminder



The district office sends messages only to pastor's conference e-mail addresses. If you forward your conference e-mail to another address, be sure it is up to date.



United Methodist Men
*July 10 – 12: National
 Gathering of United
 Methodist Men, Belmont
 University, Nashville, Tn.*



United Methodist Women

July 23 – 26

*School of Christian
 Mission, Spartanburg
 Methodist College.*

*Theme: "Together at the
 Table"*

Spartanburg District Lay Speaker School

The Spartanburg District is offering a **REFRESHER COURSE** with Jan Banner. NOTE: This class will meet on August 30th only and will be from 2:30 until 6:30.

All other classes will be held on September 20, 27 and October 4. We will meet at St. Luke UMC from 2:30 until 6:00 p.m. The following classes will be offered.

BASIC with Terry Sturgill

YOUTH BASIC with Ollie Gist and Angela Allen

LAY SPEAKERS ARE ACCOUNTABLE DISCIPLES with Merritt Wentz

LAY SPEAKERS CREATE DISCIPLE MAKING FAITH COMMUNITIES with Elaine Harris

LAY SPEAKERS LEAD IN EVANGELISM with Dr. Jerry Jackson

LAY SPEAKERS PREACH with Rev. Richard Lewis

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS AUGUST 21, 2009

Have you taken the Basic Lay Speaker's Course? _____ If yes, when? _____

Have you taken an Advanced Lay Speaker's Course? _____ If yes, when? _____

The course you are now registering for _____

(Your Signature)

(Pastor's Signature)

FORMS WITHOUT PASTOR'S SIGNATURE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Please include a check for \$35.00 for the regular classes or \$15.00 for the Refresher Course payable to **Spartanburg District UMC**.

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