



Arkansas Conference Committees 2023

Members of the Arkansas Annual Conference,

The changes to the Leadership Report for the Arkansas Annual Conference are included in your Annual Conference packets. Copies of the full Leadership Report are available online at arumc.org. Thank you to everyone who has agreed to serve on a conference committee, council or board.

The Nominations Committee works diligently to put people on committees that best match their interests and gifts. We also seek to have diversity of gender, race, ethnicity, age, and representation from different districts and church sizes. The best way to help this work is to fill out a self-nomination form. Self-nomination forms are available on the conference website under the forms and documents tab. If you are interested in serving on a conference committee please fill out a form and encourage others to do the same.

Due to the postponed 2020 General Conference the terms for the Board of Ordained Ministry, Council on Finance and Administration, and Episcopacy Committee have been extended once again. The Discipline specifies that these committees are elected at the Annual Conference following General Conference. We have continued to fill vacancies on these committees due to resignations, disaffiliation, and moves.

While we seek to fill every position, every year there are several positions still waiting to be filled. This year we have included open positions in our report and encourage you to review these and make a nomination from the floor or fill out a self-nomination form if you are interested in serving in one of the positions that is currently open.

Blessings,

Rev. Katie Goss Pearce

Chair, Nominations Committee

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE ¶ 636

Alternates:

Jeff Hampton (clergy) (2023)

Angie Gage (clergy) (2023)

ARCHIVES AND HISTORY (COMMISSION ON) ¶ 641.1

Central: Brenda Norwood (lay) (2023)

Southeast: Roxie Balenton (2023)

UM Museum of Arkansas Committee Chairperson: Michael McMurray (lay) (2023)

CHURCH AND SOCIETY (CONFERENCE BOARD OF) ¶ 629, 653

Central: Harold Hughes (2023)

Conference UMW Mission Coordinator for Social Action: Joyce Moore (lay) (2023)

COMMUNICATIONS (COMMISSION ON) ¶ 646

Northeast: Tracey Ritchey (2023)

Northwest: Lori Krie (lay) (2023)

At-Large: Sarah Ellzey (clergy) (2023)

Ex-officio:

Local Church Liaison: Day Davis (2023)

CONFERENCE SESSION PLANNING COMMITTEE (Non-Disciplinary)

Conference UMW Coordinator Spiritual Growth: Brenda Gullett (2023)

DISABILITY CONCERNS (COMMITTEE ON) ¶ 653

Chair: Doni Martin (lay) (2023)

Jeanne Williams (clergy) (2023)

DISCIPLESHIP (BOARD OF) ¶ 630, 645

Darnell Rice (clergy) (2023)

Jeanne Williams (clergy) (2023)

Justin Ledbetter (clergy) (2023)

Zeke Allen (clergy) (2023)

Abbey Maynard (clergy) (2023)

EPISCOPACY (COMMITTEE ON) ¶ 637, 638

Michael Bynum (2023)

Caty Parker (2023)

Danita Waller-Paige (2023)

EQUITABLE COMPENSATION (COMMISSION ON) ¶ 625

Central Clergy: Jay Stephens Simpson (2023)

Northwest Clergy: Jana Green (2023)

Southeast Clergy: Toby Austin (2023)

Southwest Clergy: Andrew Orr (2023)

ETHNIC AND LANGUAGE CONCERNS (COMMITTEE ON) ¶ 632, 654

Southeast: Yesenia Zapata (clergy) (2023)

Southwest: Ellis Floyd (2023)

NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRY (COMMITTEE ON): (SUBCOMMITTEE OF COMMITTEE ON ETHNIC AND LANGUAGE CONCERNS) ¶ 654

Central Rep: Walt Garrett (clergy) (2023)

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (COUNCIL ON) ¶ 611 to 618

Lauren DeLano (2023)

Sandy Smith (2023)

Joe Archer (2023)

GLOBAL MINISTRIES (BOARD OF) ¶ 633, 642

Northeast District Secretary: Melanie Tubbs (clergy)

Southeast District Secretary: Doug Phillips (clergy)

Southwest District Secretary: Stephen Copley (clergy)

Missionary Personnel Coordinator: Brenda Norwood (lay)

GLOBAL MINISTRIES (BOARD OF) ¶ 633, 642 (Con't)

Conference Advocate for the Poor: Lindsey Russell (2023)
Earthkeeper: Angie Gage (2023)
Abundant Health: Sandy Smith
At-Large rep: Heather Sprinkle

HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAMPUS MINISTRY (BOARD OF) ¶ 634

Northeast District lay rep: Blake Schrepfer (Lay) (2023)
Northwest District lay rep: Rachel Krest (lay) (2023)
Arkansas State U rep: Samantha Black Menley (2023)

LAITY (BOARD OF) ¶ 631.3

Conference Director of Lay Servant Ministries: Teresa Bolin (2023)
Northeast: David Malone (2023)
Southeast: Becky Simmons (lay), (2023)

LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES (CONFERENCE DIRECTOR OF) ¶ 631.6(d)

Director: Teresa Bolin (2023)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (CONFERENCE) ¶ 610.5

Northeast Lay: Kim Mullins (2023)
Southeast Clergy: Buddy Ratliff (2023)

ORDAINED MINISTRY (BOARD OF) ¶ 635**Clergy:**

Matt Carter, (870) (ad interim 2023)
Zeke Allen (clergy) (2023)
Chase Green (clergy) (2023)
Michael Proctor (clergy) (2023)

Ex-Officio:

Chair, Ministerial Assessment(w/o vote): Patti Butler (clergy) (ad interim, 2023)
Culture of Call: Michelle Moore

COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION ¶ 2703**Alternate Members:****Clergy:**

Robin Moore (clergy)

Lay:

Denni Palmer (lay)
Donna Flenniken (lay)
Charles Long (lay)

PENSIONS AND HEALTH BENEFITS (CONFERENCE BOARD OF) ¶ 639, 1501 to 1505

Chairperson: Stark Ligon (2016-2024)

Clergy:

Ron Hayes (2023)

Laymen:

Dick Dodson (2023)
Baker Kurris (2023)
George Rhoads (2023)

Laywomen:

Ginny McMurray (2023)

TRUSTEES (CONFERENCE BOARD OF) ¶ 2512 to 2516

Bill Waddell (lay) 2023

YOUTH MINISTRIES (CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON) ¶ 649

Chair - Meredith Pearson (2023)
Vice-Chair - Meredith Grafton (2023)
Secretary - Emma Gayle Allison (2023)
Chaplain - Walker Lampley (2023)
YSF Chair - Lane Stout (2023)
At Large Representative - Quin Clark (2023)
Media Chair - Emily Claire Harrison (2023)

WOMEN UNITED IN FAITH LEADERSHIP TEAM (CONFERENCE)

President - Maybelline Strong

Vice-President -

District Committees

CENTRAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON ORDAINED MINISTRY

Ulysses Washinton
Reginald Russell
Regina Norwood
Brenda Norwood-Henson
Linda Powell
Ginny McMurray
Nathan Kilbourne
Melvin Moss
Todd Vick
Sara Bayles Charlton
Phil Hathcock
Michael Roberts
Brittany Watson
Roy Smith
Mary Jane Cole
Paul Atkins
Roy Beth Kelley
Jay Stephen Simpson
Garry Teeter

NORTHEAST DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON ORDAINED MINISTRY

Zach Roberts
Pat Bodenhamer
David Malone
Sarah Ellzey
Tandy Hanson
Daniel Thusson
Jane Steinegger
Jesse James
Alicia Finch McCastlain
Kathy Conley
Teresa Bolin
Rosa Schill
Kay Brogdon
Debby Bodenhamer
Asa Whitaker
Paul Bube
Tom Fase
Jonathan Grisse
Candace Barron
Brad Moore

NORTHWEST DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON ORDAINED MINISTRY

Blake Bradford
Paula Ihms
Carole Baker
Steve Poarch
DeeDee Autry
Claire Thompson
Lindsey Russell
Lauren Delano
Beth Latham
Florine Johnson
Liz Lusk
Renee Black

NORTHWEST DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON ORDAINED MINISTRY (Con't)

Jane Hunter
Karen Shank
Michael Wineland
Tearris Wallace
Jana Green
Rob Holifield
Cindy Bright
Michael Mattox
James Kjorlaug
Blake Lasater
Paul Seay

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON ORDAINED MINISTRY

Edna Morgan
Judy Rudd
Becky Simmons
Russell Hull
Bryan Diffie
Nan Nelson
Sam Meadors
Doug Phillips
Toby Austin
Julie Smith
Bonita Hatley
Steve Williamson
Beth Perdue
Matt Daniels
Glenn Hicks
Deanna McCormack
Taylor Loy

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON ORDAINED MINISTRY

Edna Morgan
Teresa Holt
Barbara Prowell Jones
Tim Rushing
Chris Hemund
Shelia Jones
Kenny Lee
Linda Black
Jonnie Nix
Holly Cothren
Steve Burns
Amanda Smith
Russ Breshears
Walter Smith
Beth Waldrup

Open Committee Positions

ADULT, SINGLES, FAMILY, AND OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES (CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON) ¶ 651

Chairperson:

Singles Ministries Coordinator

ARCHIVES AND HISTORY (COMMISSION ON) ¶ 641.1

Northeast

Southwest

DISCIPLESHIP (BOARD OF) ¶ 630, 645

Evangelism Coordinator:

ETHNIC AND LANGUAGE CONCERNS (COMMITTEE ON) ¶ 632, 654

Northeast:

HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAMPUS MINISTRY (BOARD OF) ¶ 634

Henderson State/Ouachita B U:

U of A Wesley College Ministry, Fayetteville

Hendrix College Rep:

U of Ozarks Rep

Lyon College Rep

Southern AR Univ:

U of A Wesley College Ministry-Fayetteville:

Univ. of A at Little Rock:

Univ. of A at Pine Bluff:

PENSIONS AND HEALTH BENEFITS (CONFERENCE BOARD OF) ¶ 639, 1501 to 1505

1 Lay woman

RELIGION AND RACE (CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON) ¶ 643

Northeast

Northwest

REVIEW AND RESEARCH (COMMITTEE ON) (Non-Disciplinary)

Northeast