

2024 SCJC Self-Nomination Form for Alternate Clergy Delegates

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Please send this completed form and a photo of yourself as a separate attachment to Sara.Andrews@arumc.org by June 3, 2024.

Clergy:

District: Southwest

Church: El Dorado First United Methodist Church

Commitment as an Alternate Delegate and Christian Conferencing Guidelines:

I have read and accepted the Christian Conferencing Guidelines.

☒ Yes ☐ No



Share your reasons for wanting to be an alternate delegate:

I want to be a delegate for jurisdictional conference because I believe the UMC is a church for all people. Having a genuinely diverse group representing our conference shows that we believe this. As a traditional clergyperson, I want to help move our denomination forward. I want to be a positive force that helps us show the world who we are, that we are a denomination with a wide range of perspectives but working together in harmony to fulfill our mission of making disciples who transform the world.

What do you believe are three (3) critical challenges facing The United Methodist Church in the next four years?

While our denomination faces many challenges right now there are three that stand out as most critical are as follows:

1. Financial – we must find ways to overcome the financial troubles we face at all levels.
2. Leadership – our episcopal leadership is being stretched very thin, I am not sure how this will work, but I know we need to make sure we have people and systems in place to help make this work.
3. Growth – we must be willing and ready to seek new ways to help our churches grow. Our world has changed and so we must continue to work towards helping people understand this from

Is there any additional information you wish to share about yourself, such as leadership experiences in the church or community, that will help you do the work of the delegation?

Over the past sixteen years, I have gained a diverse range of leadership experience. I have served on the district leadership team in both the Southeast District and Southwest District, on the NW District Committee on ordained ministry, and on and chaired the Southwest District Committee on buildings and location. Outside the local church, I am a board member of Interfaith Health Services and a member of Rotary International.