Dear United Methodist Family,

“By your Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world...”
- United Methodist Hymnal, “A Service of Word and Table II"

The liturgy of Eucharist blesses us with a grace that moves and invites us into a sacred space of giving, flowing from a deep oneness in ministry and mission for all people. When we are invited to His table, the vertical and horizontal love of God in Jesus Christ is on full display.

At the table of the Lord, we learn how to be gracious givers from the one who first loved us. Jesus Christ, the true bread of life, in His own brokenness on the cross, teaches us how to give sacrificially.

As you prayerfully consider our work together through your Mission & Service giving, I pray that you discover the many ways we are made stronger together through the “Spirit that makes us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.” (United Methodist Hymnal, “A Service of Word and Table I”)

Thank you for your gracious spirit. May the generosity of your local church be a living testimony as we offer all that we have, and all that we are, in our life together as one in Christ Jesus.

In Christ,

[Signature]

“Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything you may share abundantly in every good work.”

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7-8 (NRSV)
As you share God’s abundance, your gift of $1.00 supports:

1. Your Local Church’s Ministry 91.11%
2. World Service and Connectional Ministries 7.95%
3. Second Mile Giving 0.41%
4. Other Apportionments 0.53%

91.11% of every dollar you give stays in your local church and is spent as follows:

34.22% Local Church Programs, Operating Expenses, and Benevolences:
These funds are expended for operational needs such as utilities, building maintenance, salaries and benefits, office supplies, local programs such as Sunday Schools and youth activities, and local benevolences.

38.10% Local Pastor(s) Salaries and Benefits:
This item reflects the compensation paid to the local church’s pastor or pastors in the form of salary, travel, utilities, and continuing education allowances. It also represents the church’s portion of pension payments on behalf of its pastor(s) and supplemental benefits for items such as hospitalization and life insurance.

8.80% Local Building and Debt Retirement:
This represents capital improvements, mortgages, and debt retirements related to local church buildings and property. Building programs and other capital investments unique to each church are not included in calculating conference apportionments.

*Based on the grand total of all expenditures as reported on the 2020 Table II.
NC Conference Budget

The North Carolina Conference budget is developed through a four-year cycle.

**Year 1:** A zero-based budget is planned based on ministry needs. Statistical data is collected by NCC Statistician.

**Year 2:** The budget is debated and voted upon by members of the Annual Conference. Apportionments are calculated based on Table II reports.

**Year 3:** The budget is raised through apportionments. Funds are invested for future use. At the close of Year 3, individual budget lines are funded based on actual apportionment receipts.

**Year 4:** The budget developed in Year 1 is spent using monies raised in Year 3. The Council on Finance and Administration may vote to use investment earnings to supplement budget and ministry needs.

2023 Budget

*To Be Raised in 2022*

In 2020, 780 churches in the NC Conference, with a total membership of 218,982, spent $153,503,035 for all causes. This translates to $769.35 per member.

Based on these disbursements, the 2023 Budget (funded by 2022 apportionments) is as follows:
## Mission & Service Needs

*To Be Raised in 2022 for 2023*

### Totals by Conference

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Further details on the Program and Ministry areas are available on pages 7-12.

**Items with asterisks are raised and spent in the same year.**
Apportionment Formula

The NC Conference apportionment formula is approved by each Annual Conference session and is based on how a church spends money.

The base amount of local church expenses is calculated by adding all expenditures reported on Table II and then subtracting exclusions (as listed below).

Each church’s base is then compared to the total of all base amounts for all other churches and the budget approved at the last Annual Conference is distributed to each church using the same ratio.

The apportionment formula limits increases for regular apportionment calculations to 15% from one year to the next.

The exclusions are:

1. Payments on World Service and Connectional Ministries, Past Service Liability, Episcopal Fund and all other apportionsments;
2. Principal and interest on indebtedness, buildings and improvements;
3. 50% of property insurance;
4. Local benevolences paid directly by the church;
5. Support of General and Conference Advance Specials;
6. New Room Society support (new faith communities);
7. Up to $4,500 for travel paid by a charge for each pastor;
8. Offerings for United Methodist Student Day, Human Relations Day, Peace with Justice Sunday, Native American Awareness Sunday, UMCOR Sunday (formerly called One Great Hour of Sharing), World Communion Sunday, Youth Service Fund;
9. Housing allowance paid in lieu of furnished parsonage to a full-time pastor serving under Episcopal appointment in a charge of the conference;
10. Offerings taken for disasters as designated by the Disaster Readiness Response Committee and the Resident Bishop;
Mission & Service Commitments

World Service Fund

(Support for this fund is raised and spent in the same year.)

The World Service Fund is the basic benevolence fund of the Church, designated in The Book of Discipline as “the first benevolent responsibility of the Church” (¶812, 2016 Book of Discipline). Receipts are distributed to the general program agencies and other benevolent causes by a precise formula. These agencies resource local churches and extended local church mission nationally and internationally. The World Service Fund allows United Methodists to participate in meaningful ways in God’s mission throughout the world.

Total World Service Fund .................................................................$1,744,429

NC Conference Connectional Ministries

(UC Conference budget funds are raised in one year and spent the next. See page 4 for more information)

Outreach Ministry Team Serves to carry forth ministry that transforms the world

Congregations for Children.................$32,000
Focuses on making a positive impact on child poverty in NC by developing or expanding partnerships between UM churches and local public schools. The objectives are to enhance K-3 literacy, meet basic student needs, promote parental and other caring adult involvement, and raise congregational awareness of poverty issues.

Creation Care ..............................................$12,840
Scripturally educates, faithfully advocates for, and challenges us to be good stewards caring for God’s good creation through practical actions leading to human flourishing.

Health Ministries ......................................$ 7,700
Encourages healthy living, living to preserve the physical temple of the indwelling Holy Spirit, through education, advocacy, and screening.

Disaster Readiness & Response ...........$30,270
Provides organization, training, and oversight of United Methodist disaster response.

Missions & Outreach...............................$600,000
Funds mission projects, especially as they address Conference priorities and engage with those outside the walls of the church, to include rural and urban ministries. Administers building loans and grants to local churches, and interprets missions programs. Provides salary support for Church and Community workers.

NCCUM Camp & Retreat Ministries, Inc. ........................................$275,000
Provides funding to support the administrative oversight of Chestnut Ridge, Don Lee, and Rockfish Camp and Retreat Centers.
Leadership Development Team  Serves to equip leaders who implement the Vision

**Ministerial Education Fund**..........................$546,359
Assists in the education and training of clergy and diaconal ministers in The United Methodist Church.

**Board of Ordained/Diaconal Ministry**...............................$361,695
Funds enlistment, preparation, examination, continuing education and career development for persons serving in ordained ministry, and continues relationships with diaconal ministers. Provides funding for the Residency in Ordained Ministry program for those clergy seeking ordination. Provides training for clergy and churches on sexual ethics and provides seminary visitation support funds.

**Laity**..................................................$23,620
Promotes training for laypersons serving as leaders in the church and community. Also funds the Conference Committee on Lay Servant Ministries.

**Nominations**.............................................$ 500
Supports meeting expenses of the conference Nominations Committee.

**District Superintendents**
- Salaries & Benefits...............................$1,272,000
- District Travel......................................$130,000
- Cabinet Meeting Expenses...................$43,500

**District Superintendent Support**
Funds the salaries and benefits for eight Assistants to the District Superintendent and three district administrative support staff. Provides office and program funding for the work of the districts.

- **District Superintendent/Assistant to DS Office**....................$214,800
- **District Centralized Support**
  - Salary & Benefits...........................$720,600
- **District Centralized Support Office**..........................$80,274

**Office of Ministerial Relations**
- Salaries & Benefits.............................$505,000
Salaries and benefits for three full-time persons and other temporary help as needed to support the ministry of the Office of Ministerial Relations.

- **Office**............................................$22,820
Office expenses, travel, telephone.

**Office of the Bishop**...............................$64,500
Operations supplement to monies received from the Episcopal Fund. Includes funding for Bishop’s Day Apart, funding for renewal of clergy leadership; Bishop’s Discretionary funding, used by the bishop for emergencies or other needs not funded; and Committee on Episcopacy, which serves as an advisory group on matters related to episcopal leadership.

**Cabinet: Immigration Expense Assistance**......................$20,000
Assists pastors and their families who have to clarify or establish their immigration status.

**Effective Ministry Program**............................$50,000
Assists in pastors’ salaries during medical or other urgent circumstances and transition.

**Center for Leadership Excellence**..............................$63,400
Provides learning opportunities and leadership training for clergy and laity.

**Conflict Transformation**...........................................$7,100
Offers workshops and trainings to equip churches to engage and address conflict in healthy, faith-filled ways. Trains ministers who are able to go into congregations struggling with unresolved conflict and facilitate healing and reconciliation.

**Safe Sanctuaries**...........................................$3,500
Provides funding for the Safe Sanctuaries movement and initiative to train clergy and laity in making our churches safe places for the young and the vulnerable.

**NC Council of Churches**............................$35,000
Promotes Christian Unity, interfaith dialogue and cooperation, and advocates for social justice in our State Legislature.

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Leadership Development Team  (Continued)

Church & Society.......................... $16,800
Relates the gospel of Jesus Christ to people and to
the structures of the communities, nation and world
in which they live, and develops programs which
provide education and action on issues confronting
the Church consistent with the Social Principles and
the policies adopted by the General Conference.

Emerging Church Support............$959,000
Provides salaries, housing, and benefits for pastors of
new churches.

Christian Formation Team  Serves to form and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ

Christian Unity..............................$10,500
Interprets, advocates, works for unity of the Christian
church; encourages dialogue, cooperation.

Evangelism & Discipleship.............$100,000
Focuses on The Great Commission, “Therefore, go
and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in
the name of the Father and of the Son and of the
Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything that
I’ve commanded you. (CEB) This group of ministries
focuses on equipping all age-levels to share Christ
with others and live in faithful obedience to Christ’s
teachings.

Race, Equity & Justice Ministries Team
Serves to envision and direct the work of diversity, equity, and inclusion

Multicultural Ministries Team.........$24,000
Strengthens local churches reaching out to racial
ethnic people and builds bridges among races. Monitors for inclusiveness in regard to gender,
nativity, age, and handicapping conditions.

Multicultural Ministries Grants.........$50,000
Provides grants for ministries of inclusiveness in
districts and local churches.

Multicultural Ministries
Programs...........................................$106,000
Provides program funds for conference ministries of
inclusiveness.

Ministries with
Differently Abled People....................$5,700
Guides local churches in ministries to and with
persons with special needs: offers coaching and
training to local churches.

New Faith Communities
Salaries & Benefits............................$290,000
Salaries/benefits for two staff and part-time
assistance as needed.

Office Expenses............................$75,000
Office expenses and travel.

Commission on the
Status & Role of Women....................$17,500
Addresses issues and concerns related to the full
participation of women in the total life of the church.

Refugee & Immigration....................$24,100
Assists with refugee resettlement and interpretation
of immigration policy.

Restorative Justice & Mercy
Ministries ......................................$11,800
Develops and coordinates ministries in jails and
prisons and advocates for prison reform.

Anti-Racism Ministries...................... $50,000
Examines the power imbalances between racialized
people and non-racialized/white people and makes
disciples who practice anti-racism as a spiritual
practice and engage in practices of cultural humility.
## Operations & Administrative Resources Team  
**Serves to empower ministry**

### Annual Conference Expense
$220,000  
Supplements housing, food, and other expenses for the Annual Conference session of over 2,300 members (lay and clergy).

### Conference Secretary’s Office  
**Salaries & Benefits**  
$109,000  
Provides for full-time clerical assistance and a part-time conference secretary.

### Office Expenses
$15,000

### Conference Journal/Printing
$6,000
Provides the costs for printing and for the electronic publication of the Conference Journal, directory, and the Conference Workbook.

### Communications
$123,100  
Supports the production of materials such as the Mission & Service book, Belton Joyner’s Bible Study, Connections, and Every Day Grace Magazine; electronic communications; audio/visual support at Annual Conference; electronic equipment purchase and maintenance; video-production including webinars, videostreaming, and Every Day Grace TV; news media relations; conference website nccumc.org; and RAMUS: local church website hosting program.

### **General Administration**  
$214,825  
Supports the work of General Conference, World Methodist Council, Judicial Council, General Commission on Archives & History, and in part, the General Council on Finance and Administration and special litigation costs.

### **SEJ Mission & Ministry**  
$31,410
Supports a cooperative ministry to United Methodists in the Southeast including SEJ Jurisdictional Conference, Lake Junaluska, and Jurisdictional Council expenses.

### Conference Treasurer’s Office  
**Salaries and Benefits**  
$1,158,867
Provides funding for a ministry and support staff of ten full or part-time staff, their salaries, health and life insurance, pension, Social Security, and other benefit costs.

### Office
$150,000
Operating expenses of conference treasurer’s office and statistician, including annual audit.

### Conference Media Center
$7,476
Provides ongoing support for operations in the conference Media Center.

### Information Management
**Salary & Office**  
$170,000
Provides funding for management and maintenance of the NCC information technology infrastructure, including computer hardware, software, and network administration.

### Conference Board of Trustees
$1,500
Funds meetings and work of this board.

### Board of Institutions
$500
Reviews and supports the conference relationship with institutions to whom the conference is related “by faith”: camps, Methodist Home for Children, Methodist Retirement Homes, UM Foundation, and the colleges.

### Contingency Fund
$15,000  
Provides for unanticipated needs; administered by NCC Council on Finance and Administration.

### **Methodist Building Operating Fund**  
$200,000

### Equitable Compensation
$175,000  
Provides funding to supplement salaries paid by local churches to ensure at least base salary levels are paid as determined by the Annual Conference.

### Legal Counsel
$20,000  
Provides for conference legal expenses not funded by a particular board or agency.

### Minister’s Moving Expense
$150,000
Assists in the moving expenses of pastors.

### Joint Committee on Clergy Medical Leave
$340,000
Provides funding for assistance with health and life insurance and transitional grants for clergy who temporarily cannot serve due to medical leave.

### General & Jurisdictional Conferences
$30,000
Supplements expenses for General and Jurisdictional conferences and funding for electronic balloting costs.
Archives & History...........................................$8,500
Funds meeting expenses for commission, maintains records and history of conference.

Conference Connectional Ministries
Staff Salaries & Benefits..................................$1,542,000
Provides funding for a ministry and support staff of 16 full and part-time persons, their salaries, health and life insurance, pensions, Social Security, travel, etc.

Office, Meetings, & Congregational Revitalization...........................................$98,500
Supports local church revitalization through consultation, assessment, leadership training for pastors and laity, coaching, and partnership with congregations through various stages of growth. In addition, it provides support for Connectional Table meetings for visioning, planning, and evaluation.

Total NCC Connectional Ministries...........................................$12,632,856

Mission & Service Commitments

Total World Service & Connectional Ministries
$14,377,285

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Other Program Areas

The North Carolina Conference budget funds are raised one year and spent the next (see page 4). Items below are spent the same year raised.

**Black College Fund**
Supplements operational and capital needs of ten historically-black colleges, including Bennett College in Greensboro and one medical school, which have provided leadership to the church and nation.

Total......................................................$252,489

**Episcopal Fund**
Funds salaries and expenses of active United Methodist bishops and dependents, retired bishops and surviving spouses.

Total...................................................... $700,453

**Africa University**
Funds the development of a United Methodist university in Zimbabwe. This university provides theological and other educational programs on the continent where United Methodism is experiencing its fastest growth.

Total...................................................... $56,765

**Black College Fund**
Supplements operational and capital needs of ten historically-black colleges, including Bennett College in Greensboro and one medical school, which have provided leadership to the church and nation.

Total......................................................$252,489

**Episcopal Fund**
Funds salaries and expenses of active United Methodist bishops and dependents, retired bishops and surviving spouses.

Total...................................................... $700,453

**Interdenominational Cooperation Fund**
Supports those general church activities which are ecumenical in nature. This is United Methodism in mission with other Christian communities witnessing in the world.

Total...................................................... $7,552

Grand Total All Funds:
$15,394,544
Giving Report for 2021 Rainbow Covenant

To be a Rainbow Covenant Church, a local church needs to meet the “first mile” by paying in full apportionments as set by the Annual Conference.

Then each local church is asked to support at least one project in each of the five lanes of the Rainbow Covenant: Persons in Mission, NCC Advance Missions, National Missions, World Missions, and UMCOR.

Each lane reminds the local church that it has touched persons with the love of God in its own community, in the broader areas of the Conference, on a national level, and throughout the world.

Reporting for 2021

Complete all information on the reverse side of this page for your congregation and return to your District Missions Secretary.

Completing this form ensures that your church will be recognized for its work in missions in the past year.

Remember: In order to be recognized as a Rainbow Covenant church, churches must pay 100% of all 2021 apportionments and give a contribution in each of the five lanes. The six Special Sunday offerings are not included.

Please return this form to the District Missions Secretary by January 31, 2022.

NOTE: Contributions should be sent to the NCC Treasurer’s Office and be received no later than January 12, 2022.

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2021 Rainbow Covenant Report*

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1. Did your church complete the first mile of United Methodist Missions by paying 100% of its 2021 apportionments (World Service & Connectional Ministries, Episcopal Fund, Interdenominational Cooperation, Black Colleges, Africa University Fund and Past Service Liability)? □ Yes □ No

2. Did your church go the second mile by giving to the Advance for missions? □ Yes □ No

If yes, use the table on the right to list all projects supported and the amounts the church gave to each (use additional paper if necessary).

* NOTE: Contributions should be sent to the NCC Treasurer’s Office and be received no later than January 12, 2022. RETURN THIS FORM to the District Missions Secretary by January 31, 2022.
The Rainbow Covenant is organized into five lanes and connects persons in mission with the projects in which they are involved.

The lanes are:

**Lane 1:** Persons in Mission
**Lane 2:** Conference Advances
**Lane 3:** National Missions
**Lane 4:** World Missions
**Lane 5:** UMCOR

**Persons in Mission**
In Lane One are persons in mission supported by the NC Conference and the General Board of Global Ministries. They serve on the ground throughout the world and are the hands and feet of Christ. Some of them work locally in this conference area. Others work in other parts of the nation. Still others work in other countries. All have valid ministries and all have valid needs.

Local churches are encouraged to be involved with the various missionaries that the NC Conference supports. Several persons in mission are not commissioned missionaries through the General Board of Global Mission, yet they still need funds to advance their ministry. (These persons are designated with “S” in their identification code which shows that they are a part of a Conference Advance).

For more information about the GBGM missionaries, go to the website: umcmission.org. All persons in missions appreciate prayers, cards, letters and emails.

**Covenant Relationships**
All gifts and contributions share the love of Jesus Christ by supporting missionaries who work to offer hope and alleviate human suffering. Generous one-time gifts make this service possible. Congregations and individuals are also encouraged to support missionaries through Covenant Relationships.

The standard covenant relationship for a local church to support a General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) missionary is $2,500 annually or $5 per church member per year. However, this partnership is much more than a financial commitment. It is a dynamic relationship where the church and missionary pray for one another and communicate regularly. By deepening its own awareness of the struggles and triumphs of the missionary, congregations participate in a work that is truly connectional.

To learn more about covenant relationships, contact the Conference Missions Interpreter, Bill Haddock (revbillh@nccumc.org) or umcmission.org/covenant-relationships.

**Advance Specials**
GBGM ADVANCE for Christ projects are General Advance Specials. There are also Conference Advance Specials approved by the North Carolina Annual Conference.

Both types of Advance Specials are assigned numbers which should be recorded on the new remittance sheets (nccumc.org/treasurer/files/FillInRemit.pdf) and turned into the Conference Treasurer with the contribution check. Remittances for General Advance Specials can also be made on-line at the General Board of Global Ministries website at umcmission.org.

At the end of the fiscal year, please fill out the form on page 14 of this book and send it to the District Mission Secretary who will issue the Rainbow Covenant Form to the participating local churches. Remember that all remittances need to be sent to the Conference Treasurer or to the General Board of Global Ministries, not to the district secretaries.

This list is not inclusive: any missionary or any ADVANCE Special can be supported by local churches or individuals. The Conference Outreach page, at nccumc.org/outreachhas a number of ADVANCE specials that local churches and individuals support.
The NC Conference Missions Team recommends Salary Support for the following missionaries. Each missionary listed below serves with one or more projects denoted in the paragraph following the missionary's name.

**Wil Bailey (#S-00140) San Isidro, Costa Rica**
An SEJ/Conference missionary and president of Acts One Eight Missions, Wil is responsible for working with local pastors in the southern Costa Rica and organizes construction projects at the Methodist churches in that area for U.S. work teams. He is also the director of the Costa Rica Mission Projects Missions and Ministry Center in San Isidro, where volunteer teams are housed during their stay and is the site for a day care center. Contact – Email: Jwilb4@yahoo.com Web: costaricamissionprojects.com.

**Related Lane 4: World Missions**
- Acts One Eight .......................... #S-00256

**Charles Barrow (#S-00274) Eastern NC**
Charles is a Home Missioner whose ministry is with “Food For Hungry Neighbors” which supplies surplus produce to the local church food pantries, soup kitchens, and the Food Bank of central North Carolina, much of which is gleaned by church groups. This ministry also addresses the importance of eating fresh vegetables for a healthy diet. Contact – Email: cwbarrow58@yahoo.com

**Hazel Boatwright (#S-00293) NC Conference**
A Deaconess, funds will assist with ministry expenses. Contact – Email: hboatwright@nccumc.org

**Sharon Brignon (#S-00303) NC Conference**
Sharon is a deaconess working with Southern Alamance Family Empowerment (SAFE) food ministry as a volunteer and chairperson of the SAFE Board of Directors. She also serves as a team member with Hope 4 Humanity (H4H), an ecumenical and interfaith mission of hope, reimagining all people as being created in the image of God and having sacred worth. Contact – Email: sharonbrignon06@gmail.com

**Brenda Brown (#S-00295) NC Conference**
As a deaconess, Brenda serves as a coach with Passion and Partnership, as receptionist at the Fayetteville Operation Inasmuch for the homeless and struggling, as a Hospice HealthCare worker with Cape Fear Valley Hospice and Palliative Care and in her own church as the Children’s Ministry director and church pianist. Contact - Email: bbbrown28390@yahoo.com Phone: 910-818-1604

**Karen Cheek (#S-00296) NC Conference**
Karen is a Deaconess whose ministry is with Hope for Humanity (H4H), an ecumenical and interfaith mission of HOPE reimagining all people as the image of God and of sacred value. H4H’s mission strategy is to partner with lay and clergy leadership in congregations and organizations by providing formation and training in mission outreach as part of Christian discipleship. Karen also assists victims of domestic violence through the Family Justice Center of Alamance County, serving as a Court Navigator. Contact - Email kcheek@nccumc.org Phone: 336-290-2916

**Brian Dubberly (#S-00197) El Salvador**
Brian is working to establish a mission partnership between the Evangelical Methodist Church in El Salvador and United Methodist Volunteers Mission in the US, whose purpose is to improve the spiritual and physical lives of economically disadvantaged people living in El Salvador. Contact – Email: brianSM@ yahoo.com Web: salvadoranmissionprojects.com

**Related Lane 4: World Missions**
- El Salvador Mission Projects  ............. #S-00257

**Ellyn Dubberly (#3021818) El Salvador**
Ellyn is a GBGM missionary, assigned to work with the Evangelical Methodist Church of El Salvador in the Ahuachapan area of the country. She works to connect local social service support systems with the ministries of the Church so that women and children in particular can live and learn in a thriving environment. Contact – Email: ellyndubberly@gmail.com

**Related Lane 4: World Missions**
- El Salvador Mission Projects  ............. #S-00257
Lane 1  Persons in Mission

Annette Greer (#S-00304) NC Conference
A Deaconess, funds will assist with ministry expenses.  Contact - Email: greera@twc.com

Butch Huffman (#S-00192) NC Conference
Butch engages, encourages and recourses congregations for mission work-team participation. He works with churches to equip them with the “how-to’s” of doing local and foreign mission work teams. Contact – Phone: 919-931-4304  Email: butchhuffman@bydasea.net

Related Lane 2: Conference Missions
• UMVIM Work Teams . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00021

Doug Johnson (#S-00250)
NC Conference Evangelist
As a conference evangelist, Doug and his wife, Cindy, founded and serve in Blessed2BlessU Ministries (B2BU). This ministry is an ecumenical non-profit whose mission is to challenge Christians to grow spiritually while sharing the love of Christ through compassionate outreach. Contact – Email: doug@b2buministries.org  Web: b2buministries.org

Priscilla Jaiah Gilayeneh (#13035Z)
Liberia, Africa
Priscilla, missionary with the Board of Global Ministries, is the administrator of the Ganta Mission Station in Ganta, Liberia. Contact - Email pjiaiah@yahoo.com  Phone: 336-376-3658

Related Lane 4: World Missions
• Ganta United Methodist Hospital . . . . . . #15080N

Ronald Julian (#3021881) Japan
Ronald is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries, (GBGM) serving as a chaplain with the International Seafarers Ministry in Yokohama. Ronald and his wife, Devorah, actively serve foreign migrant workers with special needs. Contact - Email: RJulian@umcmission.org

Kim King (#S-00294) NC Conference
A Deaconess, funds will assist with ministry expenses.  Contact - Email: kdking60@gmail.com

Melba McCallum (#S-00195)
Gateway District, NC Conference
Melba, a Deaconess, is the founder and director of Partners in Ministry, a multifaceted ministry centered in East Laurinburg, NC, focused on breaking the cycle of poverty through youth empowerment and leadership development. PIM services also include a resource and referral center, home rehab outreach and repair, thrift store, food pantry, community garden, and GED classes. Contact - Phone: 910-206-2686  Web: pim-nc.org  Email: mmcallum@nccumc.org

Related Lane 2: Conference Missions
• Partners in Ministry . . . . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00193

Effie McGill (#S-00305) NC Conference
Effie is a Deaconess whose ministry is a volunteer Communications, Media, and Technology Coordinator at Partners In Ministry (PIM) in Laurinburg. PIM serves children, families, and adults in Richmond, Scotland, and Robeson Counties. Contact – Email: effie.mcgill@gmail.com

Related Lane 4: World Missions
• Project AGAPE, Armenia . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00004
• AGAPE Christmas Boxes . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00258
• AGAPE Cattle Project . . . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00259
• AGAPE School Project . . . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00260
• AGAPE Agriculture & Development Project . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00288

Nara Melkonyan (#S-00004) Armenia
Nara is the director of Project AGAPE. She coordinates ministry and relief efforts at Project AGAPE in Armenia. Contact – Email: nmelkonyan@yahoo.com  Web: nccumc.org/outreach/project-agape/

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• AGAPE School Project . . . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00260
• AGAPE Agriculture & Development Project . . . . . . . . . . . #S-00288

Yuko Miller (#S-00251) NC Conference Evangelist
New Bern, NC
Yuko is an Evangelist to the NC Conference who also serves as a missionary to Japan by bringing The United Methodist Church to Japan through annual visits, unifying local churches there with an evangelistic-driven outreach to the lost. She preaches, gives her testimony, and encourages by singing. Yuko also works in the Mindanao Island, Philippines with a children’s orphanage called Jesus’ Angels. Contact – Email: ymiller@nccumc.org; Phone: 252-229-2028
J.J. Park is a missionary with GBGM, serving as country director of the Southeast Asia Mission Initiative, residing in Ho Chi Minh City. A vital need is for trained pastoral and lay leadership, and the development of indigenous trainers. J.J. has responsibilities in accomplishing these goals. Contact – Email: jpark@umcmission.org; Web: umcmission.org/missionary-bio/3022592/

Devorah Anne Umipig-Julian (#13967Z) Japan

Devorah is a missionary with GBGM, serving as a social worker for the Christian Coalition for Refugees and Migrant Workers in Toyko. She organizes and conducts Bible studies and prayer meetings and teaches basic English conversation to refugee families and children. Debbie and her husband, Ronald, actively serve foreign migrant workers with special needs. Contact – Email: devorahanne@yahoo.com

Helen Roberts-Evans (# 3021129) Liberia, Africa

Helen, a missionary of with GBGM, serves as director of the Department of General Education and Ministry of the United Methodist Church in Liberia. Her work includes meeting needs in teacher training, scholarships, new school construction, and school building renovation and repair. Contact – Email: micradon@hotmail.com

Any other missionaries are listed at umcmission.org/missionaries/

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Sponsored by local churches, CCP provides services
to low-income residents of Caswell County through
a thrift store, an emergency food pantry and a
utility assistance program. The mission is to work to
end poverty in Caswell County.
Contact – Nell Page
or Jane Thompson. Phone: 336-694-6428 Email:
feedmeparish1038@centurylink.net

Alliance Medical Ministry (#S-00142)
Provides affordable primary medical care to low-
income, uninsured, working families in Wake County.
They serve the working poor, families generally earning less than $25,000 annu-
ally, who have no health insurance. Contact – Phone:
919-250-3320 Web: alliancemedicalministry.org

Anathoth Garden (#S-00248)
Anathoth Community Garden is a ministry of Cedar
Grove UMC. Families share in gardening, workshops,
worship services, and children’s activities. Members
work two hours each week and in return, take home
a share of the week’s harvest. Staff also trains other
church and community groups in efforts to use God’s earth faithfully.
Contact: Phone: 919-701-6765 Web: anathothgarden.org

Apex Immigration Services (#S-00289)
Seeks to fill a growing, unmet need for a trusted
source of information and low cost, high-quality
immigration legal services for immigrants and
refugees seeking lawful permanent residency or
citizenship in the US. Contact – Email: dbrown@
apeximm.org Phone: 919-589-5231 Web: apeximm.org

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feedmeparish1038@centurylink.net

Center for Leadership Excellence (#S-00279)
The goal of the Center is to grow and deepen
clergy and laity leadership capacity, build healthy
congregations and develop effective leaders. The Center assesses needs and advances programs
relevant to the local church. Contact: Leah Wiebe-
Smith Email: lwiebesmith@nccumc.org Phone: (919)
779-6115, ext. 266 Web: nccumc.org/leadership

COVID-19 Response Fund (#S-00301)
Assists churches and ministries impacted during
the COVID-19 pandemic crisis. Contact - Ernesto
Barriguete Email: ebarriguete@nccumc.org Phone 919-
779-6115, ext. 262 Web: nccumc.org/giving/covid19

Cross & Key Prison Ministry (#S-00103)
A collaborative ministry of the NC and Western NC
Conferences with a mission of “equipping churches
for prison ministries, education on criminal justice
issues and advocacy for reform” and a vision of
“ministry to the incarcerated, working toward a
more just society.” Contact – Mark Hicks  Phone:
336-689-1443 Email: mhicksdbom@gmail.com Web:
crossandkeyprisonministries.com

Food Bank of Central & Eastern NC
(#S-00025)
Provides food to persons in 34 NC counties through
community-based, emergency feeding programs
such as food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, elderly
nutrition programs and after-school programs.
Contact – Phone: 919-875-0707 Web: foodbankcenc.org

Golden Cross (#S-00153)
This ministry reaches out in love to the laity in the NC
Conference who are experiencing financial difficulty
due to excessive medical expenses. Contact – Email:
benefitsteam@nccumc.org Web: nccumc.org/outreach/
golden-cross

Haiti Outreach Ministries - Economic
Empowerment Initiative (#S-00292)
An extension of its existing ministry in the poorest
slums of Port-au-Prince, Haiti Outreach Ministries
(HOM) is developing a new campus for economic
development. HOM seeks to empower communities
to achieve financial stability and sustainability.
Meeting basic needs such as education and
health care is essential, as is creating economic
opportunity for individuals and families as a pathway
to self-sufficiency through vocational training,
small business incubation, and other business
development activities. Contact - Gary Fulton Email:
gfulton@haitiom.org Phone: 919-606-7656

Hispanic Ministries (#S-00107)
Ministry to help support congregations develop
ministry with fast-growing Hispanic population in
eastern North Carolina. Contact - Ernesto Barriguete
Email: ebarriguete@nccumc.org Phone 919-779-6115,
ext. 262 Web: nccumc.org/hispanic
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Immigration & Sanctuary Legal Support Fund (#S-00299)
Supports financial needs of people in sanctuary in North Carolina and offsets some of the costs of the host church. Helps with legal fees for those who have participated in sanctuary advocacy for sanctuary rights in NC. Provides funds for refugee and immigrant emergency immigration legal fees and supports refugee & immigrant USCIS applications for benefits. Contact – David Brown Email: dbrown@apeximm.org Phone: 919-924-4120

ISA Grant Scholarship (#S-0033)
Assists persons with financial assistance to participate on a mission team. Priority is given to youth 21 years old and younger and will not exceed $250. Contact – Miles Baker Hunt Email: umvim@nccumc.org

Mothers & Their Children (#S-0054)
An interfaith program providing mothers and their children support necessary to maintain and strengthen family relationships to help break the cycle of children following their parents to prison. Contact - Stephanie Dixon Phone: 919-828-4767 Email: mothersandtheirchildren@gmail.com Web: mothersandtheirchildren.org

Native American Cooperative Ministries “Every Member in Ministry” (#S-00143) (#791001)
Provides ministry support, collaboration among 13 Native American UM churches, leadership development, gifts exploration and missional opportunities. Contact – Pam Baker Phone: 910-522-0670 Email: rdnacm@bellsouth.net Web: nativeamericanministries.org

NC Council Of Churches (#S-0051)
An instrument for cooperative study and action, on matters of justice, child and family advocacy, violence against women, public policy advocacy, rural crisis and farm workers advocacy, disaster relief, criminal justice, workplace safety, peace-making, AIDS ministry, and Christian unity. Contact – Phone: 919-828-6501 Email: info@ncchurches.org Website: ncchurches.org

NC Storms Emergency Response (#S-00176)
Sometimes typical methods of disaster response financing for storm-related emergencies are inadequate. In these situations, conference appeals are issued for costs related to mitigating the disaster – direct support to affected families and costs in delivering assistance. This is the only situation in which the UMCOR can address the issues of church property in disasters. Contact – Ann Huffman Phone: 888-440-9167 Email: disasterresponse@nccumc.org

Partners In Ministry (#S-00193)
Partners with local church congregations and communities to help alleviate poverty through hands-on outreach ministry with the poor and marginalized. Contact – Melba McCallum Email: mmccallum@nccumc.org Phone: 910-206-2686 Web: pim-nc.org

Peace & Justice Clinic (JFON) Justice for Our Neighbor (#S-00198)
Supports the ministry of the legal aid office at St. Andrews UMC in Fayetteville. JFON offers a sliding fee scale for legal representation for people seeking a legal path to US citizenship. Contact – Rev. Scott Foster Email: sfoster@nccumc.org Phone: 910-488-4648 Web: fayettevillejfon.org

Samaritan’s Fund (#S-00298)
Our goal is to follow the example of Christ in meeting the needs of our neighbors who are suffering as a result of current immigration policies. These funds will be used to meet unexpected/ unanticipated expenses due to family separations. Contact – David Brown Phone: 919-924-4120 Email: dbrown@apeximm.org

Society Of St. Andrew - NC Office Durham (#S-00081 NC Advance)
(#801600 National Advance)
An ecumenical ministry dedicated to providing hunger-relief across North Carolina through gleaning – the salvaging of surplus produce from farms and packing houses. Works to elevate awareness about the problem of hunger and engage people in understanding how they can be part of the solution. Contact - Phone: 1-866-453-2662 Email: ncalean@endhunger.org Web: endhunger.org/north-carolina
Table Ministries, Inc. (TABLE) (#S-00283)
A Carrboro-based non-profit that brings together community members and United Methodist Chapel Hill college students to feed hungry children living in Chapel Hill and Carrboro, NC. Individuals, families, churches, businesses, and schools work together to provide healthy food each week to many food-insecure. Contact – Ashton Tippins Phone: 919-636-4860 Email: info@tablenc.org

The Lodge (#S-00291)
Located in Fayetteville, NC, the Lodge is part of Operation INASMUCH and is an ecumenically-supported step-up home for men who are transitioning from homelessness to self-sufficiency, providing some meals, shelter and the opportunity to advance. Contact - Craig Morrison - Director and Dewaun Bowman - Lodge Manager Email: officeadmin@faoiam.org Phone: 910-433-2161 Web: faoiam.org

United Methodists Against Trafficking (UMAT) (#S-00300)
The vision of this project is to create a team within the Capital District which will assist each district in the NC Conference in developing a response to human trafficking. These goals would include providing education regarding the reality of modern-day slavery, and connecting the church with civic and community leaders. Contact – Greg Jenks 919-333-4670 Email: gjenks@nccumc.org

UM Volunteers In Mission Work Teams (#S-00021)
Provides assistance for Volunteers in Mission work teams from within the NC Conference. Contact – Miles Baker Hunt Email: mhunt@nccumc.org Web: nccumvim.org

White Plains Children’s Center (#S-00277)
An inclusive developmental day center, serving children who are developing typically and those with special needs such as Autism, Down Syndrome or physical limitations. Students with special needs are able to enter more typical settings upon leaving the program. Contact - Phone: 919-469-2217 Email: director@whiteplainschildrenscenter.org Web: whiteplainschildrenscenter.org

Any other Advance specials are listed at umcmission.org/areas-of-impact/
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**Hinton Rural Life Center** Hayesville, NC (#731372)
A retreat center offering rest and renewal. The center staff provides training and development for churches in town and rural settings. **Contact** – Dr. Jacqueline Gottlieb **Phone:** 828-389-8336 **Email:** info@hintoncenter.org **Web:** hintoncenter.org

**National Hispanic-Latino Ministries Challenge Fund** (#982620)
Provides assistance to annual conferences developing Hispanic Ministries, especially in the areas of leadership recruitment and development, financial resources and printed resources. **Contact** – Manuel Padilla Flores **Email:** MPadilla@umcmision.org

**Native American Comprehensive Plan** (#982615)
Supports leadership development, new church starts, and discipleship formation in the Native American community. **Contact** – Cherbon Kernen **Email:** nacomp@prodigy.net

**Red Bird Missionary Conference** Beverly, Kentucky (#773978)
The conference program facilitates the development of local churches and local lay leaders in isolated rural mountain communities. **Contact** – **Phone:** 606-598-5915 **Email:** info@redbirdconference.org **Web:** redbirdconference.org

**Robeson County Church & Community Center** Lumberton (#791742)
An ecumenical ministry in a multicultural community which is designed to help local churches meet emergency needs, literacy tutoring for children and adults, home repairs and building new homes. Speakers are available upon request. **Contact** – Brianna Goodwin **Email:** bgoodwin@robesontogether.org **Phone:** 910-738-5204 **Web:** robesontogether.org

**SEJ Agency Of Native American Ministries** Lake Junaluska, NC (#791842)
Helps meet the needs of 130,000+ Native Americans living in the 17 annual conferences of the Southeast. **Contact** – Connie Locklear **Phone:** 828-454-6724 **Web:** sejumc.org/sejanam/

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![Workteam members doing home repairs organized by the Hinton Rural Life Center. (Photo courtesy of Hinton Rural Life Center)](image)
Acts One Eight Missions (#5-00256)
Wil and Yolanda Bailey work with the Methodist Church of Costa Rica to help mission work teams connect with projects of the churches in San Isidro. Contributions to CRMP help the Baileys sustain and grow this ministry. Contact – Phone: 011-506-8853-4965 Web: costaricamissionprojects.com

Curamericas Global (#10158A)
Provides vaccinations, nutritional monitoring of children, prenatal care, and other preventative health care services in Haiti, Guatemala, Bolivia, and Liberia. Contact – Andrew Herrera Phone: 919-510-8787 or 877-510-4787 Email: andrew@curamericas.org Web: curamericas.org

El Salvador Missions Projects (#5-00257)
Brian Dubberly works with the Evangelistic Methodist Church of El Salvador to establish churches, distribute food, keep a medical clinic open, and help the church meet the overwhelming social needs of the people of Ahuachapan. Web: salvadoranmissionprojects.com

Freedom Global: Uhuru Girls’ Academy/ Kenya (#5-00302)
A private secondary education school that provides opportunities for girls from vulnerable backgrounds. In spite of poverty, tribal violence and displacement, abuse and poorly resourced primary schools, these students have made education a priority. Contact: Brad Brown Phone: 919-428-3997 Email: brad@freedomglobal.org

Global Health Initiative (#3021770)
The Global Health Initiative enables the church to partner with thousands of communities and health workers through its community-based health programs, while also supporting United Methodist hospitals and clinics around the world. Contact – Kathleen Griffith, Phone: 404-460-7483 Web: KGriffith@umcmission.org

Heifer Project International (#982532)
This program allows people to share their knowledge, resources, skills and their animals’ offspring with others, in order to expand and create a network of hope, dignity and self reliance that reaches 128 countries. Contact – Phone: 800-422-0474 Email: info@heifer.org Web: heifer.org

Humanitarian & Health Outreach Shipping (#5-00276)
Donations make it possible to send containers of goods to persons in need around the world with whom we have partnerships. Containers of food, medicines, and other supplies have been sent to Armenia, Liberia, El Salvador, Peru, and Bolivia. Contact – Bill Haddock Email: revbillh@nccumc.org

Liberia Projects

Love For Liberia Fund ......................... #5-00221
An ongoing focus of missional action, prayer, and giving for United Methodist ministries in Liberia.

Love for Liberia: Primary Education Scholarships .......................................................... #5-00228
This fund helps support the Primary School which is established on the campus of Ganta Mission Station. An annual gift of $200 ensures a child can attend school. Contact - Ed Rutenkroger Phone: 252-799-7499 Email: erutenkroger@nccumc.org

Ganta United Methodist Mission Hospital ...............................................................15080N
Providing quality and affordable healthcare by renovating and expanding hospital buildings, improving basic sanitation and hygiene in the hospital environment, increasing preventive health services for up to 150 communities, and providing salary and administrative expenses for staff to include an administrator, comptroller, and one doctor.

Global Health Initiative exceeded its goal of reaching one million children in 2020. (Photo provided by General Board of Global Ministries - umcmission.org)
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**Project Agape** (#S-00004) Armenia
Relief efforts in Armenia (food, medical supplies, medication) working with the Armenian Church to provide a holistic ministry in pastoral care, education, health care, agriculture and economic development. North Carolina Conference Contact – Jaye White. Phone: 919-779-6115, ext. 249  Email: jayewhite@nccumc.org.

**Agape Agriculture & Development Project** #S-00288
Gifts to this project enable refuge families to receive chickens so they can learn to become self-sufficient.

**Agape Christmas Boxes** #S-00258
Gifts to this project enable the NC Conference Mission Team to ship Christmas boxes to Armenian children.

**Agape Cattle Project** #S-00259
Gifts to this project enable families to receive heifers so that they can be self-sufficient and eventually share a heifer with another family.

**Agape School Project** #S-00260
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**Rise Against Hunger** (#S-00101)
Formerly Stop Hunger Now, RAH is an international hunger relief organization that coordinates the distribution of food and other life-saving aid around the world. The organization is driven by a vision to end world hunger and a mission to provide food and aid to the world’s most destitute and hungry in the most sustainable, efficient and effective manner. Contact - Phone: 888-501-8440 Email: info@riseagainsthunger.org Web: riseagainsthunger.org.

**Seminario Teologico Wesleyano** (#3020693) Peru
The Wesley Theological Seminary is a theological and pastoral center of academic formation for pastors and deacons who serve churches in the Andean region. The seminary offers on-campus, extension, long-distance, and Saturday programs. NC Conference clergy member, Rosanna Panizo-Valladares is on staff. Contact - Rosanna Panizo-Valladares Email: rpanizon@nccumc.org.

**ZOE Empowers** (#S982023)
ZOE is an empowerment program assisting some of the most at-risk children around the world to become self-sufficient, permanently moving beyond charity. With a current enrollment of over 40,000 across Kenya, Zimbabwe, Rwanda, Malawi, Tanzania, Liberia, India and Guatemala, ZOE has many ways for churches and individuals to get involved from curriculum for all ages to visiting the children on ZOE trips. Contact – John Boswell, Phone: 919-779-7272 Email: john.boswell@zoeempowers.org or Gaston Warner, Phone: 919-414-4167 Email: gaston.warner@zoeempowers.org Web: zoeempowers.org

Any other Advance specials are listed at umcmission.org/areas-of-impact.
UMCOR is the global humanitarian aid organization of The United Methodist Church. It works in 80+ countries worldwide, including the US. Their mission is to alleviate human suffering – caused by war, conflict or natural disaster, with open hearts and minds to all people. They respond to communities that are unable to recover on their own.

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You may pay by telephone:
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Global Migration (#3022144)
This fund helps the UMC address the global refugee and migration crisis. Contact - Jack Amick, Phone 770-625-7644 Email: Jamick@umcor.org Web: umcmission.org/learn-about-us/global-migration/

Global Refugee & Immigration Response (#982540)
UMCOR responds to the initial emergency needs of uprooted people and provides programs through community and/or church-based projects that prepare refugees for a productive, self-sustaining life when they can safely return to their own country or resettle in a new home. Contact: CMiller@cwsglobal.org Web: umcmission.org/umcor

International Disaster Response & Recovery (#982450)
When a natural or human-caused disaster strikes outside of the United States, UMCOR serves as the primary channel for United Methodist assistance. In the short term, UMCOR steps in to ease human suffering. In the long term, UMCOR cooperates with local partners to help them develop their own response mechanisms. This Fund serves as the primary funding vehicle for all disasters outside of the US. Funds for individual disasters are not established. Email: Khillsuzoka@umcor.org

US Disaster Response & Recovery (#901670)
UMCOR works in more than 80 countries, including the US. UMCOR responds to natural or civil disasters that are of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community’s ability to recover on its own. Email: lmartin@umcor.org Web: umcor.org
NC Conference Media Center

Freely available to all NC Conference churches, the NCC Media Center is located in the United Methodist Building in Garner. Resources can be borrowed through the mail. The Media Center has over 3,000 video and printed resources available for use by local churches. Resources include materials for Bible studies, Sunday School, leadership training, mission awareness, stewardship programs, and more.

View the entire collection of resources in our online catalog at nccumc.org/mediacenter. Request resources by calling 919-779-6115 or 1-800-849-4433, ext. 264 or by e-mailing Laura Dallas at ldallas@nccumc.org. Resources can be mailed to you at no charge.

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- Stewardship ..................................................Page 27-28
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- Missions .............................................................Page 30
- Enough, Discovering Joy Through Simplicity & Generosity ..................DVD
  Adam Hamilton leads a small group study for rediscovering the Bible’s wisdom on “prudent financial practices.”
- First: Putting God First in Living & Giving ..................KIT
  Mike Slaughter conducts a 4-week all-church stewardship program to help participants reassess priorities and create a culture and a lifestyle of giving with a special emphasis on missions.
- From Mammon to Manna: Sabbath Economics & Community Investing .....DVD
  Ched Myers and Andy Loving present six sessions on the Biblical theology of Sabbath Economics and a practical overview of social investing.
- The Generosity Challenge .................. DVD
  In this 4-session study, participants are encouraged to embrace a life-giving journey toward generosity and provided a road map on how to get there.
- Generosity Rising ............................. BOOK
  Scott McKenzie offers practical guidelines for training a dedicated team of “generosity revolutionaries” who embrace, live, and lead others on a journey of gratitude, prayer, and faith.
- God vs. Money ...........................................DVD
  This DVD study for church leaders and finance teams encourages trust in God’s promises instead of money’s false promises.
- The Gratitude Path ............................... BOOK
  This Biblically-based, no-nonsense resource will enable you to help people count their blessings and give to God out of gratitude.

Stewardship

Church Finances for Missional Leaders ............................BOOK
A step-by-step process of managing the budget and financial well-being for local churches of all sizes.

Defying Gravity ...........................................KIT
In this 4-week small group study and stewardship campaign, Tom Berlin explores what is required to sustain a vibrant life, what we need versus what we want, and what we can do to avoid being pulled into the orbit of materialism.

Earn. Save. Give ...........................................DVD
James Harnish explains John Wesley’s three simple rules for money in this churchwide 4-week study.

The E-Giving Guide for Every Church .............................BOOK
This book takes away the confusion and fear involved in using electronic media to raise money for your ministry and mission by providing a solid, sustainable framework that focuses on the key topics every church must address.
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Stewardship (con’t)

Growing Generous Souls .............................. BOOK
Includes reflection questions and resources to help communities move toward becoming more fully grace-filled stewards of all that God has provided.

Whatever the disaster, the authors’ vast experience in helping communities through recovery can help lead your community through the process of spiritually-rooted renewal and revitalization.

Children & Youth

Crocodile’s Crossing: A Search for Home .............................. BOOK
This tale sensitively portrays the challenges faced by refugees and other newcomers.

Elizabeth & Stella Meet ZOE ...................... BOOK
Each girl, in her own way, is impacted by this empowerment movement that helps orphans learn to take care of themselves.

Is It Just Money? ................................. BOOK
A study is designed to engage youth in an exploration of money as it relates to faith and justice.

Let the Children Give: Time, Talents, Love, and Money ..................... BOOK
This book helps kids show their love for God by becoming stewards of God’s gifts.

Money Matters ............................... BOOK
Teach children about the concept of money, the importance of generosity, and how God intends for us to use money as an expression of love for others.

One Rainy Day I Took Jesus to School with Me ....................................... BOOK
The children of First UMC in Washington, NC wrote and colored this story about the presence of Jesus and UMCOR when a tornado hits their community.

77 Creative Ways Kids Can Serve .......... BOOK
Project ideas to teach children about service. Involves animals, crafts, the environment, and more.

Tales of the Defended Ones ........ CD-ROM
A six-session study to help you walk kids through difficult issues - adoption, disabilities, child labor, and foster care - and lead them to find their own answers to challenging questions: How do I pray? What can I give? Where can I go? Who will I serve?

Church Revitalization

8 Virtues of Rapidly Growing Churches .............................. BOOK
Matt Miofsky and Jason Byassee studied several highly-successful church plants and found common practices and characteristics. The top ten issues the authors have seen in their consultations with churches.

The Adept Church ................................ BOOK
Rev. Dr. F. Douglas Powe, Jr. helps congregations develop realistic road maps for navigating between a rock and a hard place with a clear process for defining reality.

Being the Church in a Post-Pandemic World ................................. BOOK
Kay Kotan offers this guide to what conversations might be helpful for your church’s leadership.
Church Revitalization (con’t)

Church Unique........................................ BOOK
Unlock the culture of your church to create a unique vision for ministry that leads to engagement with your community.

Fresh Expressions of People Over Poverty
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Rev. Audrey Warren & Bishop Carter discuss furthering our missions by rethinking how we utilize the space we inhabit.

Funding Ministries with Five Loaves and Two Fishes..............................BOOK
Rosario Picardo shares his experience of having few resources and still being able to grow ministry using innovation and trial and error.

Navigating the Future: Traditioned Innovation for Wilder Seas.......................BOOK
Discover a way of being that cultivates a moral imagination shaped by storytelling and expressed in transformative action.

The Passionate Church: Ignite Your Church and Change the World..............BOOK
UM pastor, Mike Slaughter, shares how his church has used the Four Areas of Focus to create growth.

Creation Care

A Hopeful Earth: Faith, Science, and the Message of Jesus .......................BOOK
A 6-session study, Bishop Sally Dyck, and scientist, Sarah Ehrman, connect the Bible, faith, science, and Jesus with options for actions.

Climate Justice: A Call to Hope and Action ..............................................BOOK
A UMW Mission Study offering a holistic approach to climate justice that includes a Biblical model, education and options for action in our personal lives and in our society.

Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming .......................................................BOOK
If these 100 techniques and practices are deployed collectively on a global scale over the next 30 years, they represent a credible path forward to reach drawdown.

Organic Wesley.......................... DVD
This DVD study examines the intersection of the teachings of John Wesley with the ethics of the contemporary food movement.

Reforesting Faith ....................... BOOK
Matthew Sleeth makes the convincing case why trees are essential to every Christian's understanding of God.

Serving God, Saving the Planet: A Call for Creation and Your Soul ........... DVD
Blessed Earth director, Matthew Sleeth, presents 12 sessions on how to “tend and protect the planet” with everyday actions.

Watershed Discipleship ............... BOOK
This collection introduces and explores “watershed discipleship” as a critical, contextual and constructive approach to ecological theology and practice.

Hospitable Planet: Faith, Action, and Climate Change ...................... BOOK
Learn the biblical case for action on climate change and specifically what to do and how to do it.
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Missions

A Missionary Mindset......................................... BOOK
Teaching us to approach the mission field as if we were from a different country and learning a new culture, a new way of communicating, and a new way to connect people to the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Being Hope: United Methodists in Global Mission .................. BOOK
In this 4-week study for all ages, explore the Biblical and Wesleyan foundations for our work as a denomination in the areas of disaster relief, global health, and global development, as well as the role we play in our churches’ mission efforts close to home.

Dialogues on the Refugee Crisis ........ DVD
This study offers eight unique perspectives from experienced authors from renowned organizations such as World Relief and Church World Service that provide insight into refugee stories and experiences.

Engaging Local Schools .................... DVD
Learn from the Lewis Center for Church Leadership how to discern the best ways for your church to commit to service in your local schools.

Five Loaves, Two Fish, Twelve Volunteers:
Growing a Relational Food Ministry...........BOOK
Tells the story of eight churches that share food ministry with people who need their services.

From Relief to Empowerment: How Your Church Can Cultivate Sustainable Mission .............................................. BOOK
The CEO of ZOE explain how their mission work does more than provide relief. It empowers those it serves.

Friendship at the Margins.................BOOK
Unlikely friendships are at the center of an alternative paradigm for mission where people are not objectified as potential converts but encountered in a relationship of mutuality and reciprocity.

Go! How to Become a Great Commission Church ............................. BOOK
Study biblical passages where God commands us to “go” while exporing tactics to move your church forward in mission.

Make a Difference: Following Your Passion and Finding Your Place to Serve ..........DVD
This study draws upon biblical wisdom to provide practical guidance to help disciples connect their passion with the world’s great need.

Methodist Mission at 200 .................BOOK
This book tells the story of 200 years of Methodists in global mission.

Missio Dei and the United States: Toward a Faithful United Methodist Witness ............. BOOK
This study guide by eight United Methodist bishops explores how our church can be a witness in the world today.

The Mission-Minded Guide to Church and School Partnerships.................... BOOK
Use this guidebook to start or expand a Congregations for Children initiative in your church.

Taking Church to Community.................... DVD
From the Lewis Center for Church Leadership, learn how to reach your church’s community with service and the gospel message.

Walking with Nehemiah: Your Community is Your Congregation..........BOOK
Study the Book of Nehemiah and discover how God is calling you to engage with your community.

You Raise Me Up: Making it Happen for Children of the Ark ............... BOOK
The history and story of Christianity in Armenia, especially focused on the work of Project AGAPE by the NC and Western NC Conferences as the only humanitarian aid agencies in the region.
Would you like to have someone come interpret the conference budget and programs and services made possible through connectional giving?

Call Christine Dodson, Conference Treasurer, or Steve Taylor, Executive Director of Connectional Ministries and Church Revitalization, at 800-849-4433 to arrange consultation.

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