

LOCAL CHURCH LAY LEADER

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RESOURCES

A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS....

ROLE

***HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A
LOCAL CHURCH LAY LEADER?***

DEFINITION

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AN EFFECTIVE LAY LEADER FUNCTIONS AS THE PRIMARY REPRESENTATIVE AND ROLE MODEL OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND FAITH LIVED OUT IN THE CHURCH AND IN DAILY LIFE.

THE LAY LEADER WORKS WITH THE PASTOR(S) TO FULFILL THE MISSION AND VISION OF THE CONGREGATION.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Growing Christian disciple
- Living example of 'loves God and loves neighbor'
- Ability to keep a broad view to help align ministry toward mission
- Model the outward focus of the church

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Work with the pastor to ensure the church ministries support the church's mission
- Engage personally in spiritual practices that focus on God's will and direction
- Collaborate with other church leaders
- Represent laity on the church leadership team
- Encourage teamwork between pastor(s) and lay leadership
- Work with pastor(s) to identify and develop lay persons for leadership
- Participate in training events - model continual learning
- Connect with lay leaders from other congregations

SO - WHAT DOES THE LAY LEADER DO?

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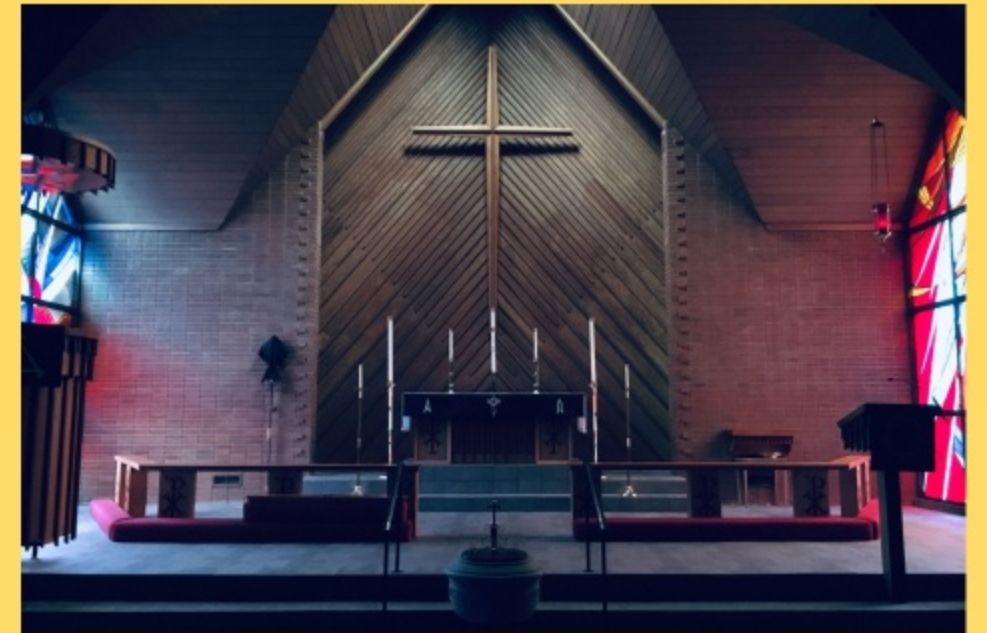
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ALL UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES SHARE A COMMON VISION

The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.



RESPONSIBILITY 1

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RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LAY LEADER AND PASTOR(S)



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What does the lay leader do that no one else does?

- Hold the “big picture” perspective of the ministry of the church
- Serve as confidant and sounding board for how ideas, vision, and plans of the clergy might be received by others
- Share things being said in the congregation in one-on-one settings
- Filter multiple messages from the congregation into those things that the pastor should hear to help her or him prioritize where to act
- Reinforce ideas and messages from the pastor in the congregation

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Go into the relationship expecting God to produce the synergy between the two of you.

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SPIRITUAL PRACTICES



LEADERSHIP IN THE CHURCH



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Pray As You Go



Bishop Shelton calls us to commit to a faithful, intentional prayer life this year, using [Pray As You Go](#).

[Let us know you're joining us in daily prayer by completing our commitment form →](#)

RESPONSIBILITY 3

COLLABORATE WITH OTHER CHURCH LEADERS

GOD CALLS ALL DISCIPLES TO BE ACTIVE IN MINISTRY

"The ministry of the laity flows from a commitment to Christ's outreaching love. Lay members of The United Methodist Church are, by history and calling, active advocates of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Every layperson is called to carry out the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20); every layperson is called to be missional. The witness of the laity, their Christ-like examples of everyday living as well as the sharing of their faith experiences of the gospel, is the primary evangelistic ministry through which all people will come to know Christ and The United Methodist church will fulfill its mission."

2016 Book of Discipline (¶127)

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ALIGN WITH THE VISION AND GOALS OF THE CHURCH



CELEBRATE YOUR SUCCESS



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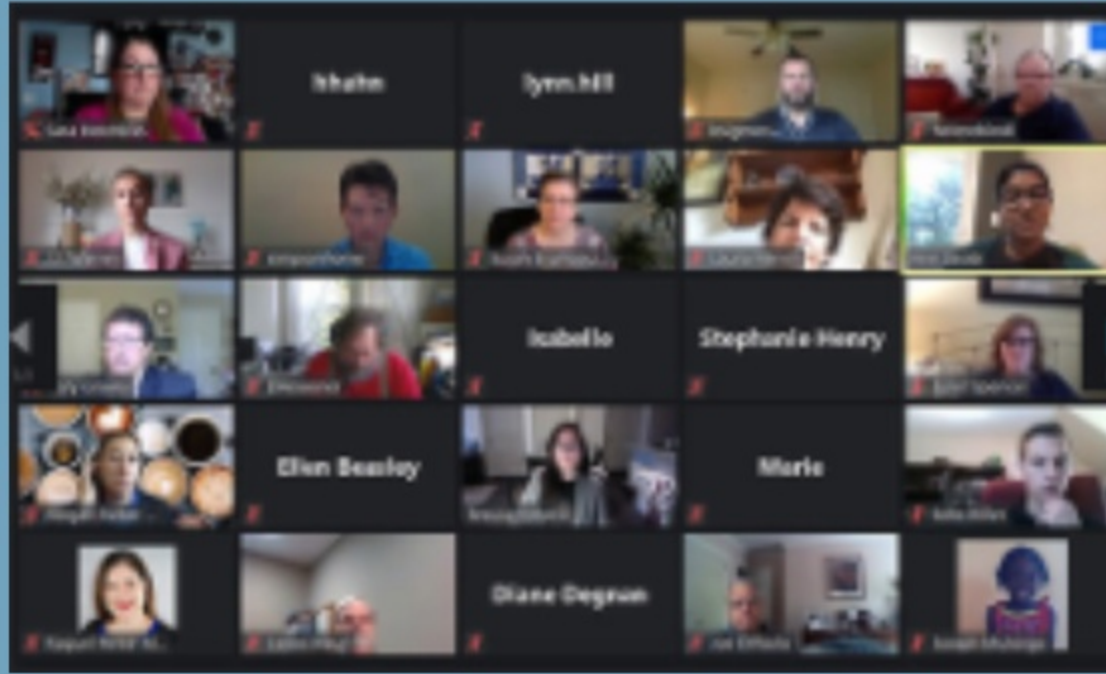
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YOU PROVIDE AN IMPORTANT CONNECTION



RESPONSIBILITY 5

ENCOURAGE TEAMWORK BETWEEN PASTOR(S) AND LAY LEADERSHIP

ENCOURAGE TEAMWORK



Clear, honest,
and discreet
communication
is essential.

RESPONSIBILITY 6

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CULTIVATE NEW CHURCH LEADERSHIP



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RESPONSIBILITY 7

PARTICIPATE IN TRAINING EVENTS - MODEL CONTINUAL LEARNING

INVITE AND CONNECT PEOPLE TO TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

The Ministry of All Believers

Are you called to a deeper commitment in Christ? The NC Conference has many ways for laity to grow and engage in their faith. All are called to ministry. How will you answer?

[Training Opportunities](#) [LSM Certifications](#) [Additional Opportunities](#) [Resources](#)

Training Opportunities for Laity

Are you interested in growing in your knowledge of Christ and gaining new skills for ministry? Check out these learning opportunities through Lay Servant Ministries and other conference and denominational resources.



LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES PATHWAYS

Pathways

Lay Servant Ministries offers Pathways to gain skills in particular ministry areas. These are clusters of courses, to be taken in any order, that we believe will help laypersons become more proficient in their ministry or help them discover a particular ministry they would like to explore.

All Pathways include the [Basic Course](#) and a Spiritual Gifts course (either [Discover Your Spiritual Gifts](#) or [For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts](#)). For additional courses specific to each pathway, click the arrow beside the pathway that interests you.

Pathways are open to anyone, whether or not you are seeking certification as a lay servant, speaker, or minister.

▶ Administrative Committees

▶ Discipleship Leaders

▶ Lay Pastoral Care Giving Teams

▶ Missions

▶ Personal Faith Formation

▶ Prayer Teams

▶ Teacher

▶ Worship Leader

RESPONSIBILITY 8

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CONFERENCE CONNECTIONAL TABLE



CONFERENCE VISION STATEMENT

**HEALTHY CONGREGATIONS AND EFFECTIVE LEADERS IN EVERY
PLACE MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE
TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD**

THE FIVE CONFERENCE EMPHASES

- Effective Leaders
- Healthy Congregations
- Congregations for Children
- Anti-Racism
- Unity

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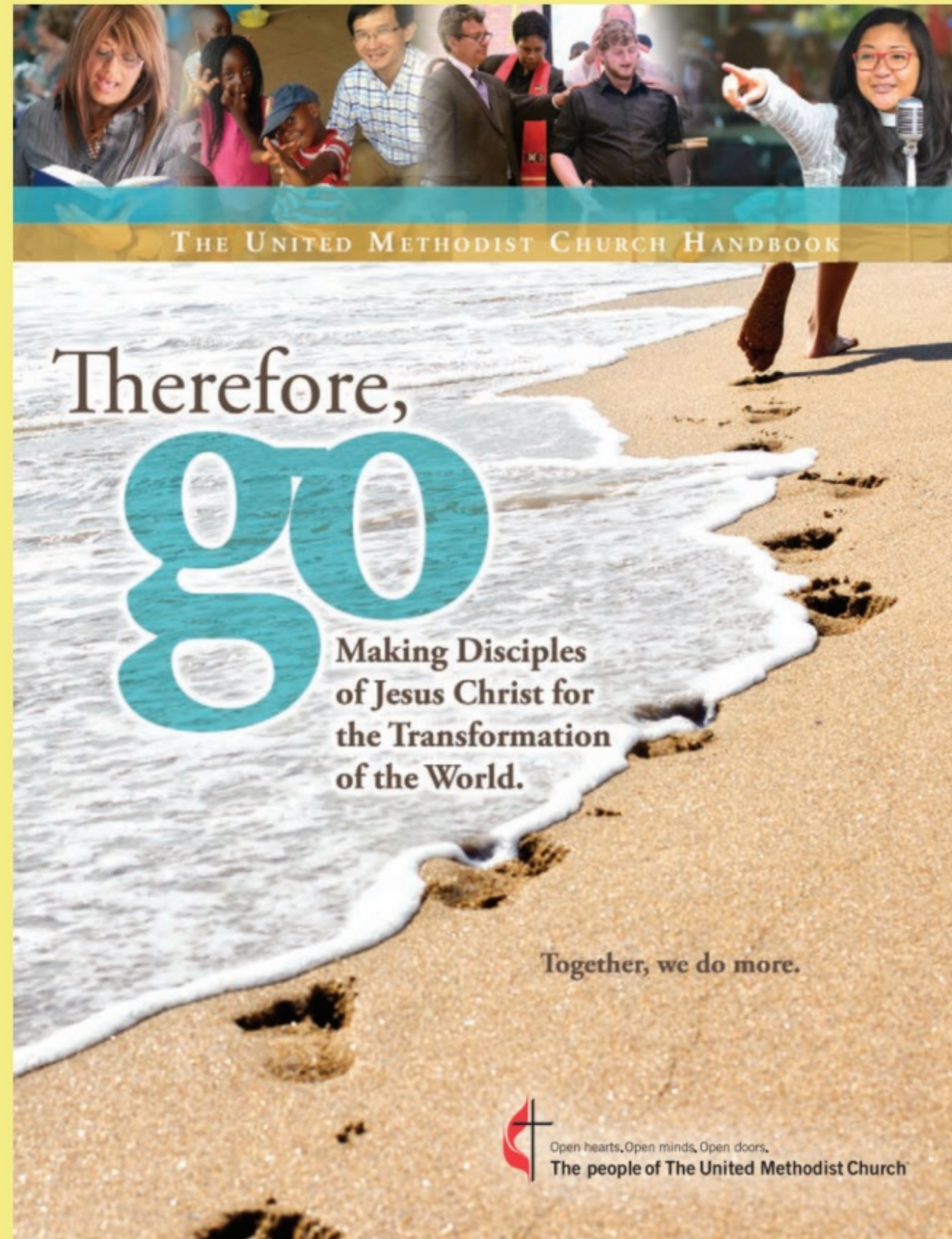
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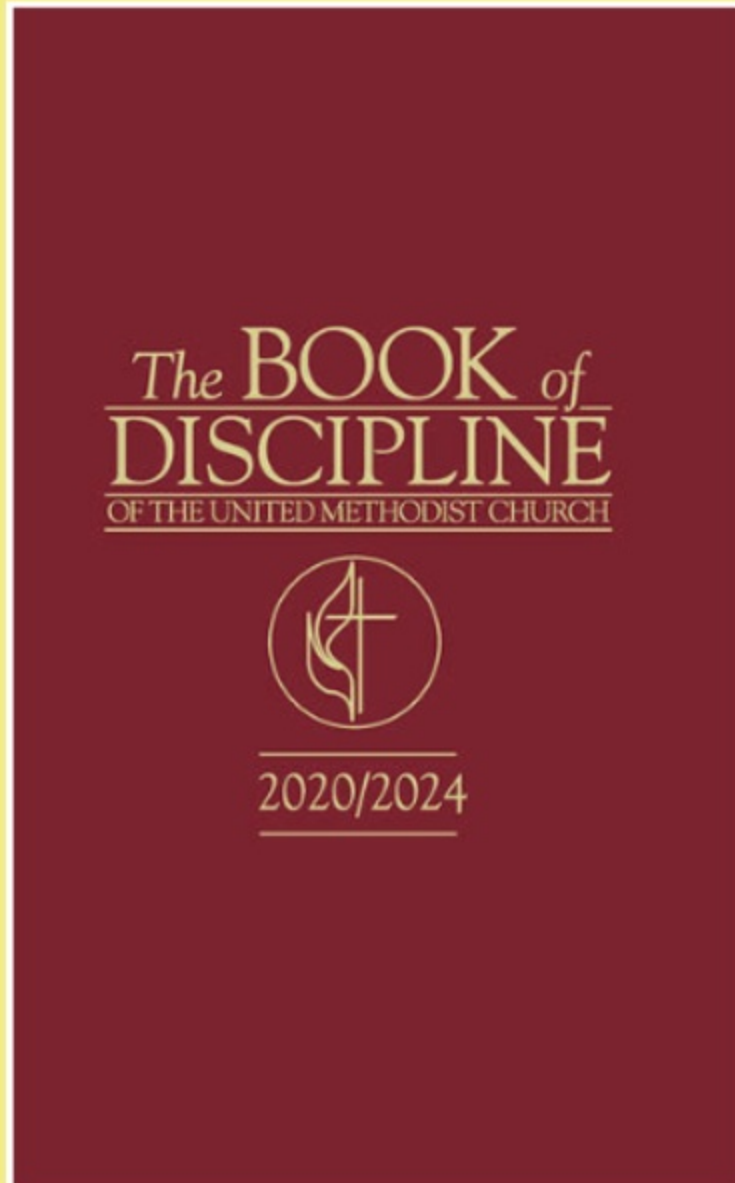
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The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church 2024

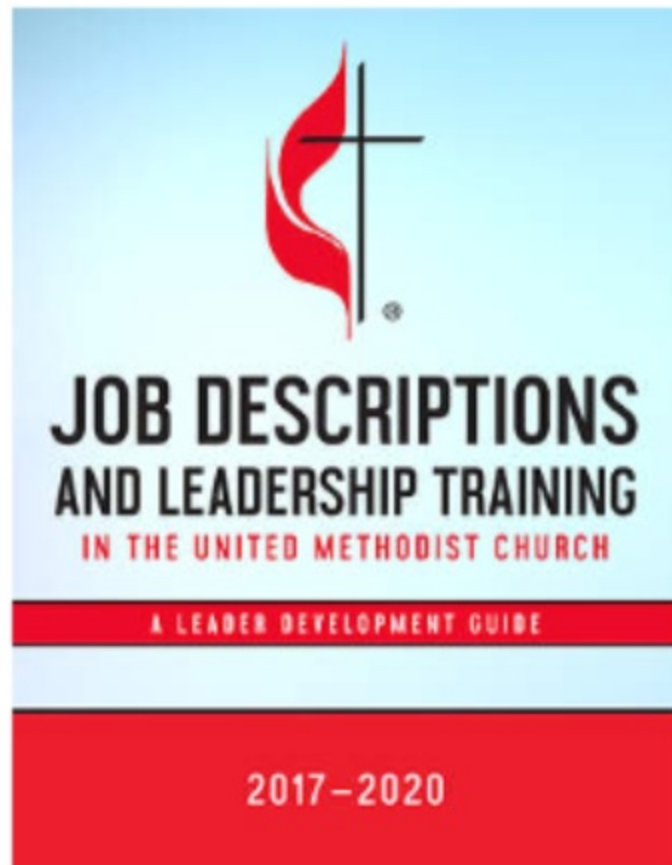
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JOB DESCRIPTIONS AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING IN THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 2017-2020: A LEADER DEVELOPMENT GUIDE



Job Descriptions

In The United Methodist Church

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The new version of Job Descriptions differs from previous editions, including format and design changes. Each job description includes this information:

Result Expected

Spiritual Gifts and Qualifications Helpful for This Position

Responsibilities

PATHWAYS IN LAY SERVANT MINISTRY TRAINING

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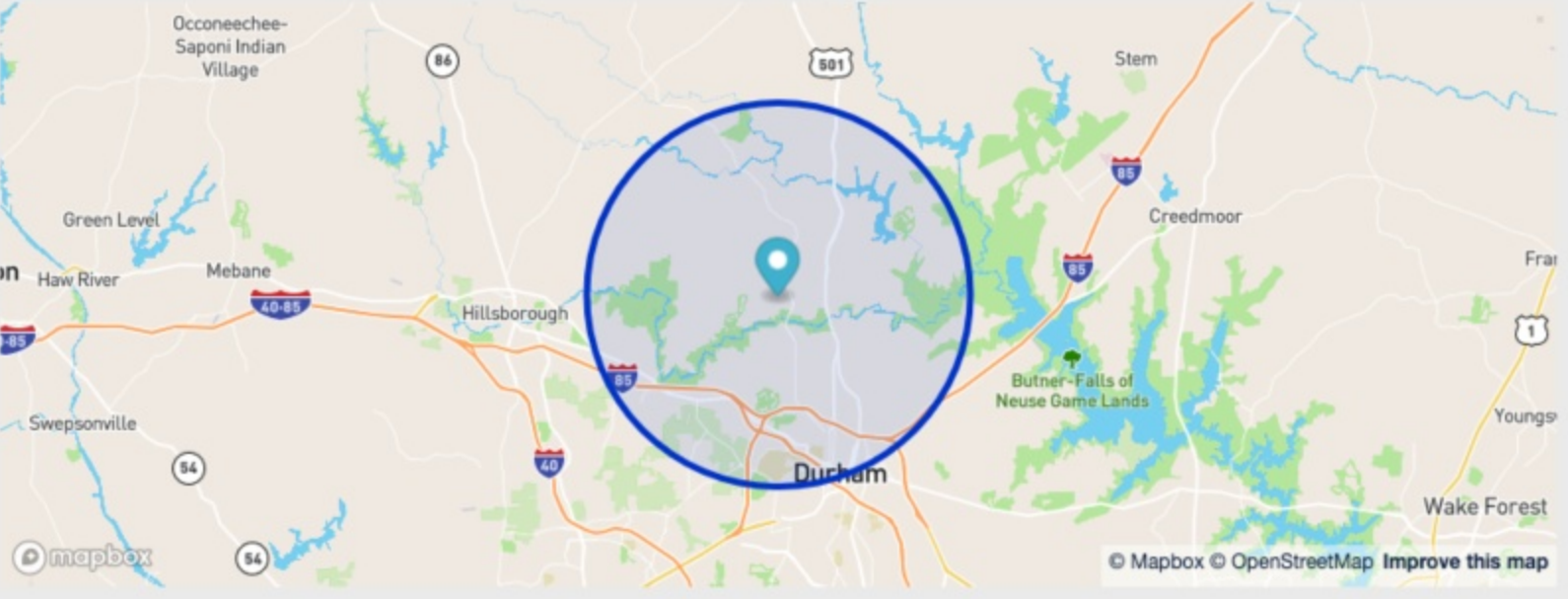
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