

North Carolina Conference  
**LAY/CLERGY EQUALIZATION PLAN FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2015**

“The Annual Conference shall be composed of clergy and lay members. The clergy membership shall consist of deacons and elders in full connection, provisional members, associate members and local pastors under appointment. The lay membership shall consist of professing lay members elected by each charge, the diaconal ministers, the active deaconesses, and home missionaries under episcopal appointment within the bounds of the annual conference...(and several officers of groups within the annual conference, as noted in the following formula)...The Lay members shall have been for the two years next preceding their election members of The United Methodist Church and shall have been active participants in The United Methodist Church for at least four years preceding their election...

If the lay membership should number less than the clergy members of the annual conference, the annual conference shall, by its own formula, provide for the election of additional lay members to equalize lay and clergy membership of the annual conference.” (2008 Discipline, Par. 32. Article I.)

**In other words, there is to be one lay person to equate with each clergy person in the NC Conference.**

Conference Presidents of United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, United Methodist Youth, Conference Lay Leader (2008 DISCIPLINE, Par. 30, page 30)

1. President, UMW: LaNella Smith, 1215 Shady Lane, Durham, NC 27712
2. President, UMM: Paul Wilson, 108 Fairfax Lane, Cary, NC 27513
3. President, UMYF: Jacob Beasley, 506 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Erwin, NC 28339
4. Conference Lay Leader: Gary Locklear, 667 Locklear Rd., Pembroke, NC 28372
5. Conference Chancellor: Wilson Hayman, PO Box 1801, Raleigh, NC 27602

District Lay Leaders (2008 DISCIPLINE, Par. 32, page 30)

6. Beacon District Lay Leader – Tom Quance, PO Box 1786, Elizabeth City, NC 27906
7. Capital District Lay Leader – Jin Lee, 8000 Knebford Circle, Wake Forest, NC 27587
8. Corridor District – Martha Caves, 4404 Burlington Road, Roxboro, NC 27574
9. Fairway District Lay Leader – Caroline Jackson, 5112 Briton Place, Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526
10. Gateway District Lay Leader – Michelle Skipper, 519 N. Wilkinson Drive, St. Pauls, NC 28384
11. Harbor District Lay Leader – Lynn Shuffler, 131 McMillan Avenue, Wallace, NC 28466
12. Heritage District – Tom Walden, 1504 Hwy. 96 E, Youngsville, NC 27596
13. Sound District Lay Leader – Ann Davis, 3806 Blarney Street, Greenville, NC 27834

"...Four young persons under thirty (30) years of age. With at least one young person between the ages of twelve (12) and seventeen (17), and one young person between the ages of eighteen (18) and thirty (30) (2008 DISCIPLINE, Par. 32).

45. These are to be selected by the District Superintendent and District Youth/Young Adult Coordinators (Add above lay members to these 32 youth lay members.).....13 + 32 = 45

Diaconal Ministers (2008 DISCIPLINE, Par. 309, page 208)

46. Alice Arledge, 206 Braxlo Lane, Wilmington 28412
47. Margaret Anne Biddle, P O Box 10917, Raleigh 27605
48. Robert H. Garrison, Jr., 3724 Carnegie La., Raleigh 27612
49. Irene Gattis, 101 Adams Way, Chapel Hill 27516
50. David Heinze, 6929 Finian Dr., Wilmington 28409
51. Marilyn H. Johnson, 1408 Kimberly Rd., New Bern 28562
52. Sue Ellen Nicholson, 6103 River Lake Circle, Raleigh, NC 27604
53. Tacoma O'Connor, 1432 Kirkwood Dr., Durham 27705
54. David M. Sluder, Sr., 1204 Lemmond Dr., Sanford 27330
55. Leslie C. Womack, P O Box 177, Milwaukee 27854
56. Anna Gail Workman, 2114 US Hwy 70, Mebane 27302-9034

Deaconess and Home Missioners (2008 DISCIPLINE, Par. 32, Article 1)

57. Lisa Bachman (Deaconess) 4304 Dunkeld Way, Durham, NC 27705
58. Charles Barrow (Home Missioner) 774 Bynum Rd., Pittsboro, NC 27312
59. Thomas Gates (Home Missioner) 2728 Percusion Drive, Hillsborough, NC 27278
0. Gary Locklear (Home Missioner) 667 Locklear Rd., Pembroke, NC 28372

- 60. Melba McCallum (Deaconess) PO Box 1781, Rockingham, NC 28380
- 61. Nancy Van Antwerp (Deaconess) 640 Lipford Drive, Cary, NC 27519

Lay Chairpersons of Conference Boards and Agencies (1974 JOURNAL, page 261)

- 62. Sheila Ahler, CF&A, 3521 Pinnacle Drive, Cary, NC 27578
- 63. Ferrell Blount, Trustees, PO Box 850, Bethel, NC 27812
- 64. Cashar Evans, Pensions, Episcopacy, 6 Poteskeet Trail, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949
- 65. Annie Fairley, Monitoring and Accountability, P.O. Box 185, Maxton, NC 28364
- 66. Dorothy Funkhouser, Safe Sanctuaries, 1700 Fort Bragg Rd., Fayetteville, NC 28303
- 67. Marty Hunicutt, Conf. Staff Rel., 520 The Preserve Trail, Chapel Hill, NC 27517
- 68. Emily Innes, Conf. Conn. Table, Board of Laity, 241 Stonewall Jackson Road, Wilmington, NC 28403
- 0. Gary W. Locklear, Native American Ministry, 667 Locklear Rd., Pembroke, NC 28372
- 69. Robin Marley, Children Ministry, 4711 Duncastle Road, Apt. 1E, Fayetteville, NC 28314

Lay Members of General Boards (1974 JOURNAL, page 261)

- 0. Cashar Evans (Communications), 6 Poteskeet Trail, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949
- 70. Emily Farnell (Church & Society), 1103 South Walnut Dr., Smithfield, NC 28352
- 71. Emily Innes, (Connectional Table), 8324 Wycombe Ridge Way, Wake Forest, NC 27587
- 72. Robbie Lowry (Pension & Health Benefits) 667 Locklear Rd, Pembroke, NC 28372

General Conference Lay Delegates (1974 JOURNAL, page 261)

- 0. Ann Davis, 3806 Blarney Street, Greenville, NC 27834
- 73. Christine Dodson, 700 Waterfield Ridge Place, Garner, NC 27529
- 0. Emily Innes, 241 Stonewall Jackson Rd., Wilmington, NC 28403
- 74. Courtney Jennings, 62 N. Bellaire Court, Clayton, NC 27527
- 0. Gary Locklear, 667 Locklear Road, Pembroke, NC 28372
- 75. Samuel D. McMillan IV, P.O. Box 2897, Buies Creek, NC 27506
- 76. Wilburn (Bill) L. Norton Jr., 700 Waterfield Ridge Place, Garner, NC 27529
- 77. Mack Parker, 2204 Laurel Valley Way, Raleigh, NC 27604
- 0. LaNella Smith, 1215 Shady Lane, Durham, NC 27712

Jurisdictional Conference Lay Delegates (1974 JOURNAL, page 261)

- 78. Eston Brinkley, 5730 Market Street, Wilmington, NC 28405
- 79. Katie Brinkley, 5730 Market Street, Wilmington, NC 28405
- 0. Martha Caves, 4404 Burlington Rd., Roxboro, NC 27574
- 80. Fred Hight III, 1201 Branch Street, Wilson, NC 27893
- 81. Sam Isley, 1422 Mordecai Drive, Raleigh, NC 27604
- 82. Laura Little, 217 King George Road, Greenville, NC 27858
- 83. Barry Merrill, 505 S. Walnut Street, Princeton, NC 27569
- 84. Allen Morris, P.O. Box 2864, Fayetteville, NC 28302
- 85. Beth Norris, 4714 Ludwell Branch Court, Raleigh, NC 27612
- 86. Christina (CJ) Pearce, PO Box 98, Leaburg, NC 27291
- 87. Gretchen Shea, 12229 Norwood Road, Raleigh, NC 27613
- 88. Steve Taylor, 410 W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Lumberton, NC 28358
- 0. Tom Walden, 1504 Hwy 96 East, Youngsville, NC 27596

Assistant to the District Superintendent

- 89. Beacon District - Judi Bowman, 211 Washington Dr., Hertford, NC 27944
- 90. Capital District - Claire Cox-Woodlief, 4141 Summer Ridge Ct., Apex, NC 27539
- 0. Corridor District - Judi Smith (Clergy)
- 91. Fairway District – LouAnn Allred, 104 Ryder Cup Circle, Raleigh, NC 27603
- 0. Gateway District – Kelly Barr (Clergy)
- 92. Harbor District – Patrick Litzinger, 3400 Kirby Smith Dr., Wilmington, NC 28409
- 0. Heritage District – Tuck Taylor (Clergy)
- 93. Sound District – Edward Mann, 404 Crestline Blvd., Greenville, NC 27834

District Presidents, United Methodist Men (Added in 1983, documented in 1989 JOURNAL, page 330)

- 94. Beacon District – Doug Drummond, 201 W. Bridge Lane, Nags Head, NC 27959
- 95. Capital District – Wally Mills, 2401 Diamondhitch Trail, Raleigh, NC 27615
- 96. Corridor District – John Hall, 1509 Imperial Drive, Durham, NC 27712
- 97. Fairway District – Bill Huggins, 1495 Kentucky Avenue, Sanford, NC 27332
- 98. Gateway District – Allen Morris, PO Box 2864, Fayetteville, NC 28302
- 99. Harbor District -
- 100. Heritage District – Jon Anderson, 3834 Country Club Drive, Wilson, NC 27896
- 101. Sound District – Joseph (J.C.) Campobasso, PO Box 2969, Pine Knoll Shores, NC 28512

District Presidents, United Methodist Women (1974 JOURNAL, page 261)

- 102. Beacon District – Juanita Staples, 202 Spencer Ave., South Mills, NC 27976
- 103. Capital District – Roxie Lee Floyd, 2309 Sunnystone Way, Raleigh, NC 27613
- 104. Corridor District – Susan C. Rayle, 303 Eastway Lane, Graham, NC 27253
- 105. Fairway District – Angela Crisp-Sears, 107 Midway Street, Pittsboro, NC 27312
- 106. Gateway District – Ella Gibson, 12500 Windmere Dr., Laurinburg, NC 28532
- 107. Harbor District – Sherry Mewborn, 211 Hickory Lane, Hampstead, NC 28443
- 108. Heritage District – Linda Stanley, 206 Red Bud Circle, Henderson, NC 27536
- 109. Sound District – Theresa Hodges, 950 Dover-Ft. Barnwell Rd., Dover, NC 28526

College Presidents (Added in 1976, documented in 1989 JOURNAL, page 330)

- 110. NC Wesleyan College - James Gray (LAY) 3400 N. Wesleyan Blvd., Rocky Mount, NC 27804
- 111. Methodist University - Ben Hancock Jr. (LAY) 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311
- 112. Louisburg College - Mark LaBranche, (LAY) 501 N. Main St., Louisburg 27549

Conference Treasurer-Business Manager...and lay persons on Program Staff (1987 JOURNAL, page 147)

- 113. Laura Dallas (Director, Media Center) 700 Waterfield Ridge Place, Garner, NC 27529
- 0. Christine Dodson (Treasurer-Business Manager/Stewardship Team Coord.) 700 Waterfield Ridge Place, Garner, NC 27529
- 114. Christine Harman (Christian Formation Team Coord.) 700 Waterfield Ridge Place, Garner, NC 27529
- 115. Mary Andreolli (Director, Communications) 700 Waterfield Ridge Place, Garner, NC 27529
- 0. Steve Taylor (Outreach Team Coord.) 700 Waterfield Ridge Place, Garner, 27529

Additional Conference UMYF Officers

- 116. Abby Smith (Vice President) 3313 Geyser Peak Rd., Fayetteville, NC 28306
- 117. Jacob Seate (Secretary ), 1605 East Pine Street, Goldsboro, NC 27530
- 118. Kyle Gault (Treasurer), 4520 Forey's Court, Graham, NC 27253

"...One college or university student from each United Methodist related campus ministry within the bounds of the NC Conference and from each ministry related to the NC State Commission on Campus Ministry within the bounds of the NC Conference" (1988 JOURNAL, page 173)

- 119. Student, Duke University
- 120. Student, East Carolina University
- 121. Student, Louisburg College
- 122. Student, Methodist University
- 123. Student, NC Central University
- 124. Student, NC State University
- 125. Student, NC Wesleyan College
- 126. Student, Pembroke State University
- 127. Student, UNC - Chapel Hill
- 128. Student, UNC - Wilmington

The additional lay members needed to equalize the lay and clergy membership of the annual conference will be assigned to the eight (8) districts of the annual conference, based upon the membership percentage of the Annual Conference Membership of the districts, which will come from the statistical tables in the conference journal of the preceding year. The District Connectional Table or similar entity within the Districts and the District Superintendent will be responsible for selecting the additional lay members from the churches within that district, and forwarding the names and contact information to the District Office by March 1. The District Connectional Table or similar entity and the District Superintendent should be aware of the inclusive nature of the selections, bearing in mind factors such as age, gender, ethnicity, and disabling conditions.

(Example: The number of additional Lay Members needed in 2015, for equalization, is 268. In this instance, each of the eight (8) districts will be apportioned the number of additional lay persons from that particular district, depending on the district's membership percentage (%) within the total membership of the annual conference. If district A has 10 % of the conference membership, it will be asked to provide 10% of the needed additional lay members, i.e. 26.8 which would be rounded up to 27. If percentage is .5 and below, it would be rounded down, and the other districts will be apportioned likewise, depending on the membership of the district, until the full number is realized. )

#### FORMULA

Voting Clergy	1177
Lay Members from Charges	<u>-649</u>
Total "Additional Lay Members needed for Equalization	528
More than 1 clergy appointed to a charge	<u>- 85</u>
	443
At Large noted above	<u>- 128</u>
Total Additional Lay Members needed to Equalize Clergy/Laity	315

<u>District</u>	<u>Membership Total</u>	<u>% of NC Conference Membership</u>	<u>Additional Lay Members</u>
Beacon District	16,139	7.0%	22
Capital District	53,289	23.2%	73
Corridor District	33,513	14.6%	46
Fairway District	25,041	10.9%	34
Gateway District	24,477	10.6%	33
Harbor District	27,207	11.8%	37
Heritage District	19,061	8.3%	26
Sound District	<u>30,801</u>	13.4%	42
<b>Conf. Mem. Total</b>	<b>229,528</b>		