

**Agenda - 6.15.2009**  
**143<sup>rd</sup> Session of the North Georgia Conference**  
**The United Methodist Church**  
**June 16 - 18, 2009**  
**The Classic Center - Athens, Georgia**

**Theme: “Shalom: Christian Disciples Transforming the World  
Through Health and Wholeness”**

*Agenda revised as needed during the conference session*

**\* Order of the Day**

**Monday, June 15, 2009**

- 8:00am Cokesbury set up – Empire 1
- 8am-12pm Tote bag assembly – Cypress Room
- 9am-12 Display Set up - Empire 2 and Willow
- 3 – 6 pm Laity Registration begins- Cypress Room
- 3 – 6 pm Clergy Registration begins – High Shoals 1

**Tuesday, June 16, 2009**

- 7:00 am Breakfast for Tuesday’s presenter – Olympia 2
- 7 – 10 am ProCheck Health Screening – Parthenon 3
- 7:30 am Concessions open – 130 Foundry Bldg. Lower Lobby
- 8:00 am Rehearsal for Commissioning/Ordination Service  
& Group Photographs – Theatre
- 8:00 am Display set up continues – Foundry Building
- 8:00 am Laity Registration continues – Cypress Room
- 8:00 am Clergy Registration continues – High Shoals 1
- 8:00 am Project Collection – Firehall
- 8:45 am Associate Secretaries – Parthenon 1
- 9:00 am Board of Ordained Ministry -Athena
- \*10:00 am Lay Orientation – Grand Hall
- \*10:00 am Clergy Executive Session – Theatre
- 12:00 pm Rehearsal for communion servers – Grand Hall

**\*2:00 pm Session One**

**Opening Communion Worship**  
Preacher – Bishop B. Michael Watson  
Hope for Africa Children’s Choir

Standing break

**Tuesday, June 16, 2009 - continued**

**3:15 pm Opening of Conference-Classic Ctr Grand Hall**

Call to Order – 143rd Session

Prayer – Zoe Hicks, lay, Oak Grove UMC

Hymn “And Are We Yet Alive”

Welcome – Host Committee

Dianne Morrison & Johnny Fowler – Co-Chairs; Robin Lindsey,  
DS Athens-Elberton; Heidi Davidson, Athens Mayor;  
Tom Jackson, UGA

Organization of Conference - Donn Ann Weber, Conference Secretary

Setting the Bar of the Conference/who can vote

Election - Associate Secretaries and Tellers

Adoption of the Agenda; Consent Agenda

Emergency Procedures, Other organizational items

Introduction 2009 Theme and Logo - Bishop Watson

Nominations Committee-to present, Mike Selleck

Standing Rules Committee-to present

Claudette Bryson, Chair; Sally AsKew

Committee on Episcopacy/Episcopal Residence

Jonathan Holston/Wiley Stephens

United Methodist Publishing House

Damien Turpin, Manager Atlanta Store

Walter Kimbrough, UMPH Board

Greetings from Cambodia

GBGM Missionaries: Beverly Fronda Barte, Emmanuel Barte,

Children: Eusteen, Emmanuel, Jr., Vassilli Yevu

Alice Smith, Co-Conference Secretary of Global Ministries

North Georgia UM Foundation

Bob Fletcher, President of the NGUMC Foundation;

Chuck Savage, chair, Board, NGUMCF

GA/FL UM Credit Union

Keith Pritchard, President/CEO

Jonathan Curtis, Director of Business Development

Nicholas Cooper-Kedrick, Scholarship Winner for NGC

Commission on Higher Education & Campus Ministry

Cindy Autry, Executive Director

Stuart Gulley, M. Alexander

Black College Fund Lina H. McCord Summer Intern

Eboni Lemon, Clark Atlanta University

**Tuesday, June 16, 2009 - continued**

Board of Ordained Ministry and Present those  
to be commissioned and ordained

Quincy Brown, Chair; Jan Brooks, Vice-Chair; John Simmons

Monitoring

Bert Neal, chair, Commission on Religion & Race

Tara Paul, COSROW

Central Conference Pension Initiative: Introduction

Announcements – Donn Ann Weber, Conference Secretary

Closing Prayer – Susan Pinson, Assoc., Glenn Memorial, AMRY

**5:15 pm     Adjourn**

**5:15 pm     Tellers meeting – Olympia 2**

**7:30 pm     Session Two**  
**Service of Ordination/Commissioning**

Preacher – Bishop Wandabula

Offering – Annual Conference expense

Music – Athens-Elberton Churches

**Wednesday, June 17, 2009**

5:30 am 5-K Registration - Firehall

6:30 am 5-K Run

7:00 am Bishop's Breakfast for Wednesday's Presenters – Olympia 2

7 – 10 am ProCheck Health Screening – Parthenon 3

7:30 am Concessions open – 130 Foundary Bldg. Lower Lobby

7:30 am Service of Holy Communion-Theatre  
Martha Aenchbacher, Athens 1<sup>st</sup> UMC, ATHN

**8:15 am Session Three**

\*Morning Devotion

Music – Beth Ray, Powers Ferry UMC AMAR,  
CeCe Dixon, St. Paul UMC-Summit Street GSNV  
Mary Edith Kirkland, piano – Harlem UMC, AGST  
Personal testimony – Allen Burpee, Tunnel Hill UMC, NWST  
2009 Graduate of Leadership UMC

Standing Break

Prayer – Kadijah Quinland, Glen Haven UMC ADOX

Lake Junaluska video

**\*9:00 am** General Conference Constitutional Amendments

Central Conference Pension Initiative: Legina Mabunt

Standing Break

**\*11: 00 am** Recognition of Clergy who are Retiring

Global Health Initiative

Imagine No Malaria Campaign - Saving Lives in Sierra Leone

Kevin Armshaw

Additional Reports as needed

Announcements – Donn Ann Weber

Closing Prayer - Bill Roane, Retired

**12:15 pm Adjourn**

**12:15-5pm Blood Drive – Firehall**

**12:15 -2pm Project Assembly – Theatre Lobby**

**Wednesday, June 17, 2009 - continued**

- \*2:00 pm    Session Four**  
**Memorial Worship Service**  
Preacher – Al Turnell  
Music – Conference Choir, Beth Shugart Brown, Director
- 3:15 pm**    Standing Break  
Prayer -  
Office of Communications  
    Jamie Jenkins, Director of Communications  
    Advocate/UMR, Sarah Wilke  
    United Methodist Communications, Larry Hollon  
Conference Treasurer  
    Keith Cox, Conference Treasurer,  
    Director of Administrative Services  
Council on Finance and Administration  
    Hank Huckaby, Chair; Keith Cox, Conference Treasurer  
Consent Agenda to vote/remove items, Donn Ann Weber  
Central Conference Pension Initiative: Willie Maraie  
Additional Reports as needed  
Announcements  
Closing Prayer - Nic Colon, Athens 1<sup>st</sup> UMC - ATHN
- 5:15 pm    Adjourn**  
5:30 pm    Igniting Ministries Rethink Church, Larry Hollon – High Shoals 2
- 7:30 pm    Session Five**  
**Mission Worship Service – Grand Hall**  
Bishop Daniel A. Wandabula  
Hope for Africa Children’s Choir  
Mission Offering – Central Conference Pension Initiative
- 9:00 pm    Youth Delegate Ice Cream - Athens 1<sup>st</sup>

## Thursday, June 18, 2009

7:00 am Bishop's Breakfast for Thursday's Presenters – Olympia 2

7 – 10 am ProCheck Health Screening – Parthenon 3

7:30 am Service of Holy Communion- Theatre

Jay Tenney, Barnesville UMC, GRFN

7:30 am Concessions Open-130 Foundry Bldg Lower Lobby

### 8:15 am **Session Six**

\*Morning Devotion

Music: Robert Lawrence, Chaplain, Woodward Academy, ACPK

Devotion: Greg Guy, Wesley Chapel UMC, GRFN

Standing Break

Prayer – Vivian Yarbrough, Bethel UMC, ACPK

2009 graduate of Leadership UMC

Nominations-to vote – Mike Selleck

Standing Rules-to vote Claudette Bryson

Board of Pensions and Health Benefits

Jamie Jenkins, Exec. Assist to the Bishops;

Karen Fullerton, Health Benefits Officer

Morris Henderson, chair, Pensions

Bill Burch, chair, Health Benefits

Connectional Ministries, Mike Selleck, Director

Aldersgate Homes, Becky Bocian, Executive Director

Denman Award, Leon Matthews, chair, Witness Team

Lay: Mr. Frankie Hopper, Jodeco Road UMC, GRFN

Clergy: Dave Davis, Hamilton Mill UMC, AMRY

Standing Break

UM Children's Home

Richard A. Puckett, Director Public Relations,

Ellen Shepard, Minister of Religious Life

Gerry David, Chair, Board

Alina Crews, Coordinator, Church & Community Relations

Independent Living Students

Wesley Woods

Charles Hoover, Director, Church Relations

Ken Weber, President/CEO Wesley Woods Senior Living

Mike Watson, president/CEO Foundation of Wesley Woods

Al Blackwelder, COO Wesley Woods Center

Action Ministries – page 93

Jim Dickens, President/CEO

**Thursday, June 18, 2009 - continued**

Outreach-Churches of excellence

Stephen Soulen, vice –chair, Outreach Team

Wesley Community Centers, Joy Magnus, Executive Director

Housing and Homeless Council, Virginia Tinsley, Director

Camp Glisson, Russell Davis, Director

Standing Break

United Methodist Women, Deloris Carhee, President

New Church Development, Parks Davis, Conference Director

United Methodist Men, Jasper Russell, Conference President

Greetings – Emory Healthcare

Susan Grant, Chief Nursing Officer

Woody Spackman, Executive Dir. Emory Center for Pastoral Care

Greetings – Candler School of Theology

Jan Love, Dean and professor of Christianity & World Politics

Greetings – Gammon Theological Seminary

Walter McKelvey, President and Dean

Central Conference Pension Initiative: Shamu

Announcements – Donn Ann Weber

Prayer – James Sanders, retired

**12:15 pm Adjourn**

**12:15-5pm Blood Drive – Firehall**

**2:00 pm Session Seven**

Prayer Enjoli Pino, Sugar Hill UMC (Hispanic) GNSV

Board of Laity, Jane Finley, Conference Lay Leader

Young Adult Task Force

Jasmine Smothers, chair; Margaret Freeman

Standing Break

The Advance – General Board of Global Ministries

Adam Neal, Mission Specialist, The Advance, GBGM

Equitable Compensation

John Brown, chair

Conference Statistician Team

John Dallas, Conference Statistician

Lodge at Simpsonwood

Charles Pursley, Chair, Board

Keith Cox, Conference Treasurer

**Thursday, June 18, 2009 - continued**

Property Resolutions

Conference Affiliation Change - Gary Dean

Hardwick UMC

Baldwin County:

Bethel UMC, Pleasant Grove UMC, Linton UMC

Philadelphia UMC on the Zebulon Charge,

Pike County, Meansville, Ga. – Mike Cash

Moving Day – Jim Cantrell

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Journal/Handbook Committee

John Pinson, chair

Recognitions

Vote on Items removed from Consent Agenda if needed

Donn Ann Weber, Conference Secretary

Future Sites of Annual Conference

Donn Ann Weber, Conference Secretary

2010 June 16, 17, 18, 2010 [Wednesday – Friday]

2011 June 14 – 17, 2011 [Tuesday – Friday]

Resolutions, Kelly Barge, chair

Central Conference Pension Initiative: Mazda & Payl

Other reports as needed

Announcements – Donn Ann Weber

Standing Break

**4:15 pm Service of Sending Forth**

**5:15 pm Adjourn**

**5:30 pm United Methodist Men's BBQ – Athena**