

ARUMC General and Jurisdictional Conference Self Non

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Please send this completed form, and a photo of yourself as a separate attachment, to <u>vicki.davis@arumc.org</u> by April 15, 2015.

Membership: Retired Member in Full Connection

X Clergy (Clergy Member in Full Connection - Para. 35, 2012 Book of Discipline.)

Lay (A professing member of the United Methodist Church for at least two years preceding their election; and an active participant in the United Methodist Church for at least four years preceding their election; and a member of a church within the Arkansas Annual Conference - Para. 36, 2012 Book of Discipline. Lay delegates need not be voting members of the Annual Conference to be elected.)

District:Northeast

Please select your district.

Church: Beech Grove

What is your local church?

Commitment as a Delegate and Christian Conferencing Guidelines:

I have read and accept the Christian Conferencing Guidelines.

Yes

No



Share your reasons for wanting to be a delegate.

One of they keys to renewal in our denomination is the revitalization of the small membership church. Most of our delegates over the years have represented larger congregations. As a pastor who has spent most of his ministry pastoring churches of less than 150 in attendance, I would do all in my power to represent the needs of those congregations as a delegate.

Please limit to 150 words.

What leadership experiences have you had in the church or community that will help you do the work of the delegation?

In 2009, after 30 years of active service, I entered into a retired relationship with the annual conference. Since that time I have created two award winning documentary films as well as various video projects through my company Tiny Seed Films. My focus has been to help identify and tell stories, which can provide inspiration to church leaders on the front lines of ministry.

Please limit to 150 words.

Share three (3) areas crucial to The United Methodist Church's mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world:

The enhancement of spiritual leadership among clergy and laity

A conviction people are lost apart from a saving knowledge through Jesus Christ.

The fostering of greater clergy morale among the pastors of our connection.

Please limit to 150 words.

What are three (3) issues emerging from those areas you stated above:

Please limit to 150 words.



Along with challenging lay persons to assume greater responsibility for their local church ministry, to also offer them increased authority on how to carry out that ministry.

To clearly articulate why people in our community need Jesus Christ as savior and Lord of their life and why they need to be a part of a local fellowship of believers.

A realization that the morale among our pastors is a barometer of our capacity to make disciples.