

## RUMC General and Jurisdictional Conference Self Nomination **Form**

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

Membership:
Clergy (Clergy Member in Full Connection - Para. 35, 2012 Book of Discipline.)
<b>□Lay</b> (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:

Please select your district. Central District

Church:

What is your local church? Quapaw Quarter

Commitment as a Delegate and Christian Conferencing Guidelines: I have read and accept the Christian Conferencing Guidelines. X Yes ON [

Share your reasons for wanting to be a delegate.

Please limit to 150 words.



I have been a member of the Arkansas Conference for many years now, and would like to offer my skillset and experience to the United Methodist Church at the Jurisdictional and Conference level. I have a great interest in seeing us fulfill our mission of creating disciples and in making our promise of "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors" a reality for those in need of our unique Wesleyan message.

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

Please limit to 150 words.

I have been involved in the UMC at the Conference and local level for years now. I am a Lay Servant in the Central District. I have been a Lay Member of the Arkansas Conference and the Central District since 2007 and active in the Arkansas Chapter of MFSA and (open)ARMs even longer. I am Social Justice Coordinator at my local church and have served on many committees and leadership groups there, including Connected in Christ. I currently serve on the board of the Arkansas Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice and the Center for Artistic revolution, and Arkansas- based rights organization. This extensive experience in church and secular work involving labor, race, gender, and human sexuality would give a nice dose of justice to our delegation.

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

Please limit to 150 words.

- 1. increasing availability of the Church's message of welcome and inclusion to everyone
- 2. taking a leadership role on social justice issues and providing Biblically influenced guidance on solving them
- 3. finding the "via media" on matters in which we do not agree, so we carry the light out of our church buildings instead of infighting

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

Please limit to 150 words.

- 1. full inclusion of LGBTQ Christians in the church through removal of hostile language in the Discipline
- 2. advocacy for global equal access to potable water and elimination of disease, condemnation of ethnic cleansing, condemnation of war and pursuit of peace, and human trafficking
- 3. striving to act like the church instead of a confederacy of enemies