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DISTRICT CALENDAR

2023 - 2024 Calendar Year

AUGUST 2023

8/15/2023 DBA Meeting (Zoom Call) - 11:30 AM EST

SEPTEMBER 2023

9/04/2023 Holiday - Office Closed

9/18/2023 Alabama Huddle (Pursuit Church, AL)

9/19/2023 Georgia Huddle (Revive Church, GA)

9/23/2023 Bi-Vocational Zoom Huddle; 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST

OCTOBER 2023

10/02/2023 DBA Meeting (One Hope Church, AL) - 1:00 PM CST

10/03/2023 District Summit (One Hope Church, AL)

10/08-11/2023 Selah Leaders Retreat (Grand Rapids, MI)

10/11-14/2023 Selah Planters Retreat (Grand Rapids, MI)

NOVEMBER 2023

11/13/2023 Alabama Huddle (Pursuit Church, AL)

11/14/2023 Georgia Huddle (Revive Church, GA)

11/18/2023 Bi-Vocational Zoom Huddle; 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM EST

11/20-24/2023 Holiday - Office Closed

DECEMBER 2023

12/22 - 1/01/2023 Holiday - Office Closed

JANUARY 2024



DISTRICT CALENDAR

2023 - 2024 Calendar Year

FEBRUARY 2024

2/09/2024	DBMD Pre-Ordination Interview (Zoom Call)
2/19/2024	DBA Meeting (TBD, Georgia) - 1:00 PM EST
2/20/2024	Pastor's Gathering (TBD, Georgia)

MARCH 2024

3/05 - 3/07/2024	Exponential Conference (Orlando, FL)
3/18/2024	Alabama Huddle (Pursuit Church, AL)
3/19/2024	Georgia Huddle (Revive Church, GA)
3/23/2024	Bi-Vocational Zoom Huddle; 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST
3/31/2024	Easter Sunday

APRIL 2024

4/01 - 4/05/2024	Office Closed - Spring Break
4/25 - 4/26/2024	DBMD Interviews (TBD, Georgia)

MAY 2024

5/11/2024	Nominating Committee Meeting
5/13/2024	Alabama Huddle (Pursuit Church, AL)
5/14/2024	Georgia Huddles (Revive Church, GA)
5/18/2024	Bi-Vocational Zoom Huddle; 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST
5/20/2024	DBA In-Person Meeting (Location & Time TBD)

2024 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

July 21-22, 2024

Location TBD



OFFICE, OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENTS

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Rev. Gail Kerstetter (2025)
Rev. Mark Knapp (2025)
Rev. Debra Downs (2025)

Cindy Klein (2025) - Lay
Eric Stalnaker (2025) - Lay

Rev. David Chavista
Mrs. Monica Chavista - Lay

DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Dr. Timothy Fox, Chair
Rev. Tim Burnett
Rev. Heath Croft
Rev. Bradley Hodges
Rev. Misti Short

Monica Chavista - Celebremos (Lay)
Monica Chavista - Iglesia de Principe (Lay)
Anita Fox (Lay)
Julie Godbee (Lay)



DISTRICT BOARDS & COMMITTEES

DISTRICT CONFERENCE & AUDITING COMMITTEE

Dr. Timothy Fox
Anita Fox
Ashley Henkle (District Admin)

DISTRICT BOARD OF REVIEW

The DBA will serve as the Board of Review.

DISTRICT BUILDING COMMITTEE

The DBA Executive Committee will serve as the Building Committee.

DISTRICT BUDGET COMMITTEE

The DBA Executive Committee will serve as the Finance/Budget Committee.



GENERAL CHURCH & DISTRICT REPORTING

Each year all personnel, under ministerial appointment and not under ministerial appointment, are required to submit an annual service report and update their account in TWC Hub. Church pastors are also required to submit church year-end forms to the district office. All general church and district forms are available through the district office (office@southcoastal.org) and TWC Hub (<https://twchub.force.com/ministerialcommunity>).

DENOMINATIONAL REPORTING

ALL CREDENTIALLED PERSONNEL:

- **Annual Service Report (ASR) on TWC Hub - Report due by June 7, 2024**
 - Associate/Assistant Pastor – Serves in a South Coastal District church
 - Chaplain
 - Evangelist
 - Hispanic – Reports available on the Pastor Portal site
 - Lay Worker
 - Minister – Serves in a capacity other than in a South Coastal District church
 - Ministerial Student
 - Pastor – Lead or Solo pastor of a Crossroads District church
 - Retired Minister
- **Pastor Contact Information on TWCHub - Updated information due by June 24, 2024**
 - This should be done any time your current contact information changes.

CHURCH STAT REPORTS:

- Local Church & Statistical Report (on TWC Hub) - **Due no later than June 24, 2024**

DISTRICT/CHURCH YEARLY REPORTING

- **DATE DETAILS**
 - District & Local Church Fiscal Year: June 1 to May 31st
 - District Treasurer's Books Close: June 28th
 - Annual Local Church Conference Held by (unless given district permission to be later):
 - May 15th
- **LOCAL CHURCH FORMS - Due no later than June 24, 2024**
 - Election of Lay Delegates
 - Memorial List
 - Church Appointment Updates and/or Changes
 - Local Church Leader Updates (an online district form sent from district office)



DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

The South Coastal District includes the entirety of Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi, which splits into three zones, the Atlanta Zone, the South Georgia Zone, and the Delta Zone.

SOUTH COASTAL DISTRICT



MISSISSIPPI

ALABAMA

GEORGIA

South Coastal District of The Wesleyan Church, Inc.
Incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the States of
Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi



DISTRICT ZONES

ATLANTA ZONE CHURCHES

1. 12Stone Church, 8 Campuses in Gwinnett, Hall & Jackson Counties
2. Amor Y Vida En Cristo - Winder, GA
3. Celebremos Su Gloria Wesleyan Church - Peachtree Corners, GA
4. Decatur All Nations Community - Decatur, GA
5. First Wesleyan Church (Developing-Revitalization) - Griffin, GA
6. Revive Church (Church Plant) - Covington, GA
7. Welcome Wesleyan Church (Developing/Revitalization) - Elberton, GA
8. Wesley Chapel (Developing/Revitalization) - Greensboro, GA
9. West Town Community Church - Evans, GA
10. Winder Wesleyan Church - Winder, GA

SOUTH GEORGIA ZONE CHURCHES

1. Bethlehem Wesleyan Church - Jesup, GA
2. Coffee Wesleyan Church - Coffee, GA
3. First Wesleyan Church - Brunswick, GA
4. Gray Community Church - Gray, GA
5. Hortense Wesleyan Church - Hortense, GA
6. New Beginnings Church - Richmond Hill, GA
7. Philadelphia Wesleyan - Hortense, GA
8. Savannah Hope Wesleyan (Church Plant) - Savannah, GA



DISTRICT ZONES

DELTA ZONE CHURCHES

1. Bayou La Batre Wesleyan Church - Irvington, AL
2. Brookview Wesleyan Church - Irondale, AL
3. Genesis Church (Developing-Revitalization) - Cottondale, AL
4. First Wesleyan Church - Anniston, AL
5. Iglesia Principe De Paz - Northport, AL
6. Magnolia Springs Wesleyan Church (Restart) - Magnolia Springs, AL
7. Mentone Community Church - Mentone, AL
8. Mt Carmel Wesleyan Church - Fort Payne, AL
9. One Hope Church - Tuscaloosa, AL
10. Pursuit Church (Restart; previously Prattville Wesleyan) - Prattville, AL
11. Rocket City Church (Church Plant) - Madison, AL
12. Trinity Wesleyan Church - Jackson, MS



DISTRICT PROPERTY

The South Coastal District owns the following properties and is leasing, renting, or in transition to sell. If you have any questions about this information, please contact the District Superintendent, Timothy Fox.

ATLANTA PROPERTIES

1. 395 Research Drive, Athens, GA (Previously Oconee River)
2. 3790 NE Highway 138, Conyers, GA (Previously New Rock)

SOUTH GEORGIA ZONE PROPERTIES

1. 193 Southland Road, Americus, GA (Previously Sumter Chapel)

DELTA ZONE PROPERTIES

NONE



DIRECTORY

2023 District Conference



SOUTH COASTAL DISTRICT OF THE WESLEYAN CHURCH



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JUNE 26, 2023

23RD DISTRICT CONFERENCE

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

DISTRICT CONFERENCE AGENDA Monday, June 26, 2023

- 1:00 PM **District Conference**
Call 23rd Anniversary Conference to Order –D.S. Dr. Tim Fox
Conference Bar Established/Adoption of Agenda
Resolution from unfinished conference business & Ordinand/Commissioned
Elect/Validation
Sessions Committees Announced (Tellers, Courtesy, Editing Committees)
- 1:15 PM **Sharing by Kevin Batman** – General Treasurer & Chief Financial Office, TWC
- 1:30 PM **Vote on Changing Standing Rules**
- 1:50 PM **Full Leadership Ballot Election**
- 2:00 PM Break
- 2:15 PM **Announcement of Elections/Additional vote as needed**
- 2:20 PM **Report Vision of DS, Tim Fox to the conference for 2023-24**
Full Strength Network
Huddles & New Huddle Zoom option.
Gathering in February
District Summit
Annual Church visits
- 3:00 PM **Reports in blocks Approved**
District Clergy Care & Thrive Financial Coordinator – Dr. Deborah Huckaby
District Statistician – Andrew Short
District Properties – Dr. Dan Berry
- 3:20 PM **District Board of Ministerial Development** – Rev. Bradley Hodges
- 3:30 PM **District Auditor and Treasurer Report/Budget** – Anthony Ferrari



CONFERENCE AGENDA

DISTRICT CONFERENCE AGENDA Monday, June 26, 2023

3:40 PM **Memorial Honorarium**

3:50 PM **Commissioning of Pastors and Laity and Adjournment – Dr. Tim Fox**

4:00 to
4:30 PM **DBA Meeting with newly elected members**



CONFERENCE ROLL CALL

Name	Voting Type	Name	Voting Type
Addison, Rodney	Ministerial	Fernandez, Jose L.	Ministerial
Bartlett, Jacob	Ministerial	Fernandez, Mayra	Ministerial
Barton, Doris	Ministerial	Fox, Tim	Ministerial
Barton, Dan	Ministerial	Garvin, Alvin	Ministerial
Bedsole, Bill	Ministerial	George, Thomas	Ministerial
Bernate, Daniel	Ministerial	Glass, M.C.	Ministerial
Berry, Dan	Ministerial	Goodwin, Lisa	Ministerial
Berry, Jason	Ministerial	Haas, Zachary	Ministerial
Bissell, Russell	Ministerial	Handy, Mark	Ministerial
Boschee, Randy	Ministerial	Harrington, Phil	Excused
Bove, Christine	Ministerial	Hill, Stephen	Excused
Boyce, Harold	Ministerial	Hoard, Richard	Ministerial
Bradford, Brian	Excused	Hodges, Bradley	Ministerial
Bray, Donald	Excused	Horner, Neil	Ministerial
Burnett, Tim	Ministerial	Huckaby, Deborah	Excused
Burton, Manley	Ministerial	Huff, Chris	Ministerial
Chavista, Daniel	Ministerial	Ivy, Josh	Ministerial
Chavista, David	Ministerial	Jamieson, Randall	Ministerial
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Cox, Travis	Ministerial	Johnson, Tim	Excused
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Emery, Richard	Ministerial	Jones, Colicus	Ministerial
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Lee, Lydia	Ministerial	Smith, Justin	Ministerial
Lewis, Jonathan	Ministerial	Sparks, Steve	Ministerial
McKenzie, Laura	Ministerial	Strange, Bradley	Ministerial
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Nieman, Paul	Ministerial	Cowger, Jonathan	Non Voting
Norton, Skyler	Ministerial	Croft, Heath	Non Voting
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Olsen, Philip	Ministerial	Echols, Jordan	Non Voting
Otto, Zachary	Ministerial	Gonzalez, Esther	Non Voting
Poole, Bob	Ministerial	Haynes, Robert	Non Voting
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Burnett, Christy	Lay	Muñoz, Roque	Lay
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Conner, Matt	Lay	Perry, Chuck	Lay
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Croft, Hayley	Lay	Phillips, Cindy	Lay
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Duke, Tom	Lay	Pierson, Wesley	Lay
Ewards, Denise	Lay	Powell, Kimberly	Lay
Godbee, Julie	Lay	Pruitt, Hershell	Lay
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Hilyer, Matthew	Lay	Sealy, Robert	Lay



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Strissel, Shanais	Lay	Walls, Brittni	Lay
Taylor, Danny	Lay	Walls, Doug	Lay
Tidmore, Cindy	Lay		



CONFERENCE MINUTES

South Coastal District of The Wesleyan Church 2023 District Conference Minutes

Monday, June 26, 2023

District Conference Opening and Adoption of Agenda

- The conference was called to order by D.S. Dr. Tim Fox who welcomed the delegates and guests to the conference. The Conference bar was established and a motion was made, and seconded, to adopt the agenda for District Conference.
- A resolution was made by the District Secretary that all unfinished business be placed in the hands of the DBA. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- D.S. Tim Fox made an announcement regarding tellers and the electronic voting system

Address from Denomination Headquarters

- On behalf of the General Superintendent, Kevin Batman, shared greetings from the denomination as well as presented a video from the General Superintendent, Wayne Schmidt.

Vote on Updating the Standing Rules

- Dr. Tim Fox highlighted the changes in the standing rules. There was some discussion about section numbers. The district office will make the changes to assure the section numbers are correct. There was a motion and second to approve the changes in the standing rules.

Ballot and Voting

- The District Secretary, Josh Woods, instructed the conference on the electronic ballot system and explained the roles of the tellers and helpers available in the room. The ballots/nominations were read by the District Secretary. There were 81 eligible delegates present at conference for voting.
- Nominating committee - The initial ballot was spoiled as there should be two Monica Chavista's submitted for voting and there was a revote electing with corrected names.



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South Coastal District of The Wesleyan Church 2023 District Conference Minutes

Monday, June 26, 2023

Announcement of elections (*results listed later in minutes*)

Report and Vision of DS, Tim Fox to the conference for 2023-2024

- Dr. Tim Fox shared his vision and excitement about the extended call and the future of the district. This included:
 - Full Strength Network
 - Huddles & New Huddle Zoom call option
 - Pastors Gathering (in February 2024)
 - District Summit (in October 2023)
 - Annual Church visits

Reports in blocks approved

- District Clergy Care & Thrive Financial Coordinator - Dr. Deborah Huckaby
- District Statistician - Andrew Short
- District Properties - Dr. Dan Berry

District Board of Ministerial Development Report by Rev. Bradley Hodges

- Rev. Hodges discussed report and highlighted 2023 Ordinations and Ministerial Appointment.
- Report and ministerial appointments were reviewed, approved, seconded and unanimously approved.



CONFERENCE MINUTES

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District Auditor and Treasurer Report/Budget

- District Treasurer, Anthony Ferrari, shared the treasurer's report from the stage. A motion was made, seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

Review of Memorials

- A moment was taken to review and honor the list of those in the district who had passed away this year was read by Rev. Josh Woods and closed this time with prayer.

Installation of newly elected Officers, Boards, and Leadership

- D.S. Tim Fox and Kevin Bateman installed and commissioned the newly elected leaders of the South Coastal District.

Commissioning of Pastors and Laity by DS, Tim Fox

- Motion was made and seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn district conference.

Adjournment



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Election Results

District Superintendent: Elected (1) to extended call - Rev. Tim Fox

District Secretary: Elected (1) - Rev. Josh Woods

District Board of Administration: Elected 1 (Lay) to a 3-year term - Cindy Klein (New Beginnings)

District Board of Administration: Elected 1 (Ministerial) to a 3-year term - Rev. Brian Bradford (Rocket City)

District Nominating Committee: Elected 4 (Lay) - Monica Chavista (Celebremos Su Gloria), Monica Chavista-Mora (Iglesia Principe), Anita Fox (District), and Julie Godbee (Wesley Chapel)

District Nominating Committee: Elected 4 (Ministerial) - Rev. Heath Croft (Mentone), Rev. Bradley Hodges (One Hope), Rev. Misti Short (One Hope), and Rev. Tim Burnett (Trinity)



COMMITTEE JOURNAL EDITING

We, the Conference Journal Editing Committee have reviewed and edited the minutes of the 2023 South Coastal District Conference of The Wesleyan Church and certify them to be correct.

Committee: Dr. Tim Fox and Ashley Henkle

Statement of Certification

We the undersigned officers, duly elected by the South Coastal District Conference of The Wesleyan Church, do hereby certify that, in our opinion, the printed and electronic copies of the minutes of the proceedings of said District Conference held in Duluth, Georgia, on June 25-26, 2023, to which this statement is bound, is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the said sessions.

This is valid only when signed by the District Superintendent and the District Secretary. Dated this 31st day of August 2023.

Dr. Tim Fox
District Superintendent

Rev. Josh Woods
District Secretary



REPORTS

2023 District Conference



SOUTH COASTAL DISTRICT OF THE WESLEYAN CHURCH



DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT



To our General Superintendent, Dr. Wayne Schmidt, General Treasurer, Kevin Batman, Members of the District Board of Administration, pastors, delegates, and friends:

Serving as your district superintendent for a second year has continued to be a tremendous honor. It has been a remarkable joy to stand with you to reach people with the Gospel, make disciples, and multiply.

I am grateful to Anita, Noah, and Sophia for your support and flexibility as we have embraced this ministry adventure together. Thank you to 12Stone Buford for providing our family a place to connect, worship, and grow in relative anonymity.

Ashley Henkle continues as an indispensable ministry partner as our district administrator. She brings expertise and organization to a role that few can do well. I am incredibly grateful for her work developing new systems, keeping me on track, orchestrating our events, and serving you well.

Thank you to the district team of leaders. Bradley Hodges, Anita Fox, Debbie Huckaby, and Dan Berry have come together to do exceptional work serving you. They make it possible for me to focus on serving pastors and churches.

A special thanks is owed to Debbie Huckaby for her extended impact on the district. As she retires, we honor and celebrate her impact on so many.

As I travel the district, spending time in our churches and meeting with pastors, leaders, and boards, I am inspired by the remarkable and significant things God is doing in our district. I see beautiful stories of outward-focused ministry, life transformation, calling, courageous risk-taking, revitalization, restart, and new faith communities exist. We desire to see the spirit of God continue to empower and send us into every zip code throughout our region. Toward that end, the district team and the District Board have graciously created the space for me to focus my energy on developing new ideas, investing in pastors and churches, and recruiting leaders. Over these two years, I have loved leading us to become a district of healthy and multiplying leaders, churches, and church plants.

Healthy Multiplying Leaders:

We continue to invest heavily in the development of our pastors and leaders. Each one is called, equipped, gifted, and sent into their communities for the sake of all those God loves and the good of the kingdom.

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Healthy Multiplying Leaders (Continued):

Sometimes, that investment looks like availability. The availability to take a phone call to discuss challenges, opportunities, or ideas in ministry. Sometimes being available is answering spiritual questions and providing guidance or pastoral care. Sometimes that availability means meeting with pastors, boards, or churches during unexpected crises.

We invest in our pastors by providing every lead pastor a Full-Strength Network membership and discounted rates to churches that provide it for their staff members. Full Strength Network provides members with face-to-face counseling or coaching and peer huddles. Additionally, FSN provides respite referrals, a mindfulness check-in app, and on-demand well-being content.

We invest in our pastors and leaders through an annual Pastor's Gathering in Georgia. This event is designed to engage the pastor's heart, mind, and spirit with encouragement and tools to accomplish the vision they have received from God. This year's Pastor's Gathering was free to all pastors and staff in the district. It included worship and teachings from Nick Newman, Dr. Wayne Schmidt, Dan Reiland, and Kevin Meyers that challenged us to embrace our calling to spiritual leadership.

We invest in our pastors through group coaching huddles in Alabama and Georgia. Twice in the fall and at least three times in the spring, all the pastors in the district are invited to gather with me and other pastors for support, accountability, and idea sharing. It has proven to be a greenhouse for fresh thinking and ideas while providing the invaluable connection for the pastors who participate. In addition to this in-person huddles, we will experiment with a Zoom huddle for bi-vocational pastors across the district.

In addition to periodic, unscheduled coaching moments, I have engaged two groups of pastors in intentional group coaching from September to May. Pastors new to the district work with me in monthly Zoom meetings with a dual focus. We walk through *Rethinking Church* one chapter per month and discuss what they are learning and what they are doing in their local church ministry. I also coach a group of pastors leading turn-around churches that have the potential to break through their next barrier. We read a different book together each month and discuss the lessons and activities it inspired in their ministries.

This year, I worked with WIF and Selah Leaders to create two retreat opportunities in October for up to 15 of our pastors and 15 church planters across the movement. They will enjoy three days in a lakeside home in the mountains of North Carolina. The retreat consists of time for rest, teaching on identity, rest, and rhythms, and a guided fly fishing trip. The best part is that the cost of the trip has been paid for through our partnerships.

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Healthy Multiplying Leaders (Continued):

We also invested in our new church planters and church re-starters by providing specialized coaching for the first two years of their new ministry. We partner with experienced, top-tier, planters who can pour into our planters and help them stay the course through the troubled waters of church planting.

We will continue to invest in our pastors in this way while adding networking opportunities for the South Coastal District Women, a Hispanic Ministries Director who will lead a monthly Hispanic pastor monthly Huddle working through *RePensar La Iglesia* while supporting and encouraging one another, and a Zoom huddle for our many bi-vocational and co-vocational pastors.

Healthy Multiplying Churches:

As we pour into the development of healthy, multiplying leaders, those leaders, in turn, develop healthy, multiplying churches. However, we recognize that leading change is always challenging and ongoing. In my role, I look for situations and opportunities to invest time, energy, or resources into the churches that are actively working to change, grow, or multiply.

As a district, we have partnered with churches in the last two years through events, consultations, crisis support, guidance when a church faces decisions about its future, and walking through pastoral transitions. This year, I have walked with two churches facing significant crises. Due to the fantastic leadership of their pastors, I believe that each of these churches is stronger now than they were before the crisis.

Last fall, we partnered with the One Hope Church, Pursuit Church, and the Malphurs Group to create an event for every pastor, leader, and volunteer in our churches. The annual fall Summit is when we come together as a district to worship, pray, and learn. This event helped leaders and churches to clarify their vision, mission, outreach, and discipleship with times of teaching and group discussion led by the president of the Malphurs Group, a church consulting ministry founded by renowned church leader Aubrey Malphurs.

We placed new pastors at Griffin First Wesleyan and Wesley Chapel. Two of our small churches have experienced renewal through new leadership in the last year. God has raised up pastors that are excited, ready, and called into these communities, and the churches have responded to the Holy Spirit. They are experiencing renewed outward focus, joy in worship, new ministries, and financial resources for ministry.

A consultation was recently conducted with New Beginnings in Richmond Hill. Richmond Hill is a rapidly growing area outside of Savannah. The church explored it's current ministry, strategy, and

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Healthy Multiplying Churches (Continued):

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Our two restarts in Alabama, Pursuit Church, and Genesis Church, have continued down their path toward new life and ministry. Each of them took significant new steps this year. Pursuit added a second service on Sunday mornings. Genesis Church added a new worship leader to their team. The two churches have celebrated people getting saved, baptized, and disciplined this year. The best is yet to come!

We continue to see forward focus from many of our churches as they seek God's calling, power, and push into what He has for them.

- **12Stone Church** launched a new campus in Jackson County and planted a City Pastor in Charleston with plans for an additional campus and church plants.
- **One Hope** has invested in several churches across the district while see God bless their new young adult ministry and multiply their impact in both worship and disciple-making.
- **Welcome Wesleyan** rebranded and refocused and has seen God increase their worship, allowing them to see people saved and baptized this last year.
- **Principe De Paz** is packing out their space and dreaming of increased impact in their community and beyond. They recently partnered with Genesis Church to implement a shared Spanish-speaking work in Cottdale, AL.
- **Trinity Wesleyan** continues to have an outsized impact in Byram, MS, through a rapidly growing Celebrate Recovery ministry. Holy Spirit is moving in this church, calling several to ministry this year and preparing them for a multiplying impact in the future.
- **Celebremos Su Gloria** is working on an expansion to their facility that will double its worship space, increase its partnership with an international Hispanic worship training ministry, and provide room for its church family, now squeezing into a room too small for them.
- **Revive Church** has been revived with a Spirit of discipleship and outreach through the development of their new Wesleyan Class meetings.
- Our south Georgia churches, including **Bethlehem, Hortense, Philadelphia, and others**, work together to manage and host a Wesleyan Holiness Camp meeting in July each year. The camp meeting ministers to kids, teens, and families annually through age-specific ministries, worship, and teaching.

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Healthy Multiplying Churches (Continued):

These are just some of the stories. I know there are stories of Holy Spirit movement and transformation in nearly every church from the coast to Mississippi. I am proud of you, and I pray that God will continue to call, empower, and send us into this mission field we call home.

Healthy Multiplying Church Plants:

We have on us a shared mandate to witness the gospel of Jesus Christ in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. We cannot simply huddle up and wait for Jesus to return and take us out of this world. His love for both creation and the inhabitants of this world is abundantly clear. We are there for sent to multiply to become the church in every zip code our territory. We have such a target-rich environment that there is no shortage of opportunity.

In recent years, we have seen God plant Rocket City Church in the Huntsville/Madison area. This multi-generational ARC-style plant is innovative, creative, and relational. They have seen God do remarkably transforming work in individuals and the church. We celebrate this growing, thriving new congregation that is reaching people for Jesus.

Savannah Hope and Dad's Donuts has taken remarkable steps forward in the last year with their innovative approach to entrepreneurship and planting as a family. The Neary Family is a living embodiment of the ministry God has called them to in Savannah. Together they serve, witness, worship, and reach out through their business and church family. It is remarkable how God is funding this mission through Donuts.

This year we launched Oasis Church in Cordele, GA. This Spanish speaking church began as a small group or micro-church connected to Sumter Chapel in Americus, GA. What began as a handful of people studying the word in a living room is now a vibrant Spanish-speaking congregation that looks a lot like Acts 2:42-47 with their commitment to worship, breaking of bread, and meeting needs.

Last June, Josh, and Jordan Echols moved their family to Gray, GA. Gray is a small town of about 3500 people outside of Macon. Drawn by the need for a church that would reach their generation and the call of God to start that church, they went. They launched community groups and served. They launched public worship in April, with four people saved and three baptized on their first Sunday morning. They are already dreaming about the next church that their church will launch in central Georgia.

God is still on the move, and we have work to do.

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Healthy Multiplying Church Plants (Continued):

I am disturbed in my soul by the fact that we, a denomination literally started to be a part of ending slavery and racism, do not have a significant presence in places like Atlanta, Birmingham, and Montgomery. I am sad that we do not have more churches reaching our black brothers and sisters throughout Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi. Especially those in urban settings, where the church is so desperately needed.

So, we are going to do something about that problem. We have brought Troy Evans onto our district team for the next two years to help us develop an Urban Planting Network. The work will start in the urban areas in and around Atlanta and expand from there. Together, with God's help, we will begin to reach a more beautifully diverse group of people residing in our home than ever before. We will go into Judea and Samaria. God is already building this team and gathering his messengers with multiple interested planters and one already in the assessment and strategizing phase. I can't wait to see what Holy Spirit is going to do.

Additionally, we have planters called to Columbus, Georgia. The couple is currently in the assessment and strategizing phase. God has called them, empowered them, and will soon send them into Columbus with a fresh vision and purpose. I believe we will see God launch a new Wesleyan Church in Columbus.

We are working with Magnolia Springs Wesleyan Church to move them into Foley, GA, and restart as a new outward-focused, healthy, and multiplying congregation. The property in Magnolia Springs, Alabama, is under contract, and the congregation is in prayer and preparation mode. We believe the best is yet to come in southern Alabama.

Every one of us can be healthy and multiply. Every church can get healthy and multiply. You can start right where you are. You may not be called, empowered, and sent to move into a new area and plant a church. But you are a part of people called, empowered, and sent. You can join in the mission through your prayers, encouragement, and financial support of any size. God is calling, empowering, and sending all of us for the glory of the kingdom and the sake of the people he loves.

Together we go,

Dr. Timothy Fox
District Superintendent



TREASURER

Treasurers' Report to District Conference

June 26, 2023

District Stewardship

During this past fiscal year, 18 of 30 churches (60%) paid their assessments in full. This helped us to bring in 88.8% of our budgeted assessment income. These resources allowed us to support churches, church plants, and restarts that continue to flourish. We shared stories of life change at Easter as our churches filled with guests and firmly put COVID behind us.

FYE23

As we review the past year, we see that over 60% of our actual costs went directly to local and Wesleyan support. We leveraged our cash reserves to generously support church plants and pastors in the South Coastal territory with over \$250K going to Local Support. We sold two properties this year contributing to the \$806,908 in other income. As a result of these sales, we have a net operating income of \$452,472. As we look to next year, our district continues to have a strong foundation with total cash assets of \$2,356,078.

FYE24

Our FYE24 budget contains several shifts worth understanding. While expenses are only set to increase by \$7,218, our income makeup is impacted by reduced assessment income at \$502,977 and increased interest income at \$130,434. These changes result in a budget net operating income of \$33,327 for the year.

For His Glory,

Anthony Ferrari

Anthony C. Ferrari
District Treasurer



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South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church Balance Sheet As of May 31, 2023

ASSETS

Bank Accounts

10000 Checking - Bank of America - 9314	301,250.62
10001 Savings - Bank of America - 0974	5,667.43
10010 Savings - WIF - General - 400	108,685.65
10011 Savings - WIF - R Hicks Scholarship - 10924	46,347.61
10012 Savings - WIF - Harvest Partners - 5765	91,455.29
10013 Savings - WIF - Ethnic Church Planting - 5164	175.83
10014 Savings - WIF - Endowment - 3226	323,578.36
10015 Savings - WIF - Property - 2772	1,477,948.62
10100 Cash - Petty	968.33

Total Bank Accounts

\$ 2,356,077.74

Fixed Assets

15000 PP&E - Building	204,282.50
15009 PP&E - Vehicles	51,529.00
15100 PP&E - Accumulated Depreciation	-1,840.32

Total Fixed Assets

\$ 253,971.18

16000 Loans Receivable

497,974.74

TOTAL ASSETS

\$ 3,108,023.66

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Liabilities

20000 Accounts Payable	46,340.48
22000 Escrow Payable	1,288.47
26000 Loan Payable	199,271.81

Total Liabilities

\$ 246,900.76

Equity

30000 Net Assets	2,408,650.59
Net Income	452,472.31

Total Equity

\$ 2,861,122.90

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

\$ 3,108,023.66



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South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church Budget vs. Actuals: FYE23 June 2022 - May 2023

	Actual	Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Income				
Income - Assessment	\$ 535,512	\$ 559,122	\$ (23,611)	-4%
Income - Other	\$ 806,908	\$ 33,744	\$ 773,164	2291%
Total Income	\$ 1,342,420	\$ 592,867	\$ 749,553	126%
Expenses				
Personnel & Contractors	\$ 205,829	\$ 208,569	\$ (2,740)	-1%
Operations	\$ 144,102	\$ 62,582	\$ 81,520	130%
Local Training	\$ 8,885	\$ 10,000	\$ (1,115)	-11%
Local Support	\$ 251,735	\$ 20,000	\$ 231,735	1159%
Wesleyan USF & EIF	\$ 279,397	\$ 291,716	\$ (12,319)	-4%
Total Expenses	\$ 889,948	\$ 592,867	\$ 297,081	50%
Net Operating Income	\$ 452,472	\$ (0)	\$ 452,472	



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South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church FYE24 Budget June 2023 - May 2024

	FYE22		FYE23		
	Actual	Budget	Proposed	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Income					
Income - Assessment	\$ 535,512	\$ 559,122	\$ 502,977	\$ 56,145	10%
Income - Other	\$ 806,908	\$ 33,744	\$ 130,434	\$ (96,690)	-287%
Total Income	\$ 1,342,420	\$ 592,867	\$ 633,411	\$ (40,545)	-7%
Expenses					
Personnel & Contractors	\$ 205,829	\$ 208,569	\$ 233,841	\$ (25,272)	-12%
Operations	\$ 144,102	\$ 62,582	\$ 85,530	\$ (22,949)	-37%
Local Training	\$ 8,885	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	0%
Local Support	\$ 251,735	\$ 20,000	\$ 17,876	\$ 2,124	11%
Wesleyan USF & EIF	\$ 279,397	\$ 291,716	\$ 252,837	\$ 38,879	13%
Total Expenses	\$ 889,948	\$ 592,867	\$ 600,084	\$ (7,218)	-1%
Net Operating Income	\$ 452,472	\$ (0)	\$ 33,327	\$ (33,327)	



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South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church Assessment Report: FYE23 June 2022 - May 2023

	Actual	Budget	Variance	% of Budget
12Stone Church	180,000.00	180,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Amor y Vida En Cristo	2,898.00	2,898.00	0.00	100.00%
Bayou La Batre Wesleyan Church	3,000.00	6,285.79	-3,285.79	47.73%
Bethlehem Wesleyan Church	3,895.86	3,895.86	0.00	100.00%
Brookview Wesleyan Church	14,371.04	20,402.50	-6,031.46	70.44%
Celebremos Su Gloria Wesleyan Church	11,166.73	11,166.73	0.00	100.00%
Coffee Wesleyan Church	2,959.76	2,959.76	0.00	100.00%
Decatur All Nations Community Church	5,174.16	5,174.20	-0.04	100.00%
First Wesleyan Church of Anniston	4,557.82	7,470.98	-2,913.16	61.01%
First Wesleyan Church of Brunswick	5,848.00	6,688.75	-840.75	87.43%
First Wesleyan Church of Griffin	7,911.16	4,019.94	3,891.22	196.80%
Genesis Church	2,236.80	2,236.75	0.05	100.00%
Hortense Wesleyan Church	6,415.42	6,960.00	-544.58	92.18%
Iglesia Principe de Paz	8,094.76	8,443.07	-348.31	95.87%
Magnolia Springs Wesleyan Church	6,823.84	12,965.56	-6,141.72	52.63%
Mentone Community Church	31,137.98	31,137.98	0.00	100.00%
Mt Carmel Wesleyan Church	10,580.04	10,580.00	0.04	100.00%
New Beginnings Community Church	35,290.08	35,290.05	0.03	100.00%
Oconee River Wesleyan Church	9,268.91	15,889.56	-6,620.65	58.33%
One Hope Church	129,753.90	129,753.96	-0.06	100.00%
Philadelphia Wesleyan Church	2,041.83	2,041.80	0.03	100.00%
Pursuit Church	4,811.49	3,590.64	1,220.85	134.00%
Revive Church	4,608.86	4,608.84	0.02	100.00%
Rocket City Church	2,562.00	2,562.00	0.00	100.00%
Sumter Chapel Church		6,527.28	-6,527.28	0.00%
Trinity Wesleyan Church	10,427.34	18,319.20	-7,891.86	56.92%
Welcome Wesleyan Church	3,188.03	3,188.04	-0.01	100.00%
Wesley Chapel Wesleyan Church		3,285.24	-3,285.24	0.00%
West Town Community Church		26,936.52	-26,936.52	0.00%
Winder Wesleyan Church	16,267.36	16,266.48	0.88	100.01%
TOTAL	\$ 525,291.17	\$ 591,545.48	-\$ 66,254.31	88.80%



TREASURER

South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church Assessment Report: FYE24 June 2023 - May 2024

	Assessable Income	Yearly Assessment	Monthly Assessment
12Stone Church	32,179,478.00	185,786.38	15,482.20
Amor y Vida En Cristo	24,870.00	2,875.47	239.62
Bayou La Batre Wesleyan Church	71,682.00	8,287.87	690.66
Bethlehem Wesleyan Church	40,580.00	4,691.86	390.99
Brookview Wesleyan Church	146,549.00	16,944.00	1,412.00
Celebremos Su Gloria Wesleyan Church	79,260.00	9,164.04	763.67
Coffee Wesleyan Church	30,381.00	3,512.65	292.72
Decatur All Nations Community Church	45,147.00	5,219.90	434.99
First Wesleyan Church of Anniston	43,196.00	4,994.32	416.19
First Wesleyan Church of Brunswick	50,852.00	5,879.51	489.96
First Wesleyan Church of Griffin	70,686.00	8,172.72	681.06
Genesis Church (<i>Restart - Year 3</i>)	75,083.00	4,340.55	361.71
Gray Community Church (<i>Plant - Year 1</i>)	77,082.00	0.00	0.00
Hortense Wesleyan Church	50,986.00	5,895.00	491.25
Iglesia Principe de Paz	70,489.00	8,149.94	679.16
Magnolia Springs Wesleyan Church	85,028.00	9,830.94	819.24
Mentone Community Church	221,179.00	25,572.72	2,131.06
Mt. Carmel Wesleyan Church	80,000.00	9,249.60	770.80
New Beginnings Community Church	277,957.00	32,137.39	2,678.12
One Hope Church	917,777.00	98,011.89	8,167.66
Philadelphia Wesleyan Church	19,350.00	2,237.25	186.44
Pursuit Church (<i>Restart - Year 3</i>)	154,895.00	8,954.48	746.21
Revive Church	39,294.00	4,543.17	378.60
Rocket City Church (<i>Plant - Year 3</i>)	426,736.00	24,669.61	2,055.80
Savannah Hope Wesleyan Church (<i>Plant - Year 2</i>)	20,402.00	589.72	49.14
Trinity Wesleyan Church	130,814.00	15,124.71	1,260.39
Welcome Wesleyan Church	32,085.00	3,709.67	309.14
Wesley Chapel Wesleyan Church	50,000.00	5,781.00	481.75
West Town Community Church	240,538.00	27,811.00	2,317.58
Winder Wesleyan Church	144,667.00	16,726.40	1,393.87
TOTAL	\$ 35,897,043.00 \$	\$ 558,863.76 \$	\$ 46,571.98



DISTRICT AUDIT

SOUTH COASTAL DISTRICT OF THE WESLEYAN CHURCH
DISTRICT AUDIT REPORT
FISCAL YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 2023

General Conference
South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church which comprise the statement of financial position as of May 31, 2023 and the related statement of activities. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church as of May 31, 2023.

In His Service,

Misti Short
District Auditor



DISTRICT CLERGY CARE



To District Superintendent, Dr. Tim Fox, and Members of the District Board of Administration, pastors, delegates, and friends:

The Wesleyan Church, Education and Clergy Development division, under the leadership of Johanna Rugh, is committed to helping Wesleyan clergy “to be healthy, fit and effective from the beginning of the call to the completion of the ministry to transform lives, churches and communities through the hope and holiness of Jesus Christ.” This is the basis for the Clergy Care role in the South Coastal District of The Wesleyan Church.

As the District Clergy Care Coordinator, my responsibility and my heart-felt desire has been to come along side pastors and their families with resources to meet needs in six domains of well-being: spiritual, emotional, relational, physical, intellectual, and financial. Resources, such as professional counseling, emergency/health crisis assistance, educational funds, retreats and coaching, are available and strictly confidential.

This past year, I have communicated clergy care resources to South Coastal District clergy via email, cards, and telephone calls. These resources included enrolling 36 district pastors/staff memberships in the Full Strength Network. Additionally, I have attended services in area churches, met with pastors and spouses, attended leaders’ huddle events, facilitated zoom meetings for the purpose of supporting women clergy and DBMD candidates. Most importantly, I have prayed with and for pastors and spouses throughout the entire year.

I have been blessed to serve in this capacity for the past seven years, but now I find it is time to retire. I will always cherish the relationships I have been afforded and will continue to hold the South Coastal District pastors and their families in my prayer.

Respectfully Submitted
Dr. Debbie Huckaby
District Clergy Care Coordinator



THRIVE FINANCIAL INITIATIVE



To District Superintendent, Dr. Tim Fox, and members of the District Board of Administration, pastors, delegates, and friends:

The Thrive Financial Initiative (TFI), a program of the Education and Clergy Development Division of The Wesleyan Church aims to promote thriving clergy, thriving congregations, and thriving communities by assisting pastors to overcome economic challenges that affect ministry effectiveness. The pastor and key lay leaders in a local church collaborate to provide extra funds or resources to support the pastor. Then together they complete the required financial learning journeys and receive a matching grant.

This past year The Wesleyan Church revised and simplified the learning journeys, ended the role of the Thrive Financial Coordinator, and redirected the administrative responsibilities to the District Offices. Pastors interested in Thrive Financial opportunities should contact the District office for more information.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Debbie Huckaby

Thrive Financial Coordinator



BOARD OF MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT



It was a busy spring for DBMD. We hosted ministerial students, licensed pastors, and supply pastors in April for their annual DBMD Interviews at Celebremos Su Gloria in Norcross, GA.

Below is a snapshot of the time spent together.

- DBMD Board consisted of 13 Ordained Pastors and Lay Leaders from around our district.
- We conducted 25 interviews throughout Thursday evening and Friday.
- We unanimously recommended three candidates for Ordination and three additional candidates to validate their existing Ordination. All six candidates will be ordained at District Conference.
- We voted to extend a Pastoral License credential to 6 pastors.
- Welcomed four candidates into the credentialing process and granted all four the status of Ministerial Student.

Our time together at the annual interviews was fruitful and rewarding, not only for the students but for our team as well. I speak for the entire team when I say that we enjoy every moment of our time with these students and pastors. It is a joy and an honor to walk with them through this process, to encourage them, and to pray with them. We pray that each student leaves with a renewed sense of calling, a full heart, and a clear purpose to continue their path toward Ordination.

Over this last year and moving into the coming year, our goal is simple, to proceed with patience. We recognize that education is changing, not only around higher ed but also within our denomination. We aim to weather the changing landscape and help our students navigate the changes to pursue their calling efficiently and effectively. A new pathway within ECD allows for a terminal pastoral license credential. There is a new method for achieving credit for Supervised Ministry, and there is a change in the courses required for a pastoral license. These are just a few changes included in the new Manual of Ministerial Preparation, which has been long overdue for updates. Regardless of future changes, our goal as a district remains the same – to support and equip our students and to protect and ensure the longevity of our pulpits and churches. We achieve this goal through our interviews, education, and wiring/gifts assessment of each student.

Pray for our students as they continue to pursue their calling and pray for this team as we continue to support and equip each of them.

Respectfully,
Bradley Hodges
DBMD Chairperson



BOARD OF MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

Members of District Board of Ministerial Development:

Rev. Bradley Hodges, Chair, Dr. Debbie Huckaby, Rev. Chris Huff, Rev. Mark Knap, Rev. Debra Downs, Mrs. Cindy Klein, Dr. Dan Barton, Mr. Eric Stalnaker, Rev. David Chavista (Hispanic); Mrs. Monica Chavista (Hispanic)

Unable to attend: Rev. Gail Kerstetter and Rev. Bob Kerstetter

Report #1: Interviews

Interviews with the following:

1. Ordination Candidates: Jordan Echols, Josh Echols, Ciara McKinney

2. Validation of Ordination: N. Heath Croft, Robert Haynes, Scott Strissel

3. Commissioned Minister Candidate: None

4. Ordained Minister in Process of Transfer: Richard Kitchens

5. Licensed Ministers:

Jacob Bartlett	Esther Gonzalez	Laura McKenzie
Jose Lois Fernandez	Josh Ivy	
Mayra Fernandez	Colicus Jones	

6. Licensed Minister in Process of Transfer: None

7. Ministerial Student Candidates:

David Hendricks	Jessica Phillips
Ashley Henkle	Gloria Yi

8. Ministerial Students:

Jonathan Cowger	Sorelyss McGinty
Josh Lindsey	Lucinda Murray

9. Licensed Special Workers: None



BOARD OF MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

Report #1: Interviews (*Continued*)

10. Supply Pastors:

Roger Bowers
Donny Hilyer

Did NOT attend interview appointment:

Liliana Galvis Fernando Padilla
Lucinda Murray

Did NOT attend interview and withdrawn from program:

Heaven Bordelon Matt McMinn
Paul Jones Cesar Riano

REPORT #2: Annual Service Reports

The findings of the District Board of Ministerial Development Committee are as follows:

A. SATISFACTORY SERVICE REPORTS:

- Pastoral*

Rodney Addison	George Clackum	Donny Hilyer	Benny Rowell
Jason Berry	Travis Cox	Richard Kitchens	Steven Sparks
Roger Bowers	Nicholas Croft	Stephen Lane	Bradley Strange Sr.
Brian Bradford	Jordan Echols	Joshua Lindsey	Dan Vander Wal
Tim Burnett	Josh Echols	Gregory Moore	Mark Wilcox
Manley Burton	Mayra Fernandez	Scott Moore	Josh Woods
Daniel Chavista	Jose Luis Fernandez	Kevin Myers	
David Chavistá	Phil Harrington	Tom Neary	

- Assistant/Associate*

Jacob Bartlett	Josh Ivy	Jonathan Lewis	Dan Reiland
Debra Downs	Colicus Jones	Laura McKenzie	Scott Shearon
Zachary Haas	Bob Kerstetter	Ciara McKinney	Misti Short
Bradley Hodges	Mark Knap	Skyler Norton	Donna Whitten
Chris Huff	Jeremy Lacey	Zachary Otto	



BOARD OF MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

REPORT #2: Annual Service Reports (*Continued*)

The findings of the District Board of Ministerial Development Committee are as follows:

A. SATISFACTORY SERVICE REPORTS:

- *Minister*

Christine Bove	Mark Handy	Douglas Lane	Heather Semple
Coyt Carroll	Robert Haynes	Cory Lebovitz	Jeff Semple
Richard Emery	Deborah Huckaby	Cami Lebovitz	Richard Smith
Thomas Ensz	Randall Jamieson	Lydia Lee	Justin Smith
Grace Ensz	Donald Johnson	Steven Moore	Scott Strissel
Timothy Fox	Timothy Johnson	David O'Donnell	Michael Sytsma
Esther Gonzalez	Gail Kerstetter	Philip Olsen	

- *Chaplain*

Amber Kunkel	Neil Horner	Thomas George
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- *Retired*

Doris Barton	Jarvis Ferguson	William Rainey	John Vaughan
Daniel Barton	Lisa Goodwin	Kerry Rainey	
Dan Berry	Stephen Hill	Robin Ritchie	
Russell Bissell	Richard Hoard	Rick Shockley	
Randall Boschee	Wendell Jones	Timothy Tabler	
Donald Bray	Tommy J. Neyman	Randy Tindall	

- *Ministerial Student*

Lucinda Murray	Jonathan Cowger	Sorelyss McGinty
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BOARD OF MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

REPORT #2: Annual Service Reports (*continued*)

B. NO REPORT FILED

- *Excusable*

David Bane Matt McMinn Doug Walls

- *Inexcusable*

Bill Bedsole Caleb Jones Tom Parsons Jr
Daniel Bernate Timothy Miller Bob Poole
Harold Boyce Donna Myers Jamey Richardson
Alvin Garvin Paul Neiman

REPORT #3: Reception, Restoration, Commissioning and Licensing

- **We recommend for Ordination:** Jordan Echols, Jordan Echols, Ciara McKinney

- **We recommend for Transfer of Ordination from other Denomination:**

N. Heath Croft Robert Haynes Scott Strissel

- **We recommend for Restoration:** None

- **We recommend for Commissioned Minister:** None

- **We recommend for Ordained Minister in Process of Transfer:** Richard Kitchens

- **We recommend renewal of Licensed Minister to:**

Jacob Bartlett Mayra Fernandez Josh Ivy Laura McKenzie
Jose L. Fernandez Esther Gonzales Colicus Jones

- **We recommend granting Licensed Minister to:** None



BOARD OF MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

REPORT #3: Reception, Restoration, Commissioning and Licensing (*Continued*)

- **We recommend renewal of Ministerial Student license to:**
 Johnathan Cowger Josh Lindsey Sorelyss McGinty Lucinda Murray
- **We recommend granting Ministerial Student license to:**
 David Hendricks Ashley Henkle Gloria Yi
- **We recommend the transfer of Ministerial Student license to:** None
- **We recommend granting Ministerial Student license pending upcoming interview:** None
- **We recommend the following students pursue Personal Enrichment track with the privilege of reapplying in the future via their local board and interview with the DBMD.**
 None
- **We verify that the following Supply Pastors reported to the DBMD committee this year:**
 Roger Bowers Donny Hilyer
- **We recommend the following be placed on an “inactive” status with the privilege of reapplying for active status and credentials due to being unable to attend interview appointment(s):**
 Cesar Riano Paul Jones
- **We recommend the following be placed on a “discontinued” status with the privilege of reapplying for active status and credentials due to the inability to attend interview appointment(s) and no response after being inactive for one year or at their own request:**
 Matt McMinn

Respectfully submitted,
 Rev. Bradley Hodges, Chairman



BOARD OF MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

Transfers/Licensing/Deceased

I. Transfers:

A. Transfers into the district:

Bryan Purvis

B. Transfers out of the district:

Drew Anderson

Priscilla Hammond

Coyt Carroll

Liliana Galvis

Fernando Padilla

C. In process of transfer into the district:

D. In process of transfer out of the district: None

Heather Semple, Jeff Semple

II. Removed

A. Timed out of Ordained Minister w/o appointment: None

III. Withdrew

A. Withdrew from The Wesleyan Church:

David Bane

Sean Myers

Angela Scully

Heaven Bordelon

Cesar Riano

Paul Jones

Ronald Stayman

IV. Deceased

A. Ordained Ministers: William Peed

B. Supply Pastors: None

C. Special Workers: None



DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee met Saturday May 7, 2022 via ZOOM. The meeting was held from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM with a time of prayer. The chairman took time to review the process as well as the biblical qualifications for service to these positions. The chairman explained that Ministerial = ordained ministers in TWC and Laity = no ministerial license/category.

Attendance: Chair: Dr. Tim Fox

Ministerial: Rev. Steve Lane, Rev. Deborah Huckaby, Rev. Josh Woods, Rev. Brian Bradford

Lay: Jim Crowe, Brenda Miles, Cindy Klein, Rachel Hughes

Reviewed:

- Spiritual Leadership Guidelines Review, review of our assignment - Disc. 1172
- Review present district leadership in the District Journal 2022
- DBA recommendations

1. DBA APPOINTMENTS: (June 2023 DBA Meeting)

- **Treasurer (lay)** - Anthony Ferrari

2. District Secretary: (elect 1) Disc. 1330-1332

- **Nominated:** Rev. Josh Woods

3. District Board of Administration: (DBA total of 6 lay and 6 ministerial. 1 additional member to be added for Serve a Three Year term) Disc. III;

- **Ministerial Nominated:** Rev. Brian Bradford, Rev. Misti Short
- **Lay Nominated:** Cindy Klein, Rachel Hughes

4. District Board of Ministerial Development: (Appointed)

5. 2023 District Nominating Committee: (4 Lay and 4 Ministerial with DS as chairpersons from 2021 Nominating Committee may not serve) Disc. 1172-1175 (Elected)

- **Ministerial Nominated:** (4) Rev. Tim Burnett, Rev. Misti Short, Rev. Heath Croft, Rev. Bradley Hodges
- **Lay Nominated:** (4) Julie Godbee, Anita Fox, Monica Chavista (Celebremos Su Gloria), Monica Chavista-Mora (Iglesia Principe)



2023 Report

DISTRICT PROPERTIES



Greetings to the South Coastal District Conference, pastors, laity, and special guests. I count it a joy to serve and assist Dr. Timothy Fox in the tedious work of property management. It has been my goal to take a little of the load off your DS by assisting with district property oversight.

My role has included assessing (CMA), providing counsel to the superintendent about values, repairs, oversight, lease options, and real estate opinion letters.

Sale of the North Brunswick Church Property: After long last, we have finally seen the closing on the Brunswick Georgia Church property and best of all it is now in the hands of another evangelical church. It has been quite a journey, but we can be assured that the gospel will continue to go forth from the building and property for years to come.

Sale Conyers Church/House Property: After over a year of listing, showing, and repairing the Conyers church property is now sold and in the hands of an organization that will be helping veterans and disabled with physical and emotional care.

Under Contract - Magnolia Springs Property: I worked with a team of realtors (Michael Runyan) to assess, price, and list the Magnolia Springs Wesleyan Church in Magnolia Springs, AL. The property was listed about four months ago and we have a binding contract. The property is now in the Due Diligence stage for the next 120 days while the buyer seeks to get zoning approvals.

Wesley Chapel Lease: I assisted the local church and pastor with finding a willing and able renter for the Wesley Chapel parsonage and consulting with the church on another parsonage for possible rent. These rented properties will assist the church in providing funds for expanded ministry and increased budget.

I am in contact regularly with DS, Dr. Timothy Fox and I stand ready to answer any questions you may have about the above properties.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist the district and our DS in the ministry of district property management, consultation, and sales. It is always good to know that every dollar saved will better equip the district and the churches to invest in the Kingdom ministry and advance church planting.

Blessings,
Dr. Dan A. Berry



STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Overview

The South Costal District currently is comprised of 32 churches across the south

Total membership is currently	5,643
Change from last year	(1,129)

Total Weekend Worship attendance	10,396
Change from last year	1,610

Total Online Worship attendance	34,467
Change from last year	(26)

Total Persons saved	1,553
Change from last year	722

Total persons baptized	376
Change from last year	(445)

Total Tithes and Offerings	\$ 35,924,619
Change from last year	\$ (2,867,442)

Top Churches with Salvations	
12Stone Church	1327
One Hope Church	50
Rocket City Church	27
First Wesleyan Church, Griffin	14
Brookview Wesleyan Church	12
Trinity Wesleyan Church	12
Amor y Vida En Cristo	10
Pursuit Church	8
Genesis Church	7
Gray Community Church	7

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Genesis Church	7
Gray Community Church	7



STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Church Memebership	2021-2022	2022-2023	Gains/(Losses)
Student Membership	270	207	(63)
Adult Membership	6,502	5,436	(1,066)
Total Membership	6,772	5,643	(1,129)

Church Ministries	2021-2022	2022-2023	Gains/(Losses)
Weekend Worship Average Attendance	8,786	10,396	1,610
Live Online Worship Attendance	34,493	34,467	(26)
Discipleship Average (Children)	1,271	2,034	763
Discipleship Average (Youth)	967	978	11
Discipleship Average (Adults)	3,585	5,058	1,473
Salvations through local church ministries	831	1,553	722
Sanctifications	98	202	104
Baptisms (including infants)	821	376	(445)
Dedications of infants/children	173	208	35
Number declaring a call to ministry	15	23	8

Top Churches with Baptisms	
12Stone Church	248
One Hope Church	30
Rocket City Church	19
First Wesleyan Church, Griffin	14
Trinity Wesleyan Church	11
Bayou La Batre Wesleyan Church	9
Gray Community Church	7
Celebremos su Gloria Wesleyan Church	6
New Beginnings Community Church	6
Pursuit Church	6



MINISTERIAL PERSONNEL

2023 District Conference



SOUTH COASTAL DISTRICT OF THE WESLEYAN CHURCH

IN **LOVING** MEMORY



**DR. WILLIAM
FRANKLIN
PEED**

APRIL 20, 1954 - MARCH 23, 2023



AWARDS YEARS OF SERVICE

40 YEARS:

Rev. Dan Barton

Rev. Randy Boschee

50 YEARS:

Rev. Phil Harrington

60 YEARS:

Rev. Bill Bedsole

**Congratulations! Thank you for your
service to the Kingdom.**

MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS



ORDAINED MINISTERS

DISTRICT SERVICE

Timothy Fox	<i>District Superintendent</i>
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PASTORAL & LOCAL SERVICE

Addison, Rodney	<i>West Town Community</i>
Berry, Jason	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Bradford, Brian	<i>Rocket City</i>
Burnett, Tim	<i>Trinity Wesleyan</i>
Burton, Manley	<i>Decatur All Nations</i>
Chavista, Daniel	<i>Celebremos su Gloria</i>
Chavistá, David	<i>Iglesia Principe de Paz</i>
Clackum, George	<i>Revive Church</i>
Cox, Travis	<i>Welcome Wesleyan</i>
Dibble, Donna	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Downs, Debra	<i>Iglesia Principe de Paz</i>
Garvin, Alvin	<i>Winder Wesleyan</i>
Haas, Zachary	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Harrington, Phil	<i>First Wesleyan, Brunswick</i>
Hodges, Bradley	<i>One Hope Church</i>
Huff, Chris	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Kerstetter, Bob	<i>One Hope Church</i>
Knap, Mark	<i>12Stone Church</i>

Lacey, Jeremy	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Lane, Stephen	<i>New Beginnings</i>
Lewis, Jonathan	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Moore, Gregory	<i>Winder Wesleyan</i>
Moore, Scott	<i>One Hope Church</i>
Myers, Kevin	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Neary, Tom	<i>Savannah Hope</i>
Norton, Skyler	<i>One Hope Church</i>
Otto, Zachary	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Purvis, Bryan	<i>Rocket City Church</i>
Reiland, Dan	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Shearon, Scott	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Short, Misti	<i>One Hope Church</i>
Sparks, Steve	<i>First Wesleyan, Anniston</i>
Strange, Bradley	<i>Genesis Church</i>
VanderWal, Daniel	<i>12Stone Church</i>
Woods, Josh	<i>Pursuit Church</i>

ORDINAND ELECT

Echols, Jordan	<i>Gray Community</i>
Echols, Josh	<i>Gray Community</i>
McKinney, Ciara	<i>12Stone</i>

DENOMINATIONAL SERVICE

Ensz, Thomas	<i>Missionary in TWC</i>
Ensz, Grace	<i>Missionary in TWC</i>
O'Donnell, David	<i>Missionary in TWC</i>

MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS



ORDAINED MINISTERS

CHAPLAINS

George, Thomas	Jamieson, Randall
Horner, Neil	Kunkel, Amber

INTERCHURCH SERVICE

Emery, Richard	<i>New Church Specialties</i>
Handy, Mark	<i>Blairsville Nazarene</i>
Johnson, Tim	<i>Grace Point Community</i>
Lane, Douglas	<i>Cruger Independent</i>
Moore, Steven	<i>Growing Leaders</i>
Olsen, Philip	<i>Beyond Sunday, Inc.</i>
Semple, Heather	<i>Church of God, Anderson</i>
Semple, Jeff	<i>Church of God, Anderson</i>

SPECIAL SERVICE

Bove, Christine	<i>WH Women Clergy</i>
Huckaby, Deborah	<i>District</i>
Johnson, Don	<i>Filter of Hope</i>
Kerstetter, Gail	<i>Shepherd's Staff</i>
Myers, Donna	<i>Other District Ministry</i>
Smith, Justin	<i>Grace Point Topeka</i>
Sytsma, Michael	<i>Building Intimate Marriage</i>

ORDAINED MINISTERS ON RESERVE

Jones, Caleb	Lee, Lydia
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RETIRED ORDAINED MINISTERS

Barton, Doris	Hill, Stephen
Barton, Dan	Hoard, Richard
Bedsole, Bill	Jones, Wendell
Bernate, Daniel	Neyman, Tommy J.
Berry, Dan	Poole, Bob
Bissell, Russell	Rainey, William
Boschee, Randy	Rainey, Kerry
Boyce, Harold	Ritchie, Robin
Bray, Donald	Shockley, Rick
Ferguson, Jarvis	Tabler, Timothy
Glass, M.C.	Tindall, Randy
Goodwin, Lisa	Vaughan, John

ORDAINED MINISTERS

WITHOUT APPOINTMENT (NON-VOTING)

Lebovitz, Cami	Richardson, Jamey
Lebovitz, Cory	Smith, Richard
Parsons Jr., Tom	Miller, Timothy

ORDAINED MINISTERS IN

PROCESS OF TRANSFER (NON-VOTING)

Croft, N. Heath	Kitchens, Richard
Haynes, Robert	Strissel, Scott

SUPPLY PASTOR, NON-WESLEYAN (NON-VOTING)

Wilcox, Mark	Barber, Ed
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MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS



COMMISSIONED MINISTERS

PASTORAL SERVICE

Sheldon Rowell, Sr.	<i>Bethlehem</i>
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RETIRED COMMISSIONED MINISTER

Ron Stayman	
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LICENSED MINISTERS

PASTORAL SERVICE

Bartlett, Jacob	<i>12Stone</i>
Ivy, Josh	<i>12Stone</i>
Jones, Colicus	<i>One Hope</i>

Fernandez, Jose L	<i>Amor Y Vida En Cristo</i>
Fernandez, Mayra	<i>Amor Y Vida En Cristo</i>
McKenzie, Laura	<i>Mentone</i>

OTHER APPOINTMENT

Gonzalez, Esther	<i>Oasis</i>
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MINISTERIAL STUDENTS

STUDENT

Cowger, Jonathan	<i>Rocket City</i>
McGinty, Sorelyss	<i>12Stone</i>
Lucinda Murray	<i>Revive</i>

STUDENT, SUPPLY PASTOR

Lindsey, Joshua	<i>Wesley Chapel</i>
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LAY SUPPLY PASTORS

Roger Bowers	<i>Bayou La Batre</i>
Donny Hilyer	<i>Mt. Carmel</i>



CHURCH APPOINTMENTS AND AGREEMENTS

Church	Pastor Appointed	Agreement	Vote
12Stone	Jason Berry, Senior Pastor	Extended	2025
	Kevin Myers, Founding Pastor	Extended	2024
	Dan Reiland, Executive Pastor	1 Year	2024
	Dan VanderWal, Executive Pastor	1 Year	2024
	Jonathan Lewis, Assistant Pastor	1 Year	2024
	Mark Knap, Assistant Pastor	1 Year	2024
	Scott Shearon, Assistant Pastor	1 Year	2024
	Zachary Haas, Assistant Pastor	1 Year	2024
	Chris Huff, Pastor, Lead Director, Technology	1 Year	2024
	Donna Dibble, Care Ministry	1 Year	2024
	Zach Otto, City Pastor - Charleston, SC	1 Year	2024
	Jeremy Lacey, Student Pastor	1 Year	2024
Amor y Vida en Cristo	Jose Luis and Mayra Fernandez, Co-Pastors	Appointed by DBA	2024
Bayou La Batre	Roger Bowers, Lay Supply Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
Bethlehem Wesleyan	Sheldon Rowell, Pastor	Extended	2026
Brookview	Mark Wilcox, Supply Pastor	4 year	2025
Celebremos Su Gloria	Daniel Chavistá, Pastor	4 year	2025
Coffee Wesleyan	<i>In the Hands of the DBA</i>		
Decatur All Nations	Manley Burton, Pastor	Extended	2024
Genesis	Bradley Strange, Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
First Wesleyan, Anniston	Steve Sparks, Pastor	4 year	2025
First Wesleyan, Brunswick	Phil A. Harrington, Pastor	Extended	2026
First Wesleyan, Griffin	Richard Kitchens, Supply Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
Iglesia Principe De Paz	David Chavistá, Pastor	4 year	2024
	Debra Downs, Assistant Pastor	1 year	2024
Gray Community	Josh and Jordan Echols, Co-Pastors	1 Year	2024
Magnolia Springs Wesleyan	Doug Walls, Lay Supply Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024



CHURCH APPOINTMENTS AND AGREEMENTS

Church	Pastor Appointed	Agreement	Vote
Mentone Community	Heath Croft, Pastor	Extended	2026
	Laura McKenzie, Children's Pastor	1 year	2024
Mt. Carmel Wesleyan	Donny Hilyer, Lay Supply Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
New Beginnings Community	Stephen Lane, Pastor	Extended	2027
One Hope, Tuscaloosa	Scott Moore, Pastor	Extended	2027
	Bradley Hodges, Media/Worship	1 year	2024
	Bob Kerstetter, Assistant Pastor	1 year	2024
	Colicus Jones, Young Adult & Worship Pastor	1 year	2024
	Misti Short, Stewardship Pastor	1 year	2024
	Skyler Norton, Student Ministries	1 year	2024
Philadelphia	<i>In the Hands of the DBA</i>		
Pursuit	Josh Woods, Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
	Scott Strissel, Assistant Pastor	1 year	2024
Revive Church	George Clackum, Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
Rocket City Church	Brian Bradford, Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
	Bryan Purvis, Assistant Pastor	1 Year	2024
Savannah Hope Wesleyan	Tom Neary, Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
Trinity Wesleyan	Tim Burnett, Pastor	2 year	2024
Welcome Wesleyan	Travis Cox, Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
Wesley Chapel Wesleyan	Josh Lindsey, Pastor	Appointed by DBA	2024
West Town Community	Rodney Addison, Pastor	Extended	2026
Winder Wesleyan	Greg Moore, Pastor	Extended	2026
	Al Garvin, Assistant Pastor	1 year	2024



STANDING RULES

2023 District Conference



SOUTH COASTAL DISTRICT OF THE WESLEYAN CHURCH



STANDING RULES

Section I: Churches/Pastors

- A. The Local Church Treasurer is authorized to close the church books on May 31 before District Conference.
- B. The Local Church Treasurer is expected to submit annual assessments in full by June 10 before the District Conference.
- C. All property of the local churches is to be deeded to the trustees of the local church and held in trust for the use and benefit of the members and ministers of The Wesleyan Church. The trust clause in Paragraph 4610 of the Discipline (2022 Edition) shall be included in all property deeds.
- D. On behalf of its pastor, each church shall pay monthly into the Wesleyan Pension Fund an amount equal to 12% of the pastor's total compensation, including cash salary, utilities, and housing, as described below.
 - 1. Cash Salary: The amount of money paid, including salary, cash housing allowance, bonuses, and any part of the Social Security tax which may be reimbursed, but excluding non-accountable business allowances for travel and accountable business expense reimbursements and occasional fees.
 - 2. Utilities: The allowance paid to cover the cost of utility bills or an approximation of the annual amount of utility bills if paid by the church.
 - 3. Housing: if provided rent-free living quarters, housing is assumed to be 30% of the combined total cash salary plus utilities.
- E. All Wesleyan Churches in the district are encouraged to consider using Wesleyan literature available from the Wesleyan Publishing.
- F. Each church shall pay, in advance, the expenses of the pastor(s) and delegate(s) to participate in the District Conference (including lodging, meals, and mileage).
- G. Each church shall pay, in advance, for their pastor and spouse to participate district activities and meetings.
- H. All district ministers shall be responsible for attending the District Conference in full. Ministers may submit a request for permission to be absent in writing to the District Superintendent.



- I. Except for emergencies such as resignations, removals, or deaths, pastoral changes shall occur on the Monday following the second Sunday of July. (The Discipline, Paragraph 700)
- J. All charges and stations to which a pastor shall move shall provide for the moving and transportation expenses of the pastor.
- K. Each pastor shall be entitled to an annual vacation with pay in accordance with the years of service in the ministry, namely:

Annual Time Agreement

- 4. 1 year of service – 16 days, including 2 Sundays
- 5. 5 years of service – 18 days, including 2 Sundays
- 6. 10 years of service – 24 days, including 3 Sundays
- 7. 15 years of service – 27 days, including 3 Sundays
- 8. 20 years of service – 32 days, including 4 Sundays

The Local Board of Administration may grant additional time.

Additional Time

When any pastor has served more than 25 years, additional vacation time may be granted by the local Church Board of Administration in consultation with the District Superintendent.

Bonus

It is suggested that one week's salary be given as a vacation bonus.

Sabbatical

Every Wesleyan Church is encouraged to provide a sabbatical leave for its pastor(s) at least every seven years of service. A Sabbatical shall be for a minimum of four weeks more than vacation time with financial provisions, as approved by the Local Board of Administration (cf. 723) (Discipline 724: ~~~2016~~)

- L. Each local church is encouraged to permit the pastor to be absent for at least two weeks for outside speaking engagements (revivals, retreats) per year, covering two Sundays.
- M. All absences from the pulpit by the pastor shall be mutually planned and agreed upon by both the pastor and the local church Board.
- N. All pastors shall promptly respond to provide updates and reports to the District Office when requested.



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- O. Each pastor is required to file a complete annual church statistical and financial report on TWCHub by the assigned deadline. Failure to complete the report may require a meeting with the District Board of Administration or District Superintendent.
 - P. All pastors and churches shall promote the full payment of (100%) of all General, Educational, and District Assessments. When a church fails to pay in full, the local board may be requested to provide a written explanation for the failure to pay in full. The pastor may be required to meet with the District Superintendent or the District Board of Administration's Executive Team.
 - Q. Annually there shall be an agreement entered into between the church or the church board and the pastor in reference to the pastoral support package. The pastor's salary shall be considered a moral obligation by the church. However, if the church becomes unable to continue the payment of the salary agreed upon, such inability and failure shall not be considered a sufficient cause for civil action against the church by the pastor, and in no case shall the church be legally responsible in excess of funds raised during the terms of the pastor's actual service. The local church and/or LBA and the pastor shall work out a satisfactory agreement; the District Board of Administration may review and request adjustments to that agreement.
 - R. All churches and pastors in the district shall respect and obey copyright laws concerning the copying or duplication by means of copyrighted materials (example: copyrighted songs, both music and words). Before copyrighted materials may be duplicated in any manner, either (1) permission shall be secured from the copyright holder with appropriate payment of any required royalties, or (2) the church shall purchase a copyright licensing agency (example: Christian Copyright Licensing, Inc,) a license which gives specific rights to such duplication.
 - S. Each church shall be required to provide adequate liability and loss insurance and provide a current copy of the coverage to the district office for their records.
 - T. The senior or solo pastor may nominate, and the Local Board of Administration shall elect the Vice Chairperson of the Local Board of Administration.
 - U. Any Supply Pastor appointed by the District Board of Administration shall be seated as a Delegate to the District Conference.
 - V. All Supply Pastors will meet annually with the District Board of Ministerial Development for guidance, accountability, and encouragement in their ministerial calling, equipping, and preparation.

Section II: Pastor's Salary

- A. A church may expect full-time service from its pastor if all of the following minimum requirements are met:



9. The cash salary is a minimum of \$658 per week as of 2023, and the cost of living will be calculated each year thereafter to reflect accordingly.
10. A parsonage or housing allowance, plus utilities or utilities allowance, is provided.
11. 100% of the pastor's Social Security self-employment tax (SECA) is paid.
12. The church pays the full Wesleyan Pension Fund assessment for the pastor (12% of the pastor's "total compensation" as defined in Standing Rule Three.
13. The church pays an allowance for the pastor's health insurance, in full or in part, in an amount consistent with the church's financial ability.
14. The church establishes an accountable expense reimbursement plan for the pastor, in full or in part, in an amount consistent with the church's financial ability. The accountable expense reimbursement plan should include the pastor's church-related expenses such as mileage, meals, office expenses, out-of-town lodging, etc.
15. The church establishes a Medical Reimbursement Plan as per the pastor's request and established it within the guidelines of the IRS.
16. If the church cannot meet the minimum salary requirements, the pastor shall be permitted to serve in a bi-vocational role.

Section III: District Superintendent

- A. The District Superintendent shall submit a report of official activities and an overview of the district ministry to the District Board of Administration at its regularly scheduled meetings.
- B. The District Superintendent shall be given a vacation with pay as provided for pastors in Standing Rule #10.
- C. When non-Wesleyan speakers and workers are used, the District Superintendent can refuse their services and employment. The Discipline, Paragraph 1310:2.

Section IV: District

- A. The District Board of Administration Executive Committee shall consist of the District Superintendent, Assistant District Superintendent(s), district treasurer, and district secretary.
- B. The District Board of Administration shall serve as the Conference Action Committee.



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- C. A memorial page shall be included in the annual Conference Journal in honor of our ordained ministers, pastors, their spouses, or district officials who passed away during the preceding conference years.
- D. The District Treasurer is authorized to close the district books 20 days before the annual district conference convenes.
- E. The District Board of Administration, being the trustees of the South Coastal District of the Wesleyan Church, together with the District Superintendent, is empowered to execute all necessary papers and mortgage deeds when securing loans for the district or for any church needing funds for an expansion program, liquidating any district, local church, or parsonage indebtedness, provided:
1. That the party or parties requesting such action shall set forth in writing the true nature and purpose for which the loan is requested. This document is to become a permanent part of the records of the District Board of Administration. The borrower shall be responsible for the repayment of said loan.
 2. When the District Superintendent and the District Board of Administration are satisfied that the object for which the loan is sought is both necessary and desirable. In case of necessity, in order that a duly authorized expansion, building, remodeling, or relocating program may be carried out, or in case of the claim of a municipal government, state highway department, or any other governmental agency, the District Superintendent is duly empowered to sign any and all deeds and papers for the transfer of real property that is now or hereafter may be held in trust by said trustees, provided that the party or parties requesting such action shall forth in writing the true nature and purpose for which transfer or sale is requested (this writing is to become a permanent part of the records of the DISTRICT BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION), and where the transfer or sale of such district, local church, parsonage, or other real estate has been approved or authorized by the District Superintendent, and the concurrence of two-thirds of the District Board of Administration provided further that the said Board and Superintendent are both satisfied that the object for which the transaction is sought is both necessary and desirable.
- F. The office expenses of the District Superintendent, Assistant District Superintendent, District Secretary, District Administrator, and District Treasurer shall be paid by the district.
- G. All legal documents of the district shall be locked in a fireproof safe, and the same shall be held in the custody of the District Superintendent.
- H. The District Building Committee shall be composed of the DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT as Chairman and other members elected by the District Board of Administration. The District



Superintendent may appoint someone from the District Board of Administration to serve as Chairman in their stead. The Discipline, Paragraph 1345:1,2,3 and Paragraph 1233:31.

- I. The Council of Ordination shall consist of the ordained ministers of the District Board of Ministerial Development.
- J. All reports from departments and auxiliary reports to the District Conference shall be submitted to the District Office in a timely fashion as requested by the DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT or District Administrator.
- K. All district boards, committees, auxiliaries, etc., shall furnish minutes of all meetings to the District Secretary and the District Superintendent.
- L. July 30th of each year shall be the deadline for having all materials for the annual District Conference Journal in the hands of the District Administrator.
- M. The District Board of Administration Executive Team shall serve as the District Budget Team, annually submitting a district budget proposal to the District Board of Administration for consideration and adoption. A report shall be submitted to the District Conference.
- N. In calculating the district USF budget assessment for the churches, all churches shall be subject to full assessment on all assessable income up to \$500,00; above that level, there shall be a graduated reduction in the percentage applied. For that Portion of a church's assessable income between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000, there shall be a one percent reduction. For that portion between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 there shall be a two percent reduction. For that portion that exceeds \$2,000,000 there shall be no assessments.
- O. The District Board of Administration shall assess newly planted churches on an escalating scale for all district budget items as follows: No budget for the first full budget year, 25 percent for the second year, 50 percent for the third year, 75 percent for the fourth year, and 100 percent for each year thereafter.
- P. No district monies shall be invested or granted to any Developing Church which does not have its property deeded to The Wesleyan Church in accordance with Standing Rule #2.
- Q. One-third of the District Board of Administration's needed clergy and lay members shall be elected annually during the district conference. District Board of Administration members shall be elected to a three-year term. Members of the District Board of Administration are ineligible for nomination for election in the year that their current term ends.



Section V: Buildings, Construction, and Loans

- A. All churches seeking to add a building or construct a new facility must meet the following three stages for full approval by the District Building Committee (District Board of Administration Executive Team)

Stage 1 – Concept Approval – This initial approval stage informs the district in a written presentation that the church is considering a building project. This may or may not include rough drawings, cost estimates, and fiscal data. A statement of need is required. This stage occurs six (6) months before the project goes public.

Stage 2 – Facility/Financial Approval – Includes loan security, the congregation's financial health, pledges from the leadership team, blueprints/drawings, projected fiscal and ministry impact, and approval of the local church board.

Stage 3 – Final Approval – All loans have been secured, and the local church conference has approved the project.

Section VI: Pastoral Support

- A. Senior and Solo Pastors will be provided membership in the Full Strength Network, which provides many wellness resources, including up to 12 sessions of counseling or coaching for the pastor and an additional 12 sessions for one member of his/her immediate family. Churches within the district may arrange memberships for additional staff pastors through the district at discounted rates.