

GENERAL CONFERENCE 2019 PRAYER GUIDE

In 2016 the United Methodist Church established a Commission on a Way Forward to look at issues concerning human sexuality, particularly as related to clergy, and bring forth proposals to be considered at a called General Conference, which will be held February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, MO. God is at work in our Wesleyan movement and we ask for your prayers this week during this important gathering of the United Methodist Church.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - OPENING AND ORGANIZATION

Pray for the organizing efforts to be accomplished smoothly and in a spirit of cooperation. *“For God is not a God of disorder but of peace - as in all the congregations of the Lord’s people (1 Corinthians 14:33).”*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - LEGISLATIVE REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

Pray that the presentations and discussion will be marked by Christian love for one another and informed by God’s wisdom. *“Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ (Ephesians 4:15).”*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - CLOSING DEBATES AND DECISIONS

Pray that the debates and decisions of the General Conference delegates will be guided by truth and in accordance with God’s will for his Church. *“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight (Proverbs 3:5-6).”*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - RETURN AND REPORT

Pray again for safe and simple travels and for grace filled reporting regarding the work of General Conference 2019. *“Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen (Hebrews 13:20-21)”*

For further information you can check out the following websites:

- <https://www.mississippi-umc.org/gc2019> (Mississippi Annual Conference)
- <http://www.umc.org/topics/general-conference-2019-special-session> (UMC General Conference)

WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON

FELLOWSHIP MEAL at 5:15 p.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC)
Adults \$6 Kids \$3 | Please make reservations by Tuesday, noon.
Studies/Activities for all ages at 6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

ADULTS

- *Madison UMC Town Hall Meeting* – hear from our pastor about the
- General Conference results, Sanctuary

STUDENTS

- Junior High Bible Study in Student Lounge
- Senior High Bible Study in Student Lounge
- Student Choir at 6:20 p.m.

KIDS

- Music: SonBeams (2½-K5) and SonShine Choir (1st – 6th Grades)
- Classes for Preschool, Elementary, and Tweens

MENU for February 27

- Adults: Swiss chicken; rice pilaf; “bang bang” cauliflower; tangy green beans; broccoli romaine salad; roll; pineapple cake; chocolate éclair dessert; mixed berry cobbler
- Kids: Grilled chicken tenders; mac & cheese; green peas; cupcake

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We rejoice at new births!

- Grayson Lee Harwell, daughter of Kristen & Bo Harwell and baby sister of Ava & Sanders, was born February 19

We welcome new members!

- Will & Kelly O’Reilly and sons Parker and Max became members of Madison UMC on February 17.

We offer our sympathy to the families of:

- Thomas Rowland, grandfather of Joshua & Hannah Rowland, who died February 11
- Betty Rhodes, mother of Don Dunagan, who died February 12

SERMON NOTES

(Acts 7:55-60)

I. Acts 7:55-60

A. Jesus is p_____

B. Jesus is i_____

II. Becoming a Contagious Christian notes

A. Starting Spiritual Conversations

1. Direct

2. I_____

3. Invitational

B. Your Jesus Story

1. Who I was b_____ I met Jesus

2. How I met Jesus

3. Who I am a_____ I met Jesus

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