

General/Jurisdictional Delegates elect leaders and set assignments

Immediately following the 2011 Annual Conference, the elected delegates to the 2012 General and Jurisdictional Conference met to organize and prepare for the business of representing the Mississippi Conference in the 2012 General Conference in Tampa Florida April 24-May 4, 2012. The Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference will be held at Lake Junaluska on July 18-20, 2012.

Elected to head the delegation is Bill McAlilly, currently serving as Seashore District Superintendent. The delegation also unanimously endorsed Bill McAlilly as our Episcopal nominee. The Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference will elect five new bishops who will begin serving in 2012 – 2016 quadrennial. At this conference appointments of bishops will be made for the next four years.

Other elected positions include Turner Arant of Indianola as vice chair; David Stotts of Madison, secretary; and Lisa Garvin of Jackson as assistant secretary. The delegates will meet often before General Conference to prepare with the next meeting being in the late summer.

The members and their related committee assignment to date are as follows:

Church and Society 1: Anne Harrington

Church and Society 2: Mike Childs and Turner Arant

Conferences: Bill McAlilly

Discipleship: Mattie Gibson

Faith and Order: Connie Shelton

Financial Administration: David Stotts

General Administration: Joe May

Global Ministries: Timothy Crisler

Independent Commissions: Elizabeth Cumbest

Judicial Administration: Ricky James

Local Church: Martha Scarborough

Ministry and Higher Education: David Beckley and Lisa Garvin

Superintendency: Lisa Garvin

The first three elected delegates for jurisdictional conference will serve as alternates to general conference.

Please commit to pray for your delegates from now through the conference as they seek to do God's will for our church.