

TWKUMC Ministerial Fellowship

We are pleased to report that the Memphis Conference Relief Association and the Tennessee Conference Ministerial Fellowship are near completion of the process of becoming the Tennessee/Western Kentucky Ministerial Fellowship. Last year, each legacy group made presentations to their respective conferences, and this year we jointly announce that a new slate of officers and board members will take leadership following this vote of the membership.

The Relief Association and the Ministerial Fellowship serve the common purpose of assisting the beneficiaries of our members upon their death. When a member dies, a call is made to the membership, and each member responds to that call with a \$10 gift. The accumulated gift is then passed to the beneficiary of that clergy person. During the past year, 11 families received Love Gifts from the Memphis Conference Relief Association and 9 families from the Tennessee Conference Ministerial Fellowship. We encourage every clergy member to consider membership.

We would request that this Executive Session serve as the regular meeting of the TWKUMC Ministerial Fellowship and vote upon the following nominations.

The nominations for officers are:

Paul Gardner, Chair,
Gary Lawson, Vice Chair
Vincent Walkup, Treasurer
Dean Emerson, Assistant Treasurer
Lanita Monroe – Secretary

The board is composed of a representative from each of the nine districts. The nominations are:

Harriet Bryan – Red River
Rickey Wade – Stones River
Melisa Derseweh – Caney Fork
Paul Kang – Harpeth River
Carlos Uroza – Cumberland River
Barbara Blackmon-Fortune - Mississippi River
Harrell Nation - Tennessee River
Ben Boone - Purchase
Joseph Moseley - Metro

(Call for vote of membership)

The new board looks forward to representing the whole of the Tennessee/Western Kentucky conference, serving the families of our members, and creating a diversity in the leadership that reflects who we are as clergy members to the TWKUMC Conference. We look forward serving as we move into a new year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Lawson, Chair, Memphis Relief Association

Paul Gardner, Chair, Tennessee Conference Ministerial Fellowship