

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CHARGE CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Charge/Church Conference

This form contains the Disciplinary questions which must be answered as well as reports most frequently called for at Charge or Church Conferences.

The Charge ☒ Church _____ Conference for the Duke Memorial UMC Church _____

Charge _____ of the Durham District of the North Carolina

Annual Conference was held November 6, 1996, at Duke Memorial

chaired by Rev. Albert Shuler, District Superintendent.

_____ served as secretary.

Pastor: Mark W. Wethington

Associate Pastor(s): Lisa Brown Cole

A devotional service was conducted by _____. The following members were present: (Attach an Attendance Record).

I. MISSION STATEMENT FOR THE CHURCH: How does this church or charge define its mission to its parish, the local community, and beyond the local community (§§ 201-204, 247.3, 252.1b, 256.3a)? (Attach as a supplement.)

II. REPORTS

1. What is the report of the Administrative Council or Administrative Board including a report on the goals for the previous year and recommendations for goals for the coming year. (§§ 244, 247.2, 247.3, 252.1, 256)? (Attach as a Supplement.)

a. In relation to the quadrennial theme: What are the plans of this church for the implementation of the 1989-1992 quadrennial theme, "Celebrate and Witness: Celebrate God's Grace; Witness for Jesus Christ," in responding to the call from the General Conference to each congregation as follows:

- (1) Witnessing and reaching the unchurched in the community and the world;
- (2) Providing new opportunities for growth in the knowledge, love, and grace of God and to love and care for one another through faithful discipleship in caring communities;
- (3) Studying the issues of peace and justice from the perspective of the teachings of Jesus Christ and to witness for God's shalom;
- (4) Serving those in critical human need;
- (5) Identifying the sins and evils that oppress and work to remedy those manifestations in individuals, systems, and structures.

b. In relation to the work areas:

Administrative Council
Nurture
Outreach
Evangelism

Administrative Board
Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns, Church and Society, Education, Missions, Religion and Race, Status and Role of Women, Stewardship, Worship, Evangelism

Duke Memorial's Mission Statement

Because God graciously creates and redeems us, we live in the world as the body of Christ. In gratitude, we accept the privilege and responsibility to share God's grace within our church, our neighborhood, our community, and the world. Because God has made us partners in the coming of God's reign, we seek to be faithful in our discipleship through the power of the Holy Spirit. In gratitude, we accept the call, as instruments of God's grace, to challenge our culture and to seek justice, serving the oppressed and the poor. We covenant with each other to be in mission where life is broken; we celebrate with each other where life is transformed and made whole.

(Approved by Ad. Bd. July 18, 1994)

2. What is the report of the pastor (§§ 233, 439)? (Attach as a supplement.)
3. What is (are) the report(s) of other clergy (§ 443.3a, b)? (Attach as a supplement.)
4. What is (are) the report(s) of diaconal minister(s) (§ 314.5)? (Attach as a supplement.)
5. a. What is the report of the trustees (§§ 2527.3, 2549)? (Attach as a supplement.)
 b. What conveyances, grants, gifts, donations, legacies, bequests, or devices have been offered to the local church, and what direction shall be given the Board of Trustees by this Charge Conference with respect to their acceptance, rejection, and administration (§§ 2528.3, 2532)? (Attach as a supplement.)
6. What is the annual report of the Committee on Membership Audit (§ 233)? (Attach as a supplement.)
7. What is the report of the Committee on Finance, including the audit (§ 269.4)? (Attach as a supplement.)
8. a. What is the report of the Committees on Nominations and Personnel (§§ 247.17, 249, 250, 269.2; refer to "Guidelines for Leading Your Church")? (Attach as a supplement.)
 b. Who are the members of the Committee on Nominations and Personnel elected at the Charge Conference (§ 269.1)? _____
9. What is the annual report of the Lay Speaker(s) (§ 279b)? (Attach as a supplement.)
10. What is the report of the church historian on the care of church records and historical materials (§ 247.5a)? (Attach as a supplement.)
11. Are there any reports from other groups within the church? _____

III. BENEVOLENCE GIVING

(Indicate the appropriate amounts in the spaces below.)

1. Indicate the amounts apportioned for World Service and Conference Benevolences and other apportioned benevolence funds.

Name of Church(es)					
World Service and Conference Benevolences Apportioned					
	see attached				

2. What goals have been set for general Advance, conference Advance, and World Service special gifts, including special gifts for the Africa University? (List below; attach a supplemental list, if necessary.)

Name of Church(es)					

see attached

IV. PASTORAL SUPPORT

What amounts are set for pastoral support for the new year? Include all pastors appointed by the bishop (§ 247.13). (Please refer to the worksheet for the Local Church Report, Table II, for a listing of the items to be included in each of the following categories of the pastor's(s') compensation.)

Name of Pastor(s) or Churches					
Base Compensation					
Utilities and Other Housing-Related Allowances					
Travel Allowances					
Other Cash Allowances					
Total					

see attached

Year covered: _____, 19____, to _____, 19____

V. PERSONNEL

1. Who are recommended by the Pastor/Parish Relations Committee:
(a) as candidates for ordained ministry (§ 404)?

Name	Address	Telephone

- (b) for continuation as candidates for ordained ministry (§ 405)?

Name	Address	Telephone

2. Who are recommended:

(a) as candidates for the office of Diaconal Minister (§§ 304.2, 304.5)?

Vocation	Name	Address	Telephone
Program Director	Janet Thornton Irvine	3201 Lassiter St. Durham, NC 27707	493-3756
(already approved by Charge Conf.)			

(b) for continuation as candidates for the office of diaconal minister (§ 305)?

Vocation	Name	Address	Telephone

3. Who are recommended as lay speakers (§§ 277, 278)?

Name	Address	Telephone

VI. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Attach a copy of the minutes of any special session of the Charge/Church Conference since its last regular meeting (§ 246.7).
2. What date is set, on recommendation of the Administrative Council or Board, for elected personnel of the local church to take office (§ 256.2)?

3. What other actions are taken by this Charge/Church Conference?

VII. ADJOURNMENT

_____, President
_____, Secretary