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The Reverend Glenda N. Johnson  
District Superintendent, Durham District  
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Dear Rev. Johnson and members of the Duke Memorial UMC charge conference:

The Durham district is an easy place to get lost, for an appointee beyond the local church such as myself. My full-time appointment as Director of the Divinity School Library at Duke is very challenging and fulfilling; it would be tempting to permit that alone to serve as fulfillment of my ordination vows. At Duke, I have regular opportunities to preach, to serve the sacrament of Holy Communion, and to administer church order.

But thanks to my participation in Duke Memorial, and to a disappointingly slight degree, in the wider ministries of district and conference, my ministry as an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church has been extended into various areas.

During 1998, I have preached five times, served or assisted in Holy Communion six times (including World Communion Sunday with Duke Memorial shut-ins), performed no marriages or baptisms or funerals. I have taught Sunday School classes eight times, served as chair of the Council on Ministries at Duke Memorial, led a Duke Divinity School trip to Mexico over spring break, served as a member and secretary of the Administrative Board of the Wesley Fellowship at Duke University, and have been an active member of the adult choir of Duke Memorial. Also, I joined with other colleagues in 1997-98 to co-teach a course at the Divinity School, "The Church's Ministry," and attended annual conference and the day with the bishop for special appointees.

It has been a joy during the past year to work closely with the staff of the church, first Mark Wethington and since June, Ruth Harper Stevens, and all the staff and membership. I look forward to continuing and increased opportunities for serving out my call to the ordained ministry in this great church and conference, and appreciate the opportunity to make this annual report.

Grace and peace,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roger Loyd".

Roger L. Loyd

Copies: ✓ The Reverend Ruth Harper Stevens, senior pastor  
Mrs. ~~Betsy~~ Few, secretary of the charge conference

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