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The Rev. Judi J. Smith
District Superintendent, Durham District
The North Carolina Conference
The United Methodist Church

Dear Rev. Smith:

Thank you for the opportunity to make this brief report at the charge conference of my congregation, Duke Memorial United Methodist Church.

During 2005, I have served the Eucharist once (during World Communion Sunday) and preached one time. I have not baptized or married anyone. I presided over two funerals, one for my predecessor, Donn Michael Farris, and another for a member of the Perkins Library staff. I have taught a unit for our Newcomers' Class once. I continue to be active as the coordinator of Interfaith Hospitality Network ministries for Duke Memorial, and to represent our church on that group's advisory board. I sing in our choir regularly. I also continue my service as a member of the Staff Parish Relations Committee.

My ministry is primarily focused in my job as Director of the Divinity School Library at Duke University, where I lead an excellent staff that is committed to providing resources and services to the Divinity School and the wider Duke University community. I began my work there in July 1992, and find it more fulfilling every year. This fall, I am teaching my first class at Duke, a course on historical research in religion.

In addition to my service on various Duke University groups regarding libraries and computing, I also serve as an elected director of the Wesley Heritage Foundation. I continue my active involvement in the American Theological Library Association, and find great benefit in the workshops and activities of its annual conference, which was in Austin in June, 2005. I have been named as Chair of the ATLA's Endowment Committee. At Duke, I am one of three vice-chairs for the United Way campaign in 2005.

Thank you for your interest in my ministry as an ordained elder in the North Carolina Conference. Please call on me to help.

Peace,

Roger L. Loyd

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