



**Forty-sixth
Annual Session of the
Texas Annual Conference of the
United Methodist Church
South Central Jurisdiction**

May 24-27, 2015

Bishop Janice Riggle Huie

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Houston, Texas
Assistant to the Bishop
Rev. B.T. Williamson
Host District Superintendent
Rev. Andy Noel**

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Sessions**

Opening of Annual Conference

Sunday, May 24, 2015

- 2:00 – 6:00 pm Registration-Clergy & Laity (Hilton 4th Level)
7:00 pm **Opening Celebration**
Preacher: Bishop Janice Riggle Huie
(Lanier Grand Ballroom)
Opening of TAC 2015
Episcopal Address

First Day of Annual Conference

Monday, May 25, 2015

- 8:00 am-6:00 pm Registration-Clergy & Laity (Hilton 4th Level)
8:30 am **Worship Celebration** (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
9:00 am **Business Session I**

*Bracketed numbers indicate minutes allowed for each report.
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chancel area before your report is called.*

- Roll Call – Russell Hall [3]
Memorial Day Recognition
Dr. Don Waddleton [4]
Conference Lay Leader
Stephanie Griffin [8]
Core Leadership Team
Reggie Clemons [4]
Consent Calendar [4]
Congregational Excellence [4]
“A Process of Discernment”
Chancellors’ Report [10]
Retiree Video #1 [5]
9:45 am Break
10:00 am **Laity Session** (Ballroom of the Americas)
10:15 am **Clergy Session** (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
11:30 am Lunch Break
1:30 pm **Memorial Service**
Preacher: Rev. Danny Yang
(Lanier Grand Ballroom)
2:45 pm Break
3:00 pm **Business Session II**
Retiree Video #2 [5]
Board of Ordained Ministry
Carol Bruse [20]
Benefits [15]
Pensions – Rick Sitton
Health – Sharon Sabom
Equitable Compensation [5]
Lorraine Brown
Welcoming Hispanic Churches [7]

- Retiree Video #3 [5]
 4:00 pm **Order of the Day** – Gil Rendle
 5:00 pm Dinner Break
 7:00 pm **Clergy Delegate Elections**
 (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
 7:00 pm **Laity Workshop with Gil Rendle**
 (Ballroom of the Americas)

Second Day of Annual Conference

Tuesday, May 26, 2015

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- 8:30 am **Worship Celebration** (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
 9:00 am **Business Session III** (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
 Retiree Video #4 [5]
 C F & A Report [10]
 Trustees Report [5]
 Nominations & Election of Institutional
 Trustees [5]
 Conference Advance Special [5]
 World Methodist Conference 2016
 Bishop Ivan Abrahams [10]
 10:00 am Break
 Retiree Video #5 [5]
 10:15 am **Resolutions Presentation #1** [60]
 Retiree Video #6 [5]
 11:15 am **Service of Honoring Retirees**
 (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
 12:00 pm Lunch
 2:00 pm **Laity Delegate Elections**
 (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
 2:00 pm **Clergy Workshop with Gil Rendle**
 (Ballroom of the Americas)
 5:00 pm Dinner Break
 7:00 pm **Service of Commissioning & Ordination**
 Preacher: Bishop Janice Riggle Huie
 (Lanier Grand Ballroom)

Last Day of Annual Conference

Wednesday, May 27, 2015

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- 8:30 am **Worship Service**
- 9:00 am **Business Session VI** (Lanier Grand Ballroom)
- Retiree Video #7 [5]
- Legacy Churches [5]
- Clergy Excellence Recognition [7]
- Resolutions Presentation #2 [90]
- Blessing the Delegation [7]
- Retiree Video #8 [5]
- 10:00 am Break
- 10:15 am Retiree Video #9 [5]
- Trends In Transformation [10]
- Leah Taylor
- Seaborn Nesbett
- Resolutions Presentation #3 [40]
- 11:00 am **Service of Sending Forth**
- Preacher: Rev. Sandra Smith
- 12:00 pm **Business Session VII** (If Needed)
- 1:00 pm Adjourn



Special Guests

Gil Rendle

Education: B.A.-Franklin & Marshall College, Th.M.-Boston University School of Theology, Ph.D.-Temple University School of Education.

Work: Presently with Texas Methodist Foundation in Austin, Tx. Previous: Independent Consultant to Congregational Systems, The Alban Institute, The Eastern Pennsylvania Conference UMC, Central Park UMC in Reading, PA and Ridge Avenue UMC in Philadelphia, PA.

Writing: Has written 12 books, his latest being "Doing the Math of Mission: Fruits, Faithfulness & Metrics" in 2014. For a full list of his writing, please go to www.txcumc.org.

Gil lives in Sinking Spring, PA with his wife, Lynne. They have two married sons and six grandchildren.

Schedule of Events

Saturday, May 23, 2015

6:00 pm Cabinet Dinner (Hilton Skyline)

Sunday, May 24, 2015

2:00 pm TAC 2015 Registration (4th Level)
3:00 pm New Church Starts/Path I (Room 337 B)
4:00 pm BOM Meeting & Dinner (St. Paul's UMC)
8:00 pm U35 Come & Go Reception (4th Floor Pre-Function Area North)
8:30 pm Candidates Practice (Lanier Grand Ballroom)

Monday, May 25, 2015

All day Childcare (Rooms 342-346)
All day Cokesbury Book Store (Rm 340 AB)
All day Display Fair (2nd & 3rd Levels)
All day Grab N Go Snack Bar (2nd Level)
All day Information Technology (Rm 337 A)
All day Laity Hospitality Room (Rm 333)
All day Nursing Mother's Pump Room (Room 328)
All day Prayer Room-Celebration Women (Rm 430)
7:00 am Clergy Women's Breakfast
(Ballroom of the Americas ABCDEF)
7:00 am Fellowship of Associate Members & Local Pastors (Ballroom of the Americas - D)
7:30 am Native American Ministries Breakfast
(Rm 335 C)
7:30 am Restorative Justice Breakfast (Rm 339 AB)
7:30 am Small Membership Church Breakfast
(Rm 335 A)
8:00 am Registration Continues until 6 pm (4th Level)
11:00 am Hispanic Ministry Luncheon
(Houston-First UMC)
11:00 am TCCEF Luncheon (Hilton Skyline)
11:30 am Confessing Movement Luncheon
(Ballroom of the Americas - DE)
11:30 am United Methodist Women Luncheon
(Ballroom of the Americas - F)
11:45 am Clergy Spouse's Luncheon (Rm 335 ABC)
12:00 pm Perkins Friends & Alumni Lunch (Rm 339 AB)
5:00 pm Friends of Wesley Foundation Dinner
(Fuddrucker's on SW Freeway)
5:00 pm Breaking the Silence (Room 430)
5:15 pm Breaking the Silence Dinner
(Ballroom of the Americas DEF)
5:30 pm TAC Awards Dinner (Rm 335 ABC)

Tuesday, May 26, 2015

All day	Breaking the Silence (Room 430)
All day	Childcare (Rooms 342-346)
All day	Cokesbury Book Store (Rm 340 AB)
All day	Display Fair (2 nd & 3 rd Levels)
All day	Grab N Go Snack Bar (2 nd Level)
All day	Information Technology (Rm 337 A)
All day	Laity Hospitality Room (Rm 333)
All day	Nursing Mother's Pump Room (Room 328)
All day	Prayer Room-Celebration Women (Rm 430)
7:15 am	Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary Breakfast (Hotel-1600 Bar & Grille)
7:30 am	Church & Society and Religion & Race Breakfast (Rm 335 AB)
7:30 am	Deacon's Breakfast (Rm 339 AB)
8:00 am	Group Health Benefits Fair (4 th Level)
11:30 am	Laity Luncheon (Ballroom of the Americas - D)
12:00 pm	Black Methodists for Church Renewal Luncheon (Rm 335 ABC)
12:00 pm	Celebration Women's Ministry Luncheon (Ballroom of the Americas - F)
12:00 pm	Duke Divinity School Alumni Luncheon (El Big Bad on Travis)
12:00 pm	Friends of Asbury Seminary Lunch (Houston-First UMC Fellowship Hall)
12:00 pm	Methodist Children's Home Luncheon (Rm 339 AB)
12:00 pm	Retiree Luncheon (Ballroom of the Americas E)
2:00 pm	Church Administrator's Meeting (Rm 329)
4:30 m	United Methodist Women's Executive Dinner & Meeting (Rm 329)
5:30 pm	Commissioning & Ordination Dinner (Ballroom of the Americas - D)

Wednesday, May 29, 2015

1/2 day	Breaking the Silence (Rm 430)
1/2 day	Childcare (Rooms 342-346)
1/2 day	Cokesbury Book Store (Rm 340 AB)
1/2 day	Display Fair (2 nd & 3 rd Levels)
1/2 day	Grab N Go Snack Bar (2 nd Level)
1/2 day	Information Technology (Rm 337 A)
1/2 day	Nursing Mother's Pump Room (Room 328)
1/2 day	Prayer Room-Celebration Women (Rm 430)
2:00 pm	Board of Ordained Ministry Meeting (Rm 335 AB)