



Bishop Scott Jones

Scott Jameson Jones currently serves as the resident bishop of the Texas Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church with an office Houston.

Bishop Jones began his ministry in 1986, serving as pastor for three North Texas UMC congregations. From 1997 to 2004, he served on the faculty of Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas.

In 2004, he was elected a bishop by the South Central Jurisdictional Conference and assigned to serve as the resident bishop of the Kansas Area. Beginning September 1, 2016 he serves as resident bishop of the Texas Annual Conference. He also serves as bishop of the United Methodist missions in Laos and Thailand.



He holds degrees from the University of Kansas (B.A. in Philosophy), Perkins School of Theology of Southern Methodist University (Master of Theology) and Southern Methodist University (Ph.D. in Religious Studies).

Bishop Jones regularly blogs and comments on matters of theology, faith and morality at www.extremecenter.com, on Facebook at Extreme Center and via @Extreme_Cener on Twitter. He is passionate about providing thorough, unbiased and well-researched information to UMC congregants regarding the General Conference.

He is the author of several books, including *The Once and Future Wesleyan Movement*, (2016), *Ask: Faith Questions in a Skeptical Age*, (with Arthur Jones, 2015) and *The Wesleyan Way: A Faith that Matters* (2013), among others.

Bishop Jones is married to Mary Lou Reece, who is president of Reece Construction Company. They have three children: Jameson, Arthur and Marynell. In his free time, Bishop Jones enjoys hiking, biking, scuba diving, water skiing, snow skiing, and is an avid reader.