

# STRATEGIC DIRECTION

## One with Christ

*Scripture: Matthew 25:40*

*“...Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the these least of these who are members of my family, you did it to Me”*

### PRIORITY & OBJECTIVES

### POINT PERSON

#### **1. Develop And Encourage An Ongoing Culture Of Social Holiness**

**David Summers, Ministry Team Leader for Outreach**  
**Billie Fidlin, Support Staff**

*Measurable Objective:*

A. Elimination of Poverty

Ross Parrot, Chair of Conference Board of Global Ministries

B. Education

T. Thompson, Board of Laity  
J. Nibbelink, Lay Speaking  
P. Perry, Board of Ordained Ministries.

- i) Border Concerns
- ii) Children and Youth at Risk

George Cushman, Church & Society  
Stephen Govett, Chair of Children & Youth at Risk

C. Decisive Action to Strengthen Relationships

- i) Northwestern Annual Conference of the UM Church in Mexico
- ii) Urban Ministries
- iii) Rural Ministries
- iv) Interfaith & Ecumenical Ministries with Historic Black Methodist

Augustine Jimenez, Church to Church  
Betty Matthis, Director of Wesley UM Center  
Bob Holiday, Small Membership Church  
Laura O'Neil, Christian Unity & Interreligious Concerns  
Karl Clark, Strengthening the Black Church

## One with Each Other

*Scripture: Matthew 4:19*

*“And He said to them, ‘follow Me, and I will make you fish for people’”*

### PRIORITY & OBJECTIVES

### POINT PERSON

#### **2. Develop and Encourage Ongoing Culture of Leadership Development**

**Candace Lansberry as Ministry Team Leader for Leadership**  
**David McPherson, Support Staff**

*Measurable Objective:*

- A. Annually, inspire, identify, recruit, develop and deploy 120 lay persons;
- B. All Clergy Complete One leadership Development Program;
- C. Other Measurable Objectives to be Developed and Assigned by Ministry Team

# STRATEGIC DIRECTION

## One in Ministry to All the World

*Scripture: Matthew 28:19a*

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations,.....”*

### PRIORITY & OBJECTIVES

### POINT PERSON

#### **3. Develop and Encourage An Ongoing Culture of Planning New Churches and Communities of Faith**

**Stephen Marshall as Team Ministry Leader for Faith Communities**  
**David McPherson, Support Staff**

*Measurable Objective:*

- A. Plant At Least 4 New Churches, One of which is an Ethnic Church
- B. Assist Every Established Church & Campus Ministry to Initiate a New Community of Faith Each Year
- C. Build and Maintain an On-going Pool of New Churches
- D. Create an Endowment Fund Designated for New Church Planting

Fred Steinberg, New Faith Communities  
Jonathan Arnpriester, Vital Faith

Fred Steinberg, New Faith Communities

#### **4. Other Measurable Objectives to be Developed By The Assigned Ministry Team(s)**

**Covenant Council Agenda**  
**September 9, 2006**  
**9:30am to 3:30pm**

**Open Devotion**

**Introductions**

**Full Plenary**

- A. DVD/Review Strategic Directives**
- B. Report from the District Superintendents and District Lay Leaders**
- C. Ministry Team Reports**
- D. Perfecting and Implementation of the Strategic Directives**

- 1. Actions**
- 2. Leadership Needed**
- 3. Finances and other Resources Required**

**E. Interpreting and Communicating Directives**

- 1. Discussion on need for Special Session of Annual Conference**
- 2. Ongoing Evaluation Process**
- 3. Calendar**

**Commending Our Work to God**