

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR
DELEGATES TO GENERAL AND JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCES

Please be advised that we *strongly* urge you to prayerfully consider your ability to serve in this important role. It is *critical* that you understand the extent of your responsibilities should you be elected. You will have to make a *significant* time commitment by consistent participation in meetings that begin shortly after your election. The delegation will be meeting over the next two years and the frequency of meetings will most likely increase to monthly meetings in the year preceding the General Conference. The entire General/Jurisdictional Delegation is to participate in all meetings. If you fail to fulfill this primary obligation, you will be imposing a greater burden on your fellow delegates, and you may be affecting the impact that our delegation may have on General and Jurisdictional Conferences because you may be unprepared to participate fully, and you may not be sufficiently knowledgeable. You will be given voluminous amounts of reading materials, and it will be necessary for you to read all the materials, and to be familiar with the materials. In addition, while much of the expense is covered by the General Conference and - in the case of alternates - by the Northern Illinois Conference, those elected will incur expenses. You will have to attend **General Conference** (May 10 – May 20, 2016 in Portland, Oregon) and the **Jurisdictional Conference** (July 13 – July 16, 2016 in Peoria, Illinois.) Thank you for your interest in this important role, and may you seek the Lord's guidance in making your decision.

**INFORMATION FORM FOR ELECTION TO THE 2016 GENERAL AND
JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCES**
NORTHERN ILLINOIS ANNUAL CONFERENCE
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The 2016 General Conference will be held May 10 through May 20, 2016 in Portland, Oregon. The 2016 Jurisdictional Conference will be held July 13 through July 16, 2016 in Peoria, Illinois.

Please complete ALL of the following areas:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone & email address: _____

I have been a professing member of the following chartered United Methodist Church for at least two years, and I attest that I have been active in the United Methodist Church for at least four years:

District: _____

Please describe your most recent responsibilities in your local church:

Please describe your most recent responsibilities in your district:

Please describe your most recent responsibilities on the Conference level:

Please describe your most recent United Methodist responsibilities beyond the Northern Illinois Conference: _____

Please describe your involvement in your community or other groups that would be an asset to the delegation: _____

Please give a brief biographical statement about yourself, your family, your work and other things about you that those voting need to know. _____

Please describe anything else you bring to the delegation that would contribute to enhancing the quality of the representation of the Northern Illinois Conference by the delegation? _____

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please be advised that we *strongly* urge you to prayerfully consider your ability to serve in this role, and to meet *all* of your responsibilities. It is *critical* that you understand the extent of your responsibilities should you be elected. You will have to make a *significant* time commitment by *consistent* participation in regular meetings that begin shortly after your election. Those meetings will increase in frequency to monthly meetings in the year preceding the General Conference., and will continue until General conference. You will be given *voluminous* amounts of reading materials, and it will be necessary for you to read all the materials, and to be familiar with all of the materials. Although many of your expenses will be reimbursed by the conference, many other expenses will not be covered, and you will have to expend your own funds. You will have to attend the General Conference, and the Jurisdictional Conference.

Thank you for your interest in this important role.

By signing this form, I agree to fully participate in the work of the delegation from election through the preparation meetings and to attend all sessions possible at the Conferences.

(Signature)

If you wish to ONLY stand for election to the Jurisdictional Delegation, please check here: _____