## **2016 General Conference Willingness to Serve**

**Clergy member** 

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Yes I have read and agree to the Commitment I make as a Delegate as stated above.

Yes I have read and accept the Christian Conferencing Guidelines listed above.

## Reasons for wanting to be a delegate:

I am a young clergy woman with a heart for loving and serving all of God's people in a variety of ways. I wish to work diligently for a bright future for the United Methodist Church. I believe that young clergy deserve a place and a voice at General Conference, and I am willing to go above and beyond to serve the church in this way. I am passionate about being in conversation and dialogue with a variety of persons about the future of the church and how we can journey forward together.

## Areas crucial to the United Methodist Church's mission:

1) Reaching out to and discipling young people, 2): Continuing to make our local churches vibrant places for God's grace to be experienced, 3): Encouraging churches to reach outside their walls to local and global communities and upholding our missional goal of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

## Issues emerging from those areas you stated above:

1) Discipling a new generation: Many congregations are getting older and are in need of young people in order to usher in new and exciting ways of reaching people for Christ. Where and how are they being led into discipleship? 2) The unchurched: we as disciples need to be more intentional and active in extending a welcoming invitation to the unchurched and growing them as disciples. 3) Education: many of our congregations don't appreciate the importance of being a connectional and global church. Education needs to happen on what it means to be the church outside of our buildings and even beyond our own communities.

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