

## Charge Conference Report 2024

*Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. (Colossians 3:12)*

2024 was a busy yet fruitful year filled with meaningful opportunities and impactful ministry. It was my privilege to serve as part of the California-Nevada delegation to the General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference, where I contributed to the broader mission of the church.

In my role at Discipleship Ministries, I remain deeply committed to supporting church leaders in their work of making disciples. Below are some highlights of my work this year:

**Read a Chapter a Day: Reading Challenge:** Initiated and facilitated this project, engaging over 2,000 participants and reaching an additional 450 individuals via Facebook. The program encouraged communal scripture reading, focusing on the Gospel of John during Lent and the Book of Acts during the summer, fostering spiritual engagement and biblical exploration.

**Anti-Racist Book Study: *When God Became White*:** Assisted in this study in collaboration with 13 national caucuses, promoting dialogue and education around racial justice within the church.

**Prayer Partner Project:** Connected 1,050+ individuals through prayer partnerships, with 300 participants actively engaged on Facebook, enriching the prayer lives of individuals and communities.

**Radical Methodism 2025 Event:** Organized this upcoming event in partnership with the General Commission on Archives and History and Discipleship Ministries, focusing on innovative ways to reflect on Methodist history and mission.

**Lenten Small Group Project:** Currently developing the "Empowering Leaders, Growing Disciples" initiative to support Lenten spiritual growth through small group engagement.

**Resource Development:** Authored "*Guidelines for Leading Your Congregation*" on Adult Education, Christian Education, and Small Group Leadership, providing comprehensive tools for ministry leaders and volunteers.

**Ongoing Adult Discipleship Work:** Enhanced the spiritual growth and engagement of adults across the United Methodist Church by Creating weekly small group resources for worship & Writing articles and curating a bi-monthly newsletter on adult discipleship.

**Global Representation:** Attended the World Methodist Council as a delegate from California-Nevada in August and am honored to serve in this role until 2030.

**Leadership Development and Training:** Panelist and workshop leader at the *Fresh Expressions National UMC Gathering* (February, Charlette), moderated the SCD (See, Create, Disciple) session (August, Chicago). Presenter at the national *Developing Developer and AI Workshop* for the Chinese Caucus. Facilitated a 6-week *AI Intensive Course for Church Leaders* as a group coach at Gammon Theological Seminary.

**Annual Conference Engagement:** 1. Supported the annual conference as a convener of the CORE Team for MFA Leadership Development, serving faithfully in this role for four years until June. 2w. Provided guest preaching, discipleship consulting, and keynote speaking, including at the *El Camino District United Women of Faith* gathering.

I am deeply grateful to The Table UMC for serving as my charge conference church and for the opportunity to continue contributing to the work of the annual conference. It is a blessing to serve in this calling, and I look forward to continuing the work of equipping leaders, creating disciples, and fostering spiritual growth across diverse communities.

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