

2011-2012 North Central District Church Conference Agenda

1. **Introduction and Opening Prayer by Presiding Elder**
Elect or identify Church Conference secretary Give the secretary a form (in folder) on which to record the Charge Conference Minutes (*Minutes due to District Office in one week*) Send around an attendance sheet. If minutes from last year are available, have them read and approved.
2. **Form A:**
Discuss questions 1. What are your three most effective ministries for reaching new people? And 2. What possibilities are there for creating new places for new people in the church or taking the Gospel to new places in the community? (15)
3. **What are the charts telling** you about your ministry in the areas of evangelism, ministry with the poor and marginalized, worship, faith development, financial stewardship, and leadership development? (spend 15 minutes here) *Don't allow people to sidetrack the discussion by complaining about statistics.* What is the congregation's plan for helping children, youth, and adults grow in faith?
4. **Form B:**
Discuss briefly the expectations of the pastor and the congregation with respect to the goals adopted.
5. **Form C:**
Does your church have a Safe Sanctuaries Policy? (If so, does the District office have a copy? If unsure, contact the District office). Has the annual inspection of the parsonage taken place? (SPRC+Trustees) What work is needed at the parsonage? Is your insurance adequate? (Trustees) Are there bequests that need to be accepted? How is the church doing financially? Apportionments are necessary for the ministry of the larger church. It is part of our covenant and connectional relationship. District Askings support our Hispanic Ministry and our Korean Ministry in the North Central District.
6. Has anyone from your church participated in the mission work trips to help with flood recovery in Nashville or tornado recovery in Mapleton? Who is the best person to contact about recruiting volunteers? What other hands-on mission and ministry has your church done this year? Will you be participating in the Ingathering? (In gathering information will be available for early Charge Conferences.
7. **Form D: Clergy Membership Report**
Names of members for annual reading as required by the Book of Discipline, 2008 (228).
8. **Form E:** Approve persons to be recommended for certification as candidates for ordained ministry.

9. **Form F:**
Approve local church lay speakers and certified lay speakers. (need a signed form for each person)

10. **Form G:**
Vote to approve persons to attend the school for lay ministry.

11. **Form G-2:**
Approve persons applying to become or continue as certified lay ministers.

12. **Vote to approve Form I:**

(Form must be signed by all parties tonight and given to the District Superintendent.

DO NOT leave the building without giving the

Charge Conference Forms to D.S.!

Form I (Pastoral Support Form)

MUST have ALL REQUIRED SIGNATURES!!

{Must be at least minimum base compensation adopted at 2011 Annual Conference}

- Vote to approve housing exclusion.
- Vote to approve resolution on housing allowance if applicable
- Vote to approve accountable reimbursement plan if applicable

13. **Election of Officers**

(Elder can give permission for Ad Council to fill remaining vacancies) Officers will to be reported by going on-line by using the local church Dashboard. (Contact Roland Minshall or the District office for more information) *Names of Annual Conference Members need to be reported to the District Office before **DECEMBER 1.***

14. **Closing Prayer:**

By Church Pastor (people are free to leave when their Charge Conference is finished.)

**THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR HELP!!
WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH!!**