169th SESSION OF THE IOWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Des Moines, Iowa

First Day – Saturday, June 2, 2012

Morning

1. CALL TO ORDER. Bishop Julius Calvin Trimble called the 169th Session of the Iowa Annual Conference to order at 10:01 am.


3. OPENING WORSHIP. Worship leaders included Bishop Julius C. Trimble, preacher and celebrant; Rev. Bill and Rev. Sheri Daylong, liturgists; Rev. Bob Dean, Imagine No Malaria campaign leader; Chris Davis, Spiritual Guide; and the Mt. Vernon UMC Praise Team.

4. BREAK

5. ORGANIZATION OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE. Jerry Oakland, Chair of the Business and Agenda sub-committee of the Annual Conference Session Planning Committee, moved:

   5.1 That the working agenda for the 2012 session of the Iowa Annual Conference be the agenda which has been distributed to members of this annual conference session, noting that times for speakers are guidelines and not mandatory;

   5.2 That the voting bar for all plenary sessions of this session of Annual Conference include the following areas: the plenary and worship platform, the Journal desk and the area which includes all of the numbered tables;

   5.3 That seating within the voting bar during the plenary sessions be restricted to members of the conference and to the following persons who have no voice or vote: conference staff members from the Episcopal office, Administration: Diane Brockmeyer, Linda Remster; from Episcopal Office, Connectional Ministries: Karla Haynes; from Administrative Services: Todd Weber, Margaret Biggs, Jeremy Jolly; from Human Resources: Joni Mardesen, Kris Wyatt; from Communications: Kristin Clark, Shundrea Trotty, Shari Miller, Humberto Gonzalez; from District Offices: Sue Booth, Judi Calhoon, Jean Carpenter, Janet Condon, Shirley Lewis, Wendy Lubkeman, Alanna Warren, Ann Zeal; and the nominee for Chancellor: John Moorlach; greeters; hosts; diakonos; those identified by the Book of Discipline (¶602.9-10); our spiritual guide, Christine Davis; musician, James Walters; Bishop Trimble’s spouse, Racelder Grandberry-Trimble; from Iowa United Methodist Foundation: Teri Miller and Kevin Gowdy; and those named by conference action as visitors.

   5.4 That hosts monitor the voting bar to assist the conference in conducting its business in good order and without distractions;

   5.5 That each conference member vote only on his/her assigned keypad and not vote on anyone else’s keypad, even if asked to do so, as absentee members are not permitted to vote by proxy;

   5.6 That speakers be guided by the countdown clocks located on the video display screens;
5.7 That sponsors of any new resolution or program item to be considered by the plenary session take the item to Karen Dungan for assignment to its proper location;

5.8 That all materials to be distributed in our meeting places receive prior approval by Karen Dungan or me;

5.9 That conference members and visitors show respect by keeping conversation and other noise and moving about to a minimum during plenary sessions;

5.10 That all conference members and visitors turn off all cellular phones and pagers or put them on silent mode during worship services and plenary sessions and that members leave the hall when making or receiving calls. Adopted.

6. KEY PAD INSTRUCTIONS. Patty LaGree, Conference Secretary, gave instructions for using the voting key pads.

7. MOTION. Karen Dungan moved to suspend the portion of Rule of Order I.D.5, page 393 of the 2011 IACJ, which requires printing and distribution of any legislation not published in the Pre-Conference Manual. The requirement that any new items must be directed to and approved by the Assistant to the Bishop for Connectional Ministries before publication and consideration by the Annual Conference Session would be retained. Adopted by 2/3 vote.

8. MOTION. Karen Dungan moved to suspend the portion of Rule of Order VII.I.1, page 439 of the 2011 IAJC, which requires that motions over 80 words be printed and distributed for consideration by the Annual Conference Session. The requirement that motions must be presented to the Conference Secretary in triplicate would be retained. Adopted by 2/3 vote.

9. MOTION. Karen Dungan moved to suspend Rule of Order VII.J.1.b., page 439 of the 2011 IAJC, which requires new resolutions on urgent issues to be printed and submitted to a legislative committee before they can be considered by the Annual Conference Session. Other Rules of Order pertaining to how such resolutions may be considered by the Annual Conference Session will be retained. Adopted by 2/3 vote.

10. MOTION. Karen Dungan moved to suspend the portion of Rule of Order II.C.15.(a).3, page 407 of the 2011 IACJ, which requires the Nominations Coordinating Committee to submit a written report to the Annual Conference Session. The other requirements in this Rule for this report would be retained. Adopted by 2/3 vote.

11. MOTION. Karen Dungan moved that any new item to be considered by this Annual Conference Session be posted to the Iowa Annual Conference web site by the conclusion of the meal break immediately following its submission, and that said item be considered no earlier than after the meal that follows its publication.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS. Patty LaGree, Conference Secretary. Dates for the 2013 Annual Conference are June 8 – 11.

13. MOTION. Patty LaGree, on behalf of the Annual Conference Sessions Planning Committee, moved that the 2014 session of the Iowa Annual Conference meet at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines. Adopted.

14. PRAYER. Bishop Trimble

15. RECESS
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Afternoon

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. SPIRITUAL GUIDE. Chris Davis

3. NOMINATIONS. Fred Lewis, Chair of Conference Nominations Committee, presented the 2012 Conference Nominations Ballot.

4. TREASURER’S REPORT. Dr. Charles Smith

5. WORKING BUDGET. Betty Stone, Chair of the Council on Finance and Administration, moved acceptance of the working 2013 Conference Budget. Adopted.

6. ORDER OF THE DAY. Celebration of Chuck Smith’s 16 years of service as Conference Treasurer.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. LEGISLATIVE ACTION. Karen Dungan introduced the Legislative Section leaders.

9. LEGISLATIVE SECTION 1 CONSENT CALENDAR. David Decker moved Action Items 101-120, with editorial corrections.

10. LEGISLATIVE SECTION 2 CONSENT CALENDAR. Sean McRoberts moved Action Items 201-214, with editorial corrections.
   10.2 Sean McRoberts moved Action Items 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, and 212 as the Consent Calendar Section 2. Adopted.

11. PRAYER. Realff Ottesen

12. RECESS to Laity and Clergy sessions

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Laity Session
1. WELCOME. Richard Klinefelter, Northeast District lay leader

2. IMAGINE NO MALARIA. Rev. Gary Henderson, Executive Director, Global Health Initiative, and Myambi Dunbar, UMCOR worker in Africa

3. LAY LEADERSHIP in the conference was recognized and thanked: Board of Laity members, Lay Speaking ministries, United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, District Lay Leaders, Scouting ministries, Thanksgiving Ingathering, and School for Lay Ministry.

4. LAITY SUNDAY. October 21, 2012

5. SPEAKER. Ken Willard, Leadership Base Camp, Director of Lay Ministries, Missouri Annual Conference

6. PRESENTATION. Dave Decker is nominated as the new Conference Lay Leader.

7. ADJOURNMENT

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Clergy Session


2. OPENING LITANY & PRAYER. Rev. Dr. Barrie Tritle

3. HYMN. “And Are We Yet Alive”

4. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS. Bishop Julius C. Trimble

5. IMAGINE NO MALARIA. Rev. Gary Henderson, Executive Director of Global Health Initiative, and Myambi Dunbar, UMCOR worker in Africa

6. PURPOSE OF CLERGY SESSION. Barrie Tritle

7. VOTING RIGHTS. Patty LaGree, Conference Secretary

8. MOTION. Barrie Tritle moved the bar of the executive clergy session be the meeting room at the Iowa Events Center with an understanding that only ordained clergy in full connection and the members of the Board of Ordained Ministry may vote on matters before the clergy session (¶ 605.5, 2008 Book of Discipline). Seconded and adopted.

9. MOTION. Barrie Tritle moved, in accordance with ¶605.6 of the 2008 Book of Discipline, the following persons be given permission to be present at the clergy session with voice but no vote: Director of Ministerial Services and Conference Secretary Patty LaGree, Bishop Trimble’s Executive Secretary Diane Brockmeyer, Assistant to the Bishop for Administration J. Robert Burkhart’s Administrative Secretary Linda Remster, pastors of other denominations who are serving under appointment in the Iowa Annual Conference, Diaconal Ministers of the Iowa Annual Conference, and Events Center staff, as needed. Seconded and adopted.
10. REPORT ON GENERAL CONFERENCE.

10.1 Barrie Tritle reported on several items adopted at the General Conference pertaining to clergy. He nominated Rev. Scott Lothe and Rev. Deborah Stowers to serve on the Missional Appointment Task Force from the Board of Ordained Ministry. Elected.

10.2 Bishop Trimble and Rev. Brian Milford shared additional news from General Conference.

11. REPORT ON UPCOMING EVENT of the Orders and Fellowship on October 1 by Scott Lothe and Rev. Jodi Rushing

12. ELECTION of leaders for the Orders and Fellowship for the coming quadrennium. Barrie Tritle announced the nominations. Clergy voted in their appropriate group.


12.2 Order of Deacons chair – Chris Humrichouse. Elected

12.3 Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members – Jodi Rushing and John Brockschink. Elected.

13. RECOGNITION of Ordination Anniversaries of 60, 50, 40, and 25 years

14. CELEBRATING the lives of clergy who have died this year (BAC #48). Scott Lothe and Jodi Rushing named these persons. Bishop Trimble offered prayer.

15. CLERGY TRIBUTE SCHOLARSHIP FUND update. Rev. Mike Orthel, Iowa UM Foundation

16. OFFERING for the Clergy Assistance Fund

17. BUSINESS OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE QUESTION (BAC) #17. Rev. Rose Blank, Dean of the Appointive Cabinet, responded.

18. ELECTION.

18.1 Rev. J. Robert Burkhart moved election of the Committee on Investigation (BAC #18a). Elected.

18.2 He moved the election of the Administrative Review Committee (BAC #18b). Elected.

18.3 He then moved the statement on selection of the Committee on Investigation for Diaconal Ministers (BAC #66). Adopted.

19. EXAMINATION PROCESS. Rev. Lee Schott reviewed changes to the examination process which will begin with examinations in February, 2013.

20. REGISTRAR’S REPORT. Patty LaGree, Director of the Office of Ministerial Services and Registrar, reported those certified for ordained or licensed ministry since the last session of the annual conference (BAC #19a); those continued as certified candidates (BAC #19b); and those discontinued as certified candidates for licensed or ordained ministry (BAC #19c).
21. Patty LaGree reported those who have completed the studies for license as a local pastor, are approved, but are not now appointed (BAC #20).

22. Patty LaGree moved those approved and appointed as full-time local pastors (BAC #21a) and as part-time local pastors (BAC #21b). Approved.

23. Patty LaGree reported those discontinued as local pastors (BAC #22).

24. RECOGNITION. New graduates of the Course of Study were introduced and greeted by the Bishop. Deborah L. Parkison, Kevin W. Smith, Edgar F. Solis, and Benjamin A. Wilson were presented with a red scapular from the Board of Ordained Ministry. The Bishop prayed for them.

25. Patty LaGree reported those ordained ministers from other Annual Conferences or Methodist denominations approved for appointment in the Iowa Annual Conference while retaining their conference or denominational membership (BAC #24a,b).

26. Patty LaGree moved those clergy in good standing in other Christian denominations who have been approved to serve appointments or ecumenical ministries within the bounds of the Iowa Annual Conference while retaining their denominational affiliation (BAC #25). Accepted.

27. Patty LaGree moved the one who is an affiliate member (BAC #26b). Approved by 2/3 vote.

28. Patty LaGree reported those who are in process for certification in specialized ministry (BAC #60) and those certified in specialized ministry (BAC #61).

29. Patty LaGree reported those who are qualified and certified as lay ministers (BAC #65).

30. EXAMINATION TEAM REPORT. Rev. Lilian Gallo Seagren, vice chair of the Board of Ordained Ministry and chair of the Examination and Credentialing Team, moved the election of associate member and provisional member candidates (BAC #27 and #28).

30.1 Candidates were introduced by Lilian, then greeted and examined by the Bishop.

30.2 All were elected, welcomed into the body, and prayed for by the Bishop.

31. Lilian Gallo Seagren moved the election of those recommended for ordination as deacon or elder in full connection (BAC #31, 32, 33).

31.1 Candidates were introduced by Lilian, then greeted and examined by the Bishop.

31.2 All were elected, welcomed into the body, and prayed for by the Bishop.

32. Lilian Gallo Seagren reported those who are continued as provisional members (BAC #29).

33. Lilian Gallo Seagren reported the one transferred from another Methodist denomination (BAC #38) and one to be ordained as a courtesy to another conference (BAC #40b).
34. Lilian Gallo Seagren moved those discontinued as provisional members (BAC #42). Rev. Curtis DeVance, chair of the Administrative Review Committee, reported that all disciplinary procedures were followed as required. Accepted.

35. THANKS. Lilian Gallo Seagren thanked all members of the examination teams and Kae Tritle, Wellness Coordinator, for their work in the examination process.

36. CONFERENCE RELATIONS. Rev. Charles Luers, co-chair of the Conference Relations Team of the Board of Ordained Ministry, moved the one readmitted as a member in full connection (BAC #35.b). Approved.

37. Charles Luers reported the one transferred from another conference (BAC #37).

38. Charles Luers moved the one granted honorable location-retired status (BAC #44.a) Approved.

39. Charles Luers moved those whose conference membership was terminated (BAC #46.a, b). Approved.

40. Charles Luers reported the one suspended (BAC #47).

41. Linda Butler, co-chair of the Conference Relations Team of the Board of Ordained Ministry, reported provisional or ordained members who have received appointments in other Annual Conferences of The United Methodist Church while retaining their membership in this Annual Conference (BAC #49).

42. Linda Butler moved those on voluntary leave of absence (less than five years) (BAC #50a, b, c). Accepted. Linda then moved those on voluntary leave of absence for more than five years (BAC #50a). Accepted by two-thirds vote. Linda moved those placed on involuntary leave of absence (BAC #50.b and c.2). Rev. Curtis DeVance, chair of the Administrative Review Committee, reported that all disciplinary procedures were followed as required. Approved by 2/3 vote. Those whose leave of absence was terminated since the last session of the annual conference (ad interim) were reported (BAC #50d).

43. Linda Butler reported the incapacity leave terminated since the last annual conference session (BAC #52.b). She then moved those granted incapacity leave (BAC #52c). Accepted.

44. Charles Luers moved those members in full connection retired this year (BAC #53). Accepted.

45. Charles Luers moved those associate members retired this year (BAC #54). Accepted.

46. Linda Butler moved those approved for less than full-time service (BAC #76a, b). Accepted by 3/4 vote.

47. Linda Butler moved those appointed to extension ministries (BAC #80c). Accepted by 2/3 vote.
48. Barrie Tittle thanked the Board of Ordained Ministry members. Bishop Trimble thanked Barrie for his leadership of the Board.

49. HYMN. “Here I Am, Lord.”

50. DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING. Bishop Trimble

Second Day – Sunday, June 3, 2012

Morning

1. SERVICE FOR THE ORDERING OF MINISTRY. Worship leaders included Bishop Julius C. Trimble, Resident Bishop; Bishop Gregory Vaughn Palmer, Illinois Great Rivers Conference; Rev. Dwight DuBois, ecumenical representative from the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America; Rev. Karen Nichols Dungan, Assistant to the Bishop for Connectional Ministries; Rev. J. Robert Burkhart, Assistant to the Bishop for Administration; liturgists: Rev. Gayle Wilcox, Rev. Peter Chang, Rev. Brenda Hobson, Colleen McRoberts, Rev. Andrew Bardole, Rev. Sean McRoberts; Rev. Barrie Tittle, Chair, Board of Ordained Ministry; Rev. Lilian Gallo Seagren, Vice Chair, Board of Ordained Ministry; Norma Morrison, Lay Leader; The Iowa Conference Choir and Handbells; Linda S. Clark, piano; Josh Morgan, organ; James Walters, Music Director.

2. PROCESSIONAL

3. CALL TO WORSHIP

4. HYMN. Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

5. RECOGNITION OF COMMON MINISTRY AND REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

6. SCRIPTURE. Isaiah 6:1-8

7. PRESENTATION. Those to be recognized, commissioned, and ordained were presented and examined by Bishop Trimble.

8. RECOGNITION. Recognition of an Associate Member. See Business of Annual Conference (BAC) #27

9. COMMISSIONING. Examination and commissioning of provisional deacons and elders. See BAC #28a, b

10. ANTHEM. “Surely the Presence”

11. SCRIPTURE. John 3:1-17

12. HOMILY. “Weakness, Fear, and Shaking” (I Corinthians 2:1-5) Bishop Gregory Vaughn Palmer

13. ORDINATION. Examination and ordination of a deacon in full connection. See BAC #31a
14. ORDINATION. Examination and ordination of elders in full connection. See BAC #31b, 40

15. PRESENTATION. Introduction of one transferring from the Korean Methodist Church. See BAC # 38

16. OFFERING. Nigerian Students’ College Scholarship Fund

17. ANTHEM. “A Welcome Place”

18. COMMUNION

19. HYMN. “God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian”

20. DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

21. HYMN. “Go to the World”

22. RECESSIONAL

23. BREAK

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Second Day – Sunday, June 3, 2012

Afternoon

1. SPIRITUAL GUIDE

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. IMAGINE NO MALARIA. Rev. Gary Henderson, Executive Director of the Global Health Initiative of The United Methodist Church, and Myambi Dunbar, an UMCOR worker in Africa, spoke.

4. GENERAL CONFERENCE REPORT. Rev. Brian Milford, Phil Carver

5. MOMENT OF SPECIAL PRIVILEGE. Do No Harm statements were read.

6. BISHOP JAMES S. THOMAS LEADERSHIP AWARD. Bishop Trimble presented the award to Fern Underwood of Osceola UMC.


8. LEGISLATIVE SECTION 4 CONSENT CALENDAR. Tom Shinkle moved Items Action Items 401-410 and 413-421 with editorial corrections.

8.2 Tom Shinkle moved Action Items 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, and 420 as the Consent Calendar Section 4. Adopted.


9.1 Sheryl Campbell moved removal of Action Item 504. Removed.


9.3 Katie Dawson moved Action Items 508-517 as Consent Calendar 5, Part 2 with editorial corrections.


9.5 Katie Dawson moved Action Items 508, 509, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, and 517 as the Consent Calendar 5, Part 2. Adopted by 2/3 majority.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. BREAK

12. MEMORIAL CELEBRATION. Clergy and clergy spouses were remembered. Worship leaders included Bishop Julius C. Trimble, Resident Bishop; Rev. Anne Lippincott, preacher; liturgists: Rev. Karen Dungan, Rev. Harlan Gillespie, Freida Kiboko, Rev. Arnette Pint, Patty LaGree, Rev. Jill Sanders; and the African Choir from Cedar Rapids.

13. RECESS

Second Day – Sunday, June 3, 2012

Evening

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. SPIRITUAL GUIDE

3. MONITORING REPORT. Betsy Piette reported for COSROW.

4. GCOSROW. Garlinda Burton, General Secretary of the General Commission on the Status and Role of Women introduced a video and spoke.

5. CONFERENCE ARTIST. Ted Lydond Hatten spoke of his artwork from General Conference and about transformation. Additional artwork is in “Room for Wholeness.”

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. RECESS TO TEACHING SESSION #1. Sessions included Who Is My Neighbor, Media in Ministry, Moving Toward God’s Fullest Welcome and Diversity in a Small Church, Show Yourself Friendly, Sidewalk Sunday School, Rethink Confirmation, What’s Emerging/Working in Rural Iowa, Creating a Discipleship Pathway for your Church, NPNP 101, New Places for
New People through Hispanic Ministries, 5000 Cups of Coffee, and Becoming Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World.

Third Day – Monday, June 4, 2012

Morning


2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. LEGISLATIVE SECTION 1: David Decker, leader

   3.1. David Decker moved Action Item 103.
      3.1.1. Mike Gudka moved to amend Action Item 103 to add “Justice for the Unborn” to the primary foci of the Board of Church and Society.
      3.1.2. Denny Coon called for the question to end debate. Adopted.
      3.1.3. The amendment failed.
      3.1.4. Action Item 103 was adopted.

   3.2. David Decker moved Action Item 109.
      3.2.1. Anne Bacon moved to amend paragraph 3 by replacing $259,000 with $300,000 and replacing $196,500 with $225,000, all contingent on a similar amendment to relevant items in Action Item 116.
      3.2.2. John Hembry moved the previous question on all that is before us. Adopted.
      3.2.3. The amendment failed.
      3.2.4. Action Item 109 was adopted.

4. ORDER OF THE DAY. Rev. Lee Schott celebrated five years of the WOMEN AT THE WELL UMC.

5. BREAK

6. SPIRITUAL GUIDE


8. EPISCOPACY COMMITTEE CELEBRATION OF THE TRIMBLES. Rev. Harlan Gillespie, chair, and Rev. Ed Kail, Jurisdictional Episcopacy Committee, explained the process of assigning bishops to episcopal areas in the North Central Jurisdiction. Each district paid
tribute to the Trimbles, and the Trimbles responded. An offering was received for the Bishop’s Discretionary Fund in their honor.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

10. RECESS

Third Day – Monday, June 4, 2012

Afternoon

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. SPIRITUAL GUIDE

3. ORDER OF THE DAY. Rust College President Dr. David Beckley

4. MONITORING REPORT. Betty Kiboko

5. LAY LEADER’S ADDRESS. Norma Morrison spoke of her journey as conference lay leader, asking all to consider, “What is God calling you to?” She challenged all to go and make disciples.

6. LEGISLATIVE SECTION I. David Decker.


   6.2 David Decker moved Action Item 117. Action suspended for Order of the Day.

7. ORDER OF THE DAY - BLACK COLLEGE FUND. Rev. Medea Saunders introduced Clara Youngblood, a student, who spoke.

8. ORDER OF THE DAY - GCFA. Rev. Charles Smith introduced Moses Kumar, General Secretary of the General Council on Finance and Administration, who thanked the conference for 100% payment of Apportionments.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

10. BREAK

11. RETIREMENT CELEBRATION. Worship leaders included Rev. Dr. Charles Smith, preacher; liturgists: Bishop Julius C. Trimble, Rev. Lee Schott, Rev. J. Robert Burkhart, Rev. Gideon Gallo, Betty Stone, Rev. Maria Wiblin, and Rev. Len Eberhart; and the Urbandale, Aldersgate UMC Choir. Retiring clergy and their spouses were honored for their service in ministry to the conference. An offering was received for the Global AIDS Fund.

12. RECESS

Third Day – Monday, June 4, 2012

Evening

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER CONCERNS
2. LEGISLATIVE Section I. David Decker

2.1. Work resumed on Action Item 117.
   2.1.1 Andrea Kraushaar moved to call the question on all before us. Adopted.

   2.1.2 Action Item 117 adopted.

2.2. David Decker moved Action Item 118.
   2.2.1 David Peterson moved that the 2013 Apportionment request be amended to return to the 2012 amounts.

   2.2.2 Lanny Tuttle moved to call the question on all before us. Adopted.

   2.2.3 The amendment failed.

   2.2.4 Action Item 118 adopted.

2.3 David Decker moved Legislative Section I in its entirety. Adopted.

3. LEGISLATIVE Section 2. Sean McRoberts

3.1 Sean McRoberts moved Action Item 213. Adopted.

3.2 Sean McRoberts moved Action Item 214.

   3.2.1 Linda Butler moved to amend 214 by adding $33,000 to the Program Ministry Resource Fund to restore Iowa Religious Media Services funding to the 2012 level.

   3.2.2 Alexis Williams moved to call the question. Adopted.

   3.2.3 The amendment was adopted.

   3.2.4 Action Item 214 was adopted as amended.

3.3 Sean McRoberts moved Legislative Section 2 in its entirety. Adopted.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. FIXING OF APPOINTMENTS. Service leaders included Bishop Julius C. Trimble, resident bishop; Rev. J. Robert Burkhart and Rev. Karen Nichols Dungan, Assistants to the Bishop; all District Superintendents; all Field Outreach Ministers; and the Conference Hispanic Praise Band. Newly appointed superintendents, Rev. Lilian Gallo Seagren and Rev. Tom Carver, were introduced and changes in appointments were announced. All appointments were fixed.

6. RECESS
Fourth Day – Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Morning

1. MORNING PRAYER WITH COMMUNION. Worship leaders included Bishop Julius C. Trimble, celebrant; liturgists: Rev. Jacqueline Thompson, Rev. Ted Lyddon Hatten, Rev. Arnette Pint, Cheryl Weesner, John Wagner, Rev. Brent Hamilton, and Rev. Anna Blaedel; and James Walters, musician.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. MOTION. Jerry Oakland moved to suspend the rules to deal with legislative items in the following order: Action Items 318, 421, 422, and the motion on being a paperless annual conference will be dealt with immediately. If we are not concluded with them before the teaching session, we will resume with them following the morning break prior to the other business scheduled. Other items, including the annual meeting of the Board of Pensions, will be processed following the noon break.

4. STATEMENT from Bishop Trimble concerning anonymous notes on the floor of the conference, with the admonition to “Do No Harm.”

   5.1 Colleen Petaros moved Action Item 318 with an editorial correction. Adopted.
   5.2 Colleen Petaros moved Legislative Section 3 in its entirety. Adopted.

6. LEGISLATIVE SECTION 4. Tom Shinkle, leader.
   6.1 Tom Shinkle moved Action Item 421.
      6.1.1 Charles Smith moved to amend the column entitled 2013 Apportionment Request for General Church Apportionments and Offerings as follows: Episcopal Fund, $349,188; Ministerial Education, $413,686; General Church Administration Fund, $145,402; Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, $32,338; World Service Fund, $1,204,974; Black College Fund, $165,008; Africa University Fund, $36,926; and that column total to $2,740,285. Change the column entitled Total Anticipated Available total to $3,710,385. Adopted.

   6.1.2 Action Item 421 adopted as amended.

   6.2 Action Item 422. Dennis Tevis moved a change to Standing Item 24, the Annual Conference Moving Policy, the text of which is found on pages 315-318 of the 2009 Iowa Annual Conference Journal, so that the total move weight covered by the Conference in 3.c. would be 14,000 pounds.
      6.2.1 Alex Wright moved to call the question. Adopted.
      6.2.2 Action Item 422 was adopted.

7. RECESS TO TEACHING SESSION #2

8. BREAK
9. **MOTION.** Karen Dungan moved, on behalf of the Annual Conference Session Planning Committee, that the Iowa Annual Conference no longer pay for printed copies of the Pre-Conference Manual, beginning with the 2013 Annual Conference session.

9.1 Erica Shannon Stueve moved to call the question. Adopted.

9.2 Session Committee motion adopted.

10. **COKESBURY.** Rev. Brian Milford and Dawn Peterson

11. **IAUMC FOUNDATION.** Scott Lothe moved that the Annual Conference recess to allow the Iowa United Methodist Foundation to hold its annual meeting. Adopted.

11.1 Larry Cobb, President, Board of Directors, recognized Kevin Gowdy and Teri Miller; reviewed the financial report; and explained the work of the Foundation.

11.2 Dean Schlitter, Treasurer, Board of Directors, reported on the budget and the audit. He then presented the slate of nominees for the Board of Directors: Sheldon Howard, class of 2013 (2nd term); James Buckhahn (2nd term), John Helgerson, Janice Keene (2nd term), Kris Manning, Mark Martinez, and Doug Peters for the class of 2016. Elected.

11.3 Larry Cobb accepted a motion to adjourn the IUMF meeting. Adopted. Conference reconvened.

12. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

13. **DIAKONOS SKIT and OFFERING**

14. **RECESS**

Fourth Day – Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Afternoon

1. **SPIRITUAL GUIDE**

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

3. **FLASH MOB** sprang up from the Northeast District!

4. **BOARD OF PENSIONS**

4.1 Beverlee Bell moved the Annual Conference stand in recess for the Board of Pensions annual meeting. Adopted.

4.2 Beverlee Bell moved Action Item 411.

4.2.1 Joshua Hansen moved to amend Action Item 411 by deleting Section E, and re-lettering as needed. Adopted.
4.2.2 Action Item 411 adopted as amended.

4.3 Beverlee Bell moved Action Item 412. Adopted.

4.4 Beverlee Bell moved to adjourn Board of Pensions annual meeting and reconvene Annual Conference. Adopted.

4.5 Tom Shinkle moved to approve Legislative Section 4 in its entirety. Adopted.

5. LEGISLATIVE SECTION 5, Katie Dawson, Leader

5.1 Katie Dawson moved Action Item 504. Adopted.

5.2 Katie Dawson moved Action Item 510.

5.2.1 David Stanley moved to amend Action Item 510 by revising paragraph J.10.b to read: b. If the Resolutions Committee and the agency do not concur, the Resolutions Committee shall again consider the matter. If the Resolutions Committee continues to recommend repeal of the resolution, the request and the reason shall be contained in the Pre-Conference Manual.

5.2.2 Arley Ellingson appealed ruling of the chair to require 2/3 majority vote for Stanley amendment. Defeated.

5.2.3 Stanley amendment adopted by 2/3 majority.

5.2.4 Action Item 510 adopted as amended by 2/3 majority.

5.3 Katie Dawson moved Legislative Section 5 in its entirety.

5.4 Robert Dean moved reconsideration of the consent calendar for Legislative Section 5. Adopted.

5.5 Robert Dean moved removal of Action Item 506. Adopted.

5.5.1 Robert Dean moved to amend Action Item 506 by deleting the original #9 (editorial correction to #10) of the “Invest” portion of that item, which deals with payment of General Conference Apportionments. Defeated.

5.5.2 Katie Dawson moved Action Item 506. Adopted.

5.6 Katie Dawson moved Legislative Section 5 in its entirety. Adopted.

6. HISPANIC MINISTRIES. Edgar Solis and Nitza Dovenspike

7. BUDGET. CF&A president Betty Stone moved the revised working budget of the Iowa Annual Conference for 2013. Adopted.

8. NOMINATING BALLOT. Fred Lewis moved adoption of nominating ballot as presented. Adopted.
9. RESOLUTIONS FOR CLOSING CHURCHES.

9.1 Rose Blank, Dean of the Cabinet, moved adoption of resolutions concerning abandoned and discontinued churches: West Des Moines, Jordan Creek; Marshalltown, Bethany; Cedar Rapids, Faith; Iowa City, Hope; Hansell; Clio; Wishard Chapel; Bettendorf, Community of Joy; Spring Run; and Magnolia. Adopted.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Jordan Creek United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Jordan Creek United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Polk County was founded on January 26, 1997; and

WHEREAS the charge conference of the Jordan Creek UMC voted on June 22, 2011, to discontinue the church; and

WHEREAS the district superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Jordan Creek UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within one year of the discontinuance date to West Des Moines UMC; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property be sold; and that the officers of Jordan Creek UMC accept responsibility for the disposition of the furnishings, and any other business associated with the closing of the church. Any remaining assets following the sale of the property shall be directed to the West Des Moines, Maple Grove UMC; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, and the Central District Board of Church Location and Building, and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jordan Creek United Methodist Church be discontinued effective September 1, 2011.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Bethany United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Bethany United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Marshall County was founded in 1909 and has had a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the charge conference of the Bethany UMC voted on December 29, 2011, to discontinue the church; and

WHEREAS the district superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Bethany UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within one year of the discontinuance date to Hope UMC; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property will be considered abandoned and the Iowa Annual Conference Board of Trustees will assume responsibility for all remaining property; and
WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, and the Central District Board of Church Location and Building, and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bethany United Methodist Church be discontinued effective January 31, 2012, and that the church property shall be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference Board of Trustees.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Faith United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Faith United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Linn County was founded in 1956 and has had a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the charge conference of the Faith UMC voted on July 5, 2011, to discontinue the church; and

WHEREAS the district superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Faith UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within one year of the discontinuance date to Lovely Lane UMC; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property be handled per ¶2548.2.b of the 2008 Book of Discipline; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, and the East Central District Board of Church Location and Building, and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faith United Methodist Church be discontinued effective October 1, 2011, and that the church property shall be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference Board of Trustees.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Hope United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Hope United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Johnson County was founded in 1995 and has had a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the charge conference of the Hope UMC voted on November 13, 2011, to discontinue the church; and

WHEREAS the district superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Hope UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within one year of the discontinuance date to St. Mark’s UMC, Iowa City; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property be handled per ¶2548.2.b of the 2008 Book of Discipline; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, and the East Central District Board of Church Location and Building, and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hope United Methodist Church be discontinued effective January 1, 2012, and that the church property shall be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference Board of Trustees.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Hansell United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Hansell United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Franklin County has a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the Church conference of the Hansell UMC voted to discontinue the church on April 17, 2011; and

WHEREAS the District Superintendent in consultation with the local church has recommended discontinuance of the Hansell UMC and has recommended the transfer of persons who do not indicate otherwise within 1 year of discontinuance to the Westfork UMC; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the District Superintendents, and the North Central District Board of Church Location and Building and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hansell United Methodist Church be discontinued effective December 1, 2011.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Clio United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Clio United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Wayne County was founded in 1884 and has had a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the Church Conference of the Clio UMC voted on November 13, 2011 to discontinue the church; and

WHEREAS the district superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Clio UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within 1 year of the discontinuance date to the Allerton UMC; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, the District Board of Church Location and Building, and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clio United Methodist Church be discontinued effective November 14, 2011, and that the church property shall be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Wishard Chapel United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Wishard Chapel United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Ringgold County was founded in 1887 and has had a long and proud history; and
WHEREAS the Church Conference of the Wishard Chapel UMC voted on August 17, 2011 to discontinue the church; and

WHEREAS the district superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Wishard Chapel UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within 1 year of the discontinuance date to the Ellston UMC; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, the District Board of Church Location and Building, and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wishard Chapel United Methodist Church be discontinued effective November 27, 2011 and that the church property shall be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Bettendorf, Community of Joy United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Bettendorf, Community of Joy United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Scott County, was founded in 1994 and has a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the charge conference of the Bettendorf, Community of Joy UMC voted on May 22, 2011, to discontinue the church; and

WHEREAS the District Superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Bettendorf, Community of Joy UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within 1 year of the discontinuance date to the Davenport, Christ UMC; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bettendorf, Community of Joy United Methodist Church be discontinued effective August 1, 2011, and that the church property be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference.

RESOLUTION FOR DISCONTINUANCE of Spring Run United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Spring Run United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Louisa County, was founded in 1872 and has a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the charge conference of the Spring Run UMC voted on September 18, 2011, to discontinue the church; and
WHEREAS the District Superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended discontinuance of Spring Run UMC and transfer of membership of persons who do not indicate otherwise within 1 year of the discontinuance date to the Spring Run Church; and

WHEREAS the superintendent, in consultation with the local church, has recommended that the property be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference Board of Trustees and sold to Spring Run Church, Inc.; and

WHEREAS the consent to discontinue has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Spring Run United Methodist Church be discontinued effective December 31, 2011, and that the church property be transferred to the Iowa Annual Conference Board of Trustees and then sold to Spring Run Church, Inc.

RESOLUTION FOR ABANDONMENT of the Magnolia United Methodist Church

WHEREAS the Magnolia United Methodist Church (UMC) located in Harrison County was founded in 1853 and has had a long and proud history; and

WHEREAS the charge conference of the Magnolia UMC voted on June 12, 2011 to discontinue and to abandon the church; and

WHEREAS the district superintendent has recommended abandonment of Magnolia UMC and transfer of its membership to Logan UMC; and

WHEREAS the consent to abandon has been granted by the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, and the district board of church location and building and all proper Disciplinary requirements have been complied with;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Magnolia United Methodist Church be abandoned effective July 10, 2011.

10. MONITORING REPORT. Betsy Piette

11. RECONCILING MOTION. Karen Nichols Dungan moved to authorize the Conference Secretary, Journal Editor, Rules of Order committee, and Annual Conference Session Planning committee to reconcile actions of this Annual Conference session, so they may be published in the 2012 Iowa Annual Conference Journal and the 2012 Iowa Annual Conference Book of Resolutions. Adopted.

12. CONCLUDING BUSINESS AND THANK YOU’S. Bishop Trimble

13. SERVICE OF SENDING. Worship leaders: Bishop Trimble, Arnette Pint

14. ADJOURNMENT. The 169th Session of the Iowa Annual Conference adjourned at 4:34 pm.

15. REGISTRATION. The total number of members registered for the 2012 Annual Conference was 757 clergy and 685 laity.
16. OFFERINGS. Imagine No Malaria, $22,116.69; Nigerian Student College Scholarship Fund, $6,681.52; Global AIDS Fund, $4,637.09; Bishop’s Discretionary Fund, $6,364.75; Diakonos, $4,977.23; and Clergy Sustentation Fund (at clergy session), $5662.70. In addition, more than $3688 in cash and over 12,752 units of in-kind gifts were donated to projects in the districts.

17. ASSOCIATE SECRETARIES. Chris Ebbers, Pam Kranzler, Kevin LaGree, Judy Marnin, Cherry Marsden, Jeff McPheron, Kathi Mitchell, JoAnn Orthel, and Jim Turner assisted in the preparation of these Daily Proceedings.

18. ATTEST OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

    Presiding Bishop,
    
    Julius C. Trimble

    Conference Secretary,

    Patricia M. LaGree
CERTIFICATION OF ORDINATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT AT HYVEE HALL

IN DES MOINES, IOWA

ON THE 3RD DAY OF JUNE, 2012, I CONSECRATED THESE ORDINANDS

Deacon In Full Connection

Maria D. Wiblin

Elders In Full Connection

Jay C. Amundson          Norman W. Kelley
Jonathan C. Bailey       Brian K. Oliver
Mara Z.L. Bailey         Jason L. Princer
Sherrie L. Ilg           Jessica A. Rockhold Gaul
Heecheon Jeon            Nancy McLean Smith
Christie L. John         Joshua H. Steward

Signed,

Bishop Julius C. Trimble

[Signature]
2012 ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION

Back: Jessica Rockhold Gaul, Jonathan Bailey, Nan Smith, Jay Amundson, Jason Princer, Joshua Steward and Heecheon Jeon

Front: Christie John, Sherrie Ilg, Brian Oliver, Bishop Trimble, Ande Emmanuel (courtesy Ordination for Nigeria Conference), Mara Baily and Norman Kelley
2012 DEACON IN FULL CONNECTION

Bishop Trimble and Maria D. Wiblin