

Tim McClendon - "Together we can be *in the making*."

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For an unprecedented third consecutive quadrennia, the South Carolina Annual Conference elected Tim as first clergy delegate to General Conference and the delegation named him their Episcopal nominee. Dr. Tim's vision for the church and the episcopacy is centered in a renewed call for authentic Christian discipleship, as each of us is called to be *in the making* as Jesus' disciples, and involved in the making of others. Tim fosters a culture of disciple-making through:

EXPERIENCED LEADERSHIP. There are very few in the United Methodist connection with more experience at all levels of the life of the church.

- Dr. Tim has excelled in every setting over 35+ years of itinerant ministry, from a rural multi-point charge to large-membership congregations
- served as Superintendent to South Carolina's largest district for eight years and has been elected annual conference parliamentarian for over 20 years
- current Senior Pastor at St. John's UMC, Aiken, one of the four highest-attended churches in SC
- elected as a delegate to six General Conferences
- served on the General Council on Ministries, Connectional Table, Worldwide Nature Study Committee, General Commission on Religion and Race
- received the Denman Evangelism Award as well as the Candler Distinguished Alumni Award
- reflects his Native American heritage through a lifelong commitment to Native American ministries in the District, Conference, Jurisdiction, and General Church

CREATIVE DISCIPLESHIP. Tim is uniquely gifted as a mentor, and communicator.

- He places incredible value on encouraging and equipping the laity through decades of teaching Lay Servant Ministries, United Methodist Men's Retreats, and Lay Leadership Workshops
- has mentored 16 persons from various pastorates into ordained ministry, and served many years on DCOMs and the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry
- taught United Methodist doctrine, theology and polity at Candler School of Theology and Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary for more than a decade
- served as a Bible-study leader in other Annual Conferences, and keynote speaker in events ranging from El Paso to Portland, most recently at the 2015 Music & Arts Week at Lake Junaluska

RELATIONAL INTEGRITY. Dr. Tim emphasizes hard work, honesty, and mutual accountability.

- Tim was most effective as a Superintendent by spending innumerable hours one-on-one with clergy
- has taken the lead in countless situations of conflict-resolution across the connection, and has a track record of speaking truth to power
- is beginning his third quadrennia on the SEJ Committee on the Episcopacy, and understands that healthy accountability is as vital for our Episcopal leaders as it is for every Christian person

Dr. Tim's life and ministry exemplify disciple-making in the Wesleyan way. He has served along with his wife of 40 years, Cindy, and their three children: Narcie, a United Methodist campus minister; Josh, also an ordained elder in the UMC; and Caleb. Tim and Cindy have five grandchildren who know him as "Mac-Mac."