



Circuit Rider Dispatch



Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.

Stewardship training...

Over the past six years, the Foundation sent 93 pastors to Texas for stewardship training with Dr. Michael Reeves. This past week over 20 Holston ministers and special guests attended a stewardship conference in Townsend, TN hosted by the Foundation and the Stewardship ministries. Reeves, author and renowned consultant on issues of stewardship and giving in the church, spoke about how effective congregational fundraising is not about money—it is about:



- **Relationships:** Giving is personal to donors. Giving reflects a donor's interests and passions, commitment to the mission of the congregation, and trust in leadership.
- **Vision:** Clear and repeated articulation of vision helps supporters understand why generous giving is important. Does the congregation have a sense of tomorrow?
- **Trust:** True transparency about how money is received and how it is spent helps build assurance for supporters. Cultivate trust and confidence in supporters, so they can say: "I know what I give makes a difference and is important because I see it."
- **Faith Formation:** Generous giving reflects the donor's personal religious values and beliefs.



Holston Conference Foundation/Stewardship Team
"Pastor as Financial Leader" Graduates
2013

from the Lake Institute, 2013

To learn more about the Holston Conference Stewardship Ministry click [here](#).



\$50k Imagine No Malaria MATCH continues...

Right up to Annual Conference 2013, The Foundation will contribute \$1000 matching gifts made by individuals who contribute to Imagine No Malaria through their church* or the Foundation with gifts of \$1,000 or more. To give online click [here](#) or mail a check to Holston Conference Foundation, (Imagine No Malaria in the memo), PO Box 900, Alcoa, TN 37701. Remember-every 60 seconds, malaria claims a life in Africa. Millions of lives, needlessly lost each year. A continent. Entire nations...slipping away.

Slipping through life's precious net. Unless you hear the buzzing inside you.

**If giving through the local church or district please send a copy of the check, full contact information including email so that we can acknowledge and match the gift.*

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PERSONAL PLANNER

Gifts with Life Income

Planning for retirement and senior care is a very important activity. The activities of daily living for a senior person include eating, dressing, bathing, walking and moving.

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SAVVY LIVING

How to Diagnose and Treat Sleep Apnea

What can you tell me about sleep apnea? My husband, who's 60, has become such a terrible snorer that he wakes himself up at night and he keeps me up as well. [Read](#)

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YOUR PLAN

Edith Leming Skinrood

EDITH LEMING SKINROOD had the looks of a movie star and the disposition of an angel. [Read More](#)

WASHINGTON NEWS

March 27 Government Shutdown Avoided

With bipartisan votes in the House and the Senate, Congress passed a continuing resolution to fund the government until September 30, 2013. The vote of 318-109 in the House and 73-26 in the Senate was sufficient to avoid a government shutdown on March 27. [Read More](#)

FINANCES

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New Online Donation Function for Foundation

The Foundation recently launched an online option for giving to previous established funds within the Foundation. Utilizing PayPal a donor can select from various options, including "area of greatest need" to make a tax-deductible contribution through the Foundation. Please click [here](#) for the link at the Foundation's main website.

Gifts may be given to any of the following: Area of Greatest Need · Ben St. Clair New Church Starts · Children's Ministry Endowment · Disaster Relief Endowment · Evangelism and Outreach Endowment · HC - Camping Scholarship Endowment · HC - College Scholarship Endowment · HC - Communications Technology Endowment · HC - Foundation Endowment · HC - Pastoral Counseling Center · Imagine No Malaria · Partners in Crisis Endowment · Senior Ministries Endowment · South Sudan Orphanage · South Sudan Wells/Sanitation · Stewardship Education · Youth Ministries Endowment · Youth Mission Scholarship · Wesley Foundations (campus ministry)

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Thank you for your interest in planned giving through the Holston Conference Foundation. To access any of our resources, please go to our [website](#).





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