



All God's Children

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Would you let this preacher clean your bathroom?

Pastor Todd Kingrea wanted to lead his congregation into showing servant hospitality to the community. So he got out his scrub brushes and rubber gloves and ...



Tornado relief: Holston workers sent to Alabama

Last summer, several Holston members responded to an appeal for "early response" disaster training. When tornadoes struck the southeast on Feb. 5, a team was prepared to respond.

Extra: Tennessee pastor and family killed in crash following storm ([UMNS report](#))



[Why Holston is rich with young pastors](#)

"Less than 20 years ago, Amy Rollins Probst was among the 12,000 United Methodist youth to descend on Gatlinburg every January for a spiritual renewal weekend retreat called Resurrection." (*Chattanooga Times Free Press*)



[Reading List](#)

Three pastors: one from Chattanooga, one from Johnson City, one from Wytheville. So, what books are lying on their nightstands?



[Wings](#)

Bishop James Swanson is back from his "Exodus Experience," with a story on climbing the mountaintop. He gets by with a little help from his friends.



[The Call is here](#)

The February edition of the newspaper was mailed to subscribers on Wednesday -- or you can download PDFs here.



[Your 2 Cents](#)

Tell us what you think about ... the last Ministers' Convocation ... hot topics for General Conference ... how we're doing at *The Call*.

Conference Calendar

- **Feb. 22-24:** [Cross-Bearers](#) (for youth interested in faith-sharing)
- **Feb. 29:** Resolutions due for [Annual Conference](#)
- **March 2:** [One Great Hour of Sharing](#)
- **March 6-8:** [Ministers' Wives Retreat](#)
- **March 7:** Reservations due for special meals at [Annual Conference](#)
- **March 7-8:** [March Forth for Children](#) (children's ministry training)
- **March 8:** UMM Day With the Bishop (call 865-588-5763)
- **March 31:** [Clergywomen's Conversation](#)



[More calendar items ...](#)

Holston.org Picks



- Last chance: [Change for Children](#) grant applications due Feb. 15
- Calling All Men: [Something new](#) coming in August
- Annual Conference [deadlines](#): Which ones apply to you?



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UMC.org Picks

- [Black History Month](#) resources, including John Wesley's thoughts on slavery and YouTube of Martin Luther King's last speech
- United Methodist teenager accused of killing parents and brothers in Maryland; church family struggles with loss ([UMNS report](#))
- How did they pick my pastor? A [Methopedia](#) explanation of the appointment process



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Opportunities

- 90 singers, a symphony orchestra, actors and dancers: "[Alone at the Altar](#)" Easter presentation at Cokesbury UMC on March 9
- Young adult ministry. Older adult ministry. What about the middle adults? [Take this survey](#) and help discover if there is a need in Holston
- Eighty percent of Hiwassee College students are from Appalachia. Learn more about Hiwassee's [Annual Scholarship Competition](#) on Feb. 23
- Sure, you get *The Call* by e-mail, but do you get the newspaper, too? (It's pretty good. Really.) [Order online](#) now



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