

LAY LEADERS FOCUS (2019 - 2020)

- 1) Review and know your duties.
- 2) Rededicate your efforts.
- 3) Review the New Model (attached)
- 4) Know and embrace our mission, beliefs, and objectives.
- 5) All lay leaders should have a report for the body that you answer to (Church Conference, District Conference, or Annual Conference)>
- 6) Provide picture of outreach efforts to dolmadma@yahoo.com
- 7) Commit to register and attend the 2020 CME Unity Summit to be held in Dallas, TX August 31-September 2, 2020).
- 8) The Connectional Prayer Ministry needs men participants each Tuesday (6:30 A.M.) from the Central, Mountain, & Eastern time zones. Contact Rev. Bonita Collins-Hobbs via email at cmeconnectionalprayer@gmail.com
- 9) Who Are Laity? **“Laity are the unordained people of God, furthering the mission of the church in the world.”**

MODEL FOR LAY MINISTRY COUNCILS
The Unordained “People Of God” Furthering The Mission Of The Church In The World.

ACTIONS AND/OR PROCESSES	CURRENT APPROACH OR CIRCUMSTANCE	NEW MODEL (METHOD OR APPROACH)
OBJECTIVE FOR MEETING	Meet and have a successful meeting	Work from a yearly plan of action; use the Lay Ministry Beliefs and Objectives as the foundation; equip members for service.
COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS WITH OTHER LOCAL CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS	Each organization carries out actions separately	Unified collaborative approach; working together to equip all laity for ministry; strengthen individuals and organization
RESPONSIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS	Meet, fulfill duty, and go home	Take personal responsibility for the promotion, growth and advancement of Lay Ministry.
CARRYING OUT MINISTRY EFFORTS	Church building (at stated times)	Everywhere (always) <i>Your Personal World and The World</i>
PRIMARY CONCERN	Programs, events, church building, money	Glorify God and equip the laity for service. Solve issues with a solution-based approach.
PASTOR’S SUPPORT AND PROMOTION OF LAY MINISTRY COUNCIL	Dwindled in recent years	*Lay leaders work with Pastor’s to promote Lay Ministry as a viable and necessary ministry within the church.
PROCESS FOR BUILDING LEADERS	Wait until the time comes, then elect whoever is willing or can be convinced to assume a position.	*Develop leaders continuously; elect those who are faithful, available, and accountable.
RESPONSIBILITY FOR UNDERSTANDING AND PROMOTING NEW THEMES AND INITIATIVES	Leave it up to the Pastor, Lay Leader, and/or others to communicate meaning and intent	Take personal responsibility in Understanding and Promoting New Themes and Initiatives
COMMITMENT TO AND UNDERSTANDING OF DISCIPLESHIP	Concentration is on being a good organization member	*Commit to Discipleship Growth and Development
ACTIVE INREACH AND OUTREACH MISSION AND MINISTRY EFFORTS	Lay Ministry Council and other church organizations meet regularly, plan events and address issues	*Lay Ministry Councils engaged and participating in collaborative Inreach and Outreach Ministry.
INTENTIONAL INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY EFFORTS	Include and focus on those who join the organization or those who are appointed or elected.	**Outline plans and programs with the goal of reaching, teaching, and ministering to all generations.

The commitment to our Lay Ministry Beliefs of **STUDYING** with a sense of purpose; **SEEKING** and being sensitive to those who do not know Christ; **SHARING** with a sense of thankfulness; and **SERVING** with a glad heart remains in place. The commitment to our **fifteen LAY MINISTRY OBJECTIVES**, listed in the Lay Ministry Manual, remains in place as well. . . Using this Model our Lay Ministry Councils are encouraged to find new and innovative ways to make the Beliefs and Objectives come alive in the hearts and minds of all laity, particularly, in the local church. **We are asking all pastors to encourage and work with our Lay Leaders and take advantage of the sound organizational structure that is in place to assist the entire church.** This model is meant to be used with a collaborative approach in sustaining and advancing our church to greater works now and in the years to come.