

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE NORTHEAST DISTRICT



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NED – North East District

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Closed 12-1 pm

YOU DO MAKX A DIFFRXNCX!!

Some of you may not rxmxbxr thx typxwritxr, but I still havx onx. Evxn though it is an oldxr modxl, it works quitx wxll. Xxcxpt for onx of thx kxys. I havx wishxd many timxs that it workxd pxrfectly. It is trux that thxrx arx forty-fivx kxys that function wxll xnough, but just onx not working makxs thx diffrxncx. Somxtimxs, it sxxms to mx that churchxs arx somxwhat likx my typxwritxr. Not all thx pxoplx arx working propxrly. You may vxxn say to yoursxlf, “Wxll, I am only onx pxrson. I don’t makx or brxak a program.” But it doxs make a diffrxncx, becausx any program to bx xffctive nxxds thx xffctivx participation of vxry mxmbxr. So, thx nxxt timx you think you arx only onx pxrson and that your xfforts arx not nxxdxd, rxmxbxr my typxwritxr, and say to yoursxlf, “I am a kxy pxrson, and I am nxxdxd vxry much indxxd!!

Now that Easter has come and gone – with its large crowds, its special programs, its joyous worship – we are reminded once again what we can do when we’re all together! But the joy of Easter also reveals by contrast that most of the year, we are a “broken typewriter,” because we are missing so many of us when we gather. Miracles happen when all the people of God work together. If you believe in the raised Jesus from the dead, then join with us this year, as Christ’s risen body, and help us to proclaim and live the Easter hope every day. You do make a difference – both to your Church and to God!

Now you are together the body of Christ, and individually you are members of him. - 1 Corinthians 12:27

Blessings. Paul

DISTRICT CONFERENCE INFORMATION:

*To everyone that was there or not there – I want to say a huge THANK YOU for everything you did to make me feel grateful to have this job with the NE District for as long as I can. I am thankful to know so many wonderful people thru the 3 years I have been here. I know we are a great district and will continue to be. I will miss you but until I am able to find another position, I will be here until December 31, 2019. Karen Wersinger – **proud District Administrative Assistant for the NE District!***

Annual Conference updates:

Our very own clergy from Waterloo Jubilee – Abraham Funchess will be conducting an awards event on Saturday, June 8th at 5:00 pm in the Hy-Vee Hall – see more information [here](#) – come and support this event NE District.



Seeking Global Justice through
the United Methodist Church
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2019 ANNUAL AWARDS EVENT



Saturday, June 8 – 5:00 PM
Hy-Vee Hall (Rooms 319-320)

“For Such a Time as This”
Keynote Address
Rev. Abraham Funchess

The Rev. Abraham Funchess was appointed to serve Jubilee United Methodist Church in Waterloo in 2003. Funchess has also served as Division Administrator of the Iowa Commission on the Status of African Americans within the Iowa Department of Human Rights under Governors Tom Vilsack and Chet Culver. In June 2010, Funchess was appointed to the position of Human Rights Director for the city of Waterloo.

Funchess graduated from Hampton University, where he received the W.E.B. DuBois Award for Scholarship and Activism from the department of Sociology, in recognition of his leadership in both the faith and academic arenas. Other awards include the “Building Unity and Developing Understanding” Award from the City of Waterloo Commission on Human Rights in 2008 and, in 2015, the State of Iowa Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Achievement Award and the Bishop James Samuel Thomas Leadership Award from the Iowa Annual Conference.



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Iowa Chapter
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2019 Social Action Awards will be presented before the keynote

TICKETS: \$35 each, with Buffet Dinner
Order from Rita Carter: E-mail: ritaac@mchsi.com
Call: 515-979-0605 or Mail form below. Deadline for order: June 3

Iowa Annual Conference Awards Event Ticket Order / Saturday, June 8, 2019 - 5:00 PM

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

_____ # of \$35 Tickets Enclosed \$ _____ Mail ticket(s) _____ OR Hold for pickup _____

Orders due by June 3

NO REFUNDS. Make checks payable to: IOWA CHAPTER MFSA

Mail to: Rita Carter, 7218 El Rancho Ave., Windsor Heights, IA 50324

(Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope for return tickets by mail)



Youth Lock-In Service Retreat:

May 31st to June 1st – see flyer for more information [here](#). ** Medical form is needed – see form [here](#).

NE District Basic and Advanced Lay Speaker Training – for more information see this under District Calendar on the NE District Web Page at: <https://northeast.iaumc.org/> or get form [here](#).

Friday May 1st – Another Set of Eyes are due and they are on the NE District Web page: <https://northeast.iaumc.org/forms> – by everyone – ***even if you are retiring the end of June.***

June 7 – 11th – Annual Conference in Des Moines – see web page at Iowa Conference - <https://www.iaumc.org/eventdetail/12062135?month=6&year=2019&day=1&display=m> Hotels are available to make your reservations. **If you need to order your Pre-Conference Manual, it is available here.**

Parsonage Inspection Reports are due - we also have a "NEW" form - Parsonage Information Sheet - and you can view these on our NE District Web page at: <https://northeast.iaumc.org/forms>

Iowa Five-Day Academy for Spiritual Formation – for Laity and Clergy – see flyer [here](#).