

OUR DISTINGUISHED PRESENTERS

(In order of appearance.)

NAUMF National Meeting

October 19-22, 2010

Hyatt Regency Crown Center, Kansas City, Missouri

DAY 1: Tuesday, Oct 19

Christopher R. Hoyt

Professor of Law, University of Missouri-Kansas City

B.A., Northwestern University

M.S., J.D., University of Wisconsin, C.P.A.

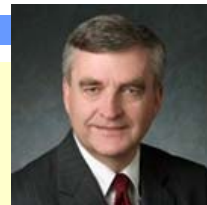


Professor Christopher R. Hoyt teaches courses in the areas of federal taxation, business organizations, retirement plans, and tax-exempt organizations. Previously, he was with the law firm of Spencer, Fane, Britt & Browne in Kansas City, Missouri. He received an undergraduate degree in economics from Northwestern University and he received dual law and accounting degrees from the University of Wisconsin. He attained membership in the Order of the Coif and received three American Jurisprudence Awards for achievements in specific classes.

He is currently the Chair of the American Bar Association's Committee on Lifetime and Testamentary Charitable Gift Planning (Section of Probate and Trust) and serves on the editorial board of *Trusts and Estates* magazine. He is a frequent speaker at legal and educational programs and has been quoted in numerous publications, including *The Wall Street Journal*, *Forbes*, *MONEY Magazine* and *The Washington Post*.

Scott E. Blakesley

Partner: Spencer, Fane, Britt & Browne LLP



Scott Blakesley is a partner and leader of the firm's Kansas City estate planning group. Mr. Blakesley's practice involves all areas of estate planning and trust and estate administration, including family-owned businesses, planning for multiple generations, charitable gift planning, tax-exempt organizations, estate and gift tax planning, and general advice and counseling for family members involved in business and estate planning

- American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, Fellow
- Estate Planning Society of Kansas City
- Partnership for Philanthropic Planning (formerly NCPG), Board Member, 1997-2001; President, 2001
- Children's Mercy Hospital, Planned Gift Council; Chair, 2007
- Jewish Community Foundation, Legal Counsel; Professional Advisors Committee
- United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, Foundation Board, Memorials Committee
- United Way of Greater Kansas City, Planned Giving Committee; Chair
- Kansas City Community Foundation, Professional Advisors Committee

Bishop Robert R. Schnase

Robert Schnase serves as Bishop of the Missouri Area of The United Methodist Church. He was elected by the South Central Jurisdiction in July 2004, and assigned to the Missouri Area beginning September 2004.



Bishop Schnase was ordained Deacon in 1981 and Elder in 1986 in the Southwest Texas Conference. He is a graduate of Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University in Dallas with a master's degree in theology, and is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Texas at Austin with a B.A. in psychology. He has also studied Spanish for several summers in Central America.

From 1989 to 2004, he served as Senior Pastor of First United Methodist Church of McAllen, Texas. First Church was recognized for congregational growth, bi-cultural ministry, young adult ministry and commitment to mission as the congregation relocated and built new facilities to serve the Rio Grande Valley. From 1984 to 1989, Rev. Schnase served as pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church in Harlingen, receiving the Circuit Rider Award for Church Growth and the Denman Evangelism Award. From 1982-1983, he served the Farnham and Alton Circuit of five churches with the British Methodist Conference.

As a writer, he's the author of several books by Abingdon Press, including: *Five Practices of Fruitful Living* (2010), *The Balancing Act* (2009), *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations* (2007), *Ambition in Ministry: Our Spiritual Struggle with Success, Achievement and Competition* (1993), and *Testing and Reclaiming Your Call to Ministry* (1991). He worked as editorial consultant for the *New Interpreters Bible*, and has contributed chapters to Weaver and Stapleton's *Reflections on Marriage and Spiritual Growth and Grand-Parenting and the Spiritual Journey*.

Bishop Scott J. Jones

Scott Jameson Jones currently serves as the resident bishop of the Kansas Area of the United Methodist Church. He was elected by the South Central Jurisdiction in July 2004 and assigned to the Kansas Area in September 2004.



Scott was ordained deacon in the Kansas East Conference of the United Methodist Church in 1978 and ordained elder in 1987 in the North Texas Conference. He graduated from Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University (Master of Theology, with high honors) after receiving his B.A. in Philosophy from the University of Kansas (with highest honors and departmental honors, Phi Beta Kappa). In May 1992, he received a Ph.D. in Religious Studies from Southern Methodist University. His dissertation research was focused on Wesley Studies and the History of Biblical Interpretation.

From 1986 to 1997, he served as pastor of three United Methodist churches in Prosper, Howe and Commerce, Texas. In 2003-2004, he served as interim pastor at Stonebridge UMC in McKinney, Texas. From 1997 to 2004, he served on the faculty of Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. There he taught Evangelism, History of Christianity, United Methodist Studies and Wesley Studies courses. He was the director of the Center for the Advanced Study and Practice of Evangelism at SMU and was awarded the rank of associate professor with tenure in 2003.

His most recent books are "Staying at the Table: The Gift of Unity for United Methodists" (2008), "United Methodist Doctrine: The Extreme Center" (2002) and "The Evangelistic Love of God and Neighbor: A Theology of Discipleship and Witness" (2003), all from Abingdon Press. His previous books are "John Wesley's Conception and Use of Scripture" and "Gathered Into One: The World Methodist Conference Speaks." He was co-author of "Wesley and the Quadrilateral: Renewing the Conversation." He has been named associate editor of volumes 5 and 6 in the Bicentennial Edition of "The Works of John Wesley" and the scholarly edition of Wesley's "Explanatory Notes upon the New Testament."



Dr. Gilbert R. Rendle

B.A., Franklin and Marshall College
Th.M., Boston University School of Theology
Ph.D., Psychoeducational Processes, Temple University

Gil Rendle serves as Senior Consultant with The Institute for Clergy and Congregational Excellence of The Texas Methodist Foundation in Austin Texas and as an independent consultant working with issues of change and leadership in denominations and large churches. Prior to this position he served the Alban Institute as an author, seminar leader and senior consultant for twelve years. An ordained United Methodist minister, Rendle served as senior pastor of two urban congregations in Pennsylvania for sixteen years and as a denominational consultant for The United Methodist Church for nine years.

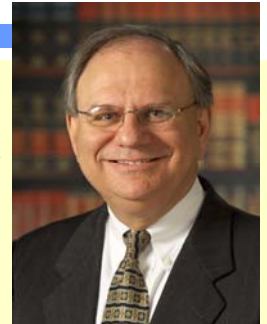
Rendle has an extensive background in organizational development, group and systems theory, and leadership development. He frequently consults with congregations on planning, staff and leadership development, and issues of change. He is well known for his work with middle judicatory and national denominational offices and staff as they wrestle with denominational and congregational change.

In training workshops and conferences, Rendle has led numerous large and small groups in practical learning that directly impacts participants' decisions and practice in their leadership roles. He is the author of five books, a contributor to four books, and the author of numerous articles and monographs. Gil is a resident of Pennsylvania where he lives with his wife, Lynne.

DAY 3: Thursday, Oct 21

Dr. Lovett H. Weems, Jr.

Dr. Lovett H. Weems, Jr., is Distinguished Professor of Church Leadership and Director of the Lewis Center for Church Leadership at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC. He came to this position in 2003 after eighteen years as president of Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Missouri. Previously he was a local church pastor in Mississippi for many years.



A native of Mississippi, Dr. Weems is a graduate of Millsaps College; Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University; and Wesley Theological Seminary. He holds honorary degrees from Baker University and Central Methodist University.

His years in local church ministry in Mississippi were marked by emphasis on both evangelism and social concerns. His work in Mississippi led the distinguished Mississippi writer Willie Morris to describe him as "one of the persons who added much to the growing civility of Mississippi."

A clergy member of the Missouri Annual Conference, he has been a delegate to several General and Jurisdictional Conferences.

The author of several books published by Abingdon Press, his latest is a new edition of his seminal book ***Church Leadership: Vision, Team, Culture, and Integrity***, described by Professor Rosabeth Moss Kanter of Harvard Business School as "an invaluable guide to leadership in the church." His book ***Take the Next Step: Leading Lasting Change in the Church*** is used by churches seeking revitalization. His books ***Leadership in the Wesleyan Spirit*** and ***John Wesley's Message Today*** are used widely by United Methodist laity and clergy. He is co-author with Ann A. Michel of ***The Crisis of Younger Clergy***. He co-edits the online newsletter, ***Leading Ideas***, available free at www.churchleadership.com.

Greater KC Community Foundation

The seven founders of the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation passed a hat in 1978, collecting \$200 and some change. The Community Foundation was thus begun with an extraordinary idea: Charitable giving should be the responsibility of many, not just a select few. Driven to improve the metropolitan area, the Community Foundation has grown to become one of the largest and most entrepreneurial public charities of its kind.

The Community Foundation, including its six affiliates within the Greater Kansas City region, is recognized as a national leader in making sure every philanthropic investment returns the greatest emotional, civic and financial benefit possible. We ask every donor, community leader and nonprofit organization, "What's important to you?"

Today the Community Foundation

- Manages more than \$1 billion in assets
- Houses more than 3,000 charitable funds established by individuals, families and businesses to support the charitable causes that are important to them
- Has provided more than \$1.5 billion in grants since its inception



Roxanne Jerde
Senior Vice President of
Donor Relations and Education



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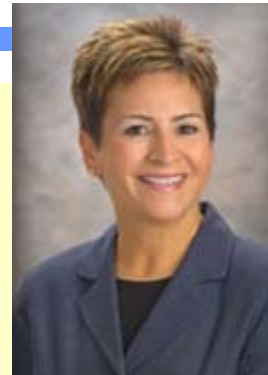
Janeen Kammerer
Senior Vice President of Finance

The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection

We will travel to the south Kansas City main campus of this innovative and thriving United Methodist Congregation. Following a brief tour of the facilities we will gather for presentations from, and discussions with, the senior staff of COR, including Rev. Dr. Clayton Smith (Executive Pastor of Generosity) and Dan Entwhistle (Managing Executive Director for Programs and Ministries).



Rev. Cynthia Fierro Harvey
Executive Director, UMCOR



The Rev. Cynthia Fierro Harvey, a pastor from Texas with a background in the local church, international health ministries, domestic disaster relief, and organizational management is the new head of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). She was elected on April 13, 2010 by directors of the General Board of Global Ministries, the United Methodist mission agency of which UMCOR is a part. Harvey succeeds the Rev. Sam Dixon, who was killed in the earthquake that shook Haiti last January 12. Her new position is effective May 1.

Reverend Harvey is a 1980 graduate of The University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism; she earned her Masters of Divinity degree from Perkins School of Theology (SMU) in 1999. Harvey worked in the corporate sector prior to entering full-time ministry a dozen years ago. She has served as associate pastor of Foundry United Methodist Church, Houston, in the early 1990s and as associate of Memorial Drive Church, a 6,900-member Houston congregation from 1996 to 2008. Earlier, she worked in youth ministry for an annual conference program.

Harvey began a special assignment in late January 2010 as liaison between UMCOR and United Methodist congregations and annual (regional) conferences that have to date given \$17.8 million to relief efforts in Haiti. For two years, starting in February 2008, she was director of the Texas Conference's Center for Mission Excellence, which equips leaders to carry out ministries of mercy, justice, and wholeness. UMCOR is a major Protestant disaster relief and rehabilitation agency. It is known for staying on the scene of disasters to help with long-term restoration of lives and communities.