

Statement of Availability for Election As a Lay Delegate to 2016 General or Jurisdictional Conferences  
Representing the Rocky Mountain Annual Conference

Please fill out and send to [GCJCdelegation@rmcumc.com](mailto:GCJCdelegation@rmcumc.com) by April 10, 2015

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Check all those statements that describe your willingness to serve:

- I am willing to serve as a voting delegate to BOTH General and Jurisdictional Conferences.  
 I am willing to serve as a reserve delegate to General and a voting delegate to Jurisdictional Conference  
 I am willing to serve as a reserve delegate to Jurisdictional Conference

Service in the United Methodist Church

Local Church: As a member of Warren UMC I served on the Administrative Council; Education, Finance, Nominations, and Staff Parish Relations Committees; and in many other volunteer leadership roles.

Annual Conference: Professionally, I am actively involved in committees and task forces related to Global Ministries/Missions, Church and Society/Advocacy, Racial-Ethnic Ministries, Young People's Ministries, and Camp and Retreat Ministries. I have been a Mission u study leader.

Jurisdiction: I serve on the Western Jurisdiction Inter Ethnic Coordinating Committee and the Hispanic/Latino Ministry Advisory Board.

General Church: As a young adult I spent four years in mission service with the United Methodist Church serving as a Global Justice Volunteer in Liberia, a Theresa Hoover Scholar in Kenya, and a Mission Intern missionary in Belfast, Northern Ireland and New York. I also represented the UMC as a Presidium Officer and Executive Committee member of World Methodist Council.

Provide a brief statement about three major issues facing the United Methodist Church in the next four years.

- Connectionalism in a time of Divisiveness: We are stronger together than we are individually. Yet, some current trends in the United Methodist Church contradict our values of love and grace. Disagreements, whether political or theological, should not violate the unity that is the foundation of our denomination. We must make room in our church for all people who want to follow Jesus Christ.
- Relevance of the United Methodist Church: In the United States, declining involvement in church, like other organized institutions, reflects the increased societal pressures on individuals and families. At the same time, we are all hungry to find places of community, hope, love, and acceptance. New types of visionary leadership are necessary to reverse the decline in membership and to help provide people with the church that they need to find meaning and purpose in their lives.
- Ministry and Finance: Opportunities for the church to engage in meaningful, transformational ministry are limitless, but our financial resources are finite. While the United Methodist Church needs to be realistic about its financial situation, finances should not drive its ministry. Rather, we first need to carefully discern the church's ministry priorities and then reexamine how organizational and financial resources can best be utilized to achieve those priorities.

I hereby certify that: (1) I have been a member of the UMC for at least the last two years,; (2) I have been an active participant in the UMC for at least the last four years; (3) I have acquainted myself with the important and time-consuming responsibilities of the position(s) for which I expressed a willingness to serve; and (4) I commit myself to fulfilling those responsibilities if elected.

Signature Laurie Day Date April 9, 2015