



2026 DISTRICT CONFERENCE AGENDA

Friday, Aug. 7, Mt Zion Wesleyan Church
222 Mt Zion Church Road, Thomasville, NC 27360

- 7-7:45 am **VENDOR TABLE SET UP** (if not done on Thursday afternoon)
- 7:45 am **DOORS OPEN TO DELEGATES** (Coffee & breakfast snack)
- 8-8:30 am **REGISTRATION**
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- 8:30 am **CONFERENCE BEGINS WITH PRAISE & WORSHIP** – Mt Zion Worship Team
- 8:55 am **WELCOME & INVOCATION** – Mt Zion Senior Pastor, Luke Jackson
- 9:00 am **CALL TO ORDER** – District Superintendent, Rev. Tim Jones
- Conference Instructions – Assistant District Superintendent/Director of Operations, Rev. James Spaugh
 - Roll Call Ballot Instructions – James Spaugh
- 9:15 am **GREETINGS FROM THE WESLEYAN CHURCH** – General Superintendent, Jim Dunn
- 9:45 am **ELECTIONS** – Rev. James Spaugh
- Vote on District Leave of Absence Guidelines
 - Election of District Officers & Boards – District Secretary, Nominating Committee (lay and ministerial) and DBA ministerial members
 - Vote on Constitutional Memorial #53 – Sanctity of Life
 - Vote on Constitutional Memorial #55 – Gender Identity
- 10:15 am **DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT** – Rev. Tim Jones
- 10:35 am **DBMD REPORT** – DBMD Chair, Rev. Jerry Johnson
- Approval of New Ordinands – Amanda Combass, Tenea DeBerry, Blake Hinson, Elizabeth Pack, Jay Sikes, Kris Syvertsen, Jason Tuggle, Heather Voncannon. Validation of Ordination for Adam Bishop
 - New District Licenses – Jason Baker, William Baker
- 10:50 am **PASTORAL RECOGNITIONS** – Rev. Tim Jones
- Recognition of Retiring and Re-Retiring Pastors
 - Recognition of any Ministers New to the District, and/or New to Role of Lead Pastor, New Mission Director or New Affiliate Church
 - Other Pastoral Recognitions
 - Retired Pastors Connection

11:10 am **WESLEYAN AFFILIATE GUEST SPEAKERS**

- **Global Partners** – Christy Van Steenburg, Southeast Region Mobilizer
- **World Hope International** – Rev. Matt LeRoy, Church Partner Representative
- **Southern Wesleyan University** – Dr. Mark O. Wilson, Chair of the Division of Religion and Associate Professor of Christian Ministry
- **Wesleyan Pension Fund** – Rev. Jim Weinmann, Director of Operations

11:30 am **HOUSEKEEPING NOTES** – District Administrator Jennifer Jones

11:35 – 1 **LUNCH BREAK** *(please see sheet with suggested restaurants in the area)*

11:35 – 1 **FREE PASTOR HEADSHOTS** any time during this break to be used for your church websites/social media...And again if time permits during the ordination reception

ORDINATION SERVICE

12:50 pm **ORDINATION PROCESSIONAL ASSEMBLY** *(All ordained ministers, the Council of Ordination, candidates to be ordained/validated are to assemble in foyer for processional)*

1 pm **ORDINATION SERVICE** *(Please see separate Ordination Service Agenda)*

2:30-3 pm **ORDINATION RECEPTION**

3:00 pm **ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED** – Rev. James Spaugh

3:15 pm **DISTRICT STAFF REPORTS**

- **Discipleship and Ministry Development Assistant DS** – Rev. Luke Jackson
- **Victory Mountain Camp Executive Director** – Chad Brinkley, with Asst. Director Rev. Landon Davis
- **Spiritual Formation & Clergy Care Assistant DS** – Rev. Sarah Rodriguez
- **Church Development & Multiplication Assistant DS** – Rev. Chris Vernon, with The Circuit Director, Rev. Matt LeRoy, and Hispanic Ministries Director, Rev. Johel Rodriguez
- **Treasurer's Report** – Delivered by District Statistician Dan Cockerill
- **Affiliate Church Approval** - Iglesia Cristiana Legado de Amor, Raleigh. Co-Pastors Rev. Freddy Santana and wife, Rev. Rosanely De Jesús.
- **DBA Comprehensive Report** – Rev. Tim Jones

3:55 pm **CLOSING REMARKS; PRAYER FOR STAFF AND NEW DBA** – Rev. Tim Jones