

Teresa Auten

Hickory District- Friendship Methodist

Ethnicity- Caucasian

Share your testimony of coming to faith and salvation in Jesus Christ.

I was raised in a non-believing home and becoming a person of faith was strongly discouraged from childhood. At 12 I was sent to a Christian camp for the summer, and there I was loved and nurtured into a saving faith. I nurtured my faith as well as I could until I was independent, and from then on I have served and loved Jesus, allowing Him to be the Lord of my life. I have been actively engaged in faith communities my entire adult life.

Describe your ministry in the name of Jesus Christ.

My call is to serve children and youth and bring the gospel to them. I believe in teaching and loving children to Christ as adults did for me in my childhood. I have been a vocational lay minister in the role of Youth/Children's Ministries Director at Trinity UMC in Charlotte, New Covenant UMC, Mt. Holly, and Etowah UMC in Etowah, NC. I now serve as a support volunteer teaching confirmation, assisting the children/youth directors at Friendship.

Service in the General Conference is a special task. Explain your understanding of this task.

I will be helping to set the theological base and discipline of our new denomination. We are building a foundation that will be built upon for generations of children yet to be born. To accomplish this, I expect to prayerfully listen, mark, and inwardly digest the policies the elders have prepared for our consideration. Bathing the conference in Holy Spirit-led prayer will be paramount in the months leading up to this gathering. I have begun this already.

What gifts/strengths/passions/talents do you bring to the building up and organizing of the Global Methodist Church?

I bring a strong passion and an experienced voice for discipling children and youth. I will be the mouthpiece reminding us that serving our children well through education, affirmation, and careful guidance is the way forward for our new breath of Wesleyanism.

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Do you agree to fast and pray for your role and the delegation to the General Conference? Yes

Do you attend worship at your church at least 3 out of 4 Sunday's a month? Yes

Are you a part of a small group, Sunday School class or band? Yes

Are you involved in Christian missions at least once a month? Yes

Do you pray regularly for your church, pastor, and members? Yes

Do you give a full tithe to the church of your membership? Yes

Do you uphold and agree with the Doctrinal Standards of the GMC

as stated in Part 1 of the Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline? Yes

Do you uphold and agree with the Social Witness of the GMC as stated in Part 2 of the

Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline? Yes

If elected will you agree to represent Jesus Christ and uphold the integrity of the GMC NC PAC? Yes

Do you have a current U.S. Passport? Yes

In order to serve, will you be available to travel to Costa Rica from September 19-27, 2024 and attend online meetings ahead of the conference? Yes

Are you willing and able to bear some of the cost for attendance to serve in this capacity?

Yes

I once again affirm that I satisfy the requirements to be a delegate to the Convening General Conference of the Global Methodist Church. Yes

I consent for my answers to be published on the NCPAC website. Yes