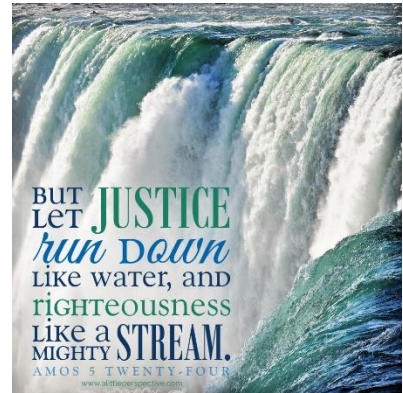


RESOLUTIONS DEADLINE FEBRUARY 1, 2018

MISSION AND OUTREACH TEAM THE SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



November 2017

Dear Colleagues in Ministry,

One of the special expressions of the United Methodist polity is the opportunity for members of the connection to offer a resolution for consideration to a conference. The founders of our movement believed that in conferencing the Holy Spirit of God could guide us to consider the prompting of our members. **The opportunity is here once again for you, your congregation or any of its members to offer a resolution for consideration at the 2018 session of Annual Conference.**

A resolution typically is formatted with a series of statements beginning with “whereas.” These statements provide the rationale of the petitioner. These statements demonstrate the assumptions that the petitioner holds. They belong to the petitioner. After the series of “whereas” statements, there appears at least one statement that begins “Therefore, be it resolved.” This becomes the main motion that is put before the Conference. If more than one action is being petitioned, another statement may be added beginning “be it further resolved.”

The Mission and Outreach Team is charged with receiving these resolutions and passing them on to conference with either a vote of concurrence or non-concurrence.

Resolutions are to be clearly printed and sent together with supporting documentation. **It is preferred that all resolutions be received electronically via email.** You can email them to me at ksledge@susumc.org. And, if you are unable to email the resolutions, you may mail them to:

Mission and Outreach Team
Kristopher Sledge
PO Box 277
State Line, PA 17263

Please indicate a contact person should we need to contact the petitioner for clarification.

Resolutions must be submitted no later than February 1, 2018.

Sincerely,

Kristopher Sledge, Chair
Mission and Outreach Team