



OUR MISSION



Our mission is to discover, develop,
and deploy passionate spiritual
leaders who make disciples of
Jesus Christ for the transformation
of the world.



OUR MISSION — MATTHEW 28

*¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and
said, “All authority in heaven and
on earth has been given to me.*



OUR MISSION — MATTHEW 28

*¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples
of all nations, baptizing them in
the name of the Father and of the
Son and of the Holy Spirit,*



OUR MISSION — MATTHEW 28

²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”



OUR VISION

Our vision is to be a Christ-led, spiritual breath of fresh air that changes the world.



LEADERSHIP AXIOM


THE FIRST
RESPONSIBILITY OF A
LEADER IS TO
DEFINE REALITY.
THE LAST IS TO
SAY THANK YOU.
IN BETWEEN, THE
LEADER IS A SERVANT.
-MAX DEPREE



STUDY THE SYSTEM

**Where are we
now?**

➤ Mission Field
(MissionInsite)



STUDY THE SYSTEM

Where are we now?

- UMData.org Statistical Information




STUDY THE SYSTEM

Where are we now?

- Ministry Celebrations & Challenges


Our Mission Field

- 2018 Population = 1,673,137



Our Mission Field

- Down 2% since 2000



Our Mission Field

➤ Projected
-0.34 next
five years



Our Mission Field

➤ Average
Age = 42



Our Mission Field

➤ 34% Single
Parent



Our Mission Field

➤ 12% Below
Poverty
Level



Our Mission Field

➤ 59%
White
Collar



Our Mission Field

- White = 94%
- African American = 3%
- Hispanic = 1%
- Asian = 0.7%
- Pac Is/Am Ind/Other = 1.6%

Name	Initial	Final	2018
Homeland (Z)	2005	2025	15%
Millennial (Y)	1982	2004	28%
Gen X	1961	1981	27%
Boomer	1946	1960	20%
Silent	1925	1945	9%
GI	1901	1924	1%

#1 – None/No Religious Preference =
25.3% (+2.4 in ten years)

#2 – Catholic = 18.6% (-2.7%)

#3 – Baptist = 14.7 (-0.2%)

#4 – Non-Denominational
/Independent = 8.3% (+1.6%)
#5 – Methodist = 7.3% (-0.5%)

Our Mission
Field
61.7%

Not Involved in a
Religious
Congregation or
Community



West Virginia
UMC

1,000 Churches

Only 3
Conferences in
the country have
more churches



West Virginia
UMC

1,000 Churches
Average Worship
Attendance
20 over 200



West Virginia UMC

1,000 Churches
Average Worship
Attendance
175 = 50 to 199



West Virginia UMC

1,000 Churches
Average Worship
Attendance
805 = 49 and
under



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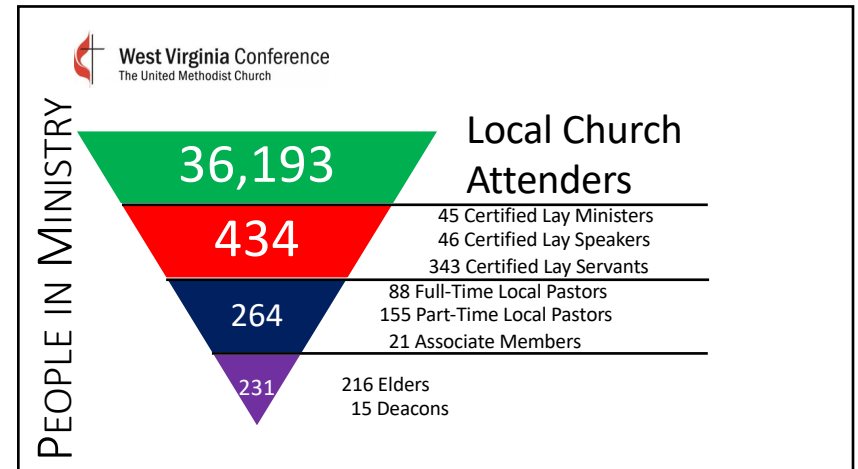
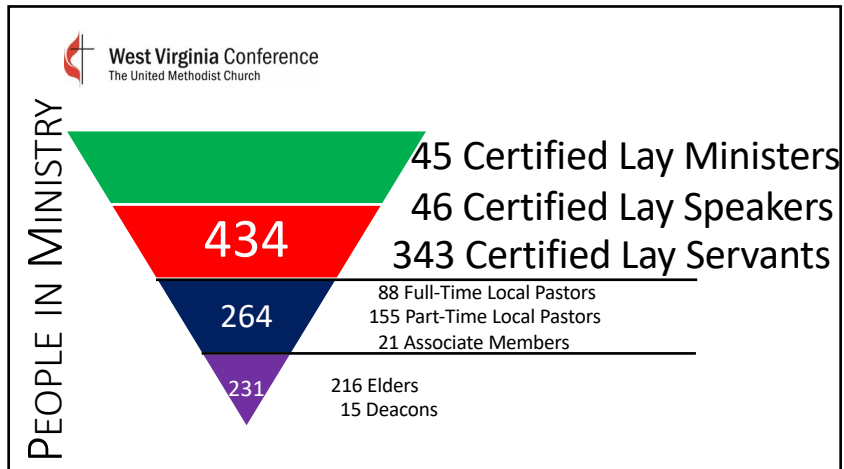
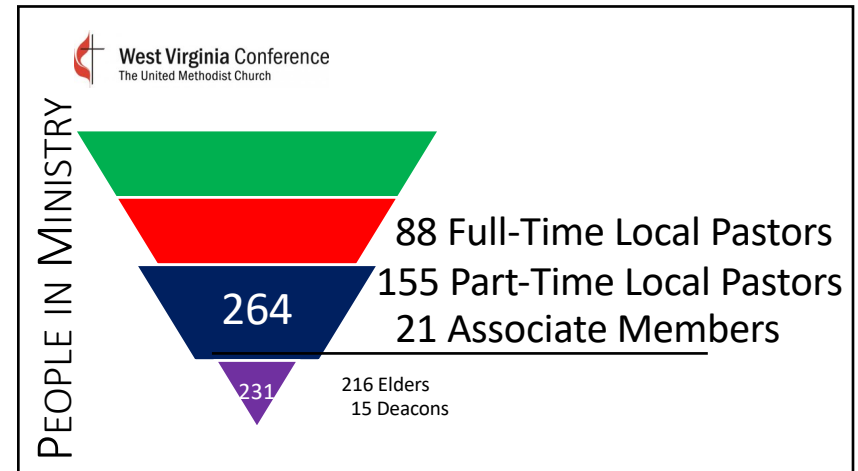
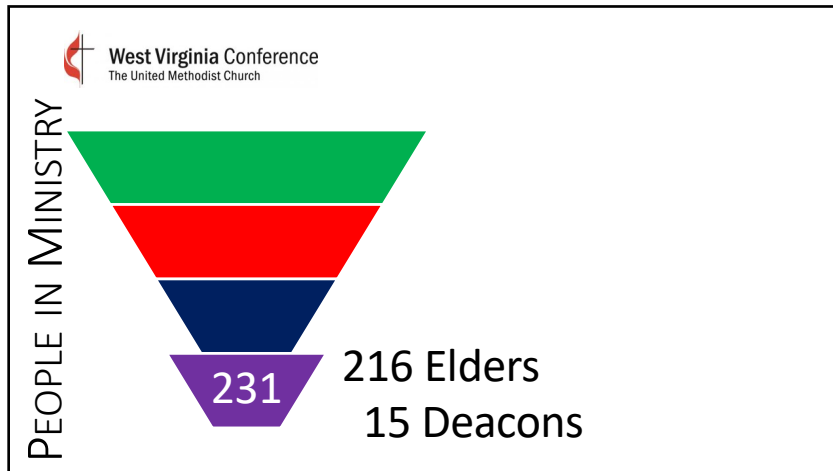
Average
Worship
Attendance per
church = 34

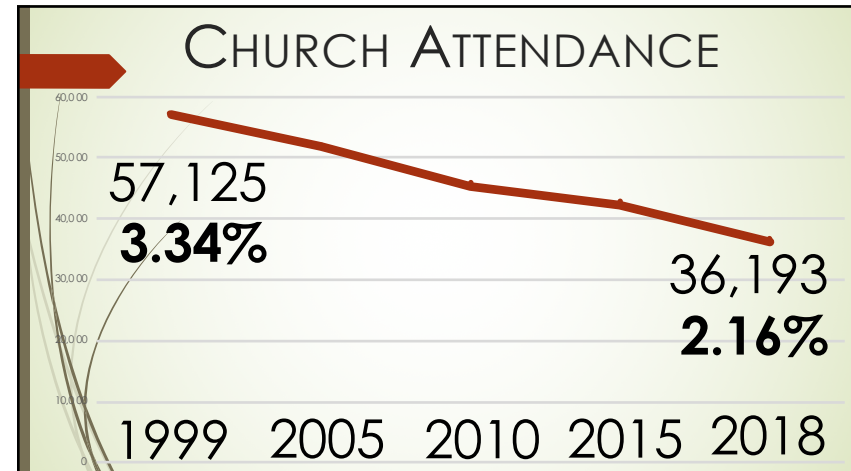
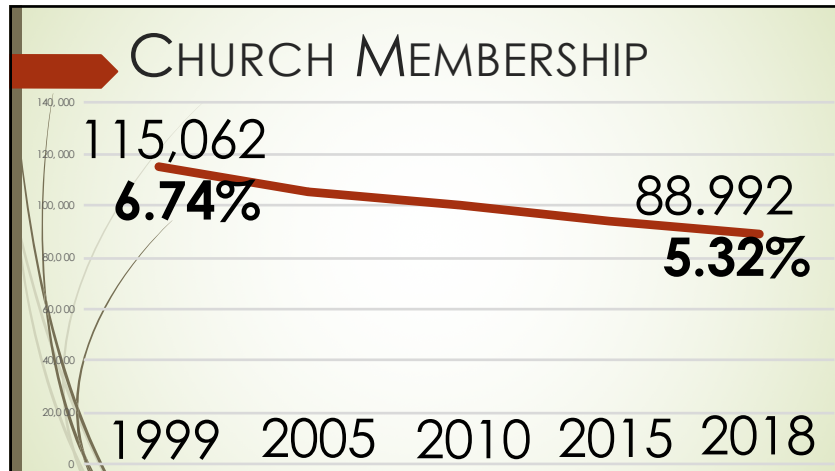


West Virginia UMC

Over 200
churches have
closed in the last
20 years







“Our focus must move away from ‘fixing’ churches toward making and growing disciples!”

Rev. Junius Dotson,
Discipleship Ministries

WHAT IS A DISCIPLE?

Religion

- Any follower of Christ
- A person who is a pupil or an adherent of the doctrines of another



WHAT ARE DISCIPLES?

- Follower
- Student
- Learner



WHAT ARE DISCIPLES?

- Fruit-Bearing
- Disciple-Makers
- Who Multiply Themselves

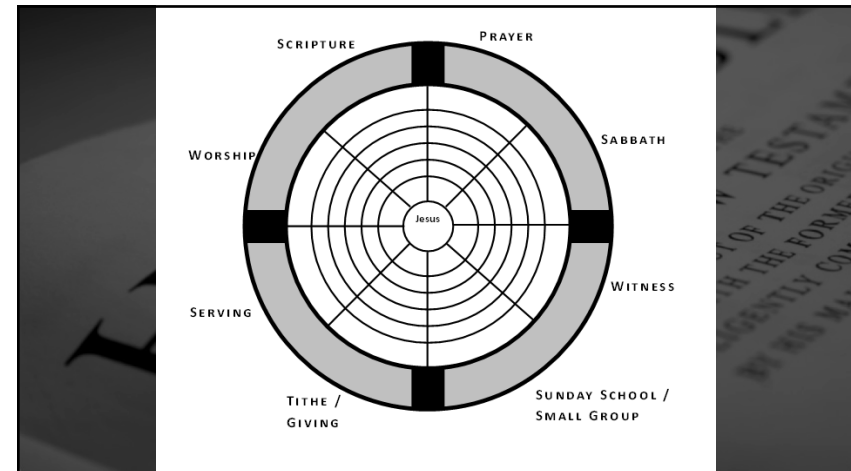


WHAT ARE SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES?



WHAT ARE SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES?

Habits, Practices and Experiences
Intentionally Designed to Grow us
into the Image of Jesus



*"Then we will no longer be infants,
tossed back and forth by the waves, and
blown here and there by every wind of
teaching and by the cunning and
craftiness of people in their deceitful
scheming.*

*Instead, speaking the truth in love, we
will grow to become in every respect
the mature body of him who is the
head, that is, Christ."*

- Paul, Ephesians 4:14-15

JOHN WESLEY

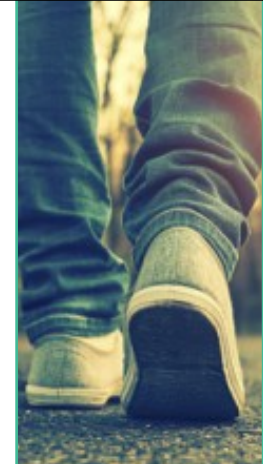
"The way to keep a Methodist alive is to keep him moving."



 West Virginia Conference
The United Methodist Church

DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

An intentional process that provides the resources and direction for each individual to grow closer to Christ in all areas of spiritual disciplines.



WE MAKE
DISCIPLES

JESUS BUILDS
THE CHURCH

"...upon this
rock I will
build my
church..."

- Matthew 16:18



KEYS TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. Know where you are
2. Plan to take a step



KEYS TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH

3. Meet others where they are
4. Help them take a step

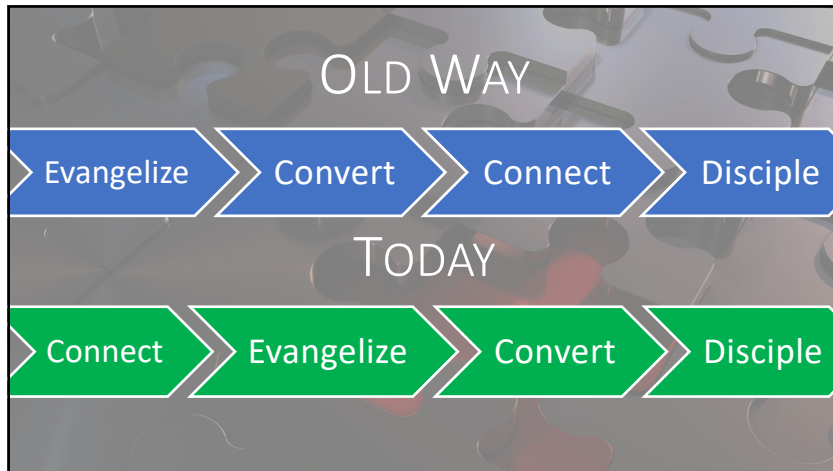
SPIRITUAL INFANTS

We will feed you
—so that—
you learn to feed
yourself
—so that—
you join us in feeding
others



INVITATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP





prayer walking

INVITATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP

Six Ideas
1. Prayerwalk

The Church is a family
expecting guests.

Andy Stanley

INVITATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP

Six Ideas
1. Prayerwalk
2. Expect
Guests

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Six Ideas
1. Prayerwalk
2. Expect Guests
3. Website



Six Ideas

1. Prayerwalk
2. Expect Guests
3. Website
4. ICNU

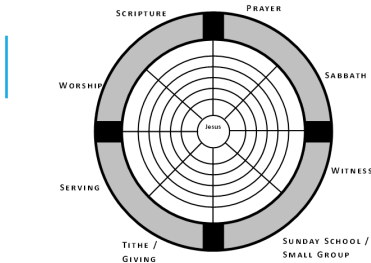
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Six Ideas

1. Prayerwalk
2. Expect Guests
3. Website
4. ICNU
5. Reach Event

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Six Ideas

1. Prayerwalk
2. Expect Guests
3. Website
4. ICNU
5. Reach Event
6. ONE-ON-ONE

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