

# North West District MARCH 2018 News

## DS's MARCH SCHEDULE

5- Cabinet  
8 Meeting

## MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER

10 Missional  
Vital Signs  
Due  
17 Woodville  
Music  
Festival  
25 Palm  
Sunday  
30 Good  
Friday  
31 Conference  
Reports  
Due

## MARCH REPORTS DUE

The following Conference reports are due in March.



### March 31

Child/Youth Protection Policy adoption. Review & renew annually. Submit a signed copy of the Annual Review & Renewal Signature page of the [Child/Youth Protection Policy](#) to the district office by March 31. (Should the policy undergo major revisions, submit a complete copy to the district office.)

### March 31

Fiscal Responsibility and Management Policy. Financial Controls, Policies, and Procedures - Review & renew annually. Once in compliance, submit a signed copy of the one page Annual Review and Renewal Document to the district office by March 31. [Click here](#) for Fiscal Responsibility Information and Renewal Form.

### March 31

Employee Conduct Policy Adoption. FL Conference Revised Local Church Policy last revised April 2015. Review and renew annually.

CLERGY AND LOCAL CHURCH EMPLOYEE FORM: [Click here](#) for ECP for clergy and local church employees. Submit the signed clergy copy to the district office by March 31. Copies of the local church employees forms should not be submitted to the district office, but should be filed in their employee file at the local church. ADOPTION AGREEMENT: [Click here](#) - Adopt the revised ECP and submit a signed copy of the Adoption Agreement to the district office.

### March 31

Annual Report to the District Housing Committee / Parsonage Checklist. Review & renew annually. Submit a signed copy of the [Annual Parsonage Review](#) to the district office.

### March 31

Disaster Recovery Quick Resource Survey. Survey available via the church dashboard login (under

Forms, Disaster Response) on the Conference website. (You will need your Church's user name and password to access Disaster Recovery Quick Resource Survey. Contact your district office if you need assistance.)

### March 31

Fund Balance Report for the Year End 2017. This report is located in your church dashboard. Report available via the church dashboard login under Fund Balance.

If you need any assistance, please contact the District office at (850) 386-2154.

## SPRING DISTRICT CLERGY MEETING

Our Spring Clergy meetings will take place on **April 10 (Deer Lake UMC Tallahassee)** and **April 11 (Wesley Memorial Lake City)**



from 9:30am - 11:30am. **You need to attend 1 only.**

I have invited my good friend Alan Wildes, VP at Generis to come and spend some time with us talking about finances, fund raising, and new ways of looking at financial metrics as a leader. I have utilized Alan and the work of Generis on several occasions over the past 20 plus years. I value Alan's friendship, his counsel, and the knowledge he has shared with me and local faith communities I have served. Generis has developed a really useful tool for local churches that may be of interest to you and your leadership. He will share about that during our time together. Read more about Alan and the work of Generis at [genesis.com](http://genesis.com) and [AlanWildes.com](http://AlanWildes.com) You will find something Alan talked about that would be useful in your work. Lunch will be on your own (except for LP's and DCOM folks.)

Local Pastors will remain afterwards for lunch and interviews for their yearly evaluations.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2018

This year's Annual Conference will be **June 7-9, 2018** at Florida Southern College.

111 Lake Hollingsworth Dr.,  
Lakeland, FL 33801.



Please visit the [flumc.org](http://flumc.org) website, then choose AC 2018 for all of the latest information including hotels with group rates.

As in previous years, our district is allotted 66 slots for **District Lay Delegates** to attend the conference in addition to each church sending a representative.

We are now accepting names for people who would like to attend the conference, at your own expense, and serve as **District Lay Delegates** with voting privileges. If interested, please contact Peggy Fox in the District office by phone at 850/386-2154 or by email at [flumc-nw@flumc.org](mailto:flumc-nw@flumc.org).

#### For church delegates

We have the names that were submitted with your Charge Conference forms. If there have been changes to who your church delegate is since the fall Charge Conferences, please let Peggy know immediately.

## PLAN NOW! EASTER PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY WITH BISHOP CARTER SLATED FOR APRIL 2018

Led by Bishop Carter, travelers will visit Venice, Assisi, Siena, Florence and Rome while studying the Gospel of Mark and the legacy of Peter during April 3-12, 2018.



From Bishop Carter: *"We will learn more about the gospel of Mark in Venice and the legacy of Peter; we will read the dialogues of Catherine of Siena and the meditations of Dante; and we will reflect on the renewing vision given to Francis of Assisi," and more.*

For more information, a brochure with a detailed

itinerary and online registration, [click here.](#)