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**7:00-8:30 P.M., THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2018**

**Workshops (CC and UP)**

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<td><strong>A Meaningful Volunteer Training: What It Takes and How To Do It!</strong> (Melissa Baum)</td>
<td>Oklahoma</td>
<td>In this workshop participants will learn what makes an excellent training, from the big picture to the tiny details. We’ll talk about simple strategies for determining exactly what you want volunteers to take away from your training and how to ensure it happens.</td>
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<td><strong>Why Vision Alone Won’t Change the World and How You Can</strong> (Roger Ross)</td>
<td>Illinois/Colorado</td>
<td>The Harvard Business Review discovered that 83 percent of strategic plans fail. They typically fail slowly and quietly, suffocated by the urgent activity required to keep things running day-to-day. The 4 Disciplines of Execution provide a simple way to execute a plan in the whirlwind of everyday distractions.</td>
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<td><strong>Foundation 101: What Every Leader Needs To Know</strong> (David Atkins)</td>
<td>Kansas</td>
<td>Whether you’re a new pastor in a new appointment, a savvy veteran or laity considering the need for funding ministry, this workshop will provide practical information (and take home resources) to use in support of your church.</td>
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**3:30-5:00 P.M., SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2018**

**PLENARY: Leading Leaders who Lead Others (Mike Schreiner) (EC)**

Join Rev. Mike Schreiner of Morning Star as he teaches us how developing leadership and discipleship pathways can sustain and grow the church.

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<td><strong>CAST: A Model for Building Healthy Church Leaders</strong> (Linda Settles)</td>
<td>Oklahoma</td>
<td>Healthy, effective church leaders. Where are they? Sitting in your pews! This workshop will give participants tools for self-reflection of their past and self-discovery of their present in order to discover future usefulness in ministry.</td>
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<td><strong>Freed to Lead: From “No” to Grow</strong> (Meghan Riegerix)</td>
<td>Kansas B&amp;C</td>
<td>In this workshop we will pinpoint common obstacles that keep us from effectively reaching new generations in rural areas. We will discover how we can be free from those, so that we can faithfully fulfill our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.</td>
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<td>The Conference Budget: Where Your Giving Goes</td>
<td>Texas</td>
<td>If you have questions about the Conference budget, apportionments, benefits, Healthflex Exchange, the Conference healthcare plan, pension, auto-enrollment in PIP, or if you have any other financial/administrative questions, this session will help clarify the answers.</td>
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<td>Mission Possible: How To Develop New Models for Ministry To Reach New Generations and Transform The World</td>
<td>Georgia</td>
<td>In 90 minutes we’ll play the Mission Possible Game to tackle challenging ministry and social problems using resources people already have. This is a model you’ll be able to take back to your congregation and use over and over again.</td>
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<td>Developing MAC Track (Ministry as Career) Exploration for Any Sized Congregation</td>
<td>Lake of the Ozarks</td>
<td>This workshop is about creating an avenue for churches to crack the window, invite the Spirit in, and raise up young people into ministry leadership. Participants of any church size will walk away with practical ideas on inviting young people into leadership.</td>
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<td>3 Keys To Rewriting Your Church’s Story and Rediscovering Your Identity</td>
<td>Illinois</td>
<td>Participants will excavate past beliefs, actions and events in order to glean lessons. From there, they will write and affirm a new narrative filled with Good News. It’s recommended that at least two people from a congregation attend in order to DO this work while gathered in the workshop.</td>
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<td>LGBTQ+ Panel Discussion/Q&amp;A - How To Lead Your Church Through This Difficult Discussion</td>
<td>Iowa (CC)</td>
<td>LGBTQ+ church leaders and allies will share their stories of who they are, why they are passionate about the UMC and how their insight into this issue can prepare you for difficult conversations at your own church.</td>
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<td>Moving The Train With Volunteer Engineers</td>
<td>Arkansas</td>
<td>This workshop will explore strategies for managing a successful ministry with a team of volunteers and a limited paid staff (a full-time pastor or less). Every church, even if NO ONE gets paid, has a leadership and organization structure. The goal of this workshop is to use that structure to get the work of Kingdom done.</td>
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Mozambique Initiative: Sustainability Reboot
$15,543.45
This offering will relaunch the Mozambique Initiative’s efforts to create opportunities for church-going entrepreneurs through sustainability projects. In 2012, the Mozambique Initiative added sustainability as a key component to our partnership. After reviewing projects completed during the 2012-2017 program, we believe the best way to reboot is by focusing on smaller projects ($400 or less) for individual entrepreneurs. Our goal for this offering is to provide microloans for at least 25 entrepreneurs in Mozambique.

Pathway Out of Poverty
$14,807.90
Gifts shared in this offering will be distributed for the work of administering our Pathway out of Poverty initiative focused on literacy. Your gift to this initiative will help us equip local churches to connect with schools in their communities and provide them with relationship-building resources. Research shows that children who struggle to read in first grade are 88 percent more likely to struggle in fourth grade. Those who struggle in fourth grade are four times more likely to drop out of school. Give generously today as we seek to break cycles of poverty by connecting with our schools.

Puerto Rico Disaster Response
$21,363.57
The Methodist Church of Puerto Rico continues to rebuild following the devastation of Hurricane Maria in September 2017. Thirty-eight churches were damaged with 10 nearly destroyed. Yet, the people of Puerto Rico have remained strong. Your gift will help rebuild a Methodist health clinic on the island of Vieques. This clinic will be the primary point of care for the island’s population of 12,000 people – care that is desperately needed as residents wait a projected two years for electricity to be fully restored. Join us in standing with the people of Vieques; your donation will make a difference today!
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