

# Resources for General Conference 2016

May 10-20, 2016

Portland, OR

***Conference Website***

<http://www.umc.org/topics/general-conference-2016>

***Upcoming Opportunity for Awareness***

Florida Conference Listening Session - February 13 in Lakeland, FL

*Pastor Debbie has offered to take a few interested participants with her. Departure will be from the MUMC parking lot at 6:30 a.m., returning at approximately 6:00 p.m.*

*Please contact Pastor Debbie directly to let her know of your interest.*

## Save the Date for a Florida Conference General Conference Listening Session

The Florida Conference delegation to General Conference will hold a session to listen to the voices of Florida United Methodists concerning the General Conference to be held in Portland from May 10 to May 20.

The listening session will be held as part of the Conference Table meeting at First UMC Lakeland, 72 Lake Morton Drive, Lakeland on Saturday February 13, 2016 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

All Florida United Methodists are welcomed to attend this Listening Session. Please [click here](#) to RSVP your attendance and your request to speak. An optional donation of \$7, online or at the door, can be made to help cover the cost of lunch. The registration deadline for all attendees and requests to speak is Friday, February 5, 2016.

Speakers will be assigned and notified of their time slot along with the guidelines which will include a 5 minute time limit for each speaker. We are requesting that a copy of their presentation be submitted to the moderators of the Conference Table, Chuck Mallue and Debbie McLeod, on the day of the Listening Session.

An agenda for the day listing the topics to be covered will be sent to registered attendees.

Potential topics could include The Worldwide Nature of the Church, Proposed Changes for Clergy and Bishops, Conversation about topics related to human sexuality, the Four Areas of Focus, the General Church Budget, Social Responsibility Resolutions and Restructuring Proposals. More information about General Conference along with links to resolutions and reports from various study committees can be found at [www.umc.org/gc2016](http://www.umc.org/gc2016).

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