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Save the Date: Investment Forum With Wespath Institutional Investments October 19



Are you interested in a global market update from Wespath, manager of one of the largest faith-based pension funds in the world? Together, Wespath and its subsidiaries, including Wespath Institutional Investments, manage over \$24 billion in assets.

The Georgia United Methodist Foundation is the exclusive distributor of the I Series of the Wespath Institutional Investments funds to United Methodist churches and nonprofits in the State of Georgia. On **Wednesday, October 19 at 12 noon**, Foundation President and CEO Mathew A. Pinson will host a 45-minute complimentary webinar featuring Wespath Chief Investment Officer Dave Zellner and Director, Institutional Relationships Karen Manczko. The agenda includes:

- Welcome and Introductions
- About the Georgia United Methodist Foundation
- Wespath Institutional Investments Overview and Review of the Foundation's Investments
- Market and Economic Updates
- Questions and Answers
- Conclusion

To join the webinar on October 19 at 12 noon, please click the link below:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85271939514>.

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Dr. Derek McAleer to retire, new Administrative Services director sought



9/18/2022

By Kelly Roberson, The South Georgia Conference of The UMC, Director of Conference Ministries/Communications

Overseeing the finances of an entire United Methodist Annual Conference is a high calling.

The Rev. Dr. Derek McAleer has faithfully lived out this calling as the Director of Administrative Services/Treasurer for the South Georgia Conference, where the amount of information and responsibility is constantly growing and the load of financial, legal, and administrative decision making is a large task.

This week, after 8 years of service as the Director, Dr. McAleer announces his retirement effective December 31, 2022.

“It has been an honor and joy to serve the South Georgia Conference,” said Dr. McAleer. “I look forward to finishing out our work together.”

Dr. McAleer made his intentions to retire at the end of the year known to Bishop David Graves, episcopal leader of the South Georgia Conference, back in January 2022. He and his wife, Charlene McAleer, have big plans ahead.

“Charlene and I came to this decision during 2021 after some medical setbacks,” said Dr. McAleer. “We have dreams for our retirement years and do not want to miss out on them. We look forward to traveling and spending time with our children and grandchild.”

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Remembering Bob Forrest



The Georgia United Methodist Foundation joins with the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation (UMHEF) and many others in thanksgiving to God for the life of Bob Forrest, who died on Thursday, September 15, 2022.

Bob was an integral part of the Georgia United Methodist Foundation since 2008, when he first served as a member of the Board of Trustees. His accomplishments were many, including co-founding the Foundation's Legacy Ministry program in 2012. In addition, the Foundation will never forget Bob's passion for making it financially feasible for Georgia United Methodist students to attend United Methodist-related colleges, universities, and seminaries.

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31 Ways to Say "Thank You" During Pastor Appreciation Month!



October is Pastor Appreciation Month. We at the Georgia United Methodist Foundation give thanks to God for those who have responded to a call to serve in Christian ministry. Here are 31 ways to express gratitude to pastors who selflessly serve the church in countless ways.

1. Pray daily for your pastor.
2. Establish a pastoral care team.
3. Send a thank you note to your pastor.
4. Organize a drive-by appreciation parade for your pastor.
5. Honor your pastor with a special love offering.
6. Create a scrapbook that captures important memories for your pastor.
7. Create a pastor appreciation video.
8. Establish an endowment in honor of your pastor.
9. Take your pastor a meal or set up a Meal Train.
10. Always express appreciation to your pastor's family.

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Bring a team from your church to the two-day Better Together Conference: When Two or More Churches Join Together for Missional Impact. You'll experience how churches can join together in a hopeful and healthy process through one of these proven models: strategic mergers, partnerships, restarts, launching satellite campuses, or a cooperative parish. Keynote Speaker will be Dr. Jim Tomberlin, co-author of the book "Better Together."

The Georgia United Methodist Foundation, in partnership with Candler School of Theology, Gammon Theological Seminary, and the United Methodist Connectional Federal Credit Union, is proud to serve as a sponsor of the Better Together Conference.

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A Reassuring Word From the Foundation



In this brief [video](#), Georgia United Methodist Foundation President and CEO Mathew A. Pinson and Regional Vice President Dr. Rick Lanford reassure our partners about the Foundation's ability to serve the entire Methodist family of Georgia.

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Our Purpose is Your Mission!



The purpose of the Georgia United Methodist Foundation is to partner with congregations, nonprofits, individuals, and families in direct support of the ministries and mission of the church. In this way, we are a ministry partner as we seek to live out our mission to provide faith-based financial solutions for investing, lending, training, and planned giving. To learn more, please contact our team at 770-449-6726, 478-256-7130 (South Georgia), or info@gumf.org, visit gumf.org, or watch "Our Purpose is Your Mission" video [here](#).

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