



Merry Christmas!

Just as the wise men were guided by a star, may the Spirit of Christmas guide you throughout the New Year. Thank you and best wishes for a season filled with peace and joy!



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**Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Coppedge-Henley Elected as Next President and CEO
of the Georgia United Methodist Foundation**



The Georgia United Methodist Foundation Board of Trustees and staff are looking forward to the arrival of Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Coppedge-Henley as the Foundation's next President and CEO on January 9, 2024. Read the announcement [here](#).

Getting Ready for the New Year

By. Rev. Keith E. Lawder, Georgia



United Methodist Foundation President and CEO

I have written about this before, but in case you have not seen it or need a gentle reminder, here is a suggestion that will make things easier for your loved ones if you pass or become impaired.

Every year around New Year's Day, my father would update THE LETTER and THE NOTEBOOK. THE LETTER was specific instructions as to what to do when he passed.

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In Case You Missed It!



Options for Year-End Giving

By Rev. Keith E. Lawder, Georgia United Methodist Foundation President and CEO

I love the last few months of the year. It is a time to reflect on the past, to give thanks for our blessings, and to look forward to the hope and promise of Christmas and a new year. It is a time for giving presents and a time for financial planning for the year ahead.

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Gifting Securities to Your Church

By Russell H. Jones, Georgia United Methodist Foundation Senior Vice President, CFO, and Treasurer

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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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