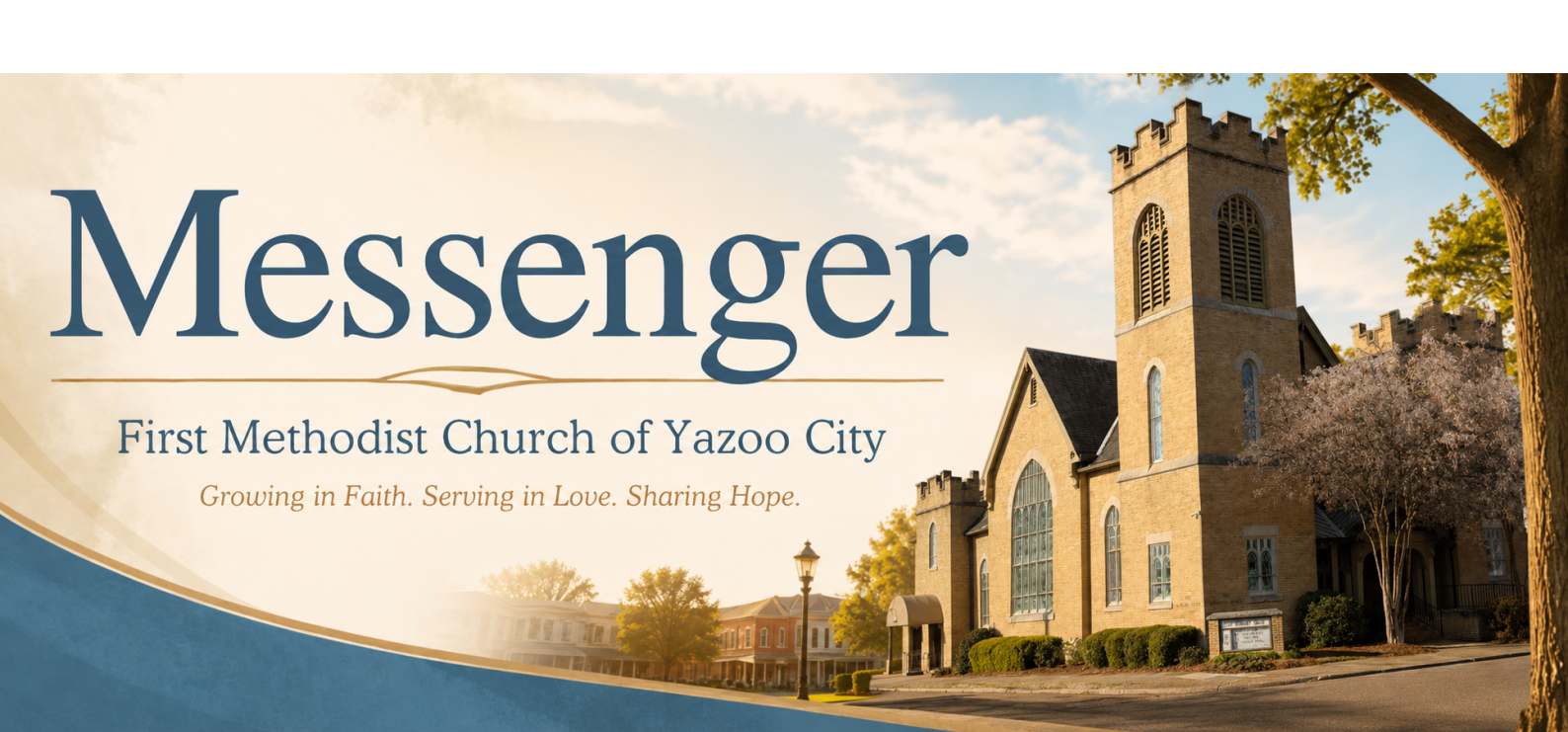


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Growing in Faith. Serving in Love. Sharing Hope.

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A Global Gathering:

Report on Upcoming GMC General Conference in South Africa

The Global Methodist Church's General Conference is the highest governing body of our denomination. Delegates from around the world will gather to prayerfully discern the church's future.

When and Where

Beginning in 2026, the General Conference will meet on a six-year rotation. This year's gathering will take place August 30–September 5, 2026, in Johannesburg, South Africa—a vibrant and fitting location that reflects our identity as a truly global church.

A Week of Worship and Decision-Making

- **Delegates:** A total of 422 delegates and 142 alternates from 52 annual conferences around the world will come together.
- **Theme:** “The Beauty of Holiness” (Psalm 29:2; Psalm 96:9).
- **Purpose:** Seven days of worship, legislative work, and global decision-making, including the election of bishops who will begin their six-year terms in November.

Our Mississippi/West Tennessee Delegation

Our Mississippi/West Tennessee Conference will send seven lay delegates, seven clergy delegates, and three alternates.

The conference has honored our church by electing our own Bill Kyle to serve as a lay delegate to this conference. We are grateful to Bill for serving in that high and worthy role!

Prayer Request: Please keep all delegates and everyone involved in prayer as they prepare for their work, asking the Lord to grant them wisdom, discernment, and safe travels as they help shape the future of the Global Methodist Church.

Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, August 30

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Small Group Bible Study

Wednesday, September 2

- 5:30 p.m. Children’s Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice
- 6:15 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Solid Ground Bible Study

THURSDAY, September 3

- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

SATURDAY, September 5

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market

SUNDAY, September 6

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Joint Service
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Small Group Bible Study

Sunday, August 30 Volunteers

- **Greeters:** D’Ann Adam/Marilyn Burnett
 - **Scripture:** Genesis 17:1-14; Colossians 2:6-12
 - **Sermon:** “Covenant and Baptism”
 - **Flowers:** SPRC
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Help Needed for Sunday Nursery!!

We are in need of 6–7 more volunteers to serve in our nursery on Sunday mornings. If you would be willing to serve, please contact Allison Hughes at 662-571-4964.

Sending our Sympathy

Love and sympathy is extended to the family of **Jane Glenn**, who passed away August 26, 2026. A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, September 1, 2026 beginning at 11:00 am in the chapel at First Methodist Church of Yazoo City.

Birthdays this Week

- 9/1 Pace Ledbetter
- 9/2 Pat Davis
- 9/4 Alison Martien

Anniversaries this Week

- 8/31 Max & Rita Sanders
- 9/2 Jim & Dixie Roberts

