

First Name	Last Name	District	Church Membership	Gender	Race	Age	Have you served as an Equalization Member before?	How many years have you served as an Equalization Member?	In 200 words or less, please share why you would like to avail yourself to serve as an Equalization Member
Jeri	Ahlbrand	Southeast	First United Methodist, Columbus	Female	White	66 - 75 years old	Yes	3	I have enjoyed the opportunity of serving in the past. I also find the business of the conference enlightening and helpful when talking to others about the church.
Laura	Apostol	Southeast	Greensburg UMC, Greensburg	Female	White	51 - 65 years old	Yes	3	I would like to serve as an equalization member so I can be informed of what is going on in the Conference and the United Methodist Church in general. I am also the only way to inform my churches as neither church sends anyone to annual conference.
Laura	Baich	Southeast	St. Mark's Bloomington	Female	White	41 - 50 years old	Yes	1	I have a trans son and want to help shape an inclusive community in the United Methodist Church. I want there to be a place for him.
Trent	Deckard	Southeast	First United Methodist Church, Bloomington	Male	White	41 - 50 years old	No		I have a growing and passionate love for Christ that is calling me to serve my congregation, district, conference, and the connective body of our communities, state, and nation as we come together, worship together, seek meaning together, and grow and love together. Along each step of my faith journey, whether adult baptism, joining the church, connecting in small group, serving on committees, or acting as a leader, I have watched the rapid transformation of myself and my heart. Christ moves in subtle and not so subtle ways between the pews and people. I know that the world, church, and members are certainly never perfect. But there is something incredible that occurs when we come together and simply be in faith. I think there is something to that coming together and I would like to allow for my faith to avail itself to service whether in detail of conference proceedings or the connectivity we need during such processes. I have been fortunate to marry in the Methodist Church, raise my children there, and grow in love to my neighbors in that same space. The least I can do for all that, is to give back in service anyway possible.
Glenn	Fitzpatrick	Southeast	Batesville	Male	White	76 years or older	No		I have been a Methodist since 1960 and served in leadership positions, teacher, physical structure trustee, chair of several committees, and Chairperson of the Adm. Council for many years. It is time I give of my time helping out at a higher level of activity in the workings of the church,

Melody	Gault	Southeast	Brookville UMC Brookville	Female	White	66 - 75 years old	Yes	2	As an Equalization Member I would look at all sides of the issues to be voted on and pray that God would show me the right way to vote.
Susan	Heitzman	Southeast	North Vernon Ebenezer United Methodist	Female	White	76 years or older	Yes	1	I signed up out of frustration to be an Equalization Member for the previous Annual Conference due to the political framework I saw building on misinformation I saw circulating in our affiliated church. I was not looking forward to the experience. However, the Annual Conference turned out to be a refreshing view of new leadership in the church and the capabilities and gifts of these people. My Christology has moved along as I have aged. And I resonate with those who see Christianity either evolving into an understanding of the Cosmic Christ (Richard Rohr) or dying in it's petrification into rigid views of the male sky god... Since the name of our denomination denotes process rather than absolutism, one can envision positive change being possible rather than more calcification. I am willing as I am able to participate.
Sarah	Hellmich	Southeast	Greensburg UMC, Greensburg	Female	White	41 - 50 years old	Yes	2	At this pivotal time in our denomination, it is important to me to be a voice. I lead the high school youth group at my church. I hear every week from young adults that are trying to figure out how organized religion fits with them. I listen as they try to navigate the message of the church compared to the message of Jesus. I help them know that the church is a safe place to land, even if they don't fit into a traditional sexual orientation or happen to be anything but white. Jesus said to love one another and didn't include exclusions. I want to belong to a denomination that seeks the marginalized and shared Jesus with all. United Methodist conference is inspiring and we are doing really great work. I want to be a part of it!
Dan	Hughes	Southeast	St Marks	Male	White	51 - 65 years old	Yes	1	To help assure the under voiced and under represented have their opinions heard. To help set the course for the church into the future.
Amy	Land	Southeast	Dearborn Hills	Female	White	51 - 65 years old	Yes	5	I believe that I can represent my district well because of my experience in the Indiana Conference. I have been a General & Jurisdictional Conference delegate for the last 2 quadrennia so I am aware of all the issues in the United Methodist Church. I have attended & been a member of a UM church my whole life.
dian	Ludlow	Southeast	St. Mark's United Methodist, Bloomington	Female	White	66 - 75 years old	No		I am a lay leader at St. Mark's and have attended this church for forty years. I feel as if I can fairly represent our parishioners.

Charles	Matson	Southeast	St. Mark's Bloomington	Male	White	76 years or older	No		I want to help the UMC be more inclusive.
Liz	McDaniel	Southeast	St. Mark's/Bloomington	Female	White	51 - 65 years old	Yes	3	I was raised Catholic; in my mid-20s I could no longer compartmentalize those parts of Catholic doctrine which excluded, restricted, shamed and abused God's children. The compartmentalization continued, although to a lesser degree, since joining the UMC nearly 40 years ago. The UMC can now fully realize our calling to inclusive, loving service and I am eager to participate in this process as an Equalization Member.
Glenda	Murray	Southeast	Bloomington	Female	White	66 - 75 years old	No		I have been a Methodist & then United Methodist Church member all my life. Over time I have become more open and welcoming to others who may be different, and I want to work to encourage the larger church to work toward openness and inclusivity as well.
Mary Jane	Packard	Southeast	First United Methodist Bloomington	Female	White	66 - 75 years old	Yes	3	It is important that we have equal representation at our annual conference where decisions are made. It is important to show support for the incoming leadership and pastors.
Alexis	Pruitt	Southeast	First United Methodist Church, Bloomington	Other Ge	White	51 - 65 years old	Yes	1	I would like to see a church that just really live into loving each other, and serving each other and our community. I want to see our faith community that isn't hard to figure out where you belong. I want to see a radical change in accountability. Where we show that we know others need to hold us accountable, rather than finding who needs to be accountable.
Ellyn	Pruitt	Southeast	First United Methodist of Bloomington	Female	Black or	31 -40 years old	Yes	1	I care about the life of our church and our way forward as a part of this larger body of Christ. I'm embracing this call to worship to seek, learn, engage and share. I want to be of service when I'm invited to have a "seat at the table."
Kathleen	Roberts	Southeast	Nashville UMC, Nashville	Female	White	66 - 75 years old	No		The United Methodist Church is at an interesting point in its history and I am eager to participate as we see how God is calling us to move into the future. I have special interest in financial stewardship, support of families in the church and community, and student and campus ministry.
Tom	Shafer	Southeast	St. Mark's Bloomington	Male	White	66 - 75 years old	Yes	3	The work of the Annual Conference is important, impacting the lives of churches and missions throughout the state and the world. When I've participated in the past, it was a privilege to join hundreds of other members putting our faith into action—not always in agreement, but always with strong Christian love. I would be honored to have the opportunity to participate again this coming June.

Jilyse	Washburn	Southeast	St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Bloomington	Female	White	51 - 65 years	No		I have not attended the annual conference before. I would like to understand a little more about the annual processes. I am not sure I would be the best fit for actual voting items, but would be willing to learn if the needs arise. I currently am not serving on any committees at my church, I am a regular attending member.
Margaret	Woodruff	Southeast	St. Paul UMC	Female	White	19 - 30 years old	Yes	1	As an active member of my united methodist church and the United methodist conference at large I enjoy being in fellowship with those who also feel called to leadership positions and helping to make our future a bright one.
Natalie	Work	Southeast	Rising Sun UMC	Female	White	51 - 65 years old	Yes	1	I am very interested in the conference and business of the IUMC.