

2018 Miracle Offering



In John 15:16, Jesus says, “I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last...” One of the ways in which we, as United Methodists from across North and South Dakota, seek to do that is through the Miracle Offering collected as a part of our annual conference session.

Since 2012 Dakotas United Methodists have opened their hearts and generously given more than \$550,000 to the Miracle Offering.



The theme of the 2018 Annual Conference session—taking place June 7-9 in Sioux Falls, SD—is “Discover Joy: Live Deeply.” We invite you to discover the joy of generosity and faithfulness by participating in our **Called: One Word, Many Ways Miracle Offering** in two ways.

First, we invite you and the members of your congregation to live deeply by making a commitment to pray, bless and

partner with us in helping others hear and respond to God’s call to their next step of faith and spiritual leadership. This commitment includes bringing their names to annual conference to lay on the alter that we might ALL surround them in prayer for God’s Spirit to move and break through.

Second, we invite you to experience joyful giving through a financial gift to the *Culture of Call Grant* fund. These grants will serve as seed money for churches, groups and organizations to create opportunities for faithful discernment and courageous response.



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Our goal

1000 names lifted up from our churches and communities!

\$100,000 to support churches, groups and organizations in creating opportunities to inspire and equip individuals to hear and respond to God’s calling!

Discover the Joy of seeing people respond to God’s calling as we live deeply connected to the vine! Here are a few ways you can be a *Culture of Call* covenant partner:

PRAY: It all begins with prayer! Gather with others, pray for those among you who are being called to the next step of spiritual leadership and how you can be a catalyst for a *Culture of Call* in your congregation!

PARTNER: Tell these persons how you see God working in them and ask how you and your congregation can come around them with prayer and support as they discern this calling. Invite them to come to Annual Conference!

PRESENT: Offer these names to be prayed for at the 2018 Annual Conference and present your monetary offering to help expand the *Culture of Call* throughout the Dakotas!

**“Imagine over 1000 persons being lifted in prayer...
Imagine how the Holy Spirit will flood their lives...
Imagine how God will be honored.”**

~Bishop Bruce Ough

Bring your commitment card and offering to 2018 Annual Conference where we will joyfully celebrate the fruit that God continues to bear among and through us!

