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*Monday, March 19, 2018*

The Holston Conference Strategy Team ('HCST') is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 to continue its work to evaluate the health of Holston Conference and to implement the components of the Comprehensive Conference Strategy Plan designed to strengthen our connection for relevant and innovative ministry and shared mission.

This will be the eighth full meeting of the HCST since the adoption of the Comprehensive Conference Strategy Plan at Holston Annual Conference in June 2017.

The HCST is continuing to implement the elements of the Comprehensive Conference Strategy through its subcommittees dedicated to each element of the Plan. The Team will receive updates from each subcommittee to examine progress in each area and to support the various task forces that extend participation in the process to lay and clergy servants in Holston Conference.

In addition, the Team will be assessing the progress of the district restructuring process and reviewing plans for district events to celebrate the new relationships created by these new districts. Finally, the Team will be assessing a timeline of the progress of the formal and practical activities that make up the transition phase of the districts.

Please continue to maintain the Holston Conference Strategy Team in your prayers as it seeks guidance to fulfill God's vision for the future of Holston Conference.

*About the Holston Conference Strategy Team –*

*The Holston Conference Strategy Team initially convened in September of 2015 to evaluate the life of Holston Conference and to find more effective ways to share a contemporary and relevant vision for bringing people into a transformative relationship with Jesus Christ. The Team is comprised of up to 15 members and includes laypersons, local church pastors, district*

*superintendents, members of the Conference executive team and the Bishop. The Strategic Plan proposed by the HCST was formally adopted by the Annual Conference in June 2017.*

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