

### **3 Criteria for Vetting the Following Nominees as Delegates to GC2020**

1. Would vote for the Traditional or Modified Traditional Plan
2. Supports the Book of Discipline on human sexuality and marriage
3. Would vote for amicable separation and the multiplication of Methodist expressions.

#### **Clergy Nominees lifted up by the Evangelical Fellowship and the WCA**

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Church: District Superintendent  
District: York River District  
Self-Nomination? Yes

**Personal Statement:**

I served local churches as pastor for 15 years in the Virginia Conference and have been serving on the Bishop's Cabinet as district superintendent since 2014. At the conference level, I served on the Board of Ordained Ministry, the Board of Discipleship, and the Commission on Ethnic Minority Concerns. I had the privilege to serve as a delegate to the Jurisdictional Conference in 2016 and the first reserve delegate to the General Conference in 2016 and 2019. I have a strong sense of call to participate in the decision-making process of The United Methodist Church. My twenty years of pastoral ministry has convinced me that The UMC is called to be God's instrument for the redemption of the world. I will be honored to serve the cause.

**Name: Bradley Adam McMullen**

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Church: Timberlake UMC  
District: Lynchburg District  
Self-Nomination? No Nominated by a clergy person who is eligible to vote: Gordon Pruitt

**Personal Statement:**

Nominated by Gordon Pruitt My willingness to serve at the general/jurisdictional conference comes from my desire to renew and revitalize our denomination in the same way many of us have led a turnaround in local churches. My leadership experience includes: • Led revitalization at 2 churches • Board of Ordained Ministry • 5 Talent Academy, co-chair • Reynolds Program in Church Leadership • Wesley Seminary Lewis Fellow • Eastern Mennonite Seminary, course assistant • Friends of Barnabas, chaplain & team leader • Provisional Clergy mentor • My kids think I'm awesome.

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Church: Sudley UMC

District: Alexandria District

Self Nomination? Yes

**Personal Statement:**

Since 1996 as a licensed local pastor and elder, I have served both small and large churches. This has taught me to appreciate the needs of people in local churches and the communities. Serving on different boards and agencies (2000 GBHEM Youth Forum designing team, DCom, BOM, Bishop's Convocation on Race and Reconciliation, CEMCA, and the president of the Asian American Ministers' Association) has helped me see the immense potential and slippery pitfalls of the connection and its policy. While serving local churches, I taught biblical studies at two universities, applying my graduate training (Ph.D. in N.T.) and learning how to listen to both the committed and the skeptical. Thus, I would like to offer myself to listen and speak for the real needs of the local churches and clergy from a biblical, reasoned, and experiential perspective. In doing so, I will seek for discernment to be clearly God-honoring.

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Church: Annex-Crimora Charge

District: Harrisonburg

Self-Nomination? Yes

Personal Statement: "Best of all, God is with us!" (John Wesley)

Entered as a Full-Time Local Pastor in 1999 in the Northwest Texas Conference where I served on the Conference Board of Insurance. While there, I received the Denman Award of Evangelism. In the Virginia Conference, I have served on the Board of Ordained Ministry for 5

years; served as President for the Associate Member & Local Pastor Fellowship for 5 years; served on the Conference “Small Church Taskforce,” participated in the New Church Leadership Academy; served on the Church Development and Revitalization Committee, and more. I served as the Harrisonburg District Chaplain, Chair of the Spiritual Formation Committee, served as Missions Chair, heading District mission’s trips and have served as mentor to several clergy entering the process for ordination. In 2015, I received a M.Div. from the School of Theology at Virginia Union and was ordained in 2018.

Currently, I am the President of the Wesleyan Covenant Association, Virginia Chapter, V.P. for the Evangelical Fellowship of Virginia and I care deeply about the matters before us. I am for the Traditional Plan, amicable separation and multiplication of Methodist expressions, and have a high view of Scripture!

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Church: Community UMC

District: Elizabeth River

Self-Nomination? Yes

**Personal Statement:**

I am an ordained elder who desperately wants a healthy resolution to the deep pain and protracted division our beloved denomination continues to suffer and to inflict. I lament how we have continued to harm one another within the Church while simultaneously damaging our witness for Jesus Christ in the world. Our very best attempts to prayerfully and cooperatively find a way forward together have not worked, even as our churches continue their rapid epidemic decline. As a result, I now regretfully concede that we must seek the Holy Spirit’s guidance to implement mutually beneficial structural solutions that will enable one another to live out shared faith convictions in respectful new ways that honor our irreconcilable differences. I pray fervently for God to accomplish resolution which we cannot achieve for ourselves before there is no Church left to fight over.

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District: York River District

Self-Nomination? No Nominated by a clergy person who is eligible to vote: Seonyoung Kim

**Personal Statement:**

280 years ago the Holy Spirit began a new work of church renewal and evangelistic mission through the Methodists. In Wesley's words, it was a revival of Scriptural Christianity for a new day. Serving among a diverse body of United Methodists, I have devoted myself for 23 years as a disciple, pastor, district and Virginia conference servant, and 2016 SE Jurisdictional delegate, to promoting the "doctrine, discipline, and spirit" of our Wesleyan heritage as a still vital instrument of God to renew the church and transform the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ. If elected to serve as a 2020 General Conference delegate, I will strive to help the UMC apply the "grace and truth" of God embodied in Christ (John 1:14) and witnessed powerfully among the Methodists, to our present challenges of renewing the church and reaching our post-Christian culture with the gospel

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Church: Retired

District: Lynchburg

Self-Nomination? No Nominated by a clergy person who is eligible to vote: R. Bruce Johnson

**Personal Statement:**

*Vision:* Life text: 'Jesus confirm my heart's desire to work, and speak, and think for thee'. I envision our church doing as John Wesley did and 'offer Christ' to all persons so that all may be reconciled to God and develop into disciples, personally and socially holy.

*Service:* Pastor, diverse congregations in California, England and Virginia; *Seminary Professor;* Board of Ordained Ministry for eight years and Conference Board of Evangelism; *Observer* at five General Conferences; *Study Leader* at UMW School of Mission, Global Ministries and Board of Discipleship conferences.

I stand for the Traditional Plan, the *Discipline's* vision of human sexuality, and for relieving oppression, hurt, deadlock and bringing renewed unity by considering amicable separation.

Believe, Love, and Obey

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District: Staunton District

Self-Nomination? No Nominated by a clergy person who is eligible to vote: Robert Bruce Johnson

**Personal Statement:**

I give thanks to God for the grace of Jesus Christ and the establishment of the church. It is my desire for Christ's Holy Church to be effective and efficient in carrying out the mission to make disciples. I am retired Elder (1987) and am engaged in a ministry of stewardship, helping churches to grow faithful and generous stewards. Over the past several years, I have served on both the district committee and conference Board of Ordained Ministry. It has been my privilege to resurrect the Goodson Academy of Preaching (2015) and to make this vital task a focus for our preachers as we bring in excellent teachers and homileticians to give encouragement. In 2015, I was elected as an alternate delegate. If elected in 2019 I will strive to support the stated mission of our church, and not follow the politics of the left nor the right.

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District: Winchester

Self-Nomination? Yes

**Personal Statement:**

Secular Education: University of Wisconsin BS in Economics Theological Education: Wesley Theological Seminary - 1999 - M.Div. Work Experience: 1) Started my own company and successfully ran the company for ten years; 2) General Manger of a division of Durham Corporation - four years; Sr. Vice-President for BB&T - three years; I accepted the call to the ministry and have served as a Lay Pastor, an Ordained Deacon, and an Elder for a total of 24 years. I was blessed to have tremendous secular success and for that, I give God the glory. An equal blessing has followed me in the position of pastor of 4 churches over a 24-year pastorate. I have served on many district and conference boards and currently serve as a board member of VA Conf. Housing Development Corporation. It would be my honor to serve the Virginia United Methodist Conference as a delegate to General Conference 2020.

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Church: Stuart United Methodist

District: Danville

Self-Nominated? Yes

I am a lifelong United Methodist from a family of United Methodist pastors, both my father and my grandfather served the Virginia Conference. It is from this background and the influence of many faithful Christians that developed my faith in the Lord. I served on the District Planning committee, the Conference Local Pastors Steering Committee (when it first started), and I serve on the District Committee on Ordained Ministry.

I believe God's Word is true and contains all that is required for faith and practice. I believe that Scripture should be primary in all things. I believe that all Christians are to offer the grace of God as we witness the Good News of mercy and forgiveness in Jesus Christ. Therefore, I am committed to the mission of the United Methodist Church "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." If so elected, I will faithfully serve.

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District: Harrisonburg District

Self-Nomination? Yes

**Personal Statement:**

Thank you for the opportunity to place my name in Nomination for membership in the 2020 General Conference. My guidelines will be the scriptures and the Book of Discipline as I consider what comes before us. May God continue to bless all of us who are United Methodist believers.

## **Lay Nominees lifted up by the Evangelical Fellowship and the WCA**

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District: Elizabeth River District

### **Personal Statement:**

A life-long Methodist, I re-dedicated my life at YAY '90. I have served many regions across Virginia: VAUMC: SEJ '16; certified lay speaker '95-'15 Winchester: youth delegate to CCYM & AC 91 - 93; UN seminar on Homelessness '91; AC Young adult delegate '94-'00 Roanoke: camp counselor Alta Mons '93-'94 Norfolk: Tidewater Wesley Foundation '94-'98 Portsmouth: AC church delegate '09-'13 Elizabeth River: AC at-large delegate '14-'18 I'm passionate about holy conferencing and open to hearing ideas from all sides and regions. Let's talk. I will stand for the Truth of the Bible and wisdom of our Discipline. Ecumenism and revival are vital. For the UMC to grow, we must learn from growing churches, especially UMC in Africa and Korea, and work towards a common goal to promote Christ alone. At ODU I led Intervarsity Christian Fellowship and organized events bringing denominations together. I have served on missions in Romania and Moldova.

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District: York River District

### **Personal Statement:**

Reserve Delegate and Page for 2016 Jurisdictional Conference. Member of Executive Board of Southeast Jurisdiction Hispanic/Latino Caucus. Chair of Programs for the Common Table. Chair of Committee on Immigration Outreach. District At-Large Delegate 2015-2018. Warwick Memorial UMC Leadership Team Leader, District Steward, and District Board of Missions Representative 2016-2018. Led my church in the area of missions 2000-2015. I have preached and taught Sunday School. Led two Alpha course small groups. Young adult counselor for four years. Site leader on six home repair missions in Appalachia. Co-leader and a translator for 16 Friends of Barnabas medical mountain teams in Honduras. Certified Lay Servant. I have a doctorate in Electrical and Computer Engineering, a Professional Engineer license, and 39 years of experience working for NASA where I am now a manager. The reason I want to serve is that I love the Lord, all of his people, and the UMC.

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Church:

District: Staunton

**Personal Statement:**

I have served my denomination as a Pastor's wife for 24 years. I have taught Sunday school, Bible Studies, and VBS classes. I have been a Youth Director and taken youth on 12 mission's trips up and down the East Coast. I have gone to Guatemala and made stoves for the natives there. I have served as Vice President and President of the UMW units at different churches. I have served as District Delegate to many Annual Conferences and served as SEJ delegate and an alternate delegate to General Conference. I am in favor of the Traditional Plan because I believe the Scriptures are clear on the subject. I believe that we must be compassionate and loving but we must not try to change the Word of God to suit the cultural leanings of the time. I believe the Bible is the infallible inspired Word of God. I believe the road ahead for the denomination will be hard, but with God's guidance, we will prevail!

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District: Elizabeth River District

**Personal Statement:**

A Certified Lay Speaker since 1997, I served for 7 years as the Norfolk District Lay Speaker Director and 6 years as the Conference Director of Lay Servant Ministries. I am a certified Lay Speaker, General Commission of the United Methodist Men Men's Ministry Specialist since 2010. I taught the Basic Lay Servant Ministries course for "Becoming Spiritual Stewards", "Lay Speakers Preach", "Understanding Men's Ministry", and "Disciple Bible Study" courses. For the past 3-years, I have been certified as a Phase Training for Wesleyan Building Brothers. I have also served on a number of local, district and conference committees. I believe that the greatest hope for unity within the United Methodist Church is a concentrated effort on our stated mission, "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

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District: Elizabeth River

**Personal Statement:**

Service in the church: I am a life-long Methodist and am currently a member of Baylake United Methodist Church. I have previously held membership at Virginia Beach UMC and Saint Andrew's UMC, both located in Virginia Beach, VA. I have served as Bible study leader, Sunday school teacher, Church Council chair, Staff-parish chair, Lay Leader, among other positions in the local church. I served as a board member for the Blackstone Assembly Center. I have preached at several churches; I publish a weekly video introducing the sermons at Baylake (see Baylake Productions on YouTube.com); I am the author of the book titled, Daily Devotional. I speak and publish on topics of faith (see e.g. 29 Regent Law Review).

Vision for the Church: God has blessed us with explicit directives for godly living. Those directives are stated in scripture and require, in other words, that we act in love and refrain from judging the worth of others. My vision is to serve God in obedience to His plan. I support and respect the decision reached at the 2019 General Conference. I recognize that some have opposing views; that is to be expected. (2 Timothy 4:3-4). Our job is to speak truth in love. (Ephesians 4:15). As stewards of God's church, we are called to guard against disruptions designed to impose the world's standards upon the church. To that end graceful and non-punitive separation would be preferable to continuing the battle that was fairly resolved at the special General Conference in 2019.

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District: Alexandria District

**Personal Statement:**

I am a sinner saved by grace. With God's help, I will follow Him until He takes me home. I have been an award winning recruiter/trainer in the financial services industry, trainer for the Federal Office of Personnel Management and CDC, CEO of the, one time, largest Court Appointed Special Advocates program in Virginia serving abused children. I am retired and available to the Lord, that is why I respond to this call. I have shown through my professional life that I am a person of reason and ability. My service proves my commitment to the Lord in my local church as Certified Lay Servant, Chair of the Council on Ministries, Interim Chair of the Administrative Council,

Worship Leader, Sunday School Superintendent, Outreach & Communications, Adult Education teacher, Lay Speaker filling pulpit, VBS Music Leader, Chair of a UMW Fellowship, Praise Team and Choir, representative to VAAC, Visitor Center Coordinator.

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Church: Laurel Hill

District: Richmond

**Personal Statement:**

Currently serving as chair, Staff-Parish Relations Committee and Richmond District Lay Member to Annual Conference; previously served as Fredericksburg District Lay Member to Annual Conference and on the Fredericksburg District Committee on Ministry.

Wife of retired Virginia Conference Elder; mother and mother-in-law of four seminary graduates (Asbury and Union), three of whom are ordained or progressing toward ordination; mother and mother-in-law of missionaries serving with Christian Veterinary Mission; have served local congregations as Sunday School teacher, Bible Study leader, Preschool Oversight Committee chair, and musician. I am a member of the Wesleyan Covenant Association; support the Traditional Plan.

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District: Rappahannock River District

**Personal Statement:**

I have been a member of the Methodist church for most of my life and have been an active member of Fairfields United Methodist Church since 2002. I am currently the Lay Leader. I am also the Vacation Bible School Director, a member of the Worship Committee, musician and choir member, and facilitator for an adult Bible Study group that meets weekly. I have been a Certified Lay Servant since 2013 and have completed four of the six courses required to be a Certified Lay Speaker; I hope to complete all requirements in 2019. My passion is for evangelism, and especially evangelism of children. I also value the broad perspective that is reflected in the connectional church. I support efforts to broaden the reach of the Methodist church, with emphasis on reaching those who do not have a personal relationship with the triune God.

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District: Elizabeth River

**Personal Statement:**

I have been a member of the United Methodist Church for the past 48 years, in Mississippi, North Carolina and am currently a member of Baylake UMC in Virginia Beach, where I am a Lay Speaker, and have served as Director of Children's Ministries, Program Director, and Director of Adult Discipleship and Missions.

For the past 10 years, Mission work in South Sudan and Uganda has been my passion. Working with United Methodist ministries and my own NGO, I have offered my services to schools, hospitals, and orphanages, and supported victims of Polio and Leprosy.

My Vision for the United Methodist Church is to consistently and compassionately present the gospel message, to be a loving body of believers welcoming all people, while basing our beliefs and teachings on sound Biblical doctrine. I strongly support the Traditional Plan, as outlined in the recent "Way Forward," put forth by the General Conference.

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District: Arlington

**Personal Statement:**

I was confirmed a Methodist in the fourth grade. In 2008, I served on the Church Council at Oakton UMC and at Pender UMC. I have been a delegate to Annual conference for three years while serving on SPRC and as a facilitator in Cornerstone Bible Study.

As a former Police Investigator in Falls Church, VA (Masters degree in Forensic Sciences, GWU) and as a Fraud Investigator for First Virginia Bank, Riggs Bank and Apple FCU, I offer expertise to the General Conference as a fact finder who is obedient to the Bible's instruction to "Prove all things; hold fast to that which is good."

As a Gideon affirming the Bible as inerrant and fully inspired by the Spirit of Holiness, my vision for the UMC is based upon Scripture. I support the Traditional Plan because it squares-up with Scripture while seeing Methodism as Global and connectional. I affirm the passages from

God and Jesus, on the topic of marriage, which are found in Matthew 19:4-6 and Mark 10:6-8. I believe in the total depravity of man...and the all-sufficiency of Christ.