

SUMMARY OF RESPONSES GATHERED AT 2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

7/6/10

Question #1 – What is the missional purpose of the annual conferences?	170
Make disciples of Jesus Christ	40
Resourcing and equipping local churches	38
Provide opportunities for learning/sharing best practices	21
Accountability, advocacy, inspiration, and enforcement	15
Relationship building/connecting	14
Combine mission and vision of Kansas and Nebraska together	10
Missions, justice, and inclusivity	9
Develop and deploy leaders	8
External communication and outreach	6
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	8

Question #2 - How do we best develop lay and clergy leaders for these three conferences?	166
Enhanced communication and training, use of new media and distance education	46
Small group, local, and/or peer-based training/share best practices	26
Concerns about representation, governance, structure	17
Identify strong, visionary leaders	13
Encourage unity, discourage controversy	8
Concerns about appointments, clergy processes	8
Emphasize children and youth	7
Continue what is currently working	7
Improved training, resources, and development of clergy	6
Empower laity/ lay training	6
Faith and spirituality	6
L3 Incubator	3
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Question #3 - What factors should we all think about with regard to the configuration of conferences in this new Episcopal area?	163
Distance/ Geography	26
Questions on merging of conferences	16
Consideration for small churches, rural and/or Western areas	15
Build relationships with and learn from Kansas United Methodists	12
Improve communication, use of technology	10
Concerns about current process and leadership	9
Keep conference boundaries the same	8
Where will conference be held?	8
Concerns about presence of Bishop and DS's	8
Combine conferences into 1	7
Consolidate ministries, staff, and/or leadership positions	6
Concerns about appointment-making	5
Prayer, follow Jesus' teachings	4
Enhance the number and/or role of the districts	4
Urban vs. rural concerns	3
Make 1 conference for each state	2
Have Nebraska join the North Central Jurisdiction	2
Make 2 Kansas-Nebraska conferences, East and West	1
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	17