



CORRECTION: We apologize for the missing link in this morning's *Perspective*. It has been fixed in the version below. Note that, to get the statement to print out, you will need to click on the Background tab and click on the document at [www.MethodistCrossroads.org](http://www.MethodistCrossroads.org).

### UMC Bishops Must Hear from Laity and Pastors

Dear Friends,

Many of you have endorsed the important statement to the United Methodist Church's Council of Bishops called "Integrity and Unity." On behalf of all the pastors and theologians who initially endorsed the statement, thank you very much for adding your name! I can assure you, bishops are paying attention.



As the president of Good News, a conservative-evangelical movement working for renewal and reform in the UM Church for nearly 50 years, I want to welcome many new concerned United Methodists to Perspective and thank those of you who have followed us for some time now. This way of communicating with people dedicated to the renewal and reform of the church is more important than ever. As concerned laity and pastors we must stay informed, we must raise our voices so bishops and church leaders know we are serious about the future of the UM Church, and we must share our concerns with other laity and pastors so they can join us.

I have four very important requests to make of you: [1] please



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download and print the "Integrity and Unity" statement and the "Endorsement Sign-up Sheet." Both documents can be found in the Background section by clicking [HERE](#). [2] Please take the statement and endorsement sheet to church with you and encourage your church friends, Sunday school class members, small group members, and church committee members to endorse the statement. [3] Once you have collected endorsements from your friends, please send the "Endorsement Sign-up Sheet" to: Good News, PO Box 132076, The Woodlands, TX 77393-2076. Or fax the sheet to 832.813.5327. [4] If your friends would rather endorse the statement online, direct them to [www.methodistcrossroads.org](http://www.methodistcrossroads.org). In fact, please share the link with as many people as possible. We want the UM Church's Council of Bishops to hear from as many of us as possible!

We now have available on the website a list of all laity and clergy that have endorsed the Integrity and Unity statement. You can see that list by clicking [HERE](#) and looking at the first documents in the Background section. We will be updating it weekly. We have also added new documents to the Background portion of the website to keep you informed of developments.

Finally, I encourage you to visit [www.goodnewsmag.org](http://www.goodnewsmag.org) on a regular basis. This website will keep you abreast of important UM Church news. Please pray for the UM Church and encourage others to join us! Together, we can create a better church!

In Christ,  
Rob Renfroe

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#### Distinctively Wesleyan Missions for the 21st Century - Fall Seminar

A seminar on Missions will be held on October 31st and November 1st, 2014 on the campus of Evangelical Seminary in Myerstown, PA. The speaker will be Dr. Timothy C. Tennent, president of Asbury Theological Seminary. The seminar focus will be on developing and supporting distinctively Wesleyan missions for the 21st century. Dr. Tennent will explore the history of missions and the current global opportunities. He will give guidance on developing of a mission strategy for your local church. Dr. Tennent has worked extensively on the mission field in India and has written several books on world missions. He is one of the foremost United Methodist experts on the topic. A 0.5 Continuing Education Unit from Asbury Theological Seminary is available for those who attend the entire event.

This event is being sponsored by the Northeast Jurisdiction Evangelical Connection (NEJEC) of United Methodists and will include times of worship, prayer, and fellowship. It begins on 3:00 PM Friday, October 31st and continues to 12:30 PM on Saturday, November 1st. You can register for one or both days. Overnight accommodations are available. The seminar is open to laity and clergy of all denominations. More details and a registration form can be found online [HERE](#).

For questions, please contact Dan Fuller (NEJEC Convenor) at [nejec.info@gmail.com](mailto:nejec.info@gmail.com).

Registrations are due no later than October 15th, 2014. There is a discount for early registration by September 20th.

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***Endorse the Statement!***

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