

# 2019-2020 LEADERSHIP UMC

*A program of the North Georgia Conference Board of Laity for emerging leaders!*

LUMC is recognized throughout the country as a premier program ~ second to none ~ for equipping laity to serve in partnership with clergy for mission and ministry within the community and around the globe. LUMC is unique in its design to offer Methodist laity an experience that mentors graduates for a life-long journey “in the connection.”

Leadership UMC (LUMC) begins its 18<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of successful training and development. We had 45 graduates in the 2018-2019 Class, and we celebrate over 650 LUMC graduates, many of which have now assumed major leadership roles in the local church, district, conference and beyond. Some LUMC graduates were delegates to the 2016 and 2019 General Conference. During annual conference, the graduates’ role includes LUMC Chorus, the LUMC Reunion and the Conference Board of Laity activities. Our goal is to continue the tradition of encouraging LUMC graduates toward exemplary servant leadership.

The 2019-2020 series will feature our same basic curriculum and expanded opportunities to enhance the experience with the four weekend workshops designed to equip the emerging leader. All workshops are facilitated by our professional staff. The dates are:

<b>November 15-16, 2020</b>	<b><i>UMC History, Polity and the Discipline,</i></b> Faculty: Dr. John Beyers, Sr. Pastor, LaGrange 1st UMC, LAGN District
<b>January 24-25, 2020</b>	<b><i>Congregational Development &amp; Leadership Skills, Spiritual Gifts and more!</i></b> Faculty: Rev. Mike Selleck, Retired Elder, NGA Conference
<b>March 27-28, 2020</b>	<b><i>Clergy &amp; Laity Together in Shared Ministry ~ A partnership conversation!</i></b> The North Georgia Episcopal Leader: Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson ~ Keynote Speaker. Workshop Facilitators: Rev. Herzen Andone, Sr. Pastor, Hillside UMC, AMAR District & Bill Martin, NGA Conference Lay Leader.
<b>April 17-18, 2020</b>	<b><i>LUMC Small Group Project Reports and 2018-2019 LUMC Class Graduation</i></b> Graduation Ceremony Keynote Speaker: TBA

These four workshop topics and curriculum have proven to be essential building blocks for lay leadership and addressing skills for vital congregations and partnering with clergy. Each participant is assigned to a small group that researches subjects related to church vitality. All workshops are held at **Sugar Hill UMC, 4600 Nelson Brogdon Blvd., Buford GA 30518**. Lodging is provided at a nearby hotel property in the area. All expenses including workshop materials, four nights lodging, meals, and snack breaks are included in the tuition for participants. The participant’s pastor attends the March session at no additional cost. Tuition for the 4-session series:

**Participant Tuition = \$100 DOUBLE occupancy lodging accommodation**  
**or**  
**\$320 for SINGLE lodging accommodation;**  
**Local Church Tuition = \$175;**  
**District Tuition = \$175.**

Applicants must be recommended by 1) the local church lay leader and pastor; 2) commit to attending all of the four workshop sessions; 3) submit the completed application to the district office prior to the advertised deadline. See application on the reverse or on the NGA Conference web site: [www.ngumc.org](http://www.ngumc.org), click on Board of Laity. The District Board of Laity reviews applications and selects four applicants to recommend to the LUMC Board each year. The Conference Board of Laity and the LUMC Board of Directors are the final approving authority for each application and participant. It is important that the applicant understand that in order to receive the LUMC graduation diploma, individual certification, as well as the LUMC pin, one must be an active participant in all four sessions which begin on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. until Saturday at 5 p.m. Each workshop builds on the knowledge and information acquired in the prior session to provide a strong foundation of leadership. *Equally important is that each participant actively participate in the small group that works together through technology on a research project outside of the workshop times with a report presented before the class at the last session.*

It is an honor to be selected to represent your local church and district at LUMC and we strive to make our laity development curriculum an exceptional experience.

For additional information, contact Jane Finley, Director, LUMC, 706-886-4039; [mjfarm100@aol.com](mailto:mjfarm100@aol.com).  
APPLICATION ON REVERSE SIDE

**2019-2020 LEADERSHIP UMC APPLICATION**

**Submit completed application including all signatures to District Office by September 19, 2019. See instruction below!**

APPLICANT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE SUBMIT 2” x 2” Photo with Application

PREFERRED FIRST NAME FOR BADGE \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group: 18-25\_\_ 26-35\_\_ 36-55\_\_ 55+\_\_ Retired\_\_ Occupation/ Former Occupation, if retired: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Church Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Mailing Address: PO Box or Street #/Name, City/State/ZIP)

Are you Currently Employed by UMC in Local Church/District/Conference? \_\_\_ Current Volunteer position in Church \_\_\_

Special Talents \_\_\_\_\_ Gifts/Graces \_\_\_\_\_

(Use additional paper if needed)

Leadership Positions Held in Local Church:

Leadership Positions Held Outside Church:

(Use additional paper if needed)

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\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Lodging Request: Check one: Double Occupancy Room = \$100 Tuition: \_\_\_ Single Occupancy Room = \$320 Tuition: \_\_\_

Participant’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

In Case of Emergency, Contact Name and Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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**This portion of application to be completed and personally signed by approving official before mailing to district office.**

Recommended/Nominated by: Local Church Lay Leader: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Sr. Pastor Recommendation: Printed Name & Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Pastor committed to attend the March 27-28, 2020 Session:**\* \_\_\_\_\_ (required)

Pastor’s Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

District Superintendent’s Signature of Approval for Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT DATES & PROCESSING INFORMATION FOR THE APPLICATION**

**PARTICIPANTS ~ Complete participant’s portion of this fillable form; then print the form and get the lower portion of form completed with approvals/signatures prior to sending to district office. Fully completed form to be received by district office NLT deadline: September 19, 2019.**

*Due to the attendance requirement at all workshops, please evaluate potential conflicts in your personal holiday observances and life event celebrations with the 2019-20 LUMC schedule before making application.* For more information, contact your district office or district lay leader. **Only one participant per church/one per family will be selected per year.** Read carefully the requirements on the reverse and notate the lodging arrangements for double/single accommodation lodging as annotated above. This designation determines your participant’s tuition amount.

**TUITION PAYMENT:** The district office will notify you NLT October 1, 2019 of the District Board’s decision and provide you information for remittance of your tuition payment. Your local church will be notified regarding remittance of local church tuition also. **Tuition payments due NLT October 31, 2019.**

Submit questions to Jane Finley, Conference Director, LUMC, mjfarms100@aol.com

**LUMC WORKSHOP SESSION DATES: November 15-16, 2019; January 24-25, 2020; March 27-28, 2020; April 17-18, 2020.**