

Kenneth L. Nelson

Name: Kenneth Lee Nelson
DOB: May 6, 1968 in Beaufort, SC
Married: Angela Ford Nelson-October 8, 2005
(Ordained Elder in Full Connection-SC Conference)
Education: Master of Divinity-Duke Divinity School 1993
Bachelor of Arts-Newberry College 1990 (CUM LAUDE)
Doctoral Coursework-Wesley Theological Seminary
Additional Studies: Center for Theological Inquiry
Princeton
Ordination: Ordained Deacon, June 1, 1993
Ordained Elder, June 1, 1995
South Carolina Annual Conference

APPOINTMENTS

June 2020 District Superintendent-Orangeburg District
June 2014 Coordinator of Clergy Services-SC Conference
June 2007 SC Conference Connectional Ministries-Congregational
Specialist
June 2006 Silver Hill Memorial (Spartanburg)
June 2002 Centenary/Kingsville Charge (Hartsville)
Jan 2002 St. John's UMC (Aiken) Associate Minister
June 1998 Duke University Chapel-Assistant Dean
& Director of Religious Life
June 1994 St. John's UMC (Aiken) Associate Minister
June 1993 Mt. Zion-St. Mark (Sumter)

Service on Conference Board and Agencies

2014-2020 Secretary of the SC Annual Conference
2014-2009 SC Conference Board of Ordained Ministry-Chair
2009-2006 SC Conference Board of Ordained Ministry – Registrar
2014-2004 SC Conference Board of Ordained Ministry
2012-2007 Columbia District Committee on Ministry
2007-2006 Spartanburg District Committee on Ministry
2006-2004 Chair, Hartsville District Committee on Ordained Ministry
2006-2002 Hartsville District Committee on Ministry
Formation in Ministry Group Leader-Formerly Residency I
Frequent: Workshop Leader- Lay Leadership Training in
Local Churches, UMW, UMM, and CCYM Retreat Leader
inclusive of UMW Mission U, UMM Spiritual Life Retreat, and
Youth Annual Conference
Formerly: Worship Attendance Coordinator for District-
Vision 2000 (Hartsville)
District Coordinator for Youth Ministries
(Orangeburg) DCOM)
Board of Directors Epworth Children's Home
Resident II Group Leader-Orangeburg and
Hartsville District
CCYM –Mission Possible-co-leader trip to Brazil
Board of Camps and Retreat.
Hispanic Ministry Task Force



PROFILE

Ken is a native of Beaufort, SC. He has been married to Angela since 2005. They are both United Methodist clergy and the proud parents of a furry child named Burton!

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HOBBIES

Travel
Sports
Family
Tennis



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Awards and Recognitions

- 2016 **Recipient of the Joseph B. Bethea Award** presented to a person who has performed outstanding service in working for racial justice.
- 2010 Founder of SC Conference **Summit on the Black Church**
- 1990 **Lay Recipient of Denman Evangelism Award**-SC Annual Conference

General and Jurisdictional Conference Service

- 2020 Delegate to General and Jurisdictional Conference
- 2019 Delegate to Called General Conference
- 2016 Delegate to General and Jurisdictional Conference-Higher Education and Ministry
- o *Subcommittee Chair-Higher Education and Ministry*
- 2012 Delegate to General and Jurisdictional Conference-Higher Education and Ministry
- 2008 Delegate to General and Jurisdictional Conference-Committee on Discipleship
- 2007-2014-Member of National Black Staff Forum
- 1995 Delegate to the **World Methodist Conference**- Brazil

Boards and Agency Service

- 2016 Member of the **Connectional Table**
- *Member of World Wide Nature of the Church*
 - *Leadership Discernment and Community Life-Chair*
 - *Chaired Search Committee for CCMO (2017)*
- 2016-2012 Member of the **General Board of Church and Society**

Jursidictional Leadership

- Member of the SEJ Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order
- Member of SC & SEJ Black Methodist for Church Renewal

Travel: Kenya, Honduras, Brazil, the Holy Land, Norway, Guatemala