

WEST DISTRICT OFFICE RIO TEXAS CONFERENCE THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 23, 2018

Friends,

I pray you have had a good summer and a great start of the school year. With the approach of fall, it's time to think about Charge Conferences! This year in the West District we will again have six group conferences. As it stands right now, I will preside at three of them, and Ministry Assistant Rev. Colleen Haley will preside at three.

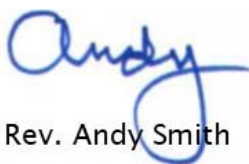
The attached schedule has our sub-district groupings, host churches, and proposed (hopefully, final) schedule of Charge Conferences. **Each church/charge is to hold a church council or congregation-wide meeting, at which the Charge Conference reports are reviewed, perfected and approved, prior to your scheduled group conference.** *(Please re-read the last sentence out loud for emphasis.)*

If you have an immovable conflict with your group Charge Conference date, you may, with the District Superintendent's permission, attend a different group conference. All clergy and church council (or equivalent) members are voting members of the Charge Conference and expected to attend. Of course, the whole church is invited as well.

In addition to conducting the administrative and ministry business of the Charge Conference, we will review the upcoming ministry opportunities in the West District and the Rio Texas Conference; be encouraged to implement some best **practices**; and each church will be asked to share what is being done to make disciples. Further details will come your way along with the Charge Conference Packet in a few weeks.

I look forward to seeing you soon, and exploring how we can better serve Christ's Church.

Blessings and peace,



Rev. Andy Smith

**WEST DISTRICT
SUB-DISTRICT GROUPINGS**

NORTH—October 28th, 4:00 pm, Sterling City with Rev. Colleen Haley

Miles—Gary Karschner	Odessa—Oscar Lovos
Robert Lee—Cyndi Weidner	Sterling City—Jim Noble
Bronte—Everette Boyce	Veribest/Paint Rock—Mike Thomson

**NORTH EAST—October 14, 4:00 pm
San Saba with Rev. Colleen Haley**

Melvin—Scott Melton
Brady—Bun Jackson
Goldthwaite—John Alsbrooks
Star/Center City—Tim Birkner
San Saba—Mark Smith

**WEST—November 18,
3:00 pm, Ozona with Rev.
Colleen Haley**

Big Lake / Barnhart—
Larry Young
Mertzon—Mark Krause
Ozona—Leigh Lloyd
Iraan—TBS
Rankin—David Sanchez

**CENTRAL—November 18, 3:00 pm,
San Angelo, Sierra Vista with DS
Andy Smith**

Christoval / Grape Creek—Lori Jones
San Angelo:First—Scott Bradford,
Bryan Rogers, Dale Weise
Sierra Vista—Stan Whites,
Tamara Strehli, Kelly Duke
Wesley Trinity—Robert Marks, Jr.
Betel—Art Mavrode
St. Luke—Charles Baskin

**SOUTH EAST—October 28, 5:00 pm,
Mason with DS Rev. Andy Smith**

Menard—Judy Swarts
Hilda—Michael Bell
Art / Castell—Tim Fahrenthold
Mason—Peter Aguilar
Junction / London—
Sheree Harris

SOUTH—October 21, 2:00 pm, Brackettville with DS Rev. Andy Smith

Eldorado—Janet Larson	Rocksprings / Barksdale—David Lee Murray
Sonora—Bill Harris	Brackettville—Cynthia Engstrom
Del Rio:First—John Fluth	Del Rio:Principe de Paz—Ricardo Rubio