

Identity, Vision, Mission, and Connectionalism Small Group Survey

Instructions: Please gather a small group and explain that we are doing a project to help us understand who we are as United Methodists and what our vision, mission and tradition of connectionalism mean to us. Please have a leader and note taker for each group. This survey is being provided in French, Portuguese and English, but we ask that, if possible, the notes be submitted to the Connectional Table in English at connectionaltable@umc.org. If it is not possible to submit the notes in English, please contact the Connectional Table so that translation can be arranged.

Identity

- 1. How has your spirit been fed by your United Methodist Church?
- 2. What do you value most about your United Methodist Church?
- 3. What holds our church together? What do we have in common?

Vision

- 4. What kind of church do you dream about?
- 5. What are the essentials for United Methodists in the African context?

Mission

- 6. Which of these priorities is God calling the UMC to do more of? (Highlight 3 or 4)
 - a. Evangelism
 - b. Education
 - c. Health
 - d. Food Security
 - e. Women's Empowerment
 - f. Ministry with children and youth
 - g. Peace with Justice

Connectionalism

7. What does it mean to be connected with United Methodists in other parts of Africa and the world?