

# MEN'S MINISTRY

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



### Mission & Vision

The Mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world so that God's Will becomes as real on earth as it already is in heaven.

Therefore, our mission as the General Commission on United Methodist Men is to ensure that every male United Methodist has a credible opportunity to meet, know, and serve Jesus Christ so that he becomes an effective disciple serving his family, church, community, and the Scouting ministries.





## Key Elements

The GCUMM works with jurisdictions, annual conferences, districts, and local churches to provide guidance, training, and learning opportunities to expand their ability to grow spiritually in Christ and be Servant Leaders. We accomplish this through two non-negotiable Values delivered through these two pathways: Servant Leadership and Personal Spiritual Growth. The Spiritual Growth and Effective Discipleship approach has five Key Elements: Study, Worship, Accountability, Prayer, and Service. GCUMM staff is available to answer questions and assist with resource at [gcumm@gcumm.org](mailto:gcumm@gcumm.org)

## Spiritual Enrichment

We believe in Wesleyan discipleship and that one essential element is an ongoing, on-growing relationship with Jesus Christ. The Center for Men's Ministries provides effective resource materials and partnerships with other agencies inside and outside the UMC to enhance spiritual development. These include Walk to Emmaus, The Upper Room Prayer Ministry, Wesleyan Class Meeting, Amending Through Faith (domestic violence prevention), and Understanding Men's Ministry.

## Mission & Outreach

An essential element of Wesleyan discipleship involves intentional Christian action through acts of mercy, service, peace, and social justice in our community and worldwide. Our ministry affiliate partners are resources for creating opportunities for individuals or groups to engage in the world in Christian action. Some of these affiliate partners include the Society of St. Andrew, Rise Against Hunger, Mobility Worldwide, United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM), and various local, national, and international mission projects. GCUMM also works with the World Methodist Council through a new relationship with Wesley Men.

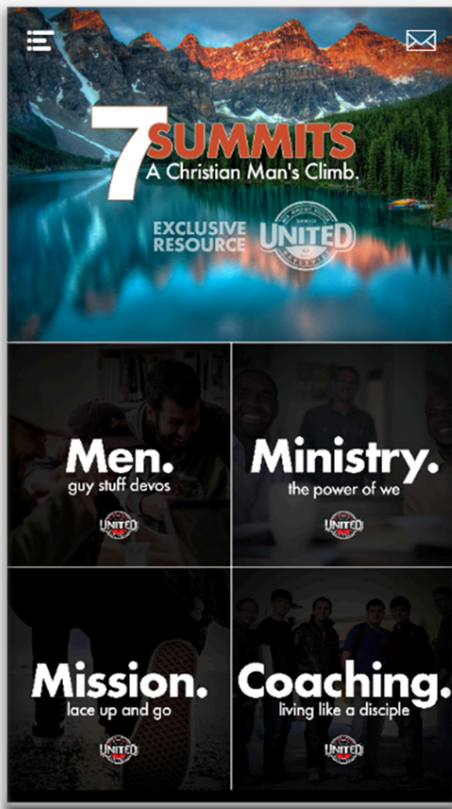


# Leadership & Development

GCUMM prioritizes the development of Christian leaders who embody integrity. Our dedicated staff is ready to support and train ministry leaders involved with UMM, from local to district to annual conferences. Additionally, we offer extra training opportunities to leaders of Men's groups.



Certified Men's Specialist (CLM) training is the advanced program, overseen by GCUMM, that is designed for individuals interested in formal certification. By participating, individuals can earn certification in men's and scouting ministries, enhancing their skills and knowledge to serve their communities effectively.



# Resources & Tools

GCUMM has developed a comprehensive set of tools and resources to serve as a framework for guiding a group of men toward spiritual growth. Our aim is to support men in their journey of faith and life, empowering them to become authentic disciples of Jesus Christ. Whether you prefer a complete, ready-to-use solution or wish to select specific resources tailored to your church and community, we're here to assist you in reaching the men you serve.



# Funding of Our Ministries

The GCUMM raises 75 - 80% of its annual budget, aiming to cover all expenses for U.S. ministries and utilize World Service Funds for international endeavors. Funding sources include individual contributions via monthly or annual gifts (EMS, Legacy Builders, and Circuit Riders Society), donations to the UMM Foundation (John Wesley Fellows and Life Achievement Award), major gifts, endowments, and support from local churches with chartered men's ministries (as governed by the Book of Discipline).

# Serving Community & Family

United Methodist Men has formal partnership agreements with youth-serving organizations and supporters. Scouting Ministries facilitates these partnerships. We support a range of organizations. Those include the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA), Camp Fire, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America (BBBS), and others. Our goal is to help grow, protect, serve, and connect the church to the community through these partnerships. The United Methodist Church is a leader in sponsoring BSA and GSUSA programs in the U.S.



Our partnership with BBBS provides individual United Methodists with opportunities to mentor children. When youth have relationships with positive adults of faith, they are more likely to become successful adults. We provide or coordinate training and resources to groups across the U.S. from each of these youth-serving agencies. We partner with the United Methodist Men Foundation, other religious groups, youth-serving organizations, and local churches to provide opportunities for youth to grow in faith through experience.

## A PLACE FOR US

We want to join with you in seeking to reach men with the message of Jesus Christ. Therefore, we desire to partner with you in what we believe is a God-inspired moment to renew and invigorate ministry with men in your local congregation and communities. It is time for us to gather our strength as a connection of United Methodist Men to make disciples of men who will transform the world. We are willing to join you in serving God through service to all people through your local church.



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