

# Genesis Superintendent's Log

## Life around the Conference

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## RISE!

### And breath entered them...

Last week I took the bulk of the week to work through strategic plans and priorities for this Conference year. I go back to the words of Ezekiel 37 (our focus at Annual Conference). I believe the Lord is inviting us to RISE to a new day in Genesis. RISE to be the Body of Christ, moving out into our world in the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. RISE to a new day of fruitfulness as we go & make disciples.



A key to this is in Ezekiel: "and breath entered them." The Holy Spirit is the breath of God. Are you and I tuned in to the Holy Spirit? Filled with His power? EXPECTING Him to be present in our lives? Our churches? As the Holy Spirit surprises you, would you share that with us?

(If you missed annual conference, the messages are on our YouTube channel. While there, please "follow" our page so we can actually name get a name for the page rather than all these letters & numbers!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyUom3MDQLMQ5Sbogs5KSSA>)

## RISE!

In Ezekiel 37, God invites His people to RISE. How are we doing pushing back from those areas that keep us "dead"? Are you...

1. **Avoiding hard conversations?**
  2. Following **idols** rather than God?
  3. Speaking your **own words** rather than the Lord's?
  4. **Forgetting our call** to go and make disciples?
  5. **Forgetting to empower** the powerless?
  6. Believing your **time** is yours, rather than God's?
  7. **No longer reaching the lost?**
  8. **Shooting** others in the back?
- Confess** it and change direction!

## Good stuff I'm seeing as I travel the Conference...

Things to celebrate!



### Dansville Free Methodist Church

Pastor Colleen Dick and Dansville FMC have seen tremendous growth, doubling in size, this past year as they have partnered with Valley Chapel in Warsaw.

There is a spirit of hope and expectation in Dansville.

### New Lead Pastor at New Life Endicott

Joe Wickman was installed in June as the new Lead Pastor of New Life, replacing retiring pastor, Sebastian Prospero. New Life is doing amazing work raising up a new generation of leaders, as they have six Conference Ministerial Candidates in the pipeline.



### Park Ridge FMC

Park Ridge church recently unveiled a new lobby. A great place for new comers to be warmly welcomed!



## GENERAL CONFERENCE RECAP

GC19 was a great time of worship, preaching, networking, the business of voting... and the Holy Spirit moving!

**Three new bishops** were elected: Linda Adams, Keith Cowart, & Matt Whitehead.

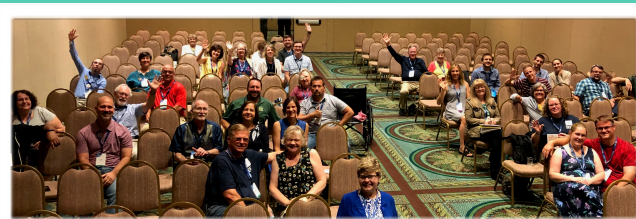


A New **National Board of Administration** was elected, with Supt. Pam (clergy) and Eric Logan (lay) being elected from Genesis.

**Resolutions passed:** Learn more on the Genesis website: <https://www.genesisfmc.com/2019/07/25/news-from-gc19-resolutions/>

**Take-aways** from Genesis attenders (photo below):

- \*Create a culture of supernatural expectation!
- \*Raise the level of supernatural holiness!
- \*GET OUT! (of your church & comfort zone)
- \*I can't, but GOD CAN!                      \*PRAY, PRAY, PRAY!
- \*The church needs to be a home for broken people... just like me.
- \*Give room to the Holy Spirit, and let it be messy.
- \*Our churches can & should better represent the diverse Body of Christ.



Church, Brockport, and Albion were all in the top 16 in their divisions. New Hope took home 3 national champ prizes. Want your teens involved? For more info contact Tanya Perkins at [tanyaperkins1717@gmail.com](mailto:tanyaperkins1717@gmail.com).

**ONEDAY: THURS. NOV 7**

Plan now! More details coming...

## ON A PERSONAL NOTE...

People have asked how I am after the election of bishops. It is well with my soul! Our three newly elected bishops are godly people, and I look forward to serving under their leadership.

In addition, I am incredibly grateful and blessed that I get to serve the people of Genesis as your superintendent. The love and affirmation you have shown me in the past month is deeply appreciated. Thank you!

After the election, I was talking to one of the out-going bishops. I told him I was praying for and working towards revival in Genesis. His eyes lit up, and he said: "If revival happened in Genesis, it would impact the entire denomination!"

Lord, may it be!

## GENESIS BIBLE QUIZZERS TOP THE CHARTS AT NATIONALS!

Genesis Bible Quizzers represented Genesis well! Teams from New Hope, Northgate, Pearce, Free



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