



# Bishop's Five-Star Award

This award, sponsored by the Evangelism Committee of the Discipleship Area, provides an incentive for churches to embrace new ministries each year geared toward growth and outreach. The award enables small and large churches to receive recognition, for which all of these criteria must be met:

- Increase in Sunday school attendance or enhancement of Christian education ministry
- A "new work" that impacts growth
- Members received by profession of faith/rededication: 1 for every 100 members
- Emphasis on youth ministries that demonstrate growth
- All apportionments paid in full for 2017, or a 25 percent increase in apportionment payments compared to two years prior

This year's recipients are:

<u>Church</u>	<u>Pastor</u>	<u>District</u>
Advent UMC (Simpsonville)	Rev. Michael Turner Rev. Laura-Allen Kerlin (associate)	Greenville
Bethel UMC (Charleston)	Rev. Susan Leonard	Charleston
Bethlehem/St. James UMC (Johns Island)	Rev. Pattie Gordon	Charleston
Chapin UMC	Rev. Jody Flowers	Columbia
Christ UMC (Bennettsville)	Rev. Wade Everett	Marion
Fair Lawn UMC (Columbia)	Rev. Scott Bratton	Columbia
First UMC (Clover)	Rev. Tommy Wilkes III Rev. Meg Wilkes (associate)	Rock Hill
Grove Hall UMC (Summerville)	Rev. Virginia Stafford	Charleston
Immanuel UMC (Wellford)	Rev. Andrew Sizemore	Spartanburg
Main Street UMC (Abbeville)	Rev. Brian Arant	Anderson
Mays Chapel UMC (Branchville)	Rev. R. Davin Gordon	Orangeburg
Mt. Harmony UMC (Clover)	Rev. Sharon Spann Gamble	Rock Hill
Mt. Zion UMC (Sumter)	Rev. Gwendolyn White	Hartsville
New Webster UMC (Wadmalaw Island)	Rev. Pattie Gordon	Charleston
North Charleston UMC	Rev. Richard Reams	Charleston
Shiloh UMC (Gilbert)	Rev. Dr. Christopher Greene	Columbia
Smyrna UMC (Bennettsville)	Rev. Ebbie Abraham	Marion



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