

January 20, 2012

<Ms./Mr./Reverend/Bishop> <Firstname> <Lastname> <Address> <City>, <State> <ZIP>

RE: UMC Annual Clergy Health Research Survey-Request for Participation

Dear Rev. <Firstname> <Lastname>:

## Over the next few days, you will receive an e-mail invitation from the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits' *Center for Health* asking you to participate in our annual clergy health survey.

The survey continues the *Center for Health's* focus on clergy health following the Church Systems Task Force research. Your responses will help us learn more about clergy health and well-being as we monitor trends and develop programs and services to assist UMC clergy in leading healthy lives in support of mission and ministry.

The survey is designed in collaboration with Virginia Conference Wellness Ministries, Ltd. (VCWM), Duke Clergy Health Initiative (CHI), and Duke University Center for Spirituality, Theology and Health. VCWM and Duke CHI are helping with the cost of this survey.

Versta Research will conduct the online survey on our behalf. It is voluntary and should take only 10-15 minutes to complete. If you have questions about the survey, please call Versta Research toll-free at **1-855-5VERSTA** (**1-855-583-7782**).

On behalf of the *Center for Health*, we appreciate your time and the opinions you share with us—clergy across the denomination will benefit from the information we gather.

Yours in service to Christ,

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