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Greetings,

I was recently blessed with the opportunity to meet with a group of young United Methodist leaders, who conveyed concerns for the future of our Church amid the debate about the called General Conference in 2019. These leaders expressed worries for their personal financial security during this time of change. Realizing that many of you may share these concerns, we want to share our commitment regarding *your* benefits from Wespath Benefits and Investments.

- Your benefits are secure. Your retirement account with Wespath is secure, and Wespath will continue to administer your pension benefits as a prudent fiduciary.
- Our mission remains. Wespath will continue to care for those who serve by providing
 investment and benefit services that honor the mission and principles of The United
 Methodist Church—regardless of the form of the Church following the 2019 General
 Conference.
- We are sustaining investments for future generations. We spath will continue to be focused on the future, assuring that the plans we manage and the funds we invest are sustainable for generations of people who dedicate their service to the Church.
- Wespath will adjust as necessary. After the form of the post-2019 Church is known,
 Wespath will make necessary adjustments to continue serving the Church. We have
 been following the progress of the Commission on a Way Forward and thoughtfully
 planning through various scenarios. We believe we are well-positioned to continue
 fulfilling our mission.

Wespath has been caring for those who serve, including you and your family, for 110 years. There have been many times of change and uncertainty since we started in 1908, including depressions, world wars and Church divisions and unifications. I am confident that Wespath will continue caring for those who serve for generations to come.

I hope you will join me in prayer for the leaders of this Church. Their leadership, wisdom and strength are needed today and in the months ahead.

Yours in Christ,

Barbara Boigegrain General Secretary and CEO

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