About the Society

In 1982 the directors of the United Methodist Men Foundation established the Society of John Wesley as a means of recognizing those who exemplify the characteristics of John Wesley. These characteristics are best seen through service to fellow men and women and commitment to the teachings of the Christian faith. John Wesley called together such people to form “The Holy Club.” These men with varying talents and skills contributed to the rapid growth and spiritual enrichment of early Methodism.

For more information, contact the UMM Foundation at (615) 340-7145, or visit the website at: www.ummfoundation.org or www.gcumm.org.
The Society of John Wesley

The Society of John Wesley is a fellowship of individuals committed to the support and expansion of United Methodist Men’s ministries.

Fellows in the Society of John Wesley are known by their witness, vision and stewardship that enhance and strengthen the mission and ministry of the church. The society was created by the United Methodist Men Foundation to promote greater awareness of the Christian principles and practices embodied in the church.

The United Methodist Men Foundation

The mission of the UMM Foundation is to provide financial support for evangelism, mission and spiritual life ministries to men and youth in the United Methodist Church through endowed funds. The foundation was created in 1981 by the National Association of Conference Presidents of UMM to endow scouting ministry, prayer ministry and evangelism.

How to Become a Fellow in the Society of John Wesley

There are two ways a person can become a fellow in the Society of John Wesley:

a) Join the society by personally making a $1,000 gift to the foundation, or

b) Recognize someone who has given Christian leadership to the ministry of the United Methodist Church over an extended period of time.

Individuals do not need to be United Methodists to join or be recognized.

Potential Recipients

Suggestions of who might be recognized:

- United Methodist men
- United Methodist women
- Pastors
- District superintendents
- Bishops
- Scout leaders
- Youth leaders
- Conference leaders
- Leaders of other faith communities
- Anyone who has influenced your Christian walk.

Contributions

A gift of $1,000 to the UMM Foundation enables one to become a fellow in the Society of John Wesley. This gift is used by the foundation to support the ministries of the foundation including scouting, the Upper Room Prayer Line, and men’s evangelism.

If you are recognizing someone for their contributions to the ministry of the church, the gift may come from an individual, a UMM fellowship, or as a fund raiser in the honoree’s name.

Recognition

Each John Wesley fellow will receive an embossed plaque and a lapel pin provided by the UMM Foundation. Please provide a suitable ceremony for the presentation of the recognition.