

# Clergy Appointments of the Desert Southwest Conference 2022-2023

## Grant J. Hagiya, Presiding Bishop

As of September 19, 2022

### **NORTH DISTRICT**

District Superintendent – Daniel Morley (FE) (8)

#### **BOULDER CITY, NV:**

Boulder City UMC Kimber Govett (LP) (2)

#### **BULLHEAD CITY, AZ:**

*Hope UMC Sarah Moon (OE) (1)*

#### **CALIENTE, NV:**

Community UMC Oskar "Tony" Ontanyon (RE) (LFT) (4)

#### **FLAGSTAFF, AZ:**

*Federated Community Church Diamond Pate (PE) (1)*  
Trinity Heights UMC Court Fischer (FE) (2)

#### **FORT MOHAVE, AZ:**

Mohave Valley UMC Eugene Stouffer (RL) (LFT) (25)

#### **HENDERSON, NV:**

First Henderson UMC Terry Kim (LP) (4)  
Green Valley UMC Mary Dotson (FE) (3)

#### **HOLBROOK, AZ:**

Holbrook UMC Cheryl Mothershed (OF) (LFT) (3)

#### **KINGMAN, AZ:**

St. John's UMC Andrew Devereaux (LP) (3)

#### **LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ:**

St. Michael's UMC Sandra Lee Johnson (LP) (4)  
Congregational Care Ministry  
Jane Ann Murray (Deaconess) (LFT) (2)

#### **LAS VEGAS, NV**

A Grain of Mustard Seed UMF Ki Yong Lee (FE) (4)  
Advent UMC Eve Williams (FE) (LFT) (6)  
Desert Spring UMC David Devereaux (FE) (15)  
Associate R. Lee Weber (OR) (LFT) (2)  
*First Tongan UMF Monalisa Taufu (LPA) (LFT) (1)*  
Grace Fil-Am Ministry Jaycee Salangsang (OE) (LFT) (4)  
Global Community UMF Karla Tracy (LPA) (LFT) (3)  
Journey UMC Michael Higgs (RE) (LFT) (3)

#### **Associate Samoan Ministry TBS**

Trinity UMC Jennifer Hageman (FE) (4)

#### **Associate Tongan Ministry**

University UMC *Sioeli Toa Savou (LPA) (LFT) (1)*  
Stephen Govett (FE) (2)

#### **MESQUITE, NV:**

Mesquite UMC Wendy Swanson (LP) (4)

#### **NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV:**

Zion UMC Linda Stanley (RL) (6)

#### **PAGE, AZ:**

*Page Community UMC Ash Dotson (LPA) (LFT) (1)*

#### **PAHRUMP, NV:**

Pahrump Valley UMC Judy Stallons (OR) (LFT) (2)  
Phyllis Murray (LPA) (2)

#### **PARKER, AZ:**

Parker UMC Dulce R. Vargas (OE) (LFT) (3)

#### **WILLIAMS, AZ:**

Community UMC George Barcus (LP) (LFT) (3)

#### **WINSLOW, AZ:**

First UMC Erna Snukis (LP) (LFT) (2)

### **SOUTH DISTRICT**

District Superintendent – Matthew Ashley (FE) (3)

#### **BENSON, AZ:**

*San Pedro Valley UMC TBD*

#### **BISBEE, AZ:**

First UMC Michele Kelley (LP) (LFT) (12)  
+ Grace UMC (Douglas), Trinity UMC (Bisbee)  
Trinity UMC Michele Kelley (LP) (LFT) (3)  
+ Grace UMC (Douglas) & First UMC (Bisbee)

#### **BOWIE, AZ:**

Community UMC Robert Cutlipp (RE) (LFT) (4)

#### **DOUGLAS, AZ:**

Grace UMC Michele Kelley (LP) (LFT) (9)  
+ First UMC (Bisbee), Trinity UMC (Bisbee)

#### **DUNCAN, AZ:**

Duncan UMC Sherry Brady (FD) (LFT) (2)

#### **ELOY, AZ:**

First UMC Edward Brown (LP) (LFT) (7)

#### **GREEN VALLEY, AZ:**

UMC of Green Valley Douglas Handlong (FE) (3)  
Minister for Pastoral Care Ken Bensen (OR) (LFT) (5)

#### **HUACHUCA CITY, AZ:**

Huachuca UMC Sara Evans (LPA) (LFT) (4)

#### **KEARNY, AZ:**

UMC of the Good Shepherd Peter Vaught (RE) (LFT) (2)

#### **NOGALES, AZ:**

El Mesias UMC Raul Velazquez (LP) (LFT) (7)

#### **PATAGONIA, AZ:**

Patagonia Community UMC Patty Frick (OR) (LFT) (3)

#### **SAFFORD, AZ:**

First UMC Corby Jo Johnson (OE) (3)

#### **SAHUARITA, AZ:**

Santa Cruz Valley UMC Sandra Lynn Johnson (FE) (4)

#### **SIERRA VISTA, AZ:**

Sierra Vista UMC Carl Peterson (FE) (3)

## TUCSON, AZ:

### **Catalina UMC**

Associate Matthew Colby (FE) (4)  
Christ Church UMC Elizabeth Rambikur (FE) (3)  
Desert Skies UMC Candace Lansberry (FE) (8)  
Associate Pastor Susan Holden (FE) (3)  
**Minister of Communications and Discipleship**

### **Loye Ashton (OD) (LFT) (1)**

First UMC Eun Young Ko (OE) (2)  
Minister of Visitation Raven Gaston (RE) (LFT) (8)  
Menlo Park UMC Anabel Quijada (LP) (LFT) (3)  
New Hope/Nueva Esperanza Agustin Jimenez (OF) (10)  
Sanctuary UMC Kevin Lester (LP) (2)  
St. Francis in the Foothills UMC James Wiltbank (FE) (9)  
St. James UMC Richard Jones (OF) (6)  
St. John's UMC Ivan Schwenn (OR) (LFT) (13)  
St. Mark's UMC Lynn Bartlow (FE) (2)  
Associate Stuart Salvatierra (PE) (5)  
Youth and Outreach Pastor Kimberly Ogle (LP) (3)  
St. Paul's UMC Ron Bartlow (FE) (2)

### **Director of Family & Community Engagement**

### **Karen Meredith Joubert (PD) (1)**

Vista de la Montaña UMC Fred Baum (FE) (8)

## WILLCOX, AZ:

Willcox UMC Linda Larsen (AM) (LFT) (2)

## EAST DISTRICT

**District Superintendent – Melissa Rynders (FE) (1)**

## APACHE JUNCTION, AZ:

Desert Chapel UMC Iain Glithero (RL) (LFT) (2)

## CASA GRANDE, AZ:

UMC of Casa Grande Mark Lansberry (RE) (LFT) (3)

## CHANDLER, AZ:

Chandler UMC Jonathan Arnpriester (FE) (11)

## COOLIDGE, AZ:

Spirit of Joy UMC Tracy Perry (LP) (LFT) (7)

## FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ:

The Fountains, A UMC David Felten (FE) (17)

## GILBERT, AZ:

First UMC Rickey Casebolt (FE) (5)

### **Associate**

**Adriana Hernandez (LP) (LFT) (1)**

## GLOBE, AZ:

**St. Paul's UMC Gary Gene Simons (LPA) (LFT) (1)**

## GOLD CANYON, AZ:

Gold Canyon UMC Fred Steinberg (FE) (26)

### **Associate**

Katharine Keller (LP) (5)

### **Associate**

Fay Quanstrom (OF) (LFT) (9)

## MARICOPA, AZ:

Journey UMF Gary Williams (LP) (LFT) (4)

## MESA, AZ:

First UMC Khalif Akil Smith, Sr. (FE) (4)

Grace UMC Sharon Pajak (FE) (2)

Red Mountain UMC Jennifer Lambert (FE) (7)

### **Minister of Congregational Care**

Rula Colvin (RE) (LFT) (2)

St. Matthew UMC Brooke Burris Isingoma (FE) (5)

Tongan UMC Timote Piukala (FE) (11)

### **Velda Rose UMC**

**Ann Lyter (FE) (1)**

### **Associate**

Daniel Gómez (LP) (5)

## OVERGAARD, AZ:

Shepherd of the Pines UMC Winona Dye (RL) (LFT) (16)

## PARADISE VALLEY, AZ:

Paradise Valley UMC Dorothea A. Escobedo-Frank (FE) (2)  
Executive Pastor Lauren Coffman (LP) (2)

## PAYSON, AZ:

Payson UMC Michael Eaton (FE) (LFT) (3)

## PHOENIX, AZ:

Arizona Korean UMF Chan Hong Kim (PE) (LFT) (4)

### **The Bridge UMC**

**Michael Patzloff (FE) (1)**

### **Central UMC**

#### **Pastor**

Brandon Gilmore (OE) (2)

#### **Missional Consultant**

**Flor Granillo (OP) (1)**

Cross in the Desert UMC

Galene Boyett (FE) (3)

### **Crossroads UMC**

**Deontez Wimbley (LP) (1)**

Desert Foothills UMC

Kristin Hansen (FE) (7)

Phoenix Native American Fellowship

Floy Scott (OR) (LFT) (9)

Primera Iglesia Metodista Unida

Regina Pollard (LP) (LFT) (3)

+ City Square UMF, Hope at the Center LLC

Wesley UMC

Sylvia Harris (PE) (3)

## QUEEN CREEK, AZ:

Song of Life UMC

Jody Topping (FE) (5)

## SCOTTSDALE, AZ:

Desert Mission UMC

Anthony Tang (FE) (6)

#### **Pastor of Worship and Engagement**

**Robert Payne (OF) (1)**

### **North Scottsdale UMC**

**Christopher Wurpts (PE) (1)**

#### **Associate**

Leah Bergstrom (OR) (LFT) (7)

### **Scottsdale UMC**

**Jamie Booth (FE) (1)**

## SHOW LOW, AZ:

White Mountain UMC

Amy Kalm (LP) (4)

## SUN LAKES, AZ:

Sun Lakes UMC

Marvin Arnpriester (OR) (8)

## TEMPE, AZ:

Dayspring UMC

Jeffrey Procter-Murphy (FE) (9)

#### **Associate**

Joel Bullock (FE) (10)

#### **Minister of Spiritual Formation**

Shirley Wells (RD) (LFT) (4)

First UMC

Paul Hyung Cho (FE) (2)

#### **Associate**

**TBS**

## WEST DISTRICT

District Superintendent – Javier Olivares (FE) (2)

## AJO, AZ:

Ajo Federated Church

Robert Lind (RL) (LFT) (2)

## AVONDALE, AZ:

Christ Community UMC

Maria Antonieta Fernandes (FE) (3)

## BUCKEYE, AZ:

**Community Church of Buckeye**

**Steve Marshall (RE) (LFT) (1)**

Liberty UMC

Clare Sullivan (LP) (LFT) (3)

## CHINO VALLEY, AZ

Chino Valley UMC

Robert Gilfert (RA) (LFT) (3)

## COTTONWOOD, AZ:

Mountain View UMC

Jonathan Hall (FE) (6)

## GLENDALE, AZ:

Dove of the Desert UMC

David Wasson (FE) (3)

First UMC

A. Thomas Jelinek (FE) (3)

Mission Bell UMC

Douglas Reynolds (AM) (LFT) (6)

## JEROME, AZ:

Haven UMC Vicki Lerdahl (LP) (LFT) (5)

## PEORIA, AZ:

**Spirit of Hope UMC** Christine Jones (LP) (LFT) (1)  
Spirit Song UMF Misty Howick (FE) (LFT) (3)

## PHOENIX, AZ:

Calvary UMC Ian Oliver (LP) (LFT) (3)  
City Square UMF Regina Pollard (LP) (LFT) (3)  
+ Primera Iglesia Metodista Unida, Hope at the Center LLC

**Faith UMC** Roy Trevolt (LPA) (LFT) (1)

First UMC Denny Silk (OR) (5)

**Executive Pastor** David Rennick (FE) (1)

Maryvale Bridge UMC Joel Arvizu (LP) (4)

Shepherd of the Valley UMC Janet Culbertson (LP) (LFT) (3)

Sunrise UMC Donna Hughes (OR) (LFT) (2)

Trinity UMC Robert Holliday (FE) (2)

## PRESCOTT, AZ:

Prescott UMC Daniel Hurlbert (FE) (7)

Associate Efrain Zavala (FE) (3)

Minister of Congregational Care and Grief Support

Patricia Blackwood (RD) (LFT) (8)

## PRESCOTT VALLEY, AZ:

Prescott Valley UMC Amanda Corella (PE) (4)

## SEDONA, AZ:

Sedona UMC Frederick Mast (FE) (8)

## SUN CITY, AZ:

**First UMC** Kathleen Puntar (OE) (1)

Lakeview UMC David Summers (FE) (2)

Associate Linda De Atley (RE) (LFT) (9)

Care Coordinator Ross Parrott (FD) (20)

Willowbrook UMC Gary Kennedy (FE) (8)

Associate Ruth Blum (RD) (LFT) (4)

Associate Pastor of Visitation Lois Hedden (RE) (LFT) (2)

## SUN CITY WEST, AZ:

Shepherd of the Hills UMC Deborah Lerner (RE) (5)

Associate Alma Aguirre-Olivares (FE) (5)

**Minister of Digital Arts** Clifford Asay (RE) (LFT) (1)

## SURPRISE, AZ:

**New Song UMC** Misty Howick (FE) (LFT) (1)

## WINTERHAVEN, CA:

**Fort Yuma UMC** Manuel Jimenez (LP) (LFT) (1)

## YUMA, AZ:

First UMC Michael Wilkerson (PE) (2)

Church Administrator Katharine Smith Fuchs (FD) (LFT) (2)

Gila Mountain UMC David Harriss (FE) (4)

**New Church Start** Sandra Jimenez (OE) (LFT) (1)

Manuel Jimenez (LP) (LFT) (1)

Trinity UMC Robert Klein (LP) (3)

Ministry Associate Katharine Smith Fuchs (FD) (LFT) (21)

## Special Appointments

### I. WITHIN THE CONNECTIONAL STRUCTURES OF UNITED METHODISM

(Paragraph 344.1.a.1, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Matthew Ashley (FE) (3) South District Superintendent

Deanna Dee Azhikakath (FE) (LFT) (6) Registrar

Board of Ordained Ministry

(CC: Paradise Valley UMC, Paradise Valley, AZ)

Hannah Adair Bonner (OE) (6) Director of Wesley Foundation

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

(CC: Catalina UMC, Tucson, AZ)

Kathleen Day (OF) (LFT) (18) Campus Minister

United Christian Ministry at Northern Arizona University,

Flagstaff, AZ

**Rachel Gilmore (OE) (1) Director of New Faith/Vital Faith**  
(CC: Central UMC, Phoenix, AZ)

Daniel Morley (FE) (8) North District Superintendent

Javier Olivares (FE) (2) West District Superintendent

**Melissa Rynders (FE) (1) East District Superintendent**

Jaycee Salangsang (OE) (LFT) (3) Campus Minister

University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV

(CC: Grace Fil-Am Ministry, Las Vegas, NV)

TBS

**Director of Wesley Foundation**

**Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ**

(CC: TBD)

### II. EXTENSION MINISTRIES OF PERSONS UNDER ENDORSEMENT BY THE SECTION OF CHAPLAINS AND RELATED MINISTRIES OF THE GENERAL BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND MINISTRY AND OTHER RELATED MINISTRIES

(Paragraph 344.1.b, 331.4.a, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Eric Brown (FE) (10) Chaplain

United States Navy

(CC: Desert Foothills UMC, Phoenix, AZ)

Asa Holly (PE) (5) Chaplain

Banner Health/Banner University Medical Center, Phoenix, AZ

(CC: First UMC, Mesa, AZ)

Mary Klaehn (FE) (21) Chaplain

Tucson Medical Center, Tucson, AZ

(CC: Saint Francis in the Foothills UMC, Tucson, AZ)

Roger Brian Osborn (FE) (15) Chaplain

United States Army

(CC: Santa Cruz Valley UMC, Sahuarita, AZ)

Richard Wayne Smith (RE) (22) Chaplain

Dignity Health, St. Rose Dominican Hospitals

Las Vegas, NV

(CC: Desert Spring UMC, Las Vegas, NV)

Katherine Ziegler Tang (FE) (9)

Senior Manager of Spiritual Care, Clinical Pastoral Education,

and Volunteer Services

Department of Spiritual Care and Clinical Pastoral Education

Banner-University Medical Center, Phoenix, AZ

(CC: City Square UMF, Phoenix, AZ)

### III. PERSONS IN SERVICE UNDER THE GENERAL BOARD OF GLOBAL MINISTRIES

(Paragraph 344.1.c, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Osías Alberto Segura-Guzmán (PE) (4)  
 General Board of Global Ministries  
 Coordinator of Curriculum and Small Group Leadership Development  
 Tegucigalpa, Honduras  
 (CC: Spirit Song UMF, Peoria, AZ)

### IV. BEYOND MINISTRIES USUALLY EXTENDED THROUGH THE LOCAL CHURCH AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF OR DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(Paragraph 344.1.d, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Patricia Magyar (LP) (LFT) (4) Pastor of UMOM Residents  
 United Methodist Outreach Ministries, Phoenix, AZ  
 (CC: First UMC, Phoenix, AZ)

**Regina Pollard (LP) (LFT) (1) Grief Care Counselor**  
**Hope at the Center LLC, Phoenix, AZ**  
**(CC: City Square UMF, Phoenix, AZ)**

**Laszlo Vega (FE) (1) Chaplain**  
**Dependable Hospice, Tucson, AZ**  
**(CC: St. Mark's UMC, Tucson, AZ)**

### V. CROSS-CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

(Paragraph 346.1, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Mary Lou Adame (RE) (LFT) (2) Texas Conference  
 Stephanie Bekhor (FE) (16) Baltimore-Washington Conference  
 Brian Kemp-Schlemmer (FE) (3) Great Plains Conference  
**Jimelvia Pettiford Martin (FE) (1) West Ohio Conference**  
 Angela McCarty (FE) (5) Great Plains Conference  
 Evelene Sombrero Navarrete (FE) (3) New Mexico Conference

### VI. APPOINTED TO ATTEND SCHOOL

(Paragraph 338.4, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Dorothy Saunders-Perez (FE) (5)  
 Claremont School of Theology  
 Ph.D Program in Practical Theology  
 (CC: Dayspring UMC, Tempe, AZ)

**Brenda Smith (FD) (1) Chaplain**  
**Common Spirit Hospitals, Chandler and Gilbert, AZ**  
**(CC: Paradise Valley UMC, Paradise Valley, AZ)**

### VII. STUDENT LOCAL PASTOR

(Paragraph 318.3, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Nicholas Grainger (SL) (3) Haralson UMC  
 Haralson, GA

### VIII. PERMANENT DEACONS IN SERVICE MINISTRY

(Paragraph 331, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

Amy Barron-Gafford (FD) (LFT) (18) Hospital Chaplain  
 Tucson Medical Center Pastoral Services Department, Tucson, AZ  
 (CC: St. Francis in the Foothills UMC, Tucson, AZ)

Geraldine Bast (RD) (LFT) (7) Spiritual Care Coordinator  
 Justa Center, Phoenix, AZ  
 (CC: Sunrise UMC, Phoenix, AZ)

Tina Rees (FD) (19) Director/Counselor  
 Practical Life Counseling, Chandler, AZ  
 (CC: First UMC, Gilbert, AZ)

Joshua Warner (FD) (3) Program Coordinator and Evaluator of Mobile Health  
 Valle Del Sol, Phoenix, AZ  
 (CC: First UMC, Tempe, AZ)

### IX. DEACONESS AND HOME MISSIONER

(Paragraphs 1913 and 606.4, *The 2016 Book of Discipline*)

**Maria Hase (1) Speech-Language Pathologist**  
**Sevilla West School, Alhambra Elementary School**  
**District**  
**Phoenix, AZ**  
**(Church Membership: Dayspring UMC, Tempe, AZ)**

Jane Ann Murray (4) Church Relations Coordinator Volunteer  
 Operation Christmas Child  
 Congregational Care Ministry  
 St. Michael's UMC, Lake Havasu City, AZ  
 (Church Membership: St. Michael's UMC, Lake Havasu City, AZ)

**Pennie Jean Nickels Hughes (1) Pastoral Associate**  
**Sanctuary UMC**  
**Tucson, AZ**  
**(Church Membership: Sanctuary UMC, Tucson, AZ)**

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K E Y	AF	Affiliate Member (§§ 334.5, 344.4, 586.4)	OR	Retired Member of Other Conf./Meth. Denomination (§§346.1, 357)
	AM	Associate Member (§321, 323)	PD	Provisional Deacon (§§326.1)
	DM	Diaconal Minister (§602.2, 602.4, 606.6)	PE	Provisional Elder (§326.2)
	DR	Retired Diaconal Minister (§357)	PS	Pulpit Supply
	FD	Deacon in Full Connection (§§328-331)	RA	Retired Associate Member (§322.3)
	FE	Elder in Full Connection (§§332-335)	RD	Retired Deacon in Full Connection (§357.6)
	LFT	Less than Full Time	RE	Retired Full Elder (§357.6)
	LM	Certified Lay Minister (§268)	RL	Retired Local Pastor (§320.5)
	LP	Local Pastor (§318)	RP	Retired Provisional Member (§320.5, 327.7)
	LPA	Lay Person Assigned (§205.4)	TBS	To be supplied
	OA	Associate Member, Other Conference (§346.1)		
	OD	Deacon, Other Conference (§331.8, 347.1)		
	OE	Elder, Other Conf./Meth. Denomination (§346.1, 347.1, 347.2)		
	OF	Full Member of Other Denomination (§346.2, 347.3)		
	OP	Provisional Member, Other Conf. (§346.1)		

***Bold Italic indicates an appointment change (#) – years in this appointment***  
**+ Designates Churches That Share a Pastor or Yoked Churches**