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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

JANUARY 3, 2000

Bill Billings

Director of Public Relations

METHODIST COLLEGE SENIOR ELECTED TO GENERAL CONFERENCE FOR SECOND TIME IN FOUR YEARS

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—In May, a Methodist College senior will journey to Cleveland to attend his second General Conference of the United Methodist Church. Shawn Hartman of Chambersburg, PA is one of eight lay persons elected by the Central Pennsylvania Conference to attend the quadrennial world meeting of the church.

Hartman, 22, is one of 48 delegates under the age of 30 and one of three persons organizing a TUT (Twenty Under Thirty) Fellowship “to get together and talk about issues that affect us.” He and other TUT members are already communicating by e-mail in preparation for General Conference. A total of 996 delegates are slated to attend.

Like other delegates, he has been assigned to one of ten subcommittees that will recommend concurrence or nonconcurrence with resolutions submitted for church action. Hartman will serve on the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Ordained Ministry; in 1996 he served on the Subcommittee on Discipleship.

What’s it like being a delegate to General Conference?

“At General Conference you are overwhelmed by the aura, intensity and pace of action,” he said. “There’s a lot of controversy. The first week you meet in subcommittee to consider resolutions and reports contained in a book about three inches thick. The second week you attend plenary sessions with all delegates to consider and vote on various agenda items. You sit from early morning ‘til late at night. The only free time you have is on Sunday in the middle

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MC Senior Elected to General Conference of the United Methodist Church

of the two weeks.” Despite all the meetings, Hartman describes General Conference as “a very spiritual experience, with a lot of prayer and soul-searching.”

In 1996, the church’s ordination clause (prohibiting ordination of homosexuals) provoked intense and lengthy debate. “I voted to reverse what we now do,” said Hartman. “I would delete any reference to sexual orientation. I have some gifted friends who cannot be ordained as clergy because of their sexual orientation. We need to get away from judging people and move toward affirming diversity.”

Hartman also holds the distinction of being the only college student in the United Methodist Church to serve on the General Council on Finance and Administration (1996-2000). He supports a new apportionment formula for annual conferences within the church and an end to guaranteed appointments for United Methodist clergy. He also believes United Methodists should “talk more about the spiritual side of stewardship.”

“When local churches or annual conferences don’t pay their apportionments, budget cuts have to be made,” he explained. “The first cuts usually come in the areas of youth ministry, young adult ministry and college ministries. The answer to this problem is to get rid of guaranteed appointments. Churches fail primarily because of poor leadership by the clergy. Not enough clergy are willing to fight to change things. We need to have equitable compensation, so talented pastors can go to small churches.”

Last summer Hartman completed a political science internship with the United Methodist Church’s General Board of Church and Society in Washington, DC. He said he enjoyed lobbying Congress and monitoring the progress of the Employment and Non-Discrimination Act which the United Methodist Church supports and which Congress is considering. As proposed, this law would ban job discrimination based on sexual orientation.

The Methodist senior wrote a paper about his experience as an intern—“Religion in

MC Senior Elected to General Conference of the United Methodist Church

Washington: An Insider's Look"—which he presented at a Student Lyceum on campus Nov. 29. In that paper he commends the General Board of Church and Society for joining a political coalition (headed by the Leadership Council on Civil Rights and the Human Rights Campaign) to seek congressional passage of ENDA.

Hartman feels strongly that United Methodists "need to refocus from political and ideological issues to spiritual and discipleship issues," but he is also optimistic about the future. "I love the United Methodist Church and what it's doing," he said. "I'm glad we're focusing on small group ministry and mission work. I think that's the way to grow."

Sidebar to go with photo of Shawn

Shawn Hartman ranks near the top of his class academically and will graduate in May with a double major in criminal justice and political science. He has been active in numerous student organizations here and has received several academic and service awards. He has been a resident advisor, peer counselor, and Student Government Association senator and treasurer, and a member of the MC Show Choir and the Christian LYFE Council. He also founded the MC Residence Hall Association and served as a director of the North Carolina Association of Residence Halls.

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JANUARY 4, 2000

Bill Billings

Director of Public Relations

METHODIST COLLEGE ADDS CHURCH SYMBOL TO SIGNAGE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College recently added the United Methodist Church's "cross and flame" symbol to its original sign facing Ramsey Street.

The 12-foot steel structure was ordered last summer from Cokesbury Publishing and installed in November. Until last year, only United Methodist churches and conference offices were allowed to display the cross and symbol—a registered trademark.

Early last year, Bishop Marion Edwards of the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church wrote a letter to the heads of affiliated institutions encouraging them to acquire and display the church symbol. College President Elton Hendricks forwarded Edwards' letter to Dr. Tryon Lancaster, Methodist's assistant for church relations, who ordered the cross and flame.

"We are proud of our church affiliation," said President Hendricks, who is also a United Methodist minister. "We welcome the opportunity to incorporate the cross and flame into our signage, and we think it makes an important statement."

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JANUARY 11, 2000

Bill Billings

Director of Public Relations

TALLY LEADERSHIP FORUM TO EXPLORE GLOBAL CHALLENGES

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—What's at stake for Americans, the United States, and the world in the 21st century?

Methodist College's fifth annual Lura Tally Leadership Forum, set for Monday, Feb. 21, will explore answers to that question. The theme for this year's forum is, "Thinking Internationally: Global Challenges for the New Century." The forum will consist of keynote speeches in the morning and an international panel discussion in the afternoon. Both events are free and open to the public.

The keynote speakers at 11 a.m. in Reeves Auditorium will be Gail Evans, executive vice-president of Cable News Network (CNN), and Congressman Robin Hayes, representing North Carolina's 8th Congressional District. Both speakers will address America's proper role in a rapidly-changing world.

Evans is an adjunct professor of business at Emory University, and she serves on the Board of Visitors of Georgia State University School of Law. She was responsible for the creation of three of CNN's most popular programs: *CNN&Co.*, *TalkBack Live*, and *Burden of Proof*.

Elected in 1998, Congressman Hayes serves on the House Agriculture and Armed Services committees. In North Carolina, he has served on the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and the Council on Drug Abuse, and chaired the Cabarrus County Drug Task Force and Prison Fellowship.

The International Panel convenes at 2 p.m. in Yarborough Auditorium, Clark Hall.

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TALLY LEADERSHIP FORUM AT METHODIST COLLEGE

“America’s Role in the World” will be discussed by the following panelists: former U.S. Ambassador Findley Burns; U.S. Army Brigadier General (ret.) Ted Mataxis; Byron Fellows, senior advisor in the International Executive Service Corps; and Rev. Bruce Stanley, associate director for missions and evangelism, North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

As a followup to the public forum, four roundtable discussions for Methodist College students and staff will be held Feb. 22 and 23 in the Alumni Dining Room of the Berns Student Center. These will cover a variety of topics related to the theme of this year’s forum and will enable students, faculty, and other leaders to interact.

For more information about the Tally Leadership Forum, contact Dr. Andrew H. Ziegler, assistant professor of political science and leadership, at (910) 630-7488.

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JANUARY 24, 2000

Bill Billings

Director of Public Relations

CO-AUTHOR OF TERRY SANFORD BIOGRAPHY TO SPEAK AT METHODIST COLLEGE'S SPRING CONVOCATION

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Howard E. Covington Jr., co-author of a recently published biography of Terry Sanford, will be the guest speaker at Methodist College's spring convocation Monday, Jan. 31.

The convocation will be held at 11 a.m. in Reeves Auditorium and is open to the public. A former reporter for the *Charlotte Observer* and the (Greensboro) *News & Record*, Covington co-authored *Terry Sanford: Politics, Progress, and Outrageous Ambitions* with Marion A. Ellis and David Gergen. Released last October, the book has received excellent reviews from customers of Amazon.com.

Covington has written a number of biographies and business histories. The Sanford biography contains numerous references to Methodist College. Sanford was the first chairman of the Methodist College Board of Trustees and served continuously on the board until 1993. He was elected governor of North Carolina shortly after the college opened in 1960 and served one term. He was later president of Duke University (1970-85) and served one term in the U.S. Senate (1987-92).

Covington is expected to discuss Sanford's lifelong interest in education and the prominent role he played in the founding and early success of Methodist College. The author will be available after the convocation to sign copies of his book.

Sanford maintained close ties to Methodist College for more than 40 years and made two gifts to the college in the months preceding his death in April 1998. In 1989, he delivered a

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Sanford Biographer to Speak at Methodist College

spring commencement address at Methodist and attended a 25th reunion of members of the college's first graduating class, the Class of 1964. In the late eighties and again in the mid nineties, he was honorary chairman of major capital campaigns for the college.

He last visited Methodist in March 1997, while in Fayetteville for the funeral of L. Stacy Weaver, the college's first president. He also attended the Methodist College Alumni Association's 40th birthday celebration for the college, held Oct. 30, 1996. In December, he and his wife Margaret Rose presented a facsimile edition of Audubon's *The Birds of America* to Davis Memorial Library.