Tennessee WMU State Leadership

Tennessee WMU Officers

The officers of Tennessee WMU shall be a President, three Vice Presidents (one from each of the state's three grand regions), a Recording Secretary, and an Executive Director-Treasurer.

All officers other than the Executive Director-Treasurer are elected at the Annual Meeting and hold office for one year or until their successors are elected. The Executive Director-Treasurer is elected by the Tennessee WMU Executive Board and shall continue to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

All officers must be active members in a TBC church and a WMU organization. The officers serve on the Executive Board and the Strategic Leadership Team. (SLT).

2023-24 Tennessee WMU Officers

President: Ramona Hicks

• Recording Secretary: Linda Rader

Vice Presidents: Sandy Louden – West, Kim Griffin – Middle, Sheila Hall – East

• Executive Director-Treasurer: Vickie Anderson

Tennessee WMU Executive Board

The Executive Board has authority over the affairs of Tennessee WMU between Annual Meetings. In addition, the Executive Board is responsible for adopting policies and for integrating the work of committees and state staff.

The Executive Board is composed of the officers of Tennessee WMU, eight WMU Representatives, and four At-Large Executive Board members. The Executive Director-Treasurer serves as a member of the Executive Board without vote.

WMU Representatives must be members of local WMU organizations in Tennessee. At-Large members are not required but may be members of local WMU organizations. They should be familiar with WMU and share its vision. At-Large members can provide expertise in specific areas of the work of the Executive Board. WMU Representatives and At-Large Executive Board members must be members of churches or missions affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention. In order to maintain geographic balance on the Executive Board, at no time shall more than three WMU Representatives and two At-Large members from any one grand region of the state serve simultaneously on the Executive Board.

WMU Representatives and At-Large Executive Board Members are elected at the Annual Meeting to a term of four years or until their successors are elected. To establish and maintain rotation on the Executive Board, WMU Representatives and At-Large Executive Board Members at the time of the first election, April 2, 2022, are being elected to customized terms of service from one to four years.

A WMU Representative or At-Large member cannot serve simultaneously on the Executive Board and as a member of the Strategic Leadership Team.

2022-23 Tennessee WMU Executive Board

- State Officers: Ramona Hicks, Linda Rader, Sandy Louden, Kim Griffin, Sheila Hall, Vickie Anderson
- WMU Representatives: Phyllis Cobb, Delores Coffey, Tracey Gholson, Rhonda Poore, Glenda Roach, Diane Sorrell, Sharon Tyler, Jean Warren
- At-Large Members: Becky Jackman, Shelly Mowery, Sharon Murphy, Carmen Westerman

Board Members completing their term of service on April 12, 2024: Diane Sorrell, Glenda Roach, Carmen Westerman





Tennessee WMU Strategic Leadership Team

The Strategic Leadership Team promotes WMU and missions involvement through Tennessee Baptist churches, associations, and other entities. It advises the Tennessee WMU Executive Board and staff regarding effective missions discipleship methods, programs, and promotion; provides avenues for networks and coordination of missions discipleship and ministries; provides a forum for exchanging ideas and information to strengthen WMU leadership and missions discipleship.

The Strategic Leadership Team is composed of the officers of Tennessee WMU and one WMU Representative from each association recognized by the Tennessee Baptist Convention. Association WMU representatives can be elected by the associational WMU or appointed by the association.

Association WMU Directors/Representatives

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Alpha Baptist Association	MaryKay Schwulst
Beech River Baptist Association	Alisha Hill
Beulah Baptist Association	Jennifer Julian
Big Hatchie Baptist Association	Harriet Cannon
Bledsoe Baptist Association	Lynda Ryan
Campbell County Baptist Association	Nelsie Wooden
Carroll-Benton Baptist Association	Ladona Herrin
Chilhowee Baptist Association	Kathy Neely
Concord Association	Sheila Brown
Cumberland Baptist Association	Sandra Mackens – contact person
Cumberland Gap Baptist Association	Sheree Schneider
East Tennessee Association	Sandra Hensley
Gibson Baptist Association	Sheilah Spangler
Grainger Baptist Association	Rena Greer
Hamilton County Baptist Association	Tina Williams
Hardeman County Baptist Association	Andrea Young
Harvest Baptist Association	Amanda Spivey
Haywood Baptist Association	Brenda Morris
Holston Baptist Association	Anna Huggins
Holston Valley Baptist Association	Diane Holcomb
Indian Creek Baptist Association	Denise Huckaba
Jefferson County Baptist Association	Kendra Davis

JST Baptist Association	Lee Lowe	
Knox County Association of Baptists	Yvonne Piercy - Contact Person	
Lawrence County Association of Baptists	Cheryl Augustin	
Loudon County Baptist Association	Shelby Lord	
Midland Baptist Association	Connie Humphrey	
Mid-South Baptist Association	Julia Binford	
Nashville Baptist Association	Cynthia Scott	
New River/McCreary Co. Baptist Assoc.	Linda Cross	
New Salem Association of Baptists	Deona Thomas	
Nolachucky Baptist Association	Martha Wilson & Annette Elmore	
Northern Association of Baptists	Sheila Hall	
Sequatchie Valley Baptist Association	Janice Lewelling	
Sevier County Association of Baptists	Linda Wilson	
Sullivan Baptist Association	Teresa Larkin	
Sweetwater Baptist Association	Rachel Thompson	
Tennessee Valley Baptist Association	Jackie Breeden	
Union Baptist Association	Kim Griffin	
Watauga Association of Baptists	Traci Proffitt	
Western District Baptist Association	Sandy Louden	
William Carey Baptist Association	Amy Leimer	
Wilson County Baptist Association	Julie Howard	

Associations currently without an Association WMU Director/Representative: Big Emory, Central, Clinton, Cooper Basin, Crocket Co, CrossNet, Cumberland, Cumberland Plateau, Duck River, Dyer, Fayette, Giles Co, Knox, Madison-Chester, Maury, McMinn-Meigs, New Duck River, Polk Co, Riverside, Salem, Shiloh, Stone, Weakley

More information about the Tennessee WMU Officers, Executive Board, and Strategic Leadership Team can be found in the Tennessee WMU Bylaws and Policy Manual.

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