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Happy New Year

Here's hoping you have a New Year filled with lots of peace, good health, happiness, love, and success with all you do. If you haven't completed your list of resolutions (there's always room for more), please add attendance at the 2020 ADM Conference from July 26 to July 31 at the University of Tulsa. Registration and conference details will soon be on the ADM website, www.adm-doc.org.



Meet The 2020 Clinicians



The second clinician to be featured is **Dr. Marcia McFee**, author, worship designer and leader, professor, preacher, and artist. Her engaging and interactive style has been called “refreshing,” “inspiring,” and “unforgettable.” Marcia combines her background and experience in professional companies of music, theater and dance with a variety of worship and preaching styles in order to bring a fresh experience of the Gospel to each worship setting. Marcia has provided worship design and leadership at numerous international and regional gatherings.

Marcia's passion for helping the church to worship God fully is especially directed toward the education of local congregations. She travels extensively in order to teach regional workshops that are accessible to congregational leaders and worship teams. These one-day workshops are usually hosted by a church, underwritten by district or conference bodies or by registration fees, and open to all churches in a particular area. Participants have commented that these workshops are inspirational as well as practical no matter the “style” of worship practiced or denomination of the participants. Additionally, Marcia has begun a program of continuing education events in her hometown of Lake Tahoe and an online subscription service to Worship Design Studio that offers inspirational and educational help for worship teams featuring a ground-breaking worship design application.

As well as her experience with local church worship, Marcia specializes in designing and leading conference worship. Over the last 18 years, she has coordinated worship for countless regional and agency conferences. Most recently, she designed and led 29 worship services over a 10-day period for the international quadrennial General Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Dr. McFee received a Master's of Theological Studies degree at Saint Paul School of Theology with a concentration in Preaching and Worship, where she recently received the Outstanding Graduate Award from the Alumni Association. She earned a Ph.D. in Liturgical Studies at the Graduate Theological Union with an allied field of Ethics. She has been a guest lecturer and adjunct faculty at twelve seminaries. Marcia is an avid skier and the co-author of *"Spiritual Adventures in the Snow: Skiing and Snowboarding as Renewal for Your Soul."*



2020 Conference Headliners



A Platform For Sharing

“It started for me in 1990 at the University of New Mexico. I was the Organist at a Methodist Church, but was invited to go to the Association of Disciple Musicians Workshop. Over these 30 years I have met musicians from around the country, made lasting friendships, and learned from some of the best clinicians in the nation. I have gone to other denomination conferences, but none have been more memorable than ADM. I can't wait for 2020 in Tulsa!”

Randy Frieling, ADM Council President

“My first ADM Workshop(as it was called then) was in 1984 at Meredith College in Raleigh, North Carolina. I reluctantly went with two other musicians in my church who had attended the 1983 gathering and were so excited to introduce me to a great group of people and a very beneficial program. I walked away from the workshop having been bitten by the ADM “bug” and after having met so many wonderful people. Some of the highlights of that first ADM experience were ringing with Nancy Cappel, singing with Daniel Moe, worshipping with Thomas Are, gathering organ literature and helpful hints from Tom Pierce, and being totally mesmerized by the likes of Pat Crenshaw, Dolores McCreary, and the “Butts Chorale.” With circumstances beyond my

control, I've had to miss two conferences within the past three years, and it was so hard not being with my ADM family! Luckily as Newsletter Editor I get to keep up with each yearly planning team and the other council members as they plan each succeeding annual conference. I cannot imagine not being involved, and I too can't wait for 2020 here in Tulsa!

Brad Burnham



Please remember that ADM can always use your support whether you attend a summer conference or not by renewing or re-establishing your membership. Annual dues are still just \$25.00, and it's so easy to pay by going to the ADM website, www.adm-doc.org, clicking on "Join ADM," and following the directions. If you are planning to attend the 2020 conference, annual dues will be included in the registration fee.

Updates are posted on our website, so check it often! www.adm-doc.org

Your Newsletter Editor, Brad Burnham, welcomes news items that would be of interest and help to the musicians, ministers, lay-persons, and anyone else in our email distribution lists. And, you are always encouraged to share what you receive with those you know in other churches or denominations. Brad's email address is bradb1007@gmail.com.

If you are active with Facebook, you are encouraged to join the ADM Group. Search for **ADM-Association of Disciple Musicians** and request to join the group. You'll be connected to other members all year round and can ask questions and share neat tips and tricks. It's just another way to stay connected with your ADM Family!