



# ADM Newsletter

Merry Christmas Edition  
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*Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year  
from your ADM Planning Council*

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## *Looking ahead to Conference 2015*

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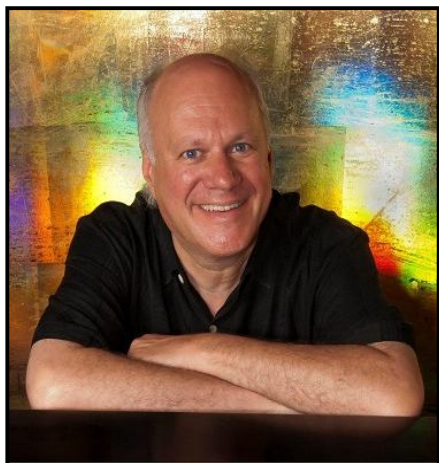


**Jeffrey Hon** is the founding pastor of New Song Church, a new church start in the Greater Kansas City region, established in 2006. In his current role as Co-Pastor and Music Director, he has developed a much greater sense of emergent worship – mixing contemporary worship styles with historical liturgy and ritual. Jeff has often been guest preacher, speaker and performer in many churches of varying denominational affiliations.

His undergraduate education was from William Jewell College with dual majors in Music and Business Administration. From there, he spent the next sixteen years serving as Music Director for churches in the Greater Kansas City area, including Independence Boulevard Christian Church, Liberty Christian Church, and Park Hill Christian Church; and was active in the KC ADM Chapter. In 2002, he returned to the academic world and felt the call to enter seminary, earning his MDiv from Saint Paul School of Theology. While at Saint Paul, he served as a licensed pastor in the Greater Kansas City region of the CC (DoC) before being fully ordained in the spring of 2006. Jeff has extensive experience in church music and creative worship architecture. Additionally, he performs regularly in

Kansas City as a baritone soloist and has performed with groups such as the Fine Arts Chorale, Kansas City Chorale, Kansas City Symphony Chorus, and Musica Vocale. He enjoys spending his spare time as a builder and technician of area pipe organs.

Jeff lives in Liberty with his wife and two children. He is excited to once again be working with for his ADM colleagues and sharing his love of the Church and its music.



**Tim Whitmer** is the spirited Master of Ceremonies, and resident pianist for the Community Christian Church Jazz Carol Fest which he created along with the Reverend Robert L. Hill eighteen years ago. Tim hosts the monthly concert series *Spirituality and All That Jazz* at Unity Temple on the Plaza and serves as musical director for the Community Christian Church Journey Band. He performs regularly at top jazz venues in Kansas City.

While in training as a classical pianist at UMKC Conservatory of Music, an introduction to the highly acclaimed pianist and educator George Salisbury was the major turning point in his career to the world of Kansas City Swing Jazz. From those experiences, he honed his own unique style and has treated audiences all over the world to a taste of Kansas City Jazz. He has performed for festivals both nationally and internationally including the Lugano and Montreaux Jazz Festivals in Switzerland.

To date, his greatest musical accomplishment was a special concert of his original music at the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall.

**(additional bios to follow)**



### ***Meet another new council member*** (class of 2017)



**Dana Lobaugh**, a fourth generation Disciple of Christ and a 36-year veteran of church music leadership, serves as full-time Minister of Music for First Christian Church (DoC) in Arlington, Texas. She directs FCC's Chancel Choir, Children's Choir and FCC's adult handbell ensemble, *Ring of Glory*, and oversees a part-time Assistant Music Director/organist and pianist. Dana has also directed choirs and ensembles at area, regional and national assemblies of the Christian Church (DoC), and has led singing, handbells and dance groups for camps, conferences and retreats.

Dana is founding director of *MosaicSong*, a non-profit community women's vocal ensemble founded 16 years ago under *The Women's Chorus of Dallas* and now associated with *Resounding Harmony* of Dallas. She served two years as Associate Music Director of The Women's Chorus of Dallas with Dr. Timothy Seelig, and then as Artistic Director of the same ensemble for one year.

Dana recently served on the boards for the Dallas Chapter of Choristers Guild and the Greater Dallas Handbell Association. Dana is an active member of American Choral Directors Association and ADM. Dana holds bachelors degrees in Voice Performance and Vocal Music Education from Phillips University in Oklahoma and has done extensive doctoral studies in conducting and musicology at the University of North Texas in Denton, TX. She is married to the Reverend Alan Lobaugh, and they have three children, a daughter, Hannah, and two sons, Benjamin and Aaron.



## **Among our Members.....**

We've received word from Gary and Connie Meek, Crawfordsville, IN, that they are both dealing with health issues and ask for prayers from their ADM family. For those of you who do not know the Meeks, they were very active members of ADM for many years and served in all types of leadership positions. You can send a greeting to Gary and Connie at [cmeek2276@att.net](mailto:cmeek2276@att.net).



## ***Thinking about William Jewell in 2015.....***

As the New Year begins and you continue to receive reminders about next summer's ADM Conference, give serious thought to attending. If you haven't been to an ADM Conference recently, you will be able to re-connect with some you know and meet new ADMers who've joined during your absence. The 2015 Planning Team has planned a very all-encompassing program to meet your every need. Visit the ADM website, [www.adm-doc.org](http://www.adm-doc.org), often for updates and registration information.

Also know that some things never change.....



Some of these haven't missed a conference in years!



There's always a great group of first-timers!