

# The Call Looks Back At 2001

### Keeping the Faith Securing the Future



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**January 19:**  
Holston starts the new year with a new director, new logo and new direction for its Legacy of Commitment pensions campaign.



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**March 16:**  
**LAKE JUNALUSKA, N.C.:** Delegates wait to hear the results of one of 17 ballots to elect a bishop for the South-eastern Jurisdiction. The Rev. Mary Virginia Taylor, the conference's first female nominee for the episcopacy, withdrew from the election following the third ballot.



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**April 13:**  
**LENOIR CITY, Tennessee:** Matthew LeSage of First Farragut UMC campaigns to buy more than 2,000 hams for needy families at Easter.

**April 27:**  
**PIGEON FORGE, Tennessee:** David Browning impersonates Barney Fife at Jubilation, the conference's senior adult retreat. About 150 Holston Conference members attended.



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**February 2:**  
**GATLINBURG, Tennessee:** Pumping up 10,700 youth and counselors with a powerful blend of music and messages, Holston presented its 15th annual Resurrection youth retreat at Gatlinburg Convention Center.

**March 30:**  
**ABINGDON, Virginia:** Missy Sarver of Pleasant View UMC serves up a stack of pancakes in anticipation of a new Saturday breakfast ministry for the hungry. Pleasant View was one of nine Holston groups receiving 2001 Redwine Grants.



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**April 27:**  
**HILTONS, Virginia:** Hiltons UMC produces an outdoor-indoor drama of Jesus' resurrection on Easter weekend. About 70 members of the Big Stone Gap District church served on the cast of "Passion of Christ."



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**KNOXVILLE, Tennessee:** Bethel (Knox) UMC sells off a field of irises to fund scholarships to Holston Conference summer camps.



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**LAKE JUNALUSKA, N.C.:** In an auditorium decorated with earth balloons, the Rev. Jerry Russell and Bonnie Howard lead a Missions Festival at Annual Conference.



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**August 3:**  
**MOUNTAIN CITY, Tennessee:** Inmates bow their heads while the Rev. Bill Cahill says grace at Valley View UMC. The inmates do construction for area churches while member prepare meals for them.



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**May 25:**  
**CHATTANOOGA, Tennessee:** Having served Methodist churches for more than 45 years, the retired Rev. D.M. and Frazelia Grisham now share relaxed days at their daughter's home in Chattanooga.



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**August 3:**  
**BISHOP, Virginia.** - The Rev. Mike Ward loads up boxes of clothing donated to Tazewell flood victims. A July 8 flash flood, one of several throughout Holston last summer, left hundreds homeless in Virginia and West Virginia.