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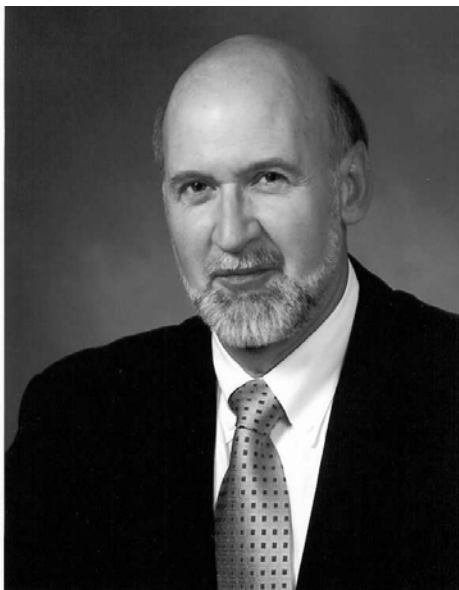
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**VISION STATEMENT:** God's transforming grace in Jesus Christ calls us to become one dynamic church with diverse people in many settings, offering a new life of Christian discipleship to the world.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** The mission of the Florida Annual Conference is to be a vital connection that is part of God's transformation of the world by:

- equipping congregations for the task of making disciples of Jesus Christ;
- transforming existing congregations from a life of institutional maintenance to a life of transformational mission in their diverse communities and the world;
- reproducing vital congregations in new settings;
- calling, training and supporting lay and clergy leaders for the church; and
- engaging in shared ministries that fulfill the vision of the Kingdom of God.



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