

## FROM STRIVING TO THRIVING



Hi everyone! I'm your Great Lakes Unity Regional Representative and I am here to support you in creating healthy, thriving ministries and groups. I am passionate about helping you and your ministry to become all you are created to be.

I began my career as a Unity truth student with Unity of Houston TX in 1991, serving as Sunday platform assistant, prayer chaplain, soloist and director of the Unity Players for our alternative ministry called Wednesday Night Live. In 2005 I left Unity of Houston to serve as the Director of Worship & Volunteers for Unity of Overland Park KS, serving over 200 volunteers and as staff liaison for strategic initiatives such as Fall Faith and Vision Quest. I graduated from the Unity Spiritual Institute Master of Divinity Program at Unity Village and was ordained in 2010. From 2010 until 2019 I served as the senior minister for Unity of Bay City MI, retiring from church ministry to serve as the Great Lakes Unity Regional Rep and as a member of the Ministry Consulting Team for Unity Worldwide Ministries.

During my 25 years of church ministry experience, I have also been a student of Healthy Congregations, The Lombard Mennonite Peace Center, Unity Worldwide Ministries Peace Making, The Work of Byron Katie, and the Martha Creek program for Extraordinary Leadership.

As your Regional Representative, my official job description is to serve as a minister to other ministers and ministries throughout our Great Lakes region, to represent our region on the UWM Standards Committee, to report to the Great Lakes Unity Regional Board, and to serve as a liaison between you and Unity Worldwide Ministries as needed. If you have any concerns or suggestions to make Unity stronger, just send them to me. If you or your ministry are experiencing any challenges, I am here to listen and support you in growing through those opportunities. Together we can move from striving to thriving.

I look forward to hearing from you or hopefully visiting in the near future, either in person or through Zoom technology.

Blessings and peace,

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