



# AC 2019 special offering Moscow Theological Seminary

Dr. Sergei Nikolaev, president of Moscow United Methodist Seminary, recently spent three days in the South Georgia Conference. A former atheist, he is a powerful example of the connectional system of The United Methodist Church.

“He professed his faith in Christ through the outreach of a United Methodist Church in Russia. He was educated at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. And now this former atheist is both president and professor of evangelism at the largest United Methodist seminary in Europe,” Bishop R. Lawson Bryan said. “That is why I am asking us to designate our special offering in the opening service of the 2019 Annual Conference session to support our seminary in Moscow as a way of expressing our passion for the salvation of the world.”

Our congregation is being asked to join with other congregations across the South Georgia Annual Conference to support the great work of the Moscow Theological Seminary.

“Our special offering will support the training of generations of pastors who will preach the Gospel in Russia and surrounding countries,” Bishop Bryan said. “We are reminded of John Wesley’s statement, ‘The world is my parish.’ Thank you for giving to this special offering through which South Georgia can be part of helping others come to know Jesus as Savior and serve Him as Lord.”

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