## MEET THE NEW SOUTHWEST DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT





The Rev. Brian K. Milford is the Southwest District's Conference Superintendent, starting his position July 1, 2007. He will superintend a district of 117 churches, 68 charges, about 73 pastors, and about 20,539 professing members. Needless to say, this will keep him quite busy.

Rev. Milford was born in Atlantic and lived in Red Oak and Shenandoah before his family moved to Council Bluffs. His education includes two Degrees from Iowa State University, and a Masters of Divinity from Duke University. During his Seminary, he completed a nine-month internship in Scotland, and a field education experience as youth pastor in Greensboro and associate pastor in North Carolina.

After finishing Seminary, Rev. Milford returned to Iowa and served a church in Granger for five years. Following that, he served a group of churches in New Zealand for 1 1/2 years. He served four churches in two different towns and two rural locations. On his return, he was assigned to the church in Cedar Rapids, where he served as Senior Pastor at Lovely Lane United Methodist Church in Cedar Rapids for 14 years. Then on July 1, 2007 he began his first term as Conference Superintendent for the Southwest District.

On Sunday, September 30, 2007, Rev. Milford was officially installed into his position as the Conference Superintendent by Bishop Palmer at the Atlantic United Methodist Church. Following the Service, he was given the responsibility of conducting his first District Conference. He has also had the privilege of conducting Professional Interviews and is looking forward to the upcoming Cluster Conferences.

Rev. Milford has recently moved into the district parsonage in Atlantic, and lives there with his dog "Jack". In his free time, Rev. Milford enjoys traveling, fishing, reading, and spending time with family. It is with great humility and excitement that Conference Superintendent Brian K. Milford will serve this new District!