

## THE OPTIMIST CREED

### Promise Yourself...

- \* *To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.*
- \* *To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.*
- \* *To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.*
- \* *To look at the sunny side of everything and make your Optimism come true.*
- \* *To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.*
- \* *To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.*
- \* *To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.*
- \* *To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.*
- \* *To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.*
- \* *To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.*

### PURPOSES OF THE OPTIMIST CLUB

- ◆ *To develop Optimism as a philosophy of life;*
- ◆ *To promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs;*
- ◆ *To inspire respect for law;*
- ◆ *To promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people;*
- ◆ *To aid and encourage the development of youth, in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well-being of man, his community and the world.*



## *South Carolina District Third Quarter Conference*

*Lunch  
and  
Scholarship Awards*

*May 6, 2017*

*McGregor Presbyterian Church  
Columbia, South Carolina*



## DISTRICT OFFICERS

|                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Virginia A. “Ginny” Ricker | Governor            |
| Susie B. Hinton            | Governor-Elect      |
| John H. Grover             | Immed Past Governor |
| Marino A. “DJ” Garbin, Jr  | Past Governor       |
| Donald R. “Don” Keating    | Secretary-Treasurer |

### Lieutenant Governors

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Lola Cumbo                | Zone 1 |
| Donna E. Keating          | Zone 2 |
| Gail Hyatt                | Zone 3 |
| Juanita Sanders           | Zone 4 |
| Daniel E “Danny” Grice    | Zone 5 |
| Thomas A. “Tom” Wesley    | Zone 6 |
| Marino A. “DJ” Garbin, Jr | Zone 7 |

## PROGRAM

|                           |                      |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Welcome                   | Governor Ginny       |
| Invocation                | Melvin Bannister     |
| Pledge of Allegiance      | Don Keating          |
| Introductions             | Governor Ginny       |
|                           | Lunch                |
| Introduction of Speaker   | Governor Ginny       |
| Address by Guest Speaker  | Daniel Rich, IVP     |
| CCD&HH Awards             | Pepper Graham        |
| Essay Contest Awards      | Donna Keating        |
| Oratorical Contest Awards | John Plesha          |
| Closing Remarks           | Governor Ginny       |
| Optimist Creed            | Governor-Elect Susie |

*By providing hope and positive vision,  
Optimists bring out the best in kids.*