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- 36 pastors were ordained, commissioned or licensed.
- 47 conference staff served to carry out the gospel.
- 570 young adults attended Divine Rhythm spiritual weekend.
- 4 Church & Community Workers were sent to serve in 3 districts.
- 8 campus ministries supported college students.
- 12 district superintendents supported 713 pastors and their congregations.
- 146 students joined in a week of spiritual growth at Youth Assembly.
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