



LAY MISSION TRAINING

Session X

A Ministry of the North Georgia Conference
Board of Laity



EMPOWER YOUR CALL TO MISSION & SERVICE
OUTSIDE THE WALLS OF THE CHURCH
WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AND AROUND THE WORLD

2009—2010

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

October 17-18, 2009

November 7-8, 2009

January 16-17, 2010

February 20-21, 2010

March 20-21-2010

All classes are held on
Saturdays and Sundays ~ 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
at
Simpsonwood Conference and Retreat Center
The United Methodist Church
4511 Jones Bridge Circle, NW
Norcross GA 30092

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EQUIPS AND TRAINS LAITY TO TRANSFORM LIVES THROUGH MISSION AND MINISTRY

WHO?

If you - - -

- - - sense God calling you to a meaningful life of commitment and service to others through mission, then LMT is for YOU.
- - - feel your purpose includes trusting, obeying and service the Lord, then LMT is for YOU.
- - - are ready to venture beyond the church walls and seek ways to serve the unchurched, broken, and lost of the world, then LMT is for YOU.
- - - have a passion to engage in significant mission/ministry with some particular needy group in the world and need help in developing the plan to get started, then LMT is for YOU.

WHAT?

Clarify the purpose for which God created and redeemed you.
Plug into your power source ~ The Holy Spirit!
Arm yourself for effective service that makes a difference in lives.
Live out your passion and empower your dream.
Discover your spiritual gifts and your personal profile.
Empower your gifts through ministry for those in need.
Demonstrate the love of God by the example of your daily life.
Transform lives for Christ ! - - -Including your own!
Share this exciting journey with other servants of Christ.

The “WHY” of Lay Mission Training

“Outside the church and outside the box!”

Does your church walls seem to limit your desire and passion to grow and serve in mission/ministry to fight poverty, disease, violence, homelessness, loneliness, and fear? Do you believe God has planted a seed in you to help lives that have been ravaged by addiction, broken through strained relationships, crippled by illiteracy, hopeless due to unwanted pregnancy, blighted by abuse and unworthy due to gross materialism? Do you have a heart for those living in such an environment that is possibly just outside the door of your church or around the corner in your community?

Perhaps you are trying to determine if you are ready to assume the responsibility of a new and exciting ministry in your community or in another country. If so, you should take advantage of the opportunity that Lay Mission Training offers.

Many programs equip laity to serve in local churches. LMT’s unique focus is on training laity to serve outside the walls of the church. “A ministry outside the church and outside the box.” It’s for pioneers, innovators, and persons with a mission heart and a desire to serve.

HOW?

Lay Mission Training Seminars include Mission of the UMC, The Wesleyan Imperative, Priority of Prayer, Laity’s Called Life, Who Do We Serve, Personal Evangelism, Authority of Scripture, Implementing Your Vision, Faith Sharing, Methodism in America and Getting a Response to your mission. Through these seminars, participants receive individual coaching for mission, spiritual gift assessment, discerning the call and the personal mission, visioning and implementing the process through strategic planning, fundraising and how to get started.

Our professional faculty stand ready to equip you and guide you through the “rough, unpaved road” of a new or enhanced mission for service to others!

HOW TO APPLY: Complete the application on the reverse side of this brochure and be prepared for an enlightening experience that leads to the fulfillment of that yearning to serve God and others in a special way.

LAY MISSION TRAINING FACULTY



Rev. Dr. Warren Lathes, Retired Ordained Elder in North GA Conference and founder of Lay Mission Training. Dr. Lathes is known throughout Methodism for his partnership with laity to reach the unchurched of the community and the world. In 1998, he began the work of UMC in Venezuela and in 2002, he and Rev. Dan Dunn founded the Wesley Seminary of Venezuela.



Rev. Dan Dunn is completing his PhD on Evangelization Studies at Asbury Seminary and is actively involved in Venezuela NOW, the Methodist seminary that is training pastors and transforming lives.



Rev. Lynn Gibson is pastor of Mt. Bethel UMC, Commerce, having served many years in lay ministry largely focusing on prayer and Bible study.



Bill Groce is retired from BellSouth as Assistant to CEO developing strategies and tactics to respond to the rapidly changing technology and competitive climate. Bill is another of the founders of LMT and Aslan Counseling Group that works with churches on visioning and fund raising.

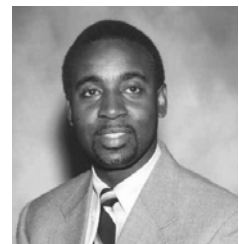
Rev. Dr. Winston Worrell serves as Director of the World Methodist Evangelism Institute and has served in multi-cultural congregations. He is currently the Faith Sharing Trainer and Instructor



Rev. Dr. Tom Davis is Senior Pastor of Due West UMC in the Atlanta Marietta District and has a background of mission and encouragement for those with a heart for moving outside the walls.



Jonathan Golden is a pastor in Roswell and established Golden Coaching and Consulting ten years ago. He has served on the faculty of LMT to enlighten participants of their personal profile and spiritual gifts, and where God is calling us to serve.



TESTIMONIALS FROM THE LAY MISSION TRAINING CLASS—2008-2009

The LMT class not only contributed to my development in the area of missions, but also assisted me in my development as a disciple of Jesus Christ. It was a great environment for God to speak in my mission and my life.

Elyse Ambrose,

LMT taught me things about my church and myself. These seminars taught me that God will give the strength and the insight to increase our ministry. I learned so much from my classmates and the faculty.

Lisa Johnson, Wesley Chapel UMC/McDonough, Griffin District



**APPLICATION
2009-2010 LAY MISSION TRAINING SERIES**

Name _____ Male () Female ()

Mailing Address _____

_____ City

_____ State

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Phone Home _____ Business _____

Cell: _____

Email _____

Home Church _____ Pastor's Name _____

District _____ Pastor's Signature _____

Church Phone _____ Pastor's Email _____

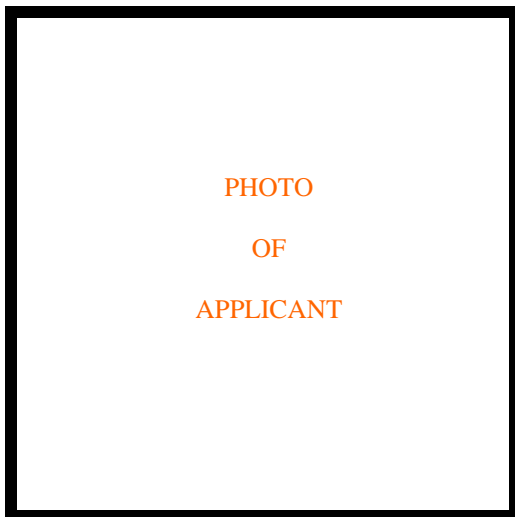


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APPLICANT

Application Fee: \$75

Series Fee: \$225

Total \$300

() The \$75 application fee is enclosed with the application,
With \$100 due a first session on October 17, 2009, and
balance due not later than November 8, 2009.

() I am enclosing full payment of \$300.

- Attendance at sessions is required for certification
as Lay Mission Leader

Return Application to:

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