



**Lay Speaking Ministries
Gainesville District
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Lay Speaking Ministries

We form a partnership with clergy to extend ministry. Lay Speakers are active and involved in ministry – sharing education, filling pulpits, leading small groups, encouraging stewardship, reaching out in mission, organizing evangelism, celebrating worship, and professing Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Basic Course

Instructor – Mary Griffin

Saturdays, May 3, 10, & 17, 2008 (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 3219 Bethlehem Church Road, Buford, GA 30518

This required orientation course focuses on the three primary aspects of lay speaking ministry: leading, caring, and communicating. This study is designed for those lay people who want to respond to God’s call to become a Lay Speaker in the United Methodist Church. *The Discipline specifically recommends this course for local church Lay Leaders.*

This course provides an overview of:

- Christian calling; theology, development and structure of the United Methodist Church
- Worship planning, resources, sermon development, evangelism, and witnessing
- Developing partnerships with other laity and clergy to expand ministries

Small group exercises and interaction of participants will promote learning. Sermon structure and skills will be practiced in a non-threatening manner.

**Registration – Basic Class (Bethlehem UMC)
May 3, 10, & 17, 2008 (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)
\$40.00 Registration Fee**

Name _____ E-mail _____ Evening # _____

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