



**Monday Morning in North Georgia**

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**SHARING WEEKLY NEWS WITH NORTH GEORGIA METHODIST**



**Looking to Improve Youth Ministry?**

Last May, an impressive group completed a yearlong Youth Ministry Institute with the stated purpose of increasing their skill set in working with teenagers. The well-done event is being offered again this fall.

Shari Hickom, Conference Staff Member, said, "If you've never had a chance to sit in a smaller circle of folks and intimately learn the ins and outs of youth ministry, share emerging ideas, and look at your theology of youth ministry with folks who do what you do, here is your chance!"

To keep the group able to focus on the individual and particular situations, it is limited to twenty-five. The relationships built and the how-to learned go far beyond the fee. Indeed, the benefits of the numerous resources provided will be astounding.

The event begins with a three-day retreat in October and is followed by four one-day sessions through May of 2006. Leadership includes Margaret Freeman (Athens First), Pete Aubin (Roswell), Phil Schroeder (Sr. Pastor at Grayson), Faith Hawkins (Faculty, Candler School of Theology), and Joe Peabody, Jr. (New Church Planter) as well as Shari Hickom (Connectional Ministries) and others.

While you may not be a worker with youth, you may know someone who could be excellent given a chance. Few areas of the church have a greater shortage and a more critical need for competent people than this ministry. If you feel called to youth ministry or led to confirm what you believe to be God's claim on someone's life, you may receive more information from Shari Hickom ([shari@ngumc.org](mailto:shari@ngumc.org)), Pete Aubin ([Paubin@rumc.com](mailto:Paubin@rumc.com)), or Margaret Freeman ([mfreeman@athensfirstumc.org](mailto:mfreeman@athensfirstumc.org)).

September 7 th is the registration deadline. The form is available on-line at [www.umcyouth.org](http://www.umcyouth.org).

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**This Week's Calendar Event**

- **Monday, August 29**  
LaGrange District Set-Up Meeting - Providence Church - 6:30 PM
- **Monday, August 29**  
NW Committee on District Superintendency - Dalton First - 7: PM
- **Monday, August 29**  
Nurture Team Meeting - UM Child Home Decatur - 12:00 PM - 2:00 P
- **Tuesday, August 30**  
Atlanta College Park District Clergy Up Meeting - East Point First - 6:30
- **Tuesday, August 30**  
A Day of Fellowship and Learning f All Clergy - Cannon Church - 9:30 .
- **Thursday, September. 1**  
Probationary Member Continuing Education - Cannon UMC - 9:30 PM
- **Thursday, September 1**  
Atlanta Emory District PPR, SPR, a Finance Training - Briarcliff Church 7:00 PM
- **Thursday, September 1**  
NW Clergy Elections Listening Sess Sam Jones Memorial Church - 10:00 AM

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**Lectionary and Bible Reading**

**Daily Bible Reading**  
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**Lectionary Scriptures** NIV Sunday September 4th - 16th Sunday After Pentecost - Green

- Scripture Readings**
- [Psalm 149: or Psalm 148](#)
  - [Exodus 12: 1-14](#)
  - [Romans 13: 8-14](#)
  - [Matthew 18: 15-20](#)

**A Day of Fellowship and Learning for All Clergy**

Dr. James Fleming, Director of Biblical Resources Study Center in Jerusalem, is leading a workshop at Cannon Church on Tuesday, August 30, from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM. The topic for the day is "The 'I am' Sayings of Jesus." The cost is \$15.00.

**Clergy Elections Listening Session**

The first in a series of listening sessions by the task force to look at clergy elections to General and Jurisdictional Conferences in 2008, is Thursday, September 1, at Sam Jones Memorial Church in Cartersville at 10:00 AM.