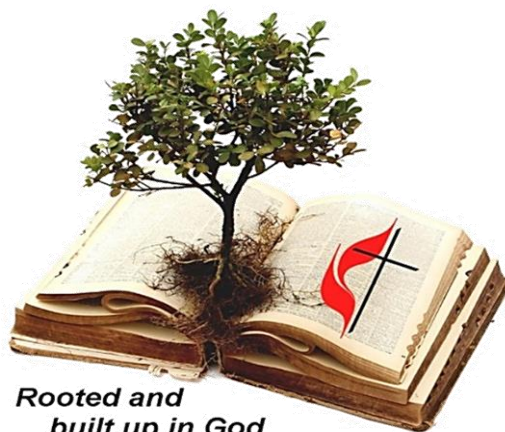


# Baltimore Region 2017 SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN GROWTH

## Training & Events Catalog



*Rooted and  
built up in God  
strengthened in the faith  
as you were taught ...  
- Col. 2:7*

**Welcome** to the Baltimore Region School of Christian Growth. Our purpose is to provide training opportunities to help individuals grow stronger in their faith as they become more engaged in serving God. By equipping disciples in their spiritual formation, God's presence becomes real in personal lives, families, churches, workplaces, and neighborhoods.



## LAY SERVANT COMMITTEE AND BALTIMORE REGION COMMITTEE SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN GROWTH

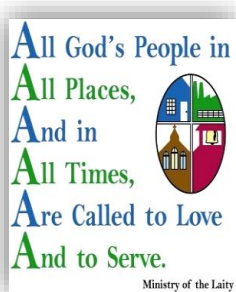
Baltimore Metropolitan - Rev. Ed DeLong, District Superintendent (*interim*)  
Baltimore Suburban - Rev. Laura Easto, District Superintendent

Mrs. Ophelia Brown Carter  
*Baltimore Metropolitan  
District Lay Leader*

Mr. Charles Conjar  
*Graceland UMC*

Mrs. Jennifer Farabee  
*St. James UMC*

CLM Eileen Washington  
*Emmarts UMC*



Mrs. Darlynn McCrae  
Baltimore Region  
Lay Coordinator

Mrs. Barbara Dickson  
*Baltimore Suburban  
District Lay Leader*

Mr. Saleem Gauhar  
*Linden Heights UMC*

Mr. Paul Krebs  
*Salem UMC*

Mr. Herman Randall  
*Asbury UMC*

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## SAVE THE DATE!

Come, learn, and be engaged. The classes will help you take the next steps in your ministry.



Visit [www.bwcumc.org](http://www.bwcumc.org) for details and registration

## 2017 LEADERSHIP DAY

Saturday, February 11, 2017

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Bel Air United Methodist Church**

21 Linwood Avenue, Bel Air, MD

*Training for Church Leaders, Laity,  
Clergy, Young Adults, Youth*

- SPRC for beginners and SPRC, what's next
- Trustees for beginners and Trustees, what's next
- Finance for beginners and Finance, what's next
- Introduction to Readiness 360
- Leading Change in the Church
- Creating Effective Ministry Teams
- Heroin and The Church
- Music in Diverse Settings
- Open Conversation about Racism
- How to get involved in Social Justice issues
- Community Partnerships
- Conflict Transformation
- Ministry is for Youth too!
- Young Adults

## REFLECTING CHRIST'S LOVE BY SERVING OTHERS

### 4TH ANNUAL LAITY GATHERING

Saturday, April 22, 2017 ... 9 a.m. – 12 noon

#### FRIENDLY FARM RESTAURANT

17434 Foreston Road, Upperco, MD 21155

**\$35 per person**

Worship, Guest Preacher,  
Service of Commitment,  
Lay Ministry Cards & Pins  
and Resources.

For details, [darmccrae@aol.com](mailto:darmccrae@aol.com) or 443-254-2083  
Visit [www.bwcumc.org](http://www.bwcumc.org) to register online or contact one of the district administrators ... John Gauthier (Baltimore Suburban) at 410-290-7311 or Christine Kumar (Baltimore Metropolitan) at 410-309-3447.



Continental Breakfast:  
Pastries, Coffee, Tea, Juice

Buffet Lunch:  
Roast Beef and Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn, Cole Slaw, Apple Butter, Cottage Cheese, Hot Rolls & Biscuits, Coffee, Tea, Soda, Vanilla Ice Cream.  
Vegetarian lunch is also available.

## NEW! MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2017 (MORNING CLASSES)

### PERRY HALL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

9515 Belair Rd, Baltimore, MD 21236 ... 410-256-6479  
Wednesdays, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29 ... 10 AM – 12:30 PM



### Wednesday Morning classes for Senior Adults

*This is the prime time of our lives with more time devoted to serving God in our churches, communities, and homes. Senior Adults are invited to meet each Wednesday for study, lunch, and fellowship at **no cost to them!***

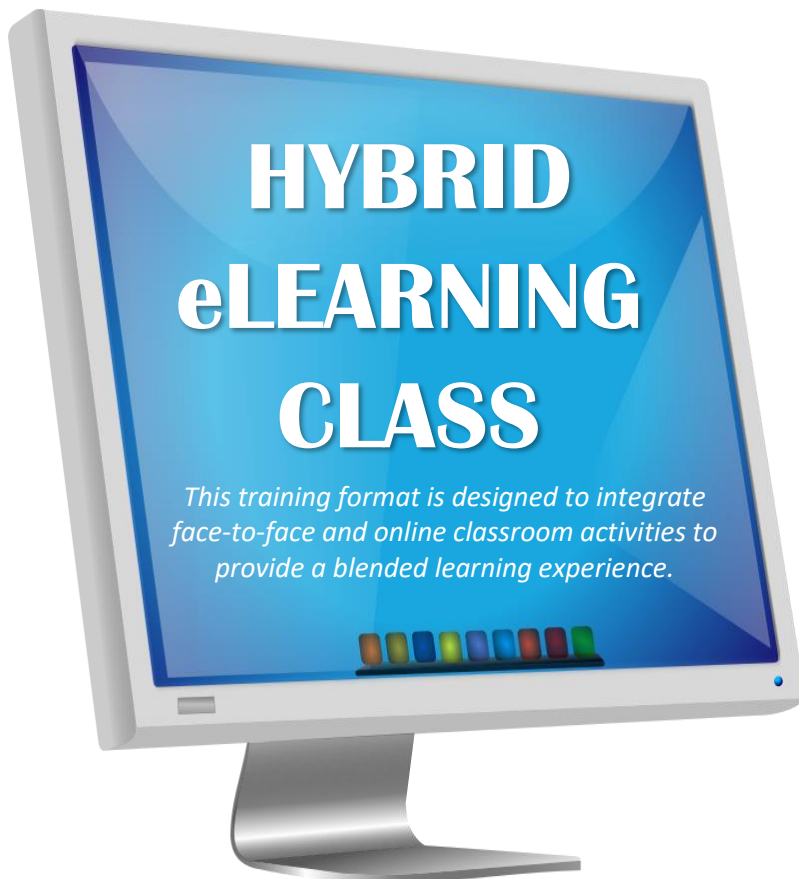
Materials will be provided for participants.

March 1	10 am	Class: Aging and Ministry	12 noon -Lunch
March 8	10 am	Class: Serving in Church Visitation	12 noon -Lunch
March 15	10 am	Class: Serving in Hospital Visitation	12 noon -Lunch
March 22	10 am	Class: Serving in Prayer Ministry	12 noon -Lunch
March 29	10 am	Class: Caring Community	12 noon -Lunch

## MARCH 9-19, 2017 (e-LEARNING)

### DR. MARY E. ROBINSON & ESSEX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

524 Maryland Ave, Essex, MD 21221 ... 410-686-2867  
Thursday, 3/9 – Sunday, 3/19 ... online and one in-class session.



### STUDY #510/H: SERVING IN YOUR CHURCH PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer is absolutely indispensable for the church. The early church was powerful because it prayed -and today, God moves in praying churches in ways that planning and programs alone can't produce. You can help your church become more alive, more powerful, and more in love with Jesus Christ as you and your group learn and practice the secrets of effective prayer.

TEXTBOOK: "Serving in Your Church Prayer Ministry" - ISBN 13: 9780310247586

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Mary E. Robinson – Pastor, Essex UMC, Essex, MD --drmarobi@gmail.com

Upon registration, the Dial-in number and Access Code will be forwarded.

Dr. Robinson has designed and taught numerous online leadership courses at various colleges. The instructor and participants will meet on Thursday, March 9 for a pre-class teleconference / orientation to discuss the course, expectations, due dates for assignments, and the final presentation. The class will begin Monday, March 13 with the final class as a face to face on Sunday, March 19 from 3-5 pm at Essex UMC.

Dates and Locations will be announced by  
**Habitat for Humanity**



## **FAITH IN ACTION MINISTRY**

### **GROUP BUILDS FOR THE BALTIMORE REGION**

Each year, Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna welcomes volunteer groups from corporations, small businesses, congregations, youth groups, civic associations, area nonprofits, and professional and community organizations.

Building as a group not only allows volunteers to give back, but it develops a strong sense of camaraderie and teamwork.

HHS hosts groups year-round every Wednesday - Saturday. A typical work day lasts from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Groups of over 20 participants will be split into shifts or between two sites.

An orientation will be provided with a project identified for the Baltimore Region Laity in the Harford County area for 2017. Details to be announced.

## **Prescription Drug Affordability Initiative**



Today, hundreds of thousands of Marylanders are newly covered with access to a wide range of benefits and services, including prescription drugs. However, expensive life-saving drugs— some of which are close to six figures for treatment— threaten to derail the progress made in expanding coverage. Prescription drugs account for one of the fastest-growing segments of health spending in the U.S. Nationally, we've seen figures that indicate spending on high-cost drugs alone is expected to more than quadruple from \$87 billion dollars in 2012 to \$400 billion in 2020. Containing rising health care costs means containing prescription drug prices.

### **The Prescription Drug Affordability Initiative**

The Prescription Drug Affordability Initiative would:

- Require drug companies to disclose the basis for the prices of their prescription drugs, including a breakdown of how much is spent on production, research, marketing and profits.
- Require these companies to give the public prior notice if they plan to increase the price of any name brand or specialty drug by 10% or more to help consumers adjust to the new rate.
- Authorize the Office of the Maryland Attorney General to take legal action to prevent price gouging by major drug corporations.

### **MARYLAND CITIZENS' HEALTH INITIATIVE EDUCATION FUND, INC.**

**2600 ST. PAUL STREET, BALTIMORE, MD 21218**  
**PHONE: (410)235-9000 TOLL-FREE: 1-866-433-8451**  
**FAX: (410)235-8963**

Contact CLM Eileen Washington  
for additional information  
and to become involved!  
[LEENI2U@VERIZON.NET](mailto:LEENI2U@VERIZON.NET)



## GENERAL INFORMATION

**ASSIGNMENTS** - Registrants will receive reading assignments and pre-course work prior to the first class. This work is required to be turned in to the instructor on the first day of class and will count toward the 10-hours.

**ATTENDANCE** - 100% class attendance is required for successful completion.

**CANCELLATIONS** – Baltimore Region may cancel a class for insufficient registrations and will give as much notice as possible for persons to register for another class or request a refund/credit.

**CERTIFICATES** - Upon successful completion of the class, participants will need to email Darlynn McCrae at darmccrae@aol.com to request the Certificate of Completion (which will be emailed).

**COURSE FEE** - \$35 per course. If registering for more than one course during the spring, the fee is dropped to \$30 per course. Be sure to speak with one of the district administrators about the reduced fee.

John Gauthier (Baltimore Suburban) at 410-290-7311 or  
Christine Kumar (Baltimore Metropolitan) at 410-309-3447.

**LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES** - To become a certified lay servant, must complete the basic lay servant class and an approved advanced class during spring training.

**LAY SPEAKER FOR PULPIT SUPPLY** - Only a Certified Lay Servant can add the status of "Certified Lay Speaker for Pulpit Supply" to their role by the process listed below. Keep in mind that being a Certified Lay Servant is the primary role.

1. Must complete the following 6 courses:  
Preaching, Polity, Worship, Spiritual Gifts, Prayer, History
2. Contact the district lay leader for an application and to arrange an interview (once courses are completed).  
-- Baltimore Metropolitan District Lay Leader,  
Ophelia Brown Carter ... opheliaval@aol.com  
-- Baltimore Suburban District Lay Leader,  
Barbara Dickson ... bjdickson@zoominternet.net
3. Be recommended by the District and approved by the Conference Lay Servant Committee.

**LUNCHES** - Participants should plan to bring their own lunches / snacks / beverages.

**ONLINE REGISTRATIONS** - Visit the Baltimore Region page at [www.bwcumc.org](http://www.bwcumc.org) to register for studies. If experiencing difficulty with the online process, contact Christine Kumar (Baltimore Metropolitan Administrator) at 410-309-3447.

**PAYMENT** - To mail payments, send to:  
Baltimore Region SOCG,  
Baltimore-Washington Conference,  
11711 East Market Place,  
Fulton, MD 20759-2592.

*Make check payable to BWC Treasurer and note BR SOCG. **Please note that instructors cannot accept payments.***

**RECERTIFICATION** – Certified Lay Servants and Certified Lay Speakers must complete an approved study every 3 years to remain in lay servant ministries. Certified Lay Ministers must complete coursework every 2 years.

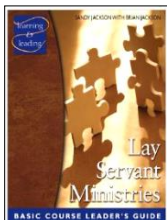
**REGISTRATION DEADLINE** - Please observe the deadline so that instructors can receive a final class list, which will be used to email required class work to participants.

**SCENT SENSITIVITY** - Persons who are allergic / sensitive to chemicals, cigarette smoke, and fragrances (such as perfumes, colognes, after-shave lotions, hair sprays and similar products) are at risk for suffering serious health reactions. When attending classes, kindly keep this in mind and govern yourselves accordingly. Our goal is to provide a stress free learning environment as much as possible.

**STUDIES** – These studies are opened for EVERYONE!

**TEXTBOOKS** - Order books early! Textbooks will not be available in class. For your convenience, the Cokesbury ISBN number is provided following the title of the textbook. Visit the website at [www.cokesbury.com](http://www.cokesbury.com) or call 800-672-1789. However, feel free to order from other book distributors such as Amazon. ***All participants will need to have the required textbook to complete assignments and to bring to class.***

## BASIC



### STUDY #101: BASIC LAY SERVANT

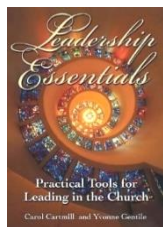
Foundational course for lay servant ministries.

TEXTBOOK: "Basic Lay Servant Ministries"

- ISBN 13:9780881776263

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Ophelia Brown Carter -  
District Lay Leader, Baltimore Metropolitan ---  
opheliaival@aol.com

## LEADING



### STUDY #200: LEADERSHIP ESSENTIALS

This resource will help men and women in the church find the tools, direction and inspiration they need to become the best leaders they can be. Leadership Essentials offers practical skills, worksheets, and practice exercises in areas including: Making Disciples; Building and Sustaining Teams; Meetings that Work; Developing

Vision, Mission, and Values Statements; Effective Communication; Managing Conflict; and more. TEXTBOOK: "Leadership Essentials"

- ISBN 13: 9780687335954

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Barbara Dickson - District Lay Leader, Baltimore Suburban --- bjdickson@zoominternet.net



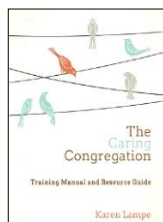
### STUDY #210: GRACE TO LEAD

This study will guide participants into effective contemporary leadership, from a solidly Wesleyan perspective. An essential resource for all who lead and teach, this study will help motivate, form, and guide church leaders. TEXTBOOK: "Grace to Lead: Practicing Leadership in the Wesleyan Tradition"

- ISBN-13: 9780938162766

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Katie Grover - Pastor, Patapsco & Lodge Forest UMC, Baltimore, MD --- grover.katiej@gmail.com

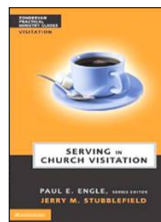
## CARING



### STUDY #300: THE CARING CONGREGATION

This study will equip congregations for caring ministries. Lay members will work alongside pastors to provide quality care for the church family. This study provides necessary resources to help pastors organize congregations for care and equip people to listen, visit, comfort, etc. TEXTBOOK: "The Caring Congregation" - ISBN 13: 9781426793127

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Jeff Paulson - Pastor, Pleasant Hill UMC, Reisterstown, MD --- jefflarae@verizon.net



### STUDY #310: SERVING IN CHURCH VISITATION

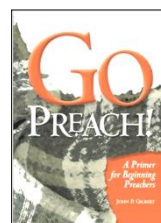
Training includes self-assessment and do's and don'ts for various special-needs situations in homes, hospital, or in a restaurant over a cup of coffee. The act of friendship is an inroad to hearts and lives that creates trust, value, and incredible potential for ministry. This study helps you to -Be Motivated.

TEXTBOOK: "Serving in Church Visitation"

- ISBN 13: 9780310241034

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Ophelia Brown Carter - District Lay Leader, Baltimore Metropolitan --- opheliaival@aol.com

## PREACHING / COMMUNICATING

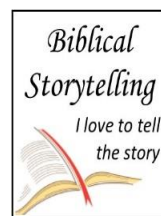


### STUDY #400: GO PREACH

This course is designed for those who have not completed formal preaching training, for pastors seeking a basic refresher course, and for others who are called upon to preach in a pastor's absence. TEXTBOOK: "Go Preach! A Primer For Beginning Preachers"

- ISBN 13:9780881773842

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Dr. Tony Hunt - Epworth Chapel UMC, Baltimore, MD ... epworthchapel@aol.com

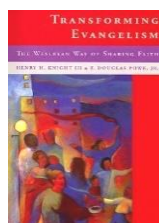


### STUDY #420: BIBLICAL STORYTELLING (NEW)

Biblical Storytelling is a spiritual discipline which entails the lively interpretation, animation, expression of a narrative text that has first been deeply internalized and then is "remembranced", embodied, breathed and voiced by a teller as a sacred act in community

with an audience/ congregation. Participants will learn a Biblical story and have fun telling it; explore how Biblical storytelling reinvigorates worship and reimagines evangelism and; Get excited about telling Biblical stories in their ministry. TEXTBOOK: Handouts provided by the instructor .

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Mark Johnson - Pastor-Mt Olive UMC, Baltimore, MD and Certified Storyteller ...  
pastormark.johnson@gmail.com



### STUDY #430: EVANGELISM (NEW)

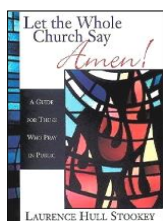
Participants will learn from John Wesley how to practice relational evangelism. They will discover that evangelism involves not only sharing our faith with others but also welcoming people into a community where they can grow in faith.

TEXTBOOK: "Transforming Evangelism"

- ISBN 13: 9780881774856

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Wanda Duckett - Mt. Zion UMC, Baltimore, MD --- Wjbynum@aol.com

## PRAYER

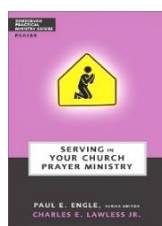


### **STUDY #500: PRAYER**

The author seeks to relieve the anxiety of inexperienced leaders of public prayer and the discomfort of those with and for whom they pray in this practical guide to the art of praying in public. This study includes reflections on the nature of prayer; the forms, mechanics, and vocabularies of prayer; and concrete exercises. TEXTBOOK: "Let The Whole Church Say Amen!"

- ISBN 13: 9780687090778

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Barbara Dickson - District Lay Leader, Baltimore Suburban --- [bjdickson@zoominternet.net](mailto:bjdickson@zoominternet.net)



### **STUDY #510: SERVING IN PRAYER MINISTRY (NEW)**

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Christ as you and your group learn and practice the secrets of effective prayer. TEXTBOOK: "Serving in Your Church Prayer Ministry"

- ISBN 13: 9780310247586

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Barbara Dickson - District Lay Leader, Baltimore Suburban --- [bjdickson@zoominternet.net](mailto:bjdickson@zoominternet.net)

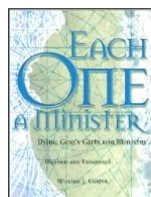
### **HYBRID eLearning**

Serving in Prayer Ministry

### **STUDY #510/H: SERVING IN PRAYER MINISTRY – HYBRID (NEW)**

Class format on page 4. See description and textbook information above INSTRUCTOR: Pastor Mary E. Robinson - Pastor, Essex UMC, Essex, MD --- [drmarobi@gmail.com](mailto:drmarobi@gmail.com)

## SPIRITUAL GIFTS

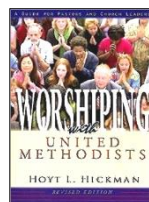


### **STUDY #600: SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

This course helps participants understand spiritual gifts and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. TEXTBOOK: "Discover Your Spiritual Gifts" - ISBN 13: 9780881773750

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Darlynn McCrae - Certified Lay Servant, Ames UMC, Baltimore, MD --- [darmccrae@aol.com](mailto:darmccrae@aol.com)

## WORSHIP



### **STUDY #700: WORSHIPING UNITED METHODISTS**

Focuses on the ministry of the lay servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group or congregation. TEXTBOOK: "Worshiping with United Methodists" - ISBN 13: 780687335268

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Michael Campbell -

Certified Lay Servant and Worship Team coordinator, Arbutus UMC, Arbutus, MD -- [campbell@bantacampbell.com](mailto:campbell@bantacampbell.com)



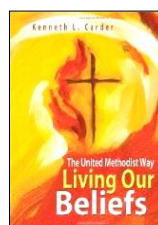
### **STUDY #710: CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP**

This study will help participants plan and lead contemporary worship services. Particular attention will be given to the interpretative reading of Scripture, congregational prayer, training lay worship leaders, and using Praise Bands.

TEXTBOOK: Instructor will provide materials.

Mr. Chuck Conjar - Certified Lay Servant/Lay Speaker, Graceland UMC, Dundalk, MD Lecturer, Towson University and Harford Community College --- [cconjar@gmail.com](mailto:cconjar@gmail.com)

## UMC ORGANIZATION / STRUCTURE

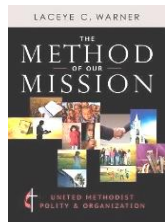


### **STUDY #800: UNITED METHODIST HERITAGE.**

This course will explore the special gifts of theology, witness, and organization that The UMC brings to the church universal, how we got where we are today, and how our distinctive emphases are still needed in the 21st-century.

TEXTBOOK: "Living Our Beliefs: The United Methodist Way" - ISBN 13: 9780881775716

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Michael Parker - Pastor, St. John UMC, Pumphrey, MD --- [mparker.umc@gmail.com](mailto:mparker.umc@gmail.com)



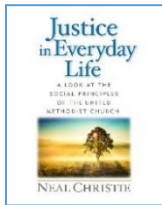
### **STUDY #810: UNITED METHODIST POLITY**

Participants will receive an overview of the structure and organization of The United Methodist Church. In addition to the required textbook, a copy of the current Book of Discipline is recommended for this course.

TEXTBOOK: "The Method of Our Mission" - ISBN 13: 9781426767180

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Marlon B. Tilghman - Pastor, Ames UMC, Bel Air, MD --- [mintilghman@yahoo.com](mailto:mintilghman@yahoo.com)





### STUDY #820: SOCIAL PRINCIPLES

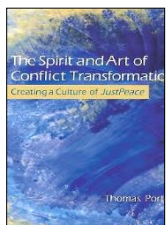
Justice in Everyday Life takes an in-depth look at the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church—the church's attempt to speak on contemporary issues with which it is confronted. TEXTBOOK: "Justice in Everyday Life-A Look at the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church"

- ISBN 13: 9780881776522

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Ilene Washington - Certified Lay Minister, Emmarts UMC, Baltimore, MD --- leeni2u@verizon.net

Special Guest Presenters from the Education and Leadership Formation, General Board of Church and Society, The United Methodist Church, Washington, DC  
Rev. Neal Christie, Assistant General Secretary (author of the textbook)  
Rev. Dr. Clayton Childers and Julie Wilson

## SPIRITUAL GROWTH



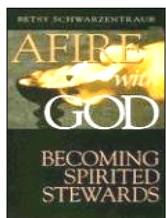
### STUDY #900: CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION (NEW)

Transforming conflict into a positive force is a spiritual pursuit and needs to be grounded in biblical principles: love of God, neighbor, self.

TEXTBOOK: "The Spirit and Art of Conflict Transformation" - ISBN 13: 9780835810265

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Shawn Elbert - Epworth Chapel UMC, Baltimore, MD and Baltimore Spiritual Life

Coordinator/ Trainer, Board of Child Care -- selbert2@verizon.net



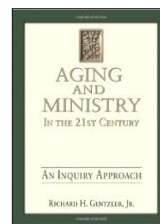
### STUDY #910: STEWARDSHIP (NEW)

This study urges ministries and congregations to become stewards-in-action in all God has entrusted to us. Members go beyond thinking in terms of dollars contributed to see stewardship as becoming living examples of the gospel. TEXTBOOK:

"Afire with God" - ISBN 13: 9780881775204

INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Marlon B. Tilghman – Pastor,

Ames UMC, Bel Air, MD --- mintilghman@yahoo.com



### STUDY #930: AGING & MINISTRY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Practical guide for building ministry for older adults in Ministry with Boomers and Beyond. This affirms that the majority of older adults have plenty to give and the church needs to tap into their wisdom, energy, experience and talents. TEXTBOOK: "Aging and Ministry in the 21st Century" - ISBN 13: 9780881775402

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Barbara Dickson - District Lay Leader, Baltimore Suburban --- bjdickson@zoominternet.net

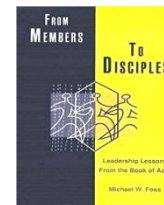


### STUDY #940: SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY (NEW)

Morning classes will be offered in 2 hour sessions: Aging and Ministry; Serving in Church Visitation; Serving in Hospital Visitation; Serving in Prayer Ministry; Caring Community. Handouts will be provided. Class will meet in study groups from 10-12 noon to

discuss a different topic each week. Lunch, from 12-12:30 p.m.

INSTRUCTORS: Dr. Laura Easto, DS Baltimore Suburban / regional team: Barbara Dickson, Ophelia Brown Carter, Darlynn McCrae



### STUDY #920: MEMBERS TO DISCIPLES

The book of Acts serves as our playbook for ministry as it prepares us for the active presence of God. It shows the church how to trust in the active presence of God and inspire people to move from being mere members to bold disciples.

TEXTBOOK: "From Members to Disciples"

- ISBN 13: 9780687467303

INSTRUCTOR: Ms. LaVerne Pitts - Certified Lay Servant, Ames UMC, Bel Air, MD --- llp7723@gmail.com

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- **I am not a lay servant or lay speaker. Can I register for any of the courses?**  
Yes. You can register for any of the courses. Perhaps you will sense God's call for lay servant ministries during one of the classes.
- **I was voted at my 2016 Charge Conference to begin Certified Lay Servant Ministries. What should I do?**  
Please complete two classes in spring 2017 ... Basic class and one of the Advanced Classes from either of the 3 columns on page 10.
- **I am a Certified Lay Servant. What should I do to be recertified?**  
Complete one of the advanced classes listed in the three columns for Advanced Classes on page 10.
- **I am currently a Certified Lay Servant who feels called for Pulpit Supply as a Certified Lay Speaker?**  
Complete the six required classes under the Lay Speakers track on page 10 (UMC Heritage, UMC Polity, Go Preach, Spiritual Gifts, Worshiping UMC or Contemporary Worship, and Prayer). Visit page 6 for the process to become a Certified Lay Speaker for Pulpit Supply.
- **I am a Certified Lay Speaker for Pulpit Supply. What should I do to be recertified as a Certified Lay Speaker?**  
Complete one of the advanced classes in the Lay Speakers recertification column on page 10.

Other questions? Please email Darlynn McCrae at [damccrae@aol.com](mailto:damccrae@aol.com) or call / text 443-254-2083

**CLASSES: REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 7**

DATES & TIMES	LOCATIONS / CHURCHES FOR TRAININGS	BASIC CLASSES	ADVANCED CLASSES & LAY SPEAKERS TRACK	ADVANCED CLASSES & LAY SPEAKERS RECERTIFICATION	ADVANCED CLASSES -NEW-
Saturday, 1/21 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 1</b> <b>PERRY HALL UMC</b> 9515 Belair Rd, Baltimore, MD	<b>STUDY #101</b> <i>BASIC</i>	<b>STUDY #600</b> <i>SPIRITUAL GIFTS</i>		
Saturday, 1/28 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 2</b> <b>EMMARTS UMC</b> 7100 Dogwood Rd, Windsor Mill, MD			<b>STUDY #820</b> <i>SOCIAL PRINCIPLES</i>	
Saturday, 1/28 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 3</b> <b>EASTERN UMC</b> <i>currently at Faith Community UMC</i> 5315 Harford Rd, Baltimore, MD		<b>STUDY #800</b> <i>UMC HERITAGE</i>		<b>STUDY #310</b> SERVING/CHURCH VISITATION
Saturday, 2/4 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 4</b> <b>AMES UMC</b> 112 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, MD		<b>STUDY #500</b> <i>PRAYER</i>		<b>* STUDY #920</b> MEMBERS TO DISCIPLES
Saturday, 2/18 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 5</b> <b>PLEASANT HILL UMC</b> 10911 Reisterstown Rd, Owings Mills, MD	<b>STUDY #101</b> <i>BASIC</i>	<b>STUDY #810</b> <i>UMC POLITY</i>	<b>* STUDY #300</b> <i>THE CARING CONGREGATION</i>	
5 Wednesdays 3/1-3/29 10 AM-12 noon	<b>LOCATION 6</b> <b>PERRY HALL UMC</b> 9515 Belair Rd, Baltimore, MD				<b>* STUDY #940</b> SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY
Saturday, 3/4 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 7</b> <b>EPWORTH CHAPEL UMC</b> 3317 St Lukes Ln, Baltimore, MD	<b>STUDY #101</b> <i>BASIC</i>	<b>STUDY #400</b> <i>GO PREACH</i>		<b>* STUDY #430</b> EVANGELISM
Thursday, 3/9 Sunday, 3/19	<b>LOCATION 8</b> <b>ESSEX UMC</b> 524 Maryland Ave, Essex, MD				<b>* STUDY #510 / H</b> <i>HYBRID eLearning</i> PRAYER MINISTRY
Saturday, 3/18 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 9</b> <b>MT. GILEAD UMC</b> 5302 Glen Falls Rd, Reisterstown, MD				<b>* STUDY #510</b> SERVING IN PRAYER MINISTRY
4 Saturdays 3/18 thru 4/8 9 -11 AM	<b>LOCATION 10</b> <b>MT. OLIVE UMC</b> 5115 Old Court Rd, Randallstown, MD			<b>* STUDY #420</b> <i>BIBLICAL STORYTELLING</i>	
Saturday, 3/25 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 11</b> <b>ESSEX UMC</b> 524 Maryland Ave, Essex, MD		<b>STUDY #710</b> <i>CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP</i>	<b>STUDY #210</b> <i>GRACE TO LEAD</i>	<b>* STUDY #910</b> STEWARDSHIP
Saturday, 3/25 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 12</b> <b>CLARKS UMC</b> 2001 Kalmia Rd, Bel Air, MD				<b>STUDY #930</b> AGING / 21ST CENTURY
Saturday, 4/1 9 AM - 5 PM	<b>LOCATION 13</b> <b>AMES UMC</b> 112 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, MD		<b>STUDY #700</b> <i>WORSHIP UM</i>	<b>STUDY #200</b> <i>LEADERSHIP ESSENTIALS</i>	<b>* STUDY #900</b> CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION

## REGISTRATION FORM

If unable to register online, speak with one of the district administrators ...

John Gauthier (Baltimore Suburban Administrator) at 410-290-7311 or Christine Kumar (Baltimore Metropolitan Administrator) at 410-309-3447. You can also complete this registration form and mail with payment to: Christine Kumar, Baltimore Region SOCG, Baltimore-Washington Conference, 11711 East Market Place, Fulton, MD 20759-2592. *Make check payable to BWC Treasurer and note BR SOCG.* **Please note that instructors cannot and will not accept payments.**

Last Name:

First Name:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Email:

Phone:

Church:

District:

### Course Selection *(feel free to register for more than one class)*

- Visit pages 7-9 for class descriptions, textbook information and instructors
- Select your locations with corresponding studies on page 10 and record below on this form
- Visit [www.bwcumc.org](http://www.bwcumc.org) to register your information and pay
- \$35 per course *(if registering for the 6 studies in the lay speaking track, please contact Darlynn McCrae at 443-254-2083 or email [darmccrae@aol.com](mailto:darmccrae@aol.com))*

Location #	Study #	Title	Course Fee
<b>Total</b>			

## Baltimore Region Leadership Meetings – SAVE THE DATES

*(Lay Leaders, Lay Members to Annual Conference, Lay Servants/Speakers, Certified Lay Ministers)*

### Baltimore Metropolitan District Lay Leader: Ophelia Brown Carter, [opheliaval@aol.com](mailto:opheliaval@aol.com)



- Saturday, January 7, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
FAITH COMMUNITY UMC, 5315 Harford Road, Baltimore, MD
- Saturday, May 13, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
EPWORTH CHAPEL UMC, 3317 St. Lukes Lane, Baltimore, MD
- Saturday, September 9, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
HISS UMC, 8700 Harford Road, Parkville, MD

### Baltimore Suburban District Lay Leader: Barbara Dickson, [bjdickson@zoominternet.net](mailto:bjdickson@zoominternet.net)



- Saturday, January 14, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
LOCATION TBA
- Saturday, May 20, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
LOCATION TBA
- Saturday, September 16, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
LOCATION TBA

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