# **BALTIMORE REGION LEADERSHIP DAY**



Bel Air UMC 21 Linwood Ave, Balt. MD 21014 Feb. 11, 2017

## **MORNING CLASSES**

### SPRC:

This class will be taught from the pastor's perspective and SPRC leadership in the local church working collaboratively with one another. You will have an opportunity ask questions and play out scenarios.

<u>Instructor:</u> Rev. Alicia Vanisko is the pastor of Linden Heights UMC in Parkville.

Text Referenced: Guidelines for Leading Your Congregations: 2013-2016 Pastor Parish Relations.

### **Local Church Trustees 101**

As a Trustee chair and member, you will begin to see your work as the "mission of good stewardship" because you will provide supervision and maintenance of the local church's properties for the purpose of enabling the church to do effective ministry. "Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world" is as essential to the work of the trustees as it is to the work of the church's committees, boards and ministries.

<u>Instructor:</u> The Rev. Dr. Bill Brown is the senior pastor of Wesley Freedom UMC; Bill is the current chair of the BWC Trustees.

Text Referenced: Guidelines for Leading Your Congregation 2013-2106 - Trustees: Managing the Resources of the Congregation.

## Vanco Payment Solutions: Electronic Giving Made Easy

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## Evangelism 101: I am here, now what?

"I'm here... Now What?" As if answering the call to ministry wasn't hard enough, now your front & center in the boat but there's a new challenge. Who are you called to minister to and how do you cast your net and become a fisher of men? In this session, learn how to challenge yourself to move from comfort to obedience in order to evangelize and organize people, and create productive servant leaders for the sake of building Gods kingdom.

<u>Instructor:</u> Pastor Raimon Jackson serves as Chief Connection Officer for Inspire DC, a new faith community in Washington, DC. He is a church planter/resident pastor for the Table Church, a thriving church plant in Washington DC. Jackson also serves as the chair of the Young Adult Ministry in the Baltimore-Washington Conference.

# Innovation: Leading Change in Church

Do you want to create a new place for new people teach the church to dream and envision ministries that invite multiple generations to create, learn, lead and launch multi-dimensional ministry opportunities? Come and learn!

<u>Instructor:</u> Rev. Dr. Rodney Smothers, former Director of Congregational Development at the Baltimore Washington Conference and currently pastors Liberty Grove UMC in Burtonsville.

*Text Reference:* The New Adapters: Shaping Ideas to Fit Your Congregation by Jacob Armstrong; Flipping Church: How Successful Church Planters Are Turning Conventional Wisdom Upside-Down by Michael Baughman; Not Safe for Church: Ten Commandments for Reaching New Generations by F. Douglas Powe, Jr, & Jasmine Rose Smothers

## Music in Worship: Let Your Heart Sing

We will explore traditional, contemporary and emerging methods of planning and executing effective, comprehensive, inclusive and liturgical music in the local church. Participants are encouraged to bring Sunday bulletins for review.

<u>Instructor:</u> Pastor Andre Briscoe is the pastor of St Matthews New Life in the Baltimore Metropolitan District and holds the Bachelor of Music degree in Music History from Howard University and the Master of Divinity degree from Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC.

## Biblical Storytelling: Go and Tell It!

Biblical storytelling is a spiritual discipline in which a teller learns a scriptural text by heart and then embodies and voices that text in worship or another sacred event. Using the techniques of the Network of Biblical Storytellers, participants will begin to learn a Biblical story, explore why Biblical storytelling is important and have fun.

Instructors: Rev. Michael Cantley, pastor of Fork and Waugh UMC and Rev. Mark Johnson pastors Mt. Olive UMC in the Baltimore Suburban District. They are pursuing certification through the Academy for Biblical Storytelling.

## Healthcare in the City and Beyond

Explore ways that you can take a closer look at self-care for yourself and help those in your community find resources for healthcare and find out how St Johns models this. St John UMC has a healthcare service for the community.

<u>Instructor:</u> The Rev. Dr. Irance Reddix is a medical doctor and pastors St John UMC in Baltimore. The Adullum Community Healthcare Center operates out of St John UMC under Reddix's leadership.

# Youth: What are they Searching for?

Find out ways to engage and involve youth in ministry and fellowship with one another. There are number of programs/ ministries that will ignite their passion for the Body Christ. Come and learn!

<u>Instructor:</u> Shawn Elbert is currently the Spiritual Life Coordinator for the Board of Child Care. Shawn is a member of Epworth United Methodist Chapel where he serves on the church council and is a Sunday School teacher.

# Privilege in the Pew

There is an Elephant that sits in the pews of each church on a Sunday morning. The name of this elephant is PRIVILEGE. Whether it is based on race, gender, socioeconomic or other criteria, Privilege will kill your witness in your community and limit your church growth. Unless you learn to deal with this elephant, you church will diminish. Come participate in this interactive class to help your congregation overcome this important issue.

<u>Instructor:</u> Rev. Bresean Jenkins is the pastor of Ebenezer UMC in Washington, DC and Arts Educator in the DC Public School System.

### Let's think about Outreach

Outreach to the poor and needy in our communities is much needed by churches. Manna House Inc. in Baltimore has been serving those in need with food and services for over 50 years. Come and learn how to start and sustain ministry that reaches all people in need.

Instructor: Saleem Gauhar is the Executive Director of Manna House in Baltimore.

### **AFTERNOON CLASSES**

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### Local Church Trustees What's Next?

If you are a Trustee Chair or committee member, this class will explore your next steps in your role. There will be time for questions and answers during this session

<u>Instructor:</u> The Rev. Dr. Bill Brown is the senior pastor of Wesley Freedom UMC, the largest UMC in Carroll County. Bill is the current chair of the BWC Trustees.

## Community Engagement: Break the Church Walls and Get out!

Participants will discuss strategies in which churches can use to build vital partnerships for moving their church forward by involving in community transformation; missional outreach; and witnessing God's love and saving grace.

<u>Instructor:</u> The Rev. Jeffrey Paulson is the pastor at Pleasant Hill UMC, Reisterstown, MD and Chaplain for the Maryland State Police.

# **Developing Effective Ministry Teams**

This class will help you use your gifts based on ministries that model collaboration, partnerships and shared resourcing. You will learn scriptural foundations for the Body of Christ as a Leadership Team and coaching for team impact.

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## Social Justice: Speak up and do the right thing

Would you like to inspire and prepare your congregation and neighborhoods to be advocates for a better community to live in and to raise a family? Do you want to know how governments think and can be persuaded to be righteous? This introductory course is for you.

<u>Instructors:</u> Rev. Marlon Tilghman, pastor at Ames UMC in Bel Air, Rev. Eric King, pastor at Metropolitan UMC in Baltimore and Rev. Kevin Slayton, pastor at New Waverly in Baltimore.

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## Music in Worship: Let your Art Speak

In this class, you will see demonstrations on different ways to be creative in worship-spoken word, rap, use of multi-media and other worship styles. Come and learn to do worship ministry in new, fresh ways. Great class for worship leaders and teams.

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### Heroin and the Church

The Commission on Disability Concerns is hosting this workshop, which will provide education about the heroin epidemic in our communities, opioid addiction - separating myths from facts, common medical treatments, and various recovery approaches. Also, strategies will be discussed for engaging churches within their communities that not only provide mercy and care to the addict, but to their families as well. This interactive workshop will provide insight to the Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) and how churches can be included in the overall care.

<u>Instructor:</u> Rev. Leo Yates, Jr, LCPC, is a provisional deacon serving at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore. He is a licensed clinician and director of Deaf Addiction Services at Maryland. He also serves at Magothy UMC of the Deaf in Pasadena along with Emily Smiley.

## Community Partnerships

You will learn how to recognize opportunities for partnerships and collaborative work within your surrounding community. Not sure where to start or how to start? In this class, you will explore and learn ways on how to partner with other churches and faith based organizations.

<u>Instructor:</u> Rev. Dr. Stacey Wilson is the Director of Congregation Excellence at the Baltimore-Washington Conference.

## Call to Ministry: Next Steps

All of us are called to ministry by virtue of God calling us into being; by virtue of our baptism; and by becoming members of the Christian church. Some of us hear a still small voice urging us to do something more for the work of Christ in the church and world. You may be hearing that voice – and almost as importantly – you may be that voice speaking a word of affirmation to someone in whom you see God's gifts. Know the wide range of ways the United Methodist Church has for leadership in ministry. It is not all in the pulpit. Let's talk!

<u>Instructor:</u> Rev. Chip Aldridge is the Associate Deal for Admissions at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC.

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### Readiness 360: What's Next

Discover more about a congregational assessment tool (which has already been paid for out of your apportionment giving) designed to give you invaluable information about where to focus next and about where your congregation's discipline culture has strength. In addition to a brief orientation to the *Readiness 360* process, case studies of a few congregations in the Baltimore-Washington Conference—including highlights of common obstacles and results in implementing the *Readiness 360* process—will be reviewed and discussed. The session is designed to give people who are thinking about taking the assessment and those who already have their reports in hand to get their questions answered.

Instructor: Christie Latona is the BWC Washington Region Strategist and has co-developed the *Readiness 360* with Paul Nixon.