



HOOSIER UNITED METHODIST e-vents

For Friday, March 5, 2010

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Deadline for submitting items is 10 a.m. on Wednesday.

INDIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE SESSION TO MEET JUNE 10-13 IN MUNCIE

Check the online Indiana Conference Calendar.

THIS WEEKEND

Rejuvenate Two-Day Workshops Coming Across Indiana

- Visit www.inumc.org/rejuvenate for locations.
- Clergy are to register for both Friday and Saturday workshops.
- Registration fees
 - Friday: Clergy, \$60 per person; clergy spouse, \$15 per person (Meal is provided on Friday.)
 - Saturday: Clergy/Lay Team, \$30 per church (Light refreshments provided on Saturday.)
- March 5*-6, Northern Tier of the Conference, New Life UMC at Peru
- *March 5 is for Local Pastors only who are unable to attend a day-long seminar on a Friday. For more information, contact the Rev. Michelle Cobb, Rejuvenate project director.

Bishop Coyner to meet with Confirmands at Noblesville

- CONNECT: Bishop Mike's Confirmation Rally
- Saturday, March 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the First UMC, 2051 East Monument Street, Noblesville
- For more information and video from Bishop Mike, visit www.inumcyouth.org.
- To register for the event, call 877-781-6706 or 317-924-1321 and talk to Brenda Gross.
- Registration \$15 at the door.
- For questions, call the Rev. Brian Durand at 877-781-6706 or 317-924-1321.

World Food Program Presents Children's Choir Benefit Concert

The friends of the World Food Program Committee of Indianapolis invites you to join them for an Indianapolis Children's Choir: Benefit Performance to Alleviate World Hunger Sunday, March 7 at 2 p.m. at Pike Performing Arts Center, 6701 Zionsville Road, Indianapolis Advance Tickets only \$10, available at selected Marsh Stores. Major Funding for this performance provided by The United States Infrastructure Corporation. For more information, contact WFP Committee Leader Ed Smith at esmith008@indy.rr.com.

One-Day Fruitful Congregation Journey Training Event at Clarksville was cancelled.

For a list of other workshops and places coming, [click here](#).

NEXT WEEK

Upcoming Event of the Center for Congregations

- Senior University Explores Interfaith Music and Worship
 - March 10 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Indianapolis
 - Cost is \$12.50 charge for lunch
 - For more information, contact Elaine Arffa
- www.centerforcongregations.org
- info@centerforcongregations.org

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- March 12-13, Central Tier of the Conference, Zionsville UMC
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One-Day Fruitful Congregation Journey Training Events

- Workshop is 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- New Worship Service Workshops
 - March 13 – Indianapolis at Lawrence UMC, 5200 N. Shadeland Avenue
- Registration fee: \$50 per church
- For more information, contact cdinfo@inumc.org.

NEWLY HIGHLIGHTED EVENT

Wesley Manor to host portrayal of C.S. Lewis, March 16

Wesley Manor Retirement Community will host a special presentation by Dr. Kevin Radaker, a professor at Anderson University. He will give a dramatic portrayal of C.S. Lewis entitled, "A Visit from C.S. Lewis." This program gives insight into the life and writings of one of the most renowned Christian authors of the 20th century on Tuesday, March 16 at 6:30 p.m. in Harmony Hall. Wesley Manor is located at 1555 N. Main St. in Frankfort, Ind. For more information, contact Leah Borntrager at 765-656-2133 or lborntrager@wesleymanor.org.

Showers Lectures at UIndy to feature Notre Dame Professor, April 6

The 2010 Showers Lectures at the University of Indianapolis will take place on Tuesday April 6. Father David Burrell, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy and Theology of the University of Notre Dame, will be giving this year's lectures. The focus of this year's lectureship is Christian Approaches to Interfaith Relations. The first lecture will take place at 4 p.m. in McCleary Chapel in the Schwitzer Student Center at 1400 East Hanna Avenue on the south-side of Indianapolis. The title of that presentation is "What I (as a Christian) Have Learned from Muslims Classical and Contemporary."

The second presentation will take place at 7 p.m. in the same location. The title of that lecture is "Persistent Problems in Muslim-Christian-Jewish Interactions." These lectures are free and open to the public. For more information please contact Cindy Tyree at 317-788-2106.

Burrell is an internationally renowned Christian theologian who has contributed much to interfaith understanding. This event promises to be a significant opportunity for exploring what Christians can learn from other faith traditions even as we engage the persistent problems that have made interfaith interaction difficult in the past. For more information about UIndy, visit www.uindy.edu.

North America Christian Ashram to celebrate 70 years during national retreat in July

The North America Christian Ashram entitled "Kingdom Living in the 21st Century" is scheduled for July 13-16 on the grounds of Lake Junaluska Camp and Conference Center in North Carolina. This retreat will celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Christian Ashram movement in the United States.

This Christian Ashram is designed for the entire family, will host Bishop James Swanson, Dr. Maxie Dunnam, Bishop William W. Hutchinson, Dr. Evelyn Laycock, Bishop Richard Looney and the Rev. Dr. Diane Walker as keynote speakers.

Registration for the event is \$60 per person ages 21 and over, \$30 per person ages 62+. The maximum family fee for registration is \$150. Registration fees should be mailed to B. Fosmire, NACA Registrar, P.O. Box 85, Flat Rock, NC 28731. For registration information, e-mail bfosmire@christianashram.org.

For more information, visit www.christianashram.org or call 318-232-0004.

Upcoming Rejuvenate events announced for March, April, May

Rejuvenate workshop will be held on:

- March 8, retirewise – First UMC in Seymour, Ind.
- March 15, retirewise – First UMC in Seymour, Ind.
- March 11, "Getting on the Right Track: Financial Tools for Clergy in Ministry Less Than Five Years" –Trinity UMC in Plymouth, Ind.
- March 25, "Getting on the Right Track: Financial Tools for Clergy in Ministry Less Than Five Years" – St. Paul UMC in Bloomington, Ind.
- April 22, "Estate Planning for Special Needs Dependents" at Aldersgate UMC in Fort Wayne, Ind.
- April 24, 2010 "Estate Planning for Special Needs Dependents "at Avon UMC in Avon, Ind.
- May 3, "Estate Planning for Special Needs Dependents" at Newburgh UMC in Newburgh, Ind.
- May 6, "Estate Planning for Special Needs Dependents" at Ridge UMC in Munster, Ind.

(Take the Special Needs Dependents quiz on Rejuvenate's Web page -Updates and News section)

Go to www.inumc.org/rejuvenate for registration and more information. "Extravagant Generosity" workshops extended into the fall.

Three additional David Bell "Extravagant Generosity" regional workshops will be offered this fall on Oct. 15-16; Nov. 5-6, and Nov.12-13. Locations are being finalized. For more information, contact the Rev. Michelle Cobb, Rejuvenate project director.

Ruth Fazal to perform at Bedford First UMC

Ruth Fazal is an amazing violinist, composer and worship leader. She was originally born in the UK but makes her home in Toronto, Canada where she is the choirmaster of four orchestras.

She will be in concert on Sunday, April 18 at 4 p.m. Free tickets are available at First UMC in Bedford. Call 812-275-2627. For more information about Fazal, visit www.oratorioterezin.com/.

PREVIOUSLY HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS

UM-Related Community Center Celebrates Literacy Mission

INDIANAPOLIS – The Brightwood Community Center Literacy Center will hold an open house on Wednesday, March 24. Brightwood is located at 2410 N. Station Street, one block west of Sherman Drive, in a brick church with a green steeple. Enter from the back of the building.

Brightwood invited Indiana Bishop Mike Coyner to be a part of this celebration. The National Council on Educating Black Children's Executive Director, Diana Daniels, also plans to be present. NCEBC sponsors the Literacy Center at Brightwood Community Center.

Volunteers from Carmel St. Mark's in Castleton, Horizons of Faith in Broad Ripple and Lawrence United Methodist run the program on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings during the school year. The new program began on Jan. 12 and will be the primary focus of the center's summer camp this

year. Brightwood is a Conference Advance Special.

The tentative schedule for the open house includes:

- 5:00 p.m. – Literacy Center with children arriving and meal prepared for them. (normal schedule for the kids)
- 5:30 p.m.– Literacy Center with children in their learning centers
- 5:45 p.m. – Adults and parents arrive and will be able to listen in on the learning centers.
- 6:30 p.m. – Children will join in the celebration with refreshments.

Stewardship-Philanthropy event coming to Indiana, April 14-16

The North American Conference on Christian Philanthropy will be held on April 14-16 in Indianapolis at the Sheraton Hotel City Centre. NACCP is designed for pastors, lay leaders, church finance administrators as well as gift and financial planning professionals. The event will feature plenary sessions with Dr. Bill Enright, director of the Lake Family Institute, John Wimmer of the Lilly Endowment, Inc. and Dr. Una Osili, director of the IU Center of Philanthropy. Participants will have the opportunity to choose from 27 workshops during the two-day conference. An Advance Seminar also is being offered on Wednesday April 14, from 1 to 4 p.m. Charles Schultz, president of Crescendo Interactive will present a workshop titled "Maximum Donor Contacts on Limited Marketing Budgets." For more information, visit www.naccp.net.

Indy Church to Host One-Day Church Safety Training Seminar

Brotherhood Mutual Church Insurance and the Center for Personal Protection & Safety invite you to attend a one-day Church Safety Training Seminar coming to the Indianapolis area. East 91st Street Christian Church is hosting the Church Safety Seminar Tuesday, April 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information or to register by phone, call 509-252-8533. Only \$149 per person. For more information about "Center for Personal Protection & Safety," [click here](#).

Dalai Lama to Speak at Conseco in Indianapolis on May 14

His Holiness the Dalai Lama will give a public talk at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Friday, May 14 at 9:30 a.m. The program will be hosted by the Indianapolis-based Indiana Buddhist Center (IBC) and the Interfaith Hunger Initiative (IHI) of Indianapolis and the Tibetan Mongolian Buddhist Cultural Center of Bloomington. The title of the talk, "Facing Challenges with Compassion and Wisdom," reflects the core mission of these groups as well as speaking directly to issues central to today's world. Tickets for the Indianapolis event are available at the Conseco box office or at area Ticketmaster locations. General admission tickets are \$25; student tickets are \$15. Additional information may be obtained at www.tmbcc.net and www.consecofieldhouse.com.

GA/GAM-ANON 2010 National Conference Coming to Louisville

The 2010 National GA/ GAM-ANON Conference "Keys to Recovery" will be held May 21-23 at the Galt House Hotel in downtown Louisville, Ky. This will be an exceptional opportunity for Hoosiers to gather with people from across the nation to attend quality workshops and hear outstanding,

personal testimonies about recovery from gambling compulsions. All are welcome to the public event including individuals in recovery, loved ones of compulsive gamblers and others. For more information, click [here](#) or contact David at 502-224-6031 or Gary at 502-618-6995.

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For complete details of these events, visit <http://inumc.org/events>.

One-Day Fruitful Congregation Journey Training Events

- All workshops are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- New Worship Service Workshops
 - March 13 – Indianapolis at Lawrence UMC, 5200 N. Shadeland Avenue
 - April 17 – Columbus at Asbury UMC, 1751 27th Street
 - May 1 – Mishawaka at Coalbush UMC, 15977 Jackson Road
- Vital Merger Workshops
 - March 20 – Warsaw at First UMC, 179 S. Indiana Street
 - April 17 – Mount Comfort UMC, 3179 N. 600 W. in Greenfield
 - May 1 – Santa Claus UMC, 351 N. Holiday Boulevard
- Multi-Site and Off-Site Workshops
 - April 17 – Fort Wayne at Aldersgate UMC, 2417 Getz Road
 - May 1 – Indianapolis at Roberts Park UMC, 401 N. Delaware (downtown)
- Registration fee: \$50 per church
- For more information, contact cdinfo@inumc.org.

Volunteers In Mission Team Leader Training coming March, April to Indiana

- Saturday, March 20 at First UMC, 219 East Fourth Street (downtown) in Bloomington, Ind.
- Saturday, April 10 at New Life UMC 3039 W. 400 N. (U.S. 31) near Mexico, Ind.
- Both 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (ET)
- \$15 person which includes lunch and basic materials plus \$25 for VIM Training Manual (only 1 needed per church).
- To register: Contact Bonnie Albert at bonkay@hotmail.com

RCCongress 2010 Room Rate Cut, Early Registration Extended

- Wednesday through Saturday, April 7-10
- Chicago Downtown Marriott Hotel
- For more information and extended early-bird registration, visit www.RCCongress2010.org

Churchwide Change the World events coming April 24-25 (updated)

- April 24 and 25 around the world and in a neighborhood near you.
- The Rev. Mike Slaughter, lead pastor at Ginghamburg Church in Tipp City, Ohio has written a book titled *Change the World: Recovering the Mission and Message of Jesus*, now available online at www.changetheworld.abingdonpress.com. He emphasizes, "As the United Methodist

Church, we have worried too much about getting numbers into our churches instead of getting the people in our churches out into the world in relative ways. Even our smallest churches can have incredible impact when they leave their four walls to serve the needs of their neighbors, alongside of their neighbors.”

- United Methodists are known for their commitment to social action. Be one who makes a change and together, we can change the world. To get involved go to www.rethinkchurch.org/changetheworld.
- For more information, send an e-mail to changetheworld@umcom.org.

Dates Set for 'Our Life Together' Future Events for Clergy

- April 26-27, 2010 at St. Luke's UMC in Indianapolis (See announcement above.)
- Feb. 28-March 1, 2011 (Monday-Tuesday)
- Feb. 16-17, 2012 (a Thursday-Friday to avoid conflicting with Valentine's Day)

United Methodist Women's Assembly Coming to St. Louis

- April 30-May 2, 2010
- For more information and registration, visit <http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umw/assembly>.
- Do NOT make hotel reservations from this site if you want to stay with the United Methodist Women of Indiana.
- For more information, contact Barb McCoy by calling 260-637-1842 or 260-705-0238, or by e-mail at barb.mccoy@verizon.net.

Indiana Annual Conference Session to Meet June 10-13 in Muncie

- June 10-13, 2010 in Muncie at Ball State University's Emens Auditorium
- Theme: Practice Faith
- Keynote speaker will be Bishop Robert Schnase of Missouri
- Author of Five Practices of Fruitful Congregation
- Visit www.fivepractices.org
- For a copy of Bishop Schnase's book, visit www.cokesbury.com/forms/ProductDetail.aspx?pid=446843.

Indiana UMW Dates for 2010 School of Christian Mission

- The weekday school is July 13-16
- The Sampler Event is set for Saturday, July 17
- More information will be published as it is made available.

'That Thing' Summer Camping Program Registration Now Open

- Epworth Forest Conference Center has announced that registration for the camping program known as That Thing is now open.
- Learn more at <http://www.gotothatthing.com>
- 2010 dates for That Thing: June 27-July 2, July 4-9, July 11-16 and July 18-23

- Lodges will fill up quickly so make your selection now to reserve your preferred housing and ticket options. Book online here.

EO Offers Discount to Oberammergau 2010 Trip with Bishop Mike

- August 3-13, 2010. For more information, visit <http://www.inumc.org/events/detail/2665>.
- For more information and brochures, please contact Norm Nellis, Director of Travel Ministries with Educational Opportunities in Indiana. He can be contacted at 765-447-4152 or normgumc@aim.com.

Retired Pastor to Host Mediterranean Trip

- Oct. 13-23, 2010
- Cost is \$2,699 round-trip from Indianapolis
- Deadline for full payment is July 6
- For more information, contact Brenda at 317-918-5685 or e-mail bjbishoprn@comcast.net.

Rejuvenate, Met-Life Retirement Finances Seminar

- The three-session seminar – Nov. 9, 16 and 23
- First UMC, 400 North Michigan Street in Plymouth, Ind.
- Cost is \$15 per couple for the three sessions
- Child care will be available
- Register by calling Lisa at 317-924-1321 or toll-free 877-781-6706
- For more information, contact Rev. Michelle Cobb, project director

National United Methodist Youth Event Coming to Purdue 2011

- July 13-17, 2011.
- To receive e-mails about this upcoming event, sign up at www.youth2011.org/.

Send your events announcements for posting to dan.gangler@inumc.org.