

“TO MAKE
DISCIPLES
ACCORDING TO
THE GREAT
COMMANDMENT
AND THE GREAT
COMMISSION”

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

May 6, 2010

RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER...

The Annual District Conference will be held on Thursday May 20th at Waxahachie FUMC beginning at 7:00pm.



**DON'T FORGET
TO HONOR
YOUR MOTHER...
THIS SUNDAY
MAY 9TH
IS MOTHER'S DAY!!!**

REMINDER:
The District office will be closed on Tuesday, May 11th, to attend Start Up. If you have an urgent need/request please contact Don at 817-455-3032.

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Please mark you calendars and plan to attend. All clergy are expected to attend. In addition, all lay members to Annual Conference are strongly encouraged to attend. If you are unable to attend, please contact the district office ASAP.

Annual Conference Teller Needed

The Waxahachie District **NEEDS 1 more lay person** to serve as a teller at annual Conference. The deadline is May 31st. Please email waxahachie@ctcumc.org or call 972-937-8891 if you are willing to serve in this capacity.

Hope for the Church

**May 26, 9am-2pm
King of Glory Lutheran
Church Dallas, TX**

The Rev. Dr. Peter Steinke will lead this workshop to "help leaders ground change in Mission and Hope." This day long event is \$30 and includes lunch. I highly recommend this workshop for clergy and lay leaders! Click here for the flyer with much more information and registration instructions.

Don

2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

BLESSED ARE YOU
 who ask,
 “What can I do to
 help?”
 with as much
 concern as
 “whose task is it?”
 for the future is
 found in the team
 that works together
 for the
 glory of God.

ONLINE REGISTRATION: Click on the “Annual Conference” banner at www.ctcumc.org for registration and other links. The form has been streamlined this year and is divided into separate clergy and lay categories for clarity. Registering online means that upon arrival at Will Rogers Memorial Center on Monday, June 7, you may proceed directly to your seat within your district’s section. Your nametag and materials will be at your table. If you do not register online, you will need to stop at the Treasurer’s Office in the Silver Spur Room and fill out a registration card in order to receive your nametag and materials. You are strongly urged to register online to avoid standing in line at Annual Conference. **The deadline to register is May 16. Remember, the deadline to reserve a hotel room at the special rate is May 17.**

Kick Off Annual Conference with a Friendship Dinner

The annual Hispanic Ministries *Cena de Amistad* (Friendship Dinner) will be Sunday, **June 6 from 5:30-7 pm** in the Justin Youth Building at First UMC Fort Worth. Come have a wonderful catered meal, live entertainment, and celebrate. Then just walk across the parking lot to opening worship. [Click here for the flyer and registration.](#) Registration is due by June 1, 2010.

Youth Mission Celebration & Commissioning

Join youth groups from around the conference for an afternoon picnic celebrating Youth in Mission and Commissioning Service during the opening worship of Annual Conference 2010. When: **June 6**; Where: Picnic @ Trinity Park, University Exit, Fort Worth, Commissioning @ FUMC Fort Worth; What time: **Picnic @ 4:30pm Service @ 7pm**; How much: FREE (Includes Dinner & Music!). Please use [this form](#) to register your group by May 24. Bring blankets, frisbees, other things to make a picnic fun. Wear a t-shirt from a past mission trip or that represents your church. Yes, t-shirts will be ok to wear to the service!! Remember - ALL youth groups are invited that will be participating in some form of mission/service this summer. It is NOT limited to those participating in CTCYM. Click [here](#) for the registration form.

CTC Ministers Spouses Organization invites you to: **2010 Annual Conference Spouses Luncheon on June 7, 2010 12:15pm** Luncheon will be held at First UMC, Fort Worth at Wesley Hall. The cost is \$12.50 per person. Reservation Deadline: May 25

CTC United Methodist Women’s Annual Conference Luncheon. June 8th, 2010—Click [here](#) for a flyer with more details!

PCSM Online Course @ No Charge

An Internet course on *Preventing Clergy Sexual Misconduct* (PCSM) is available to all clergy and to all supply pastors who are appointed to a charge in the CTC. All pastors, associates, supply pastors appointed to a charge, and other CTC clergy can now go to www.career-marriage.org/pcsm, click on "Login" and set up their personal PCSM access. Completing this course meets the requirement for training in preventing clergy sexual misconduct. There is no cost to clergy for this Internet course. To access the PCSM each eligible clergy needs to enter his/her name and work e-mail address as it is listed in CTC records. Clergy who encounter any technical difficulty contact Richard Hunt at pcsm@career-marriage.org. To verify that your name and e-mail address are correct in the conference database, contact Susan Briles at susan@ctcumc.org, 817-877-5222 or 800-460-8622. All information a person enters through his or her personal PCSM access account is strictly confidential and will not be shared with anyone. At the www.career-marriage.org/pcsm, all the buttons at the left side of the page are freely available to anyone at any time. This enables anyone with any misconduct concerns to access appropriate help. Access to all the top tool buttons is limited to those who are eligible to participate in the PCSM course.

IF YOU TOOK THE COURSE IN 2006, YOU ARE DUE IN 2010. THIS COURSE IS FREE THRU THE FIRST OF JUNE 2010. AFTER THAT DATE, THE COST WILL BE \$50

Youth Mission Opportunity in Palmer June 24-27

FUMC Palmer announces PUMP 2010! PUMP (Palmer United Mission Project) is a four-day mission weekend (June 24-27) for youth groups from across Texas. Youth entering grades 4-12 and adults alike are given the opportunity to serve those in need living in the Palmer area and experience small group study, meaningful daily worship, awesome music and inspired talks. This is an appropriate mission trip for first-timers and/or small youth groups. The cost is \$75/per person. For more details and a pre-registration brochure, contact Debbi Mitchell at 214-683-1501 or palmerpump@yahoo.com. Registration deadline: May 31.

Remaining 2010 Events at Mount Sequoyah

May 10-13: *May Spring Planting*
Register at www.mountsequoyah.org.

June 27-29: *Addiction Conference*
This conference equips clergy and congregations with community resources and response for families, congregations, and community. CEU credit will be given for attending this conference. Contact Cindy Sloan at SPSARV for details about scholarships at 866-444-3330. Register at www.mountsequoyah.org.

Oct. 18-22: *Leaves of Gold*
This retreat features worship, fellowship, workshops, tours, laughter, learning and fun during the turning of the leaves to gold at Mount Sequoyah! Bishop Richard Wilke will be the featured worship leader. Register online by Oct. 10 at www.mountsequoyah.org.

Oct. 25-28: *Autumn Time*
Autumn Time is a wonderful experience featuring worship, praise, fellowship, laughter and fun! Workshops include centering prayer, spiritual journaling, exercise, nutrition workshop, military workshop, tour of the AR Air Museum. Register online by Oct. 15 at www.mountsequoyah.org

Please see the attached [flyer](#) extending an invitation to **clergy** and **lay** to improve life for themselves and members of their congregation by being trained as the conference Lay Health Promoters.

Opportunities

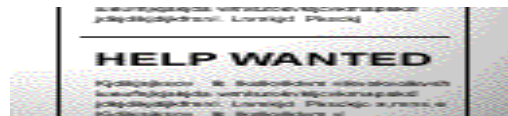
May 14 – 16, 2010:The Central Texas Conference United Methodist Women's 2010 Spiritual Growth Retreat: "**Faith, Fitness, Food and You**" at Lakeview Camp and Conference Center 5128 FM 66 - Waxahachie, Texas 75167972-937-5291 - <http://www.lakeviewcamp.net> For more information click [here](#).

The next Soderquist Center - Renew Retreat for clergy and their spouses are scheduled for July 13-15 at the Inn on Lake Granbury. The retreat is completely free. The only cost is the transportation to and from the retreat, which *will not* be reimbursed. Many Central Texas clergy couples have been given the opportunity to attend. All have had a great experience. We cannot accept any repeat couples. This is the first time we have been given a summer date. We hope this time we will be able to accommodate the clergy couples whose spouses are teachers.

Click [here](#) for the brochure and registration form for "A United Methodist Studies School" on Sept 7-14, 2010.

This is quality!

If you are in need of these courses or would like a greater understanding of our Doctrine, Polity or History, I strongly recommend this opportunity. For CLM's, local pastors or candidates, these are required. Some seminaries will also accept these for credit. If you are new to Methodism or the recognition of orders track, these are essential. Please plan to attend. This is a quality event.



Pianist

Lakeside UMC, a beautiful church on the north side of the Richland-Chambers Reservoir in the quiet little town of Saint Elmo seeks a piano player for Sunday morning worship and choir rehearsal. Hours are about 8:00 until noon. The pianist will work with the choir director to present congregational and choir music to the congregation. The pianist must be able to sight-read new material and follow the instructions of the director. If interested, please call Rev. Sandra Hippman at 903-599-3080 or Bill Brunson at 903-599-4035.

Director of Youth Ministries

First UM Church, Red Oak, TX is seeking an enthusiastic youth director. The position is half time and will require working with jr. and sr. high youth. Requirements: experience in youth ministry preferred, excellent communication and relationship building skills and excellent references. Needs to have a good understanding of Methodist Doctrine and be a mature spiritual leader with a heart for youth and their families. Be able to plan/coordinate activities for 7 – 12 graders, including weekly bible study, Sunday school, youth meetings, fundraisers, and annual mission trip. Additional ministry opportunities available depending on gifts and graces. Contact church office at **972-617-9100** for an application. Start date is mid May, 2010.

Pianist

Frost United Methodist Church is seeking a pianist for their Sunday morning worship service. Please contact Rev. Leah Hidde-Gregory for more information at pas-tor_leah@yahoo.com or **972-322-1383**.

Worship Leader

New Day UMC (www.ndumc.com), a new church start in Mansfield, seeks a part-time worship leader for its non-traditional worship gatherings. Applicants must be able to provide voice and instrumental leadership as well as work to gather and develop a praise team. Salary is negotiable. Send your resume to Sheila Fiorella at Sheila@newdayumc.com or to P.O. Box 2125, Mansfield 76063.

JOYS & CONCERNS

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**If you would like us
to include your
prayer requests or
to share your joys in
our weekly
newsletter, please
contact the District
Office.**

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT:

Tim Thomas—recovering from surgery
Cindy Redmond, Rev. Michael Redmond's wife
Rev. Jan Baldwin
Jackie Gause

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT:

Sharon Bell (Gorman FUMC/Dublin, Laurel St.) – foot surgery on May 21
Irad Cochran, father of Cathy Mordecai (Dublin FUMC/Green's Creek) is doing very well & out of rehab.
DJ Cowdrey, sister of Vicki Eldredge (CTC Church Growth & Development)
Sally Fleming (Comanche FUMC/Gustine) – knee injury
John Morrow is undergoing chemo treatments for his cancer. John is the brother of Clint Morrow, husband of Carol Woods (DS).
J.W. & Sibyl Hodges (retired & living in Dublin)
Jim & Terri Olney –chemo treatments continue for Jim
Sharon Reed, wife of Bill Reed (St. Paul, Breckenridge/Eolian)
Sara Reed, mother of Dean Reed (Stephenville FUMC)
Nancy Suggs, wife Norman Suggs (TSU Wesley Foundation) - broke her arm in 3 places and hopefully surgery will not be necessary.
Klel Quesenberry (Retired Minister residing in DeLeon)

FORT WORTH DISTRICT:

George Gregory, father of Janice Gregory, medical procedures and had a fall.
Frank Briggs Mother Joan Briggs, deteriorating health issues
Lori Conner, recovering from hip replacement surgery
DJ Cowdrey – Vicki Eldredge's sister
Jeannie Trevino-Teddle – Breast cancer surgery
Leonard Radde

MID-CITIES DISTRICT:

Scott Youngblood (Trinity) – problems with his knee
Mike Dawson (New World)
Jeannie Trevino-Teddle (Perkins School of Theology) – Breast cancer surgery
Sidney Roberts – recuperating from surgery

WACO DISTRICT:

Marion Rice (mother of Denise Rogers)
Jennifer Brockmeier's Uncle, Bill Bennett
Dawn Gillilands Dad Rev. C.D. "Red" Williams
Robert Moran– facing Back Surgery

CONFERENCE OFFICES:

Margaret Burks
Marion Murray
Sherry Polk
Shawn-Marie Riley
Jane Sterling
Joan Tankersley
Virginia Taylor
Charles Whittle
Jerry Williams
Conference mission team at UMCOR Sager Brown Depot this week