

RECLAIM!

EMBRACING WESLEY'S RADICAL MISSIONAL SPIRIT

“Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.”

John Wesley

August 9 – 10, 2019

Bridgeport Conference Center
Bridgeport, WV

Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. Friday
The event concludes at 3:30 p.m. Saturday

Keynote Speaker:

Reggie McNeal



Author of:
Kingdom Come
The Present Future
Get Off Your Donkey

Workshops will be offered on creative
missional ministries for local congregations

Sponsored by the West Virginia Conference
Board of Global Ministries

Who Should Attend?

This is especially designed for teams from local churches but it is open to everyone – clergy and laity. This is an opportunity to learn about the Kingdom of God and our responsibility in building His Kingdom.

Registration

Classroom space is limited. Register today. Workshops will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Registration closes July 26

Send Registration to

Judy Raines, Registrar
1624 Ohio Street
Bluefield, WV 24701
denraines@frontier.com
304-327-6956

Registration Fee: \$25

Make check payable to
Conference Treasurer
and include with registration form

Make Your Own Hotel Reservations

Special group rate of \$75 + taxes has been
negotiated with

Wingate By Wyndham

350 Conference Center Way
Bridgeport, WV 26330

Call 1-304-808-1000

We are listed under WV United Methodist
Block Code is CGWVUM

Rooms with 2 double beds and rooms with king
size beds have been reserved

Registration Form

Please print

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Church _____

District _____

Workshops

Everyone will take two workshops – one in
the morning and one in the afternoon.
Rank in order of preference using 1 – 6.

_____ Supporting Foster Care in Your
Community

_____ Holistic Ministry: Every Day Steps That
Build Community

_____ Understanding Addiction and How the
Local Church Can Help

_____ Reclaiming Reading

_____ Financial Empowerment: Train-the-
Trainer

_____ Pathways to Success

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along with a check for \$25 made payable to
the Conference Treasurer.*

WORKSHOPS

10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Supporting Foster Care in Your Community

This workshop will allow you to gain a basic understanding of what foster care is and how children come into care. You will be able to gain an understanding of the issues foster children and foster parents face and how you can provide support and inclusion in your communities.

Instructor: Mia VanSant

Ms. VanSant is the Vice President of Community Based Services for Burlington United Methodist Family Services. Mia has worked in the social service field for 20 years, 15 of which have been spent working with foster care.

Holistic Ministry: Every Day Steps That Build Community

This workshop will center around holistic ministry and what it means to walk with families in transition. Communities of Transformation, a nonprofit in Alabama, walks with families as they transition from surviving to thriving by developing personal leadership skills and building authentic relationships. Throughout this workshop, we will begin to question: "What is our viewpoint when we first begin working with families? Are we helping without hurting? And Who is being transformed?"

Instructor: Katy Wrona

Ms. Wrona is the Director of Communities of Transformation in the Alabama West Florida Conference. She is excited to envision the future of COT while strengthening the foundation built upon holistic personal development and authentic relationships.

Understanding Addiction and How the Local Church Can Help

In the first hour of this workshop, participants will explore understanding addiction and why it is so difficult to get out from under it. The second hour will be spent looking at how the local church can help those who are in recovery to get back on their feet and become vital parts of the community."

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Barry Steiner Ball

Rev. Ball is retired from the Maryland Natural Resources Police where he worked on the Drug Enforcement Administration's Task Force. During this time, he was exposed to the plight of Drug Endangered Children. He is ordained as a United Methodist minister and now works full time with local churches in helping them find their ministry in response to the opioid epidemic.

Pathways to Success

This is a program geared toward middle school students in poverty and is designed to aid in the exploration of career and education opportunities for their future. This program includes a variety of facets including leadership development, job-related skills and experience, financial management, as well as exploration of colleges and/or trade schools. This workshop will provide you with the materials and training you need to run a 'Pathways to Success' program in your local community.

Instructor: Shara Perry

Ms. Perry is the Youth Coordinator at The House of the Carpenter in Wheeling, WV. She has worked with children through senior adults, and with people in poverty in 11 different 3rd world countries.

Reclaiming Reading

This workshop will provide the participants current information focused on poverty and reading specifically. It will provide models of how churches can begin to impact reading in their communities including the development of a Literacy Camp in the summer.

Instructors: Rev. Dr. Mike Linger and Michelle Lucarelli

Rev. Linger is the Executive Director of The House of the Carpenter and Ms. Lucarelli is the Associate Director. Over the past several years, the HOC has worked with Madison Elementary on Wheeling Island, a school with 100% of the students below the poverty level. Over the past few years, the HOC has been part of the team helping to increase the scores of the students.

Financial Empowerment: Train-the-Trainer

This workshop will provide tools and insight to help you assist your community members who are experiencing financial difficulty. Topics will include: How to Improve, Repair, and Guard Credit; How to Create a Budget; Strategies for Saving; Protections Against ID Theft and Scams; Down Payment and Closing Cost Assistance – First Front Door.

Instructor: Lisa Werner

Ms. Werner is currently Vice President – Mortgage CRA Officer for WesBanco Bank, Inc. She has 32 years of financial experience and over 20 years of experience as a financial education provider. She is the founder of the West Virginia Saves initiative, which originated in 2006.