

## 2008 Schools & Courses

**March 28-29**

### **Wood Institute**

- ◆ Basic Lay Speaking
- ◆ Lay Speakers Interpret to Others  
Our United Methodist Heritage
- ◆ Lay Speakers Tell Stories
  - ◆ Lay Speakers Lead  
Small Groups

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**Sept. 12-13**

### **Camp Wesley Pines**

- ◆ Basic Lay Speaking
  - ◆ Go Preach! 1
  - ◆ Go Preach!! 2
- ◆ Lay Speakers Lead  
in Stewardship

**Local Church Lay Speakers** serve in and through their local churches. They must be recommended by their pastor and church council/charge conference and complete the Basic Lay Speaking course. Each year they must reapply, reporting how they have served and continued to learn during the year. Every three years they must complete a refresher course or continuing education course.

**Certified Lay Speakers** serve in their own churches, in other churches, and through district or conference projects and programs. They must be recommended by their pastor and church council/charge conference and complete the Basic Lay Speaking course and one advanced course. They must report and reapply annually and complete at least one advanced course every three years.



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Schools

## Registration Form

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

NIGHTTIME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH/CHARGE: \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: (please X one)

Wood Institute (March 28-29)

Wesley Pines (Sept. 12-13)

COURSE: (please X one)

Basic Lay Speaking

Advanced \_\_\_\_\_

WILL YOU NEED LODGING?

Yes  No

Complete this form and mail with your payment to Lay Speaking Schools, P.O. Box 1147, Jackson, MS 39215.

Fees are \$75 if you need lodging or \$55 for commuters. Meals and textbooks are included in the fee. Make checks payable to Mississippi Conference. Pre-registration deadline is two weeks prior to each school. On-site registration fees increase to \$100 and \$80, respectively, and must be paid with cash or money order.

# A Lay Speaker is...

- ◆ An active, supportive member of a United Methodist church;
- ◆ Eager to serve through the church;
- ◆ Well-informed on Scripture and on the doctrine, heritage, organization, and life of The United Methodist Church;
- ◆ Committed to witnessing through church and community leadership, care-giving ministries, and spoken communication;
- ◆ Willing to improve skills by training for service.

The 2008 Mississippi Conference Lay Speaking Ministries Leadership Schools will feature six excellent advanced courses. For newcomers, the basic course will be offered at both schools. Lay Speaking provides an opportunity and channel for dedicated Christians to serve in a special way in their congregations and their communities. *The Book of Discipline* recommends all lay leaders be lay speakers.

## Schedule

### Friday

4:30 p.m. ....Registration

5:30 p.m. ....Supper

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. ....Classes

### Saturday

7:00 a.m. ....Rise and Shine

7:30 a.m. ....Breakfast

8:00 a.m. ....Classes

12:00 p.m. ....Lunch

1:00 p.m. ....Classes

3:00 p.m. ....Worship

4:00 p.m. ....Adjourn



## Remember:

Bring your Bible, writing materials, snacks, linens, towels, wash cloth, and toilet articles if you are staying overnight!

# Lay Speaking