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CHARGE CONFERENCE CHALLENGE

Each year, we select a ministry to support during our charge conferences. This year is no exception and we have chosen to support UMCOR through the donation of Cleaning Kits, Hygiene Kits or School Kits (or the monetary equivalents).



We are challenging each church to **assemble at least one kit** and bring it to your county charge conference. We might even have a prize for the county that collects the most (we'll make it fair).

Here's what you can do: *(please follow the specific details on assembling the kits)*

Assemble a [Cleaning Kit](#) (monetary value: \$75)

Assemble a [Hygiene Kit](#) (monetary value: \$12)

Assemble a [School Kit](#) (monetary value: \$11)

If your church chooses to collect monetary donations, please write the check to Shawnee Valley District and we will send one check to UMCOR after all of the donations are collected.



LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES

Spaces still available for two classes

Lay Servant Ministry is our United Methodist system for lay leadership development and includes lay speaking as one of the certifications. The basic and advanced courses are designed to help develop skills in witnessing to the Christian faith through spoken communication, church and community leadership, and care-giving ministries.

Anyone may attend any course, but specific coursework is required to become a certified lay speaker

- **Leading in Conflict Resolution** (Every church deals with conflict, both healthy and unhealthy, and lay servants can be equipped and empowered to help lead through those times of conflict as a time of transformation.) **October 27 - Led by Anthony Moseley, Licensed Professional Counselor, MA, LPCC, NCC ****DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS OCTOBER 12******

- **Leading in Prayer** (For many people, prayer remains a mystery, and praying in public is a test of faith left to the "professionals" of the church. This course on praying in public will help the participant grow in confidence and skill in prayer, both public and personal.) **November 10 - Led by Dr. Wayne Young**

[CLICK HERE FOR CLASS SCHEDULE AND TO REGISTER](#)



October 17, 2018
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Trinity UMC, Chillicothe

Join **Bishop Gregory V. Palmer** for an evening of inspiration, worship, testimony and sharing. All West Ohio United Methodists are encouraged to attend. Each event is FREE however, **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** for dinner and to receive printed materials. Each person wanting to attend MUST complete a registration form. Dinner will start at 6:00 pm and programming will begin promptly at 7:00 pm and end at 8:30 pm.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS GROUP
Saturday, October 13, 9:30 a.m. - NOON
Lake Vesuvius Recreation Area, Ironton

The Lake Vesuvius Recreation Area is the Wayne National Forest's premier developed recreation site and is named after the historic Vesuvius Iron Furnace. The rugged hills and out-cropping cliffs provide a scenic backdrop for this historical and beautiful site.

It contains a 143-acre lake, two family campgrounds and one group campground, beach and swim area, multiple picnic areas, fishing, boating, hiking, scenic overlook and an archery trail

Bring a friend, Bring your kids or grandkids, Bring a lunch and we'll eat together when we're through!

Directions: Located 6.5 miles north of Ironton, Ohio, just off State Route 93. Turn on County Road 29 and follow the signs to the Recreation Area (1 mile). Park at the Boat Dock near the Boardwalk.

District Men's Retreat

Learn How to Start &
Grow Men's Ministries

October 26 & 27
Scioto Hills Camp
& Retreat Center

The No Man Left Behind Model is a step-by-step plan to starting and reviving men's ministry in the local church. It is based on the No Man Left Behind book, by Patrick Morley, David Delk & Brett Clemmer. This conference is sponsored by the Shawnee Valley District UMC, West Ohio Conference United Methodist Men and Man in the Mirror. The facilitators will be Ben Shaeffer, President of the West Ohio Conference UMM, Clark Miller, Regional Director of Man in the Mirror and Bob Hanson, Area Director for Man in the Mirror. This 12-hour leadership training is designed for District & Local Leaders of UMM Groups, Pastors and Men's Ministry Leaders who are interested in developing skill sets for starting, growing and sustaining men as disciples of Jesus Christ.

GREAT IDEAS! GREAT INTERACTION! GREAT NEW TOOLS!

Cost (includes breakfast & lunch on Saturday and all materials) \$45

[FLIER & REGISTRATION FORM](#)

OR

[REGISTER ONLINE NOW](#)

God Spoke as Clearly as Could Be: "You're Wasting That!"

UNITED METHODIST MEN'S LOVE PACKAGE PROGRAM

"That was the summer of 1975. That summer, God showed me the abundance of Christian literature that I had at my disposal and the tremendous lack of literature that so many others in the world had.

Not realizing that everyone was as wasteful as I, I began to send my excess literature overseas. That first year my wife and I shipped 60 boxes of literature to missionaries in four countries.

Soon the word spread about what we were doing. Friends started bringing their excess literature to us for shipment overseas. We never realized or imagined that from that small seed God would build an ever increasing world outreach." *Excerpt from Steven J Schmidt, Founder & Director's story of how the program was started.*

Do you read Upper Room, Daily Bread or use Adult Studies Sunday School Material? Any Christian Books lying around that you've read? Any old Bibles? Bring them to the District Office and we'll make sure they get in the right hands to support this ministry.



[Click HERE for a list of material accepted](#)

CONNECTIONS, RESOURCES AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- [Shawnee Signals - District UMW Newsletter, September, 2018](#)
- [All In Community Webinar - October 2](#)
- [Legal Forum 10-26, Ohio Northern University](#)
- [Devoted: for Youth Pastors 10/30 Cincinnati, Ohio](#)
- [Summer Impact - 2019 Inner City Mission, Cincinnati](#)
- [Praying Our Way Forward - Now through February 26, 2019](#)

- [Traction Tracks, Fall 2018](#)
- [Zambia Mission Opportunity - Spring, 2019](#)



A BIG THANK YOU TO SHAWNEE VALLEY FROM VIETNAM

Our District Leadership Team once again approved sending \$5,000 to support Quynh-Hoa Nguyen's Backpack & Bibles Program.

A Backpack contains: A Bible, Backpack, a School-year's supplies, a Raincoat (backpack value: \$18.85)

Who received Bibles and Backpacks? Orphans, Children with satisfactory grades, Children with financial hardships



Number of children receiving Bibles & Backpacks: 322

Photos: <https://1drv.ms/f/s!AuTbxo7WyE-i0OaWqVX7lyH7Rrw>

Program Team: Ngan Nguyen & Quynh-Hoa Nguyen

CHURCHES TO PRAY FOR THIS MONTH

- **Week of October 7 - Fairfax UMC**
 - Pastor Lloyd Shoemaker
- **Week of October 14 - Finley Chapel UMC**
 - Pastor Brian Pinkerman
- **Week of October 21 - Frankfort UMC**
 - Pastor Neil Foster
- **Week of October 28 - Franklin Furnace UMC**
 - Pastor Jim Davis
- **Week of November 4 - Friendship UMC**
 - Pastor Gary Hopkins



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR FALL EVENTS

Shawnee Valley District has a busy fall planned and we want to be sure you include these dates in your local church calendars.

Details will be posted in future newsletters and on our website.

- October 1 - [Strategic Ministries Grant Applications Due](#)
- October 13 - Lay Servant Training ([Basic](#) & [Go Preach, Part 1](#))
- October 17 - Bishop Palmer "[I Believe in the Church](#)" at Chillicothe Trinity
- October 21 - [Adams County Charge Conference](#) at Peebles UMC
- October 22 - [Brown County Charge Conference](#) at Mt Nebo UMC
- October 24 - [Fayette County Charge Conference](#) at WCH Grace UMC
- October 26-27 - District Men's Retreat at Scioto Hills Retreat Center

- October 27 - Lay Servant Training ([Go Preach, part 2](#) and [Conflict Resolution](#))
- October 28 - **Highland County Charge Conference** at Hillsboro First UMC
- October 29 - **Jackson County Charge Conference** at Wesley UMC
- October 30 - Retired Pastors' Luncheon at Ritchie's Cafe', Piketon
- November 1 - **Lawrence County Charge Conference** at New Hope UMC
- November 3 - [Smaller Church Pastor Training](#) at Richmond Dale UMC
- November 4 - **Pike County Charge Conference** at Waverly Grace UMC
- November 7 - **Ross County Charge Conference** at Chillicothe Trinity UMC
- November 10 - Lay Servant Training ([Leading in Prayer](#))
- November 11 - **Scioto County Charge Conference** at Cornerstone UMC
- November 13 - District Leadership Team Meeting
- November 13 - [SHV Ministry Session](#) with guest speaker Heather Keesee from the Foundation of Appalachia as well as a leader from the Governor's Office of the Ohio Faith-Based Community Initiative. Topic is "Creating Partnerships to Impact your Community & County Part II"

HAVE A WEBSITE, FACEBOOK PAGE OR LIVESTREAM? LET US KNOW!

We trying to compile a list of which churches have websites, Facebook pages and livestreams. If you have a page, we'd like to list them on our district website. It's a good resource for other churches to see ideas from others. We will compile a list as we receive information.

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