



West Ohio Conference
Shawnee Valley



September, 2016

Shawnee Valley District News



PRAYER REQUESTS

Local Churches

Week of 09/04 - Georgetown UMC, Pastor Zedda Myers

Week of 09/11 - Good Hope UMC, Pastor Jon Silveous

Week of 09/18 - Greenfield UMC, Pastor Kevin Hall

Week of 09/25 - Haverhill UMC, Pastor Robert Morrow



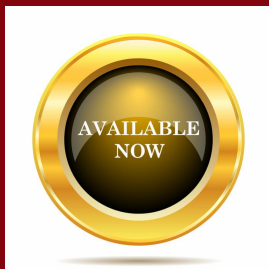
[Greater Scioto Valley
Emmaus Community](#)

[L.O.V.E. \(Limestone Ohio
Valley Emmaus
Community](#)

[Hill View Retirement
Center, Portsmouth, Ohio](#)

[Shawnee Valley United
Methodist Women Website](#)

[Opportunities to Serve in
the District](#)



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2016-2017 LEADERSHIP TRAINING EVENTS TO FOCUS ON DISCIPLESHIP

There are multiple opportunities to hear guest speakers share how Discipleship programs can be developed in our congregations. Click on the event date below for details. Anyone may attend these events.

- [September 6](#) - "Discipleship Begins with Your Core Leaders", with John Raddiffe & Bill Mowry of The Navigators.
- [October 29](#) - District Charge Conference # 1 of 2 - "Developing a Discipleship Pathway" with Phil Maynard of EM3 (Excellence in Ministry Coaching)
- [November 5](#) - District Chage Conference # 2 of 2 - "The Essence of a Transforming Discipleship Group" with Kevin Watson of Candler School of Theology, Emory University

Watch for details on these 2017 Spring Training Opportunities:

- January 17 - "A Discipleship Lifestyle: Impacting Your Mission Field" with Chad Pullins from 3D Movements
- January 21 - District Winter Training Day focusing on the Five Fruitful Practices
- February 7 - "Multiplying Mission Communities through Discipleship" with Chris Backert from Fresh Expressions
- March 14 - "Leading for Discipleship: What Happens When a Church Makes Discipleship an Intentional Focus?" with John Alice, Pastor at Rolling Plains UMC



bless a child with
a shoebox gift >

MISSION CALL AT DISTRICT CHARGE CONFERENCES TO SUPPORT SHOEBOX MINISTRY

Pack a shoebox and make a difference in the life of a child. Join many of our churches that already participate in this program by supporting this global ministry. Bring your packed shoeboxes or monetary donations to the District Charge Conference and celebrate with us in this ministry.

[DETAILS](#)



FALL OPPORTUNITIES FOR LAY SERVANT TRAINING

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. Specific coursework is required to become a lay speaker, if desired.

[CLICK HERE FOR AVAILABLE COURSES, DATES AND REGISTRATION](#)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO RESPOND TO DISASTERS



Many opportunities are becoming available in the aftermath of several flooding events in Michigan, West Virginia and Louisiana.

Even though these places aren't in the news, the clean up has and will take years.

Teams continue to form and travel to these sites to clean out basements, rebuild walls and floors and provide support in many ways. Please consider stepping up to do your part! Experience not

necessary; just a willingness to do a little work! **Contact the district office for more information.**

An immediate local need is scheduled for September 9,10 and 11 in Logan, Ohio.

An elderly member of a United Methodist Church in the area is in need of major **roof repair**. The job has been started, but only 30% complete. Some tools will be provided. Contact Roger Thatcher (rogerthatcher48@gmail.com) if willing to be the hands and feet of Christ.

Recent flooding, fires and storms in numerous conferences in the U.S. has nearly depleted our network supply of **clean-up kits** (aka cleaning buckets). Your help is desperately needed to help replenish the supply. [Instructions for assembling a kit](#). You may bring completed buckets to the District Office, Georgetown UMC or Resurrection Hope UMC. (Call before delivering).

STRATEGIC MINISTRY GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE OCTOBER 1

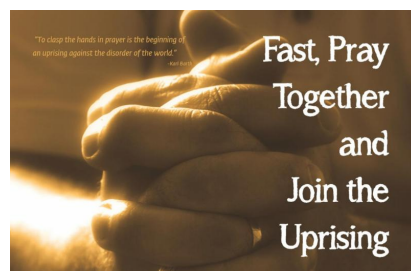
We are so excited in the Shawnee Valley District to invest money in our congregations to partner with you in order to help create meaningful life-changing ministry!!

The amount of money available is anywhere from \$3,000 to \$15,000 and monies can be granted for the following categories:

- Leadership Development
- Evangelism with Discipleship Plan
- Ministry to the Poor with Discipleship Plan
- Structural improvements or expansion of facilities as a result of outgrowing space currently used to reach & assimilate the community into the life of the congregation

Exclusions: Handicap ramps; elevators; general updating/redecorating; computer hardware or software; equipment (A/V, mechanical, sports, appliances, etc.); supplies

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE APPLICATION AND TO FIND DETAILS ON OTHER GRANTS AVAILABLE](#)



FIRST FRIDAY PRAYER AND FASTING

SEPTEMBER 2

[SEPTEMBER - LABOR](#)

(CLICK ON THE LINK FOR RESOURCES)

LOCAL CHURCH & MISSION NEWS & EVENTS

EVENTS

- [South Point UMC 100th Anniversary \(9/4\)](#)
- [Mt Nebo UMC Breakfast, Blessing, Ride \(9/10\)](#)

- [Resurrection Hope to Honor First Responders - 9/11](#)
- [Prospect UMC to Host Glenn Bowles in Concert - 9/18](#)
- [Crouse Chapel UMC 200 Year Celebration - 9/25](#)
- [Bible Land Exploration Tour \(November, 2016\)](#)

NEWS

- [Jeffersonville UMC Community Pool Party](#)
- [Resurrection Hope UMC Homeless Outreach](#)

OPPORTUNITIES AND NEWS AROUND THE CONFERENCE

EVENTS

- [Young Clergy/Family Event \(9/3\)](#)
- [Professional Association of United Methodist Church Secretaries \(PAUMCS\) \(9/20\)](#)
- [Ohio Exploration #called \(10/7-8\)](#)
- [Mission Possible - Pre-Retirement Seminar \(10/11\)](#)
- [Nurturing Appalachia: Heart and Soul \(10/12-14\)](#)
- [Fellowship of Local Pastors & Associate Members Fall Retreat \(10/13-15\)](#)
- [No Man Left Behind - United Methodist Men \(10/21-22\)](#)
- [Legal Forum - Local Church Legal Issues \(10/28\)](#)
- [Deacon Formation Event & Order of Deacon Gathering \(11/02\)](#)

OUR LIFE TOGETHER - AN EVENING WITH BISHOP PALMER October 6

Pastors and Laity are invited to meet with Bishop Palmer to talk about Our Life Together: Mission, Ministry, Future. Enjoy fellowship, food and conversation with the Bishop and each other.

[REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED - CLICK HERE](#)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS*

**times, locations and other details will be posted on our website as they become available*

09/06 - Leadership Team Meeting and Training

Event - Location TBA

09/17 - Advanced Lay Servant Training - Living Our UM Beliefs

10/01 - Deadline for receiving Strategic Ministries Grant applications

10/06 - Our Life Together: An Evening with Bishop Palmer

10/08 - Basic & Advanced Lay Servant Ministries (part 1 of 2)

10/19 - SHV Retired Pastors Luncheon (Location TBA)

10/22 - Basic & Advanced Lay Servant Ministries (part 2 of 2)

10/29 - SHV Annual Charge Conference #1 of 2- Cornerstone UMC

11/05 - SHV Annual Charge Conference #2 of 2 - Grace UMC, Washington Court House

11/11 - Basic & Advanced Lay Servant Ministries



Add us to your newsletter or e-news so we can see what your church is doing!

And with our new website design, it is easier to advertise your local church events. Just send the information via e-mail, post on our Facebook page or call Diana at 740-637-0829. We'll add the event to our [Events Calendar](#) and provide any details you wish to share. Most formats accepted

(MS Word, .pdf, .jpg, etc.)

Also, be sure to "LIKE" our Facebook page, share your Church's Facebook

page with [Diana Hughes Hall](#), and add the Shawnee Valley District to your newsletter (e-news to dhall@wocumc.org and/or postal copy to 573 E Main, Chillicothe, OH, 45601).

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