

If so, the LMA is for you!

- Sharing the love of Jesus in acts of mercy?
- Witnessing to your faith?
- Serving in your community...
- Helping to plan the programs and worship of your congregation?
- Using your skills in a coordinated fashion with ordained clergy?
- Calling on homebound persons?
- Calling on hospitalized persons?
- Working in a team ministry...
- Teaching bible study classes?
- Sharing God's word?
- Visit for your church...
- Lead your church...

Are you being called by God to

understandings and journey. Lay persons who desire to increase their theological and practical knowledge will enhance their faith Adademy offerings. an Advanced LSM course if they attend one of these Certified Lay Speakers will be given credit for attending the Academy. continuing education which can be met by participation in The lay Speaking Ministries program seeks to offer a broad range of Advanced Courses for certification and within the Church. which provides a new lay position for pastoral leadership Church established a category of "Certified Lay Minister" The 2004 General Conference of The United Methodist

Why Lay Ministry?



Lay Ministry Academy

A Six Session Learning Program for Laity

Cycle 3

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2010-2012

- Friday evening, Saturday morning and afternoon format
- Offered on the Claremont campus
- Lodging available close by
- Only \$90 per course, plus housing.
- Drinks, snacks, and lunch are provided.
- Participants are expected to be present the entire time.

A few details...

Saturday 8am-4 pm

Friday 6-9 pm

Schedule

when offered later. Cal-Pac Annual Conference, is granted after all courses given jointly by the Claremont School of Theology and Academy, Graduation Certification for the Lay Ministers Academy, **Academy graduation certificate?**

Q: If I miss a course, may I still receive the Academy graduation certificate?
Academy will receive priority for class availability. Certified Lay Minister certification. Those taking the entire the Academy as the educational requirement for Cal-Pac Lay Speaking credit; and taking the entire 6 sessions of general interest taking one or more classes for Advanced the Academy; those wishing to take a single class for A: While contributing to a whole, all courses are "stand alone" all in order?

Q: Do I have to have a college degree to take the courses?
A: No. The only requirement is a commitment to learning with the District Superintendent who will assign a mentor and direct the process within a local congregation. The Academy provides "content" necessary for completing the process. **Q: Can I take individual courses, or must I take them all in order?**

FAQS

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Pasadena, CA 91002-6006**

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Mail registration with payment of \$540 for the entire Academy or \$90 per course to:

Deadline for Registration: One week prior to each session

<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing Needed	Send me information!
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Year One	
<input type="checkbox"/>	A Covenant for Ministry	November 5-6, 2010
<input type="checkbox"/>	Overview of Leadership	February 11-12, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/>	Growing in Grace	April 29-30, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/>	Year Two	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Ministry of Caring	November 11-12, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/>	Communication & Teaching	February 10-11, 2012
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mission Outreach & Evangelism	April 27-28, 2012

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District _____

Lay Ministry Academy Registration Form

About the Lay Ministry Academy

The role of lay person in the ministries of the United Methodist church is expanding. The missional needs of our congregations require trained laity working together with ordained clergy.

Participants in the Lay Ministry Academy will be prepared to fulfill a wide variety of roles in local churches often based on their professional experiences in other disciplines.

The Lay Ministry Academy is designed as a two-year process with three sessions offered each year covering content as designated in the Certified Lay Minister program and some Lay Speaking advanced courses. The expectation is that participants will complete all six sessions over the two year period.

The California-Pacific United Methodist Annual Conference and Claremont School of Theology work together in this Lay Ministry Academy to provide lay leadership for Cal-Pac Conference churches and their ministries. The Lay Ministry Academy will provide:

- Training for lay persons to serve with ordained clergy in mutual ministry.
- Spirituality nurturing experiences for lay persons wishing to further their faith journey.
- Lay leadership to assist with the programs and ministries of our churches and to complement the ministry of ordained clergy.
- Training for lay persons who desire to serve in their local church and community.
- An affordable, accessible program for persons to meet content expectations as Certified Lay Ministers. Additional work with District Superintendents and the Board of Laity is required to fulfill requirements for United Methodist certification as a Lay Minister.

Lay Ministry Academy Course Cycles

One Course each in Fall, Winter, Spring, 2010-2012

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Year One

1 A Covenant for Ministry

November 5-6, 2010

A theology of ministry: the priesthood of all believers as witnessed in the Bible and understood in Christian history. Understanding the ministry of all Christians as given in our baptism. Distinctive features of the Methodist movement including theology of grace, small groups, lay leadership, personal piety and work for justice, etc. The Methodist movement today. Lay Speaking Advanced Course: Interpreting Church Heritage.



Rev. Dr. Lincoln Galloway

Dr. Galloway, a native of Montserrat, teaches and researches in the areas of Homiletics and New Testament studies. An active elder in The United Methodist Church, his interests blend pastoral concerns with socio-rhetorical approaches to biblical texts and critical engagement of liberative theologies for exegetical and homiletical tasks.

2 Overview of Leadership in the Ministry of the Church

February 11-12, 2011

The basics of United Methodist structure from the general church to the local setting. Dealing with issues of lay leadership: of small groups and group dynamics; leading in the congregation and in worship, focusing on mission outreach; understanding and enhancing interpersonal communications skills. *Lay Speaking Advanced Course: Servant Leadership*



Rev. Sue D Alessio

The Rev. Sue D Alessio is the Executive Director of Leadership for the Center for Leadership. Prior to the Cal-Pac Conference D Alessio was the Director of Connectional Ministries for the Wisconsin Conference.

3 Growing in Grace: Spiritual Practices and Spiritual Gifts

April 29-30, 2011

Understanding our own gifts and strengths, and developing ministry that calls forth the gifts of the people and the congregation; developing personal practices to nurture the spiritual life; accountable discipleship. Lay Speaking Advanced Course: Daily Discipline.



Kirsten Oh

Kirsten Oh is a commissioned elder in the Cal-Pac Conference and is currently serving as the Dean of Student Life at Claremont School of Theology. She is completing her PhD dissertation, *Transforming God-image through the Liminal Space*, in Practical Theology with emphasis on Pastoral Care and Counseling.



Rev. John Fanestil

John Fanestil is the Executive Director of the Foundation for Change, a progressive community foundation serving the San Diego/Tijuana border region. An ordained Elder in the California-Pacific Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, he served from 1992 to 2005 as the pastor of United Methodist Churches in Southern California, including four years at a bilingual congregation in the border town of Calexico.



Rev. Dr. Cedrick Bridgeforth

Cedrick Bridgeforth is the District Superintendent for the Los Angeles District of the Cal-Pac Conference. While completing his studies at Claremont School of Theology, he worked as an Admissions Counselor at the School and also began working as the Minister of Men, Youth and Community Ministries at Crossroads UMC in Compton. He has also held pastorates at Bowen Memorial and Crenshaw UMC in Los Angeles.



Rev. Dr. Mark Ulrickson

Mark Ulrickson is the District Superintendent for the Santa Ana District of the Cal-Pac Conference. He has served pastoral appointments at Garden Grove UMC, Saint Paul's and Claypool UMC in Globe, Arizona, College UMC in Ventura, and Northridge UMC. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from San Diego State University with a major in English and a minor in Black History. He earned a Doctor of Ministry from the Claremont School of Theology.

Year Two

4 The Ministry of Caring in the Church

November 11-12, 2011

Biblical basis for the ministry of caring; communication skills for caring ministry; welcoming and incorporating newcomers; visitation ministry; strengthening discipleship through small group ministry; responding to needs in the church and community. Lay Speaking Advanced Course: Caring Ministry



Rev. Dr. K. Samuel Lee

Dr. Lee's scholarly interests include multicultural pastoral practice, pastoral counseling, and multiculturalism in theological education. He serves as the Executive Director of The Clinebell Institute for Pastoral Counseling and Psychotherapy, a clinical training center for students which also provides pastoral care and counseling service for the wider community in Los Angeles.

5 Communication and Teaching in the Ministry of the Church

February 10-11, 2012

The call to share the faith as a primary task; understanding the dynamics of teaching/learning styles; approaches to studying the Bible; nurturing growth in disciples-making; the role of the teacher and program administrator. Lay Speaking Advanced Course: Teaching the Bible.



Rev. Dr. Sheryl Kujawa-Holbrook

Sheryl Kujawa-Holbrook, who is an Episcopal priest, came to Claremont after serving as Academic Dean of the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, Mass., where she also served as professor of feminist pastoral theology and church history. Kujawa-Holbrook is also a popular speaker and workshop leader on issues related to multiculturalism, anti-racism, and inter-religious dialogue.

6 Mission Outreach and Evangelism: Communicating and Participating in a Diverse World

April 27-28, 2012

Consideration of the church in our context: demographics of southern California and Pacific Island; the role of the church, finding common ground with new neighbors, the specifics of participants' community contexts. The broader world context: the Pacific Basin and beyond. Lay Speaking Advanced Course: Mission Outreach or Evangelism.



Dr. Helene Slessarev-Jamir

Helene Slessarev-Jamir is currently researching the character of religiously inspired justice work in response to globalization and American empire. She is working on a book on contemporary progressive prophetic activism in the United States that will include chapters on congregational community organizing, activism in support of worker justice, immigrant rights, peace-making, and ending global poverty.



Rev. Tonya Harris

Rev. Harris has taught several lay speaking classes, facilitated strategic planning workshops for local churches, conducted seminars and workshops on the district, conference and national levels, and preaches regularly in diverse settings beyond her local church appointment. In 2006 she was a California-Pacific Conference delegate to the World Methodist Conference in Seoul, Korea.



Tom Pilkington

Tom Pilkington is the Chair of the Riverside District Board of Congregational Development, sits on the Riverside District Committee on Leadership as well as the Cal-Pac Laity Committee and the Riverside District Missions Team. He attends Murrieta United Methodist Church where he has served many positions including Chair of the Equipping Ministry and Lay Leader. He is married to his wife Jeanie, has four adult children and nine grandchildren, and makes his home in Murrieta, California.



Rev. Bill Johnson

Rev. Bill Johnson has served 4 congregations in the Southern California area, (including 2 start-up ministries). He earned a B.A. in Studio Art (drawing and painting) from the University of Redlands and holds an M.Div. from the Claremont School of Theology. Through LIFT Renewal Ministries, a non-profit ministry established for the purpose of helping pastors and congregations deepen their experience of Jesus Christ, he serves pastors and congregations as an advocate and spiritual friend.