

LAY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Purpose: The Lay Leadership Academy was created to support a culture in which laity throughout the Annual Conference will have an opportunity to become engaged, equipped and empowered to be effective partners with clergy to lead the church as disciples of Jesus Christ.

The academy will support laity who would like to take a more active leadership role in the local church, district and conference; and is designed to actively recruit and empower laity as Christian leaders for the church and the world. Equipping principled leaders is one of the four areas of ministry focus for The United Methodist Church: "As members of the body of Christ, we are called to use our gifts, strengths, talents and abilities in ways that fulfill God's purposes. When this linkage occurs, lives are enriched, mission and ministry ensue and God's purposes are fulfilled. When this fails to happen, the whole body of Christ suffers."

Directions to Grove Hall, Ocean Grove, NJ

- Garden State Parkway South to Exit 100b or North to Exit 100
- Follow Rt. 33 East to Ocean Grove.
- Rt. 33 ends in a T. Turn Left on to Rt. 71 (S Main St.)
- At first traffic light turn Right on to Mail Ave.
- Turn left onto Pennsylvania Ave.
- Turn right onto Asbury Ave.
- Turn right onto Pilgrim Pathway.

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Arrive at 15 Pilgrim Pathway,  
Ocean Grove, NJ 07756

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## Questions?

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Greater New Jersey Conference  
of The United Methodist Church

## **Lay Leadership Academy**

*Presented by the*

*Laity Council*



***EMPOWERING  
LAITY TO LEAD***

September 13 - 14, 2013

Grove Hall Retreat Center  
15 Pilgrim Pathway , Ocean Grove, NJ  
Friday 5:30 PM - Saturday 4 PM

***SPACE IS LIMITED  
REGISTRATION DEADLINE***

August 23, 2013

## Schedule of Events

### FRIDAY, September 13, 2013

5:30 pm Check-in  
6:00 pm Dinner  
7:00 pm Worship-  
Bishop John Schol  
8:00 pm Plenary -  
Empowering Laity - Part 1

### SATURDAY, September 14, 2013

8:00 am Breakfast  
8:45am Worship-  
Rev. Richard Nichols  
9:00 am Plenary -  
Empowering Laity - Part 2  
10:00 am Partnership with Clergy

### Adult Track, Young Adult Track

11:00 am Equipped Leaders  
12:00 noon LUNCH  
1:00 pm Discerning our Gifts  
2:00 pm Power of Small Groups  
3:00 pm Reaching Across the  
Street & Around the World  
400 pm Closing

## Facilitators

### PLENARY SPEAKER

**M. Garlinda Burton**— 31 year history of working with General Agencies of the UMC. Most recently she was general secretary of the General Commission on the Status and Role of Women.

### YOUNG ADULT TRACK

**Rev. Erica Munoz**— Children, Youth & Young Adult Coordinator for GNJAC. The young adult track will focus of helping young adults identify their individual gifts for ministry and discern where God may be calling them to serve. Our time together will allow us to explore the scriptures, and the traditions of the churches seeking to find open doors of ministry possibilities for a new generation in our churches and beyond. The young adult track will follow the same schedule as the Adult track but will include an intentional focus on ways young adults can be empowered to lead.

### ADULT TRACK

**Rosa Williams**— Conference Lay Leader

**Mark Halverson**— Director of Lay  
Servant Ministries

**Marilyn Kinelski**—District Lay Leader

**Jack Scharf**—District Lay Leader

**Millie Grey**— Laity Council

**Rev. Michael Bill**—Sharptown UMC

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, St. Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Admin. Board/Church

Council Chairperson:

X \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Church leadership role:

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Male: \_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_ Young Adult: \_\_\_\_

Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please note housing is limited to those living more than 30 minutes from Ocean Grove.  
(\$25 Housing Fee) Double/triple rooms  
ROOMMATE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Make checks payable to : GNJAC*

PLEASE SEND REGISTRATION TO:

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