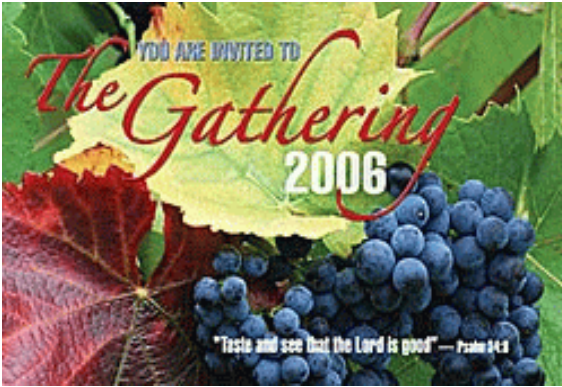


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Application for Tuition and Expenses for The Gathering 2006,



The District New Church Development Board invites applications from Leaders and Potential Leaders in the Illinois/ Wisconsin District for Re-imbursement of Tuition and Expenses, up to \$600 for verified attendance at The Gathering 2006, a three day seminar sponsored by ChurchSmart Resources, Percept, and the Coachnet organization at Largo, Florida. Application is required prior to the event with a statement of purpose showing the benefit to the District Church Development./Planting program or to redevelopment and/or church growth within the district. All applications will be considered. Here are some details.

Title: The Gathering 2006
Anona United Methodist Church
13233 Indian Rocks Rd. Largo, FL, FL 33770
1/10/2006 - 1/12/2006 - 7:00am - 8:30pm
\$95.00 Includes breakfasts, breaks, lunches, resources & training!

Audience: Regional and National Denominational leaders, District Superintendents, Pastors and Lay leaders working in the areas of church planting, church health and leadership development

Topics: Seven great seminar tracks to choose from:

1. Natural Church Development: 2. Church Planting: 3. Leading Turnaround Churches: 4. Leadership Development: 5. Leadership Impact: 6. Making Peace and 7. Percept Community Information.

Most tracks repeat sessions so you can "taste and see" the best of several areas of interest. Also, three plenary sessions with Bob Logan and three inspiring worship services with messages from Christian Schwarz, Gene Wood and Jack Stephenson!

Schedule:

Tuesday & Wednesday from 7:00 AM to 8:30 PM. Thursday from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Breakfasts, breaks and lunches are included. Supper is on your own. View the detailed schedule on the pdf file of the on-line seminar brochure. Click the REGISTER button on-line to view more details! Register for the conference and book your hotel rooms by December 10th. Space is limited.. No registration refunds after December 10th. Substitutions are permitted.

Maximum Attendants Allowed: 500

Apply to: Paul@kcssys.com
Paul Kohler, Vice Chair NCDB
572 CR 2400 N
Dewey, IL 61840
Phone: 217-493-3189

Applications may also be addressed to any member of the NCDB

"The New Church Development Board of the District of Illinois and Wisconsin invites applications from Leaders and Potential Leaders in the district of Illinois and Wisconsin for Re-imbursement of Tuition and Expenses, up to a total of \$600."

Application form:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____
Zip code: _____

Please write a paragraph giving your reasons for attendance, with particular reference to the your relationship to the District of Illinois and Wisconsin. Be specific.:

Thank you for your application. The New Church Development Board, IL/WI.

Let's Gather Together at "Gathering 2006" Why?

It's an experience you simply should not miss. Dream with me for a moment... what would it be like if all the pastors, staff, volunteer leaders, deacon's (elders), team or committee members and emerging leaders from your church had a chance to get together for a three day retreat to listen and learn from some of the top church leadership experts on topics such as church development, church planting, how to lead a turn around church, leadership development, worship and much, much more.

Let's take the dream just a step further... what if all people from your church could get together with all the other church of the Brethren leaders in the Illinois/Wisconsin District at the same time for a three day retreat.

Dream a little more... what if the meeting place were some place like, oh I don't know... Largo Florida, and let's say in the middle of cold weather like January. More specifically-January 10,11,12 - 2006.

It's not a dream! The Illinois/Wisconsin New Church Development Board is picking up the tab for ANYONE who would like to attend a three day conference in warm and sunny Largo Florida. The offer includes airfare (if needed) hotel, and the cost of the conference. No gimmicks! The only requirement is that you fill out a registration form and send in a one page essay on "why I think I should attend this conference."

The Conference is called "The Gathering 2006." All the details are on a PDF file or you can go online to churchsmart.com to learn more.

Offers like this don't come along very often. I believe that it will be a fun filled, inspirational and relational time together. I also believe that as we meet together in this retreat-we'll meet God in the midst of our "gathering."

Tom DeVore
Lead Pastor and Church Planter
Christ Connections Community Church
a Church of the Brethren

SILENT AUCTION

AT

District Conference
Nov. 4 - 6 at Springfield
Church of the Brethren

We are inviting EACH Church in the District to Contribute an item.

Contact: Gil Crosby 309-694-4569 or
crosbygm@juno.com



The Freeport Church of the Brethren is planning a workshop for deacons on Sunday, September 11 from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Kathy Reid, director of ABC is to be our presenter and leader for the afternoon. Kathy is a wonderful person with lots of very good ideas on helping all of us be better deacons. We believe, too, that we can learn a lot from each other during some sharing time together.

A more detailed outline of content for the afternoon is available by contacting Wil Lengel at 608-897-2120 or by e-mail at lenwm@wekz.net. You may also contact Pastor Lisa Fike at 815-232-1938. We hope to see you on September 11.

CHOIR ROBES FOR SALE! Beige in color, all sizes, no stoles included, as many as needed (over 100), in good shape. \$10.00 per robe. Contact Highland Ave. Church of the Brethren in Elgin - 847-741-5124 or hacob@ameritech.net



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