

What are the goals of this event?

- See those we do not see.
- Become aware of the unmet needs in our community.
- Equip leaders in how to interpret demographic information.
- Learn how to empower those with no power.
- Learn how populations shift.
- Discover how to interact with area populations.
- Learn how to help, but not enable.
- Understand the cultural challenges of people new to our area.

What is TARRP?

Town and Rural Resource Programming is a consortium of clergy from East and West Ohio Conferences dedicated to providing educational opportunities and ministry enhancement programs to town and country congregations across the state of Ohio. TARRP's mission is to create workshops/academies/trainings that develop stronger leadership in town, country, and rural places, to create more effective proclamation, nurturing, and outreach taking place, for the transformation of the world in Jesus's name. TARRP trainings are offered to you at a greatly reduced cost, offset by your apportionment dollars through grants from East and West Ohio Conferences.

Location:

Methodist Theological School in Ohio
3081 Columbus Pike, Delaware Ohio
43015

Located on US Route 23 exactly 10 miles north of I-270, the Columbus outerbelt. This event is a 2 hour drive from Cleveland or Cincinnati.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Gallery of the Alford Centrum which adjoins the Dickhaut Library, seen directly in front of you, as you enter the grounds.

A Continental Breakfast is provided in the Gallery, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Worship begins at 9:00 a.m. in the Centrum. Come a little early to meet others and enjoy the hospitality. Parking is to the right and left of the entrance.

An elevator is available through the columned front doors of the library.

*Call Rev. Debra Ketcham at 614-580-2382 the day of the event for an emergency number or questions.

We thank Methodist Theological School in Ohio for helping make this event possible.



The Super 8 and the Best Western are available just north of the seminary on US 23. Additional hotels available at I-270/US 23.

Developing Effective Leadership

Town and Rural Resource Program of the East & West Ohio Conferences invite all Small Membership Church

Lay Servants & Speakers

Part-time & Fulltime

Local Pastors

Associate Members

Student Pastors

Provisionals

Deacons

Elders & Lay Leaders to:

DISCOVERING OUR NEIGHBORS:

Those We Don't See or Understand—for Outreach, Mission, & Evangelism

Sat., Nov. 15, 2014

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Held in conjunction with Methodist Theological School in Ohio

Just south of Delaware on Rt. 23

SMALL MEMBERSHIP CHURCHES ARE UNIQUE



Small membership churches, whether rural or urban, have unseen people, ignored people in their midst. Demographic studies often don't find them, as census workers tend not travel down dirt roads or speak the language of immigrant people.

Rural, urban, along with town & country landscapes are changing socially, with neighborhoods and communities shifting and diversifying, in all areas of the state.

As we continue to receive an influx of poor and disenfranchised from other states, middle-class Americans do not understand those who hide among the back roads or temporarily bunk in with others.

These are God's children. Jesus said, "Care for the least of these," and quite honestly, Christians don't notice or understand them. Jesus calls us to go forth in his name.

Our Morning Sessions will feature:

Jeff Stewart, the Program Coordinator of Starting Point Outreach Center, a social justice center in Cleveland area. He works with the non-profit Immigrant Worker Project. He has helped organize churches and individuals working with invisible populations in Ohio, Alabama, and Kentucky. He has trained and worked with churches and organizations regarding the Mexican farm workers in Ohio.

He has spoken at the East Ohio Annual Conference, offering a workshop on "Migration & Immigration in Ohio" and led workshops in rural areas, including Willard, Ohio.

Karen Brantley, Director of Hispanic Ministries in West Ohio who will share how a church, or a cluster of churches, can impact their neighbors, through education, mission, witness, and service. She was a missionary for a ministry on the eastside of Columbus, with multiple churches supporting ESL classes, relationship-building fun, and worship for a Hispanic population. She now teaches others how to lead new and similar endeavors, meeting the needs of others.

Our Afternoon Session will be led by:

Kelly Brown, Director of Congregational Vitality in East Ohio. He is part of the New Church Start Academy and a church growth consultant. He will teach us how to read, understand, and assess the needs and opportunities around our church's community, by using Mission Insite demographic information. He will focus on the various assets of people and the needs of those in our area.



Bring your Mission Insite reports with you. If unable to access your information, your church will receive their Mission Insite reports on site! **Please bring a team to discover what is unseen and misunderstood in your area.**

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Name: _____

Church/Charge: _____

Conference _____ District _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____

Total attending from your church/charge _____

Amount remitted: _____

Do you have your church's Insight Reports? _____

Additional Names: _____

Registration is: \$25.00 for one person; \$23.00 each for two persons from the same church; \$20.00 each for three or more from the same church/charge. **Seminary students \$10.00.** This includes event, continental breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack, and handouts.

0.6 C.E.U's for clergy and lay.

Seating is limited to 120.

Registration Deadline is: November 5, 2014

Send registration with checks payable to TARRP to:

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