

Children's Directors Gathering

May 11, 2010

Myrtle Grove UMC

Those present: Marg Perelli, Daphne UMC, Esther Felt, St. Luke - Pensacola, Rebecca Rutherford, Navarre, Brenda Lewis, Woodbine, Kris Angles, Gulf Breeze, Lyn Morris, Gulf Breeze, Jennifer Keenan, Gulf Breeze, Terry Delker, Cokesbury Books Store Rep, Eliese McAllister, Dauphin Way, Paula Roane, Trinity - Fort Walton Beach, Emily Kincaid, FUMC - Wetumpka, Jacki Smith, FUMC - Millbrook, Janet Boston, Myrtle Grove, Mindi Riker, FUMC- Crestview, Beth Allen, Spanish Fort, Ann Thames, Chumuckla Community Church (new name for Elizabeth Chapel), Patric Newton, Blue Lake Camp, Gindi Prutzman, FUMC - Dothan, Cathy Wyant, FUMC - Fort Walton Beach, Robert Powell - UMCH, Samantha Smyth-Chandler, St. Andrew - Pensacola, Fran Smyth, St. Andrew - Pensacola, Tracey Bullinger, St. Luke - Enterprise, Dena Ogletree, FUMC—Dothan, Patty Macready, Whitfield Memorial, Leigh Meekins, Conference Office

Notes:

- **Next meeting - August 19 at St. James in Montgomery -- Junk Food Covered Dish - bring your favorite junk food to share for lunch - this will be a junk food extravaganza**
- Annual Conference Display - need volunteers to staff the table - sign up - list attached please call Leigh Meekins to sign up or email Leigh at leigh@fumc.org
- Teacher Training at FUMC, Dothan on August 21 9:00 - 3:00 \$15.00 a person includes lunch - there will also be a "Curriculum Yard Sale" -- bring curriculum from 2000 forward / NO VHS, NO audio cassettes - Everything will be priced \$1.00 Proceeds: 10% will go to UMCH, 90% will go to Day Camp at AWF Annual Conference 2011
- Blue Lake Camp announcements - check blue lake website for info on camps: www.bluelakecamp.com -- Elementary Winter Retreat dates Feb 11-13m 2011 a 3 day sneak peek at Summer Camp for 3rd graders through 5th graders
- Additionally Blue Lake doing Energize for Youth Oct 1-3

- UMCH - United Methodist Children's Home -- Selma Campus being sold - Group homes still in use - Focus -- DHR allows UMCH opportunity to help families resolve issues prior to removal of children from the home - need anything contact Robert Powell (PR for the central and south Alabama area) Robert@umch.net -- Coin banks available for VBS mission projects www.umch.net
- Academy for Ministries with Children -- 8 classes in 2 year cycles paraprofessional certification in children's ministry
- Floor opened for ministry discussion
 - Children's church - especially for special needs children
 - Children's praise and worship videos and songs
 - Alpha resource for children (see info attached)
 - Gulf Breeze UMC working with Chick-fil-a Day camp -- host Winshape Foundation (see attached flyer)
 - Resources available through Conference for hospitality and evangelism assistance.

Curriculum Workshop in afternoon - what available from Cokesbury - remember www.cokesbury.com

- For Tweens:
 - The Lads -- a 6 wk study with comic books, video, and online resources -- see attached The Secrets of the Universe
 - New confirmation material coming out in August -- Credo
 - Pre-confirmation resources
 - Tween ministry assessment
- Children's Resources
 - All in one bible Fun
 - Rock-a-bye baby - Toddlers and 2s / Babies and Woddlers
 - Green Church - all church piece
 - Power Express - now downloadable per unit and station - this is the rotation model curriculum
 - Children Ministry Planning Guide - helpful websites
 - Molly Pickens series coming soon
 - Cross-Trainers -- from the field curriculum coming soon
- Give Cokesbury feedback on the curriculum, use Curricuphone for questions, suggestion, problems

- GBOD - Children's Ministries
 - Focus - every 4 years
 - Forum - every year in between Focus
 - Tracy Radosevic brochure attached
 - Concept map for organizing your children's ministries
 - Children's Sabbath materials
 - Pockets
 - Safe Kids security info at Annual Conference on display

Need help with Annual Conference Display: Need at least 1 volunteer each slot if not 2 -- call Leigh Meekins or email her for a slot or more PLEASE!!!!!!

Sunday, June 6 4:00-6:00

Monday, June 7 9:00-12:00

12:00-2:30

2:30-4:30

Tuesday, June 8 9:00-12:00

12:00-2:30 Marsha MeGehee

2:30-4:30

Clean up and take down display