

# Education and Leadership Development Team

Stated Meeting of Presbytery at First PC San Bernardino

13 March 2010

## INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **LEaD:** Is on schedule with lots of people helping. We hope this will be a great event for our Presbytery, especially with the Rev. Bruce Reyes-Chow, moderator of the 2008 General Assembly, present and leading a workshop on multimedia and the Church. Jack Brennan is working on the raffle again this year.
2. **Certification for Christian Educators:** Carol Stanley lead the team through a discussion of process and policies with regard to how the presbytery receives and walks with those seeking one of three levels of certification offered through the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). She presented a document entitled "Certification for Christian Educators", which outlined the three levels and the requirements for each, in decreasing order of requirements:
  - Certified Christian Educator (requires a masters or M.Div, and has access to COM)
  - Certified Associate Christian Educator (requires a bachelors and has access to COM)
  - Enrolled Educational Assistant (requires 2 years fulltime experience and no access to COM)

Carol shared that there is a gap in the certification or enrollment process in the Presbytery of Riverside as to where one goes to be under care. The committee discussed for some time this issue. The consensus of the committee is that the roll of oversight most logically lands with the Committee on Preparation for Ministry. It was agreed without objection to recommend to the Presbytery Council that a process of oversight be developed, with the recommendation that the task of oversight be lodged with CPM.

3. **Presbyterian Youth Triennium:** We have 31 youth and 6 adults attending. The delegation met for the first time on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> at First, San Bernardino, and will be meeting again at the LEaD event to be commissioned by the presbytery. We planning to ask churches to designate all or a portion of their Pentecost Offering for youth ministry within our presbytery, with most of that going to Triennium costs.
4. **Resource Center:** Diane Frasher, Resource Center Coordinator, reported on her experience at the APCE (Association of Presbyterian Christian Educators) conference. She reported that she attended a number of workshops, including: Christian education for Small Congregations, What

Resourcing Means in the Church Today, DVD Based Small Group Resources Preview, Resolving Conflict Positively, and Beyond Myers-Briggs.

Diane reported that lots of new resources are currently available in the Resource Center, with lots more on the way. Old curriculum that is not longer useable due to copyright laws, but may be retained for “reference” purposes, will be available at the Presbytery meeting for anyone to peruse and take.

5. **Camperships**: ELDT approved a number of camperships both from the Presbytery’s general campership fund and the Helen L. and Ole Nordland Memorial Fund (for use for any child going into or graduating from 4<sup>th</sup> grade).

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Motion** to approve the following adults within the presbytery, pending satisfactory completion of criminal background checks, to form the adult lead team for the Presbytery’s youth delegation to the 2010 Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana, July 19-24, 2010: **The Rev. Eric Ledermann** (First, San Bernardino), **The Rev. Scott Mason** (First, Beaumont), **Lindsey Marcus** (First, Upland), **The Rev. Erin Thomas** (Calvary, Riverside), and **Ms. Betsy Osbrink** (Calvary, Riverside), and **Victor Dominguez** (First, Beaumont).