

Kentucky Conference



## Lay Leaders and Lay Speaking Directors

### Lay Leaders

Ashland  
Bowling Green  
Columbia  
Corbin  
Covington  
Elizabethtown  
Frankfort  
Lexington  
Louisville  
Madisonville  
Owensboro  
Prestonsburg

Low Nicholls  
Lisa Murrell  
C.G. Collins  
Henry Hull  
John Denham  
Ken Vowels  
Clyde Tharp  
David Bondurant  
Russell Behanan  
Rita Grace  
Ray Nix  
Linda Gayheart

### Lay Speaking Directors

Ed Shytle  
Nancy Wetzel  
Jayne Squires  
Patricia Colwell  
Brian Wilson  
Ken Vowels  
J. Henry Dunean  
Bob Boutell  
Jeri Parish  
Fred Goodwin  
Linda Gayheart

Conference Lay Leader - Carol Ackley

Associate Lay Leaders - Low Nicholls & Brenda Glover

Conference Lay Speaking Director - Jayne Squires

United Methodist Women - Mary Bertram

United Methodist Youth - Deanna Brandon

United Methodist Men - Ed Shytle

## For Any United Methodist

- Who wants to learn more about Methodism and Wesleyan teachings
- Who wants to improve their church leadership skills
- Who wants to become a Lay Speaker either in their local church or Certified Lay Speaker who travels to other United Methodist Churches to share God's Word
- Who wants to assume more leadership within the United Methodist Church



*"Effective Leaders, Faithful Disciples, Vital Congregations"*



**For More Information Call  
Your District Office**



# LACE

## Lay Academy of Church Excellence

Developed by the Board of Lay Ministry  
Kentucky Annual Conference




## *Curriculum Topics*

*Called by God - Spiritual Gifts*  
*Leading Worship - Modalities*  
*Introduction to Methodism*  
*Evangelism - How to Witness*  
*Church Organization - Officer Duties*  
*Leadership through Service*  
*Growing in Personal Faith*  
*Stewardship*  
*Managing Conflict with*  
*Christian Love and Grace*

# *Completion of Core Curriculum*

*Prepares participants  
for three options:*



***Learn more about  
United Methodist  
History & Theology***



***Sharpen Leadership  
Skills***



***Lay Speaking  
Certification***

Remember, God works through each of us to make our local churches vital congregations for the transformation of the world!



## *Implementation*



### ***Facts***

- ***Implementation of program is the full discretion of the District Leadership Team based on needs within each district.***
- ***Taught entirely within each district.***
- ***Local instructors include pastors, elders, district superintendent and lay persons proficient in areas being taught.***
- ***Five host churches are designated to provide classrooms and lunch for participants.***
- ***Participants are asked to give a love offering to host church providing lunch.***
- ***Additional speakers may be brought in to assist and provide expertise in specific areas.***
- ***If you have ever had a desire to learn more about Methodism, become a lay speaker, or acquire skills that will help you become a more effective church leader, this program is for you.***