



Disciple Line for effectiveness

Clarion Hotel Conference Center Louisville, KY April 20 - 21

*Sabbath & Christian Conferencing
(small groups)*
2007 Focus



*Transforming the
LEADERSHIP
of our CHURCH
through the
10 TIMELESS VALUES*

BISHOP'S LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Dr. J. Ellsworth Kalas



Dr. J. Ellsworth Kalas is currently the interim President of Asbury Theological Seminary. After 38 years as a pastor in Wisconsin and Ohio, and five years as an associate in evangelism with the World Methodist Council, Dr. Kalas came to Asbury in 1993 with the opening of the Beeson Institute for Advanced Church Leadership. He has written more than

thirty books as well as 12 adult study quarterlies for the United Methodist Publishing House. He has recorded the entire Bible on audiotape, along with his Grand Sweep devotionals. Additionally, he is the author of *Christian Believer*, an intensive study of Christian doctrine produced by the United Methodist Publishing House for interdenominational use. He has two adult children, Taddy and David, and his wife, Janet, whom he married in 1994, has two adult children.

Dr. Steven W. Manskar



Dr. Steven W. Manskar is a clergy member of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church serving at the General Board of Discipleship as Director of Accountable Discipleship. Steve helps annual conferences, districts and local congregations develop and support Covenant Discipleship groups for all age

groups, Class Leaders, and other small group ministries. Rev. Manskar holds the Master of Divinity and the Doctor of Ministry degrees from Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC. He is the author of *Accountable Discipleship: Living in God's Household, A Perfect Love: Understanding John Wesley's "A Plain Account of Christian Perfection,"* and *A Disciple's Journal: Daily Bible Reading and Guidance for Reflection* published by Discipleship Resources. Steve lives in Nashville, TN with his wife, Gina, and son, Noah.

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2:15pm - 3:00 pm Send Off with Ellsworth Kalas
12:15pm - 2:15 pm Christian Conferencing (Small Groups) Presentation with Steve Manskar
11:30am - 12:15 pm Lunch (provided with registration)
9:00am - 11:30 am Sabbath Presentation with Marjorie Thompson
8:30am - 9:00 am Morning Worship

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

9:30 - 10:30 pm Additional Worship
7:30pm - 9:00 pm Worship and Communion with Bishop James R. King, Jr.
6:00pm - 7:15 pm Registration

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

Opportunity:
A Service of Healing
and Reconciliation

ALL TIMES ARE EASTERN TIME ZONE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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Disciple Line for Youth

Middle School and High School young people from all over the Commonwealth are invited to a special youth study as part of this year's BLI. We are making plans to spend the late hours on Friday evening in some get acquainted activities, with leadership from Ryan Young of Christ UMC and Marco E. Ballesteros of Preston Highway UMC. These guys are forming a "happenin'" band that will knock your socks off during our weekend together. For our study times on Saturday we are excited to have Susan Eaton of Immanuel UMC and Tiffany Hollums of Asbury UMC as our facilitators. They will be leading our time together around a youth friendly study of Sabbath and Christian Conferencing (Small Groups)... "How do these subjects play out on MY school campus?"

To be a part of the youth sessions:
Register in the youth section of the BLI Registration Form.
Make hotel and travel arrangements with your church team/pastor.
All youth activities will be at the Clarion. Youth will participate at the opening and the closing general sessions.

For all youth activities we ask for one adult chaperone for every seven students.

Registration

To register please fill out registration form included and send to 2007 BLI, 7400 Floydsburg Road, Crestwood, KY 40014. Include check or pay online at www.kyumc.org/BLI

HOTEL INFORMATION

Clarion Hotel
9700 Bluegrass Parkway
(intersection of I-64 and Hurstbourne Parkway)
Louisville, KY

Room rate: \$73.00

Reservations must be made by 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2007 to guarantee this rate. Mention BLI when making your reservation. Please call the hotel directly at (502) 491-4830.

We express our appreciation to the staff of the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center for their help in coordinating this event.

Rev. Marjorie J. Thompson



Rev. Marjorie J. Thompson is an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church USA. She received her Master of Divinity degree from McCormick Theological Seminary. Later, she became a Research Fellow at Yale Divinity School where she studied Christian spirituality with Henri Nouwen. She has taught in The Upper Room's Academy for Spiritual Formation,

and directed the foundational program for Stillpoint (Programs in Spiritual Direction and Contemplative Prayer) in Nashville. In 1996, Marjorie took a full-time position with The Upper Room as Director of the Pathways Center for Spiritual Leadership. In this position, she served as chief architect of *Companions in Christ*, a small group resource in congregational spiritual formation. Marjorie has also authored parts of other volumes in the *Companions* series, entitled "The Way of Forgiveness," "The Way of Blessedness," "The Way of Grace," and "Exploring the Way." She and her husband John live in Kingston Springs, Tennessee, with John's mother and two cats.

Bishop James R. King, Jr.



Resident Bishop of the Kentucky Annual Conference

With a passion for growing a Christ-like world, he continues to encourage clergy and lay teams to focus on the teachings of Jesus Christ and our Wesleyan heritage as the foundation for making disciples.

Disciple Line for Kids

(Open to children whose parent or guardian is participating in the BLI sessions.
Kindergarten - 5th grade)

Speakers, entertainment, crafts and activities to teach your child about the timeless values of Christian discipleship.

Friday Evening 7:30 - 9:30

Saturday 8:30 - 3:30

Breakfast, lunch and 2 snacks will be provided.
Childcare provided for children under age 5

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*Holy
Communion*

Stewardship

Fasting

*Justice
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Prayer



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