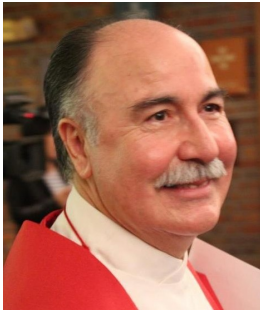


Greetings!



Welcome! Bienvenido! Hwan Young! Mabuhay! Swagath! To the Elgin District Training Event of 2014! The Elgin District is a diverse district that encompasses many wonderful neighbors!

Our neighbors are inclusive and spirited celebrating the gifts of people of all ages and of all ethnic, racial and economic groups. The vibrancy of language reflecting the ethos of the various congregations is a unique tapestry of our dedication to "Open Minds, Open Hearts and Open Doors". I give thanks to God for the wonderful hospitality of Barrington UMC and El Mesias UMC, Vital welcoming churches for hosting us today!

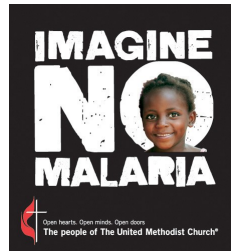
Come and participate in our exciting workshops prayerfully developed by our Elgin District Connectional Table.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Oscar N. Carrasco
Elgin District Superintendent

Workshop Schedule

- 8:30-9:00 Registration / Light Breakfast / Fellowship
(Registracion / Desayuno Liviano / Companerismo)
 - 9:00-9:30 Worship
 - 9:40-10:40 Session I
 - 10:50-11:50 Session II
 - 12:00-12:20 District Update (Sanctuary)
- * Offering will be dedicated to "Imagine No Malaria"



D. United Methodist Church Structure in Spanish

"Como transformar y constituir una Comunidad de Fe en una Iglesia Metodista Organizada: Le invitamos a ser parte de este entrenamiento básico para líderes, Misioneros Laicos y pastores hispanos/latinos, en el importante rol de constituir una comunidad de fe en una nueva Iglesia Metodista organizada."

Presented by Rev Mario Mayer (Pastor of El Mesias) and Rev. Fabiola Grandon (Associate Pastor of Elgin First)



F. Imagine No Malaria



Learn about what malaria is, why it is one of the world's deadliest killers, and brainstorm about how your church can get involved to help eradicate death by this disease.

Presented by Rachel Birkhahn-Rommelfanger, Conference Field Coordinator of INM

F. The Ministry of the Presence

Come and dialogue with our District Superintendent about this important topic. Be prepared to hear some insightful and perhaps non traditionally taught views that could reenergize your life and ministry for years to come.



Calendar!

- ◇ Aldersgate Experience Event on May 24, 2014 with food, fellowship, preaching, and singing at Barrington UMC. Please keep the date on your calendar for this event to create a joyful and uplifting experience for all in attendance.
- ◇ Special Thanks to Elgin District Connectional Table (Chairperson Justice Larry Inglis)

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2014 Elgin District Training Event



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Cultural
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January 25, 2014



Barrington UMC

98 Algonquin Rd, Barrington, IL 60010

Workshop Description

A. Welcoming

Welcoming newcomers into your church involves more than a handshake at the front door on Sunday mornings! Discuss the ways that greeting teams, intentionally designed processes and systematic follow-up can combine to form an effective ministry that welcomes newcomers and draws them into the life of the church.

Presented by Rev. Chris Winkler and Gayle Richard, Barrington UMC



B. Trustees

The role of the Trustees in supporting ministry objective of my church in providing safe and attractive spaces that “Welcome my neighbor.”

- Does my facility provide a safe environment for ministry? Examining the issue of liability and risk-management.
- Does my facility provide attractive spaces for welcoming our neighbors?
- Does the appearance of the facility and dated spaces hinder creative 21st ministry?
- Is our facility difficult and confusing for visitors to navigate and is it easily accessible?

Presented by Rev. Jay Walkington and Jim Howard (Conference Trustee)

C. Spanish as Second Language

¿Quién es mi vecino? Who is my neighbor? To help us all practice radical hospitality, the Northern Illinois Conference is offering six-session programs of “hospitality Spanish” for English speakers. Come learn how your church can offer this program to your members and the community, and experience a taste of what you will learn and how you will learn it. .



Presented by Joyce Carrasco, Diep Nguyen, and Ruth Hoffman

Registration Form

Elgin District Training Event 2014

Please register **by January 15, 2014 via email, fax, mail**

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Clergy Mr Mrs Ms

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Church _____

Please indicate by Workshop Letter, which workshop would be your first & second choice.

1st choice of Workshop

Session I _____ Session II _____

2nd choice of Workshop

Session I _____ Session II _____

- Special Needs: (Includes Handicap Accessibility; Dietary need; Spanish & Korean Language translation)
- Child Care will be provided. Please provide child’s name and age.



** In the event of inclement weather and the need to cancel, district clergy will be notified and the announcement will be posted at www.elgindistrict.org