

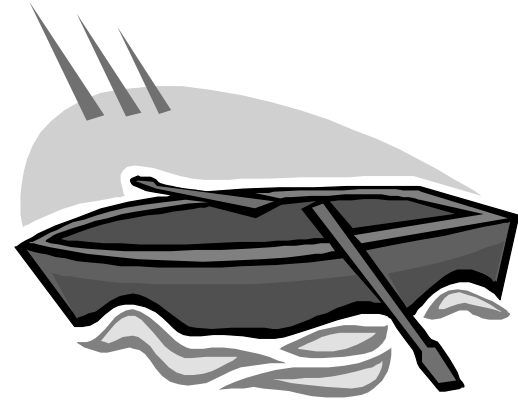
# 2008 Peace with Justice Speech Contest for UM Youth

*Charity bails  
the boat; justice  
plugs the hole.*

The Board of Christian Social Witness is delighted to offer this opportunity to all of our youth, grades 9-12. The topics include a focus on the 100th Anniversary of the Methodist Social Creed and two goals of the Millennium Development Goals, to cut extreme poverty in half by 2015.

The speeches (there is no alternative contest this year) are to be persuasive and of 7-10 minutes in length. Key aspects will be biblical foundations; addressing justice, not charity or mercy; and challenging the church to witness for a more just society and world.

**Important change! There will be no district in-person contests. Speeches are to be recorded unedited in video format (VHS or DVD). The VHS tape or DVD (including a printed copy of the speech) needs to be mailed via U.S. Postal Service and postmarked no later than May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to your district representative.**



The top Conference winner and runner-up will present their speeches during Annual Conference, June 11-14, 2008. Judging at the conference level will be Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, Nebraska Wesleyan campus, either late afternoon or early evening. Scholarship awards will be presented to the Conference winners: \$750 each for first place, and \$250 each for second place. These scholarship awards will be paid directly to the school of the winner's choice when they matriculate.

For more details, go to [umcneb.org](http://umcneb.org) and click on *youth*. For specific district information, contact your district representative.

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