

Wesleyan Live

Televised courses for Nebraska clergy, laity and community members

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This program offers continuing education courses for clergy, laity and community members. Courses are taught by Nebraska Wesleyan faculty in Lincoln and televised live across the state. The participants and professors are able to interact with each other throughout each telecast.

Course Location

The sessions are televised live from the Nebraska Education Telecommunications Building in Lincoln. The possible transmittal sites, which will be determined according to registrations, include Ainsworth, Beatrice, Grand Island, Kearney, Lincoln, Norfolk, North Platte, Omaha and Scottsbluff. A minimum of six registrants is needed at each location.

Registration & Credit

The enrollment cost is \$40 per person or \$20 for retired clergy and retired clergy spouses. Please complete the registration form and send it along with the fee to:

Church Relations

Nebraska Wesleyan University

5000 Saint Paul Avenue, Lincoln, NE 68504-2794.

For more information, call Ebb Munden, Special Assistant to the President, at (402) 465-2570 or (402) 465-2222.

United Methodist clergy may receive six contact hours for continuing education credit.

Wesleyan Live, Fall 2008

Christians Listening to Muslim Voices: Dialogue(s) in the Midst of Conflict(s)

Tuesdays 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

October 14, 2008 – November 18, 2008

“Interfaith Dialogue” - What is it? When do we engage in it? With whom can we be in dialogue? Does dialogue help us to avoid conflict(s)? If so, how do Christians and Muslims understand the role of religion in political processes?

In the course of six weeks, we will read documents written by Muslims from various perspectives, as well as statements on interfaith dialogue from Christian perspectives (and especially United Methodists), in order to explore possible answers to these questions. Is it our responsibility or prerogative to invite others into conversation? If so, what are some practical steps that we can pursue?

Additionally, during one of the six sessions, we will have a guest speaker, Shakil Ahmed, from the Muslim community in Omaha.

This course will be led by Dr. Paul Williams, Department of Religion, University of Nebraska at Omaha; and Dr. Fred Richart, UNO Campus Minister.

Course materials will include one book: *Who Speaks for Islam?: What a Billion Muslims Really Think*, by John L. Esposito and Dalia Mogahed. This book can be purchased from Soul Desires bookstore (1026 Jackson St., Omaha, NE 68102, 1-800-264-4249) at \$23.00, which includes shipping and taxes.

Wesleyan Live, Spring 2009

Renewal the Wesleyan Way: How Our Unique Heritage Can Fuel a Modern-Day Revival

Tuesdays 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

February 3, 2009 – March 10, 2009

It's time for a revival! After decades of decline in America, the United Methodist Church stands on the brink of a period of opportunity for revival and renewal. How can we use the best of our heritage as a catalyst for our movement into our faithful, fruitful future? How can John Wesley's insights on servant leadership reignite and inspire the way we grow together? What practical, effective solutions can we implement to contribute to thriving ministry?

In this class we will explore the Methodist heritage of belief and spiritual practice that can be employed to take the church into the 21st century in a dynamic way. Among the topics to be examined are: core notions of Wesleyan theology, the shape of the church, and how to enact Methodist spirituality in daily life.

Leading the class will be Rev. Pauletta Lehn, University Minister, Nebraska Wesleyan University; and Dr. Glen Messer, Visiting Assistant Professor of Methodist Studies and Church History at Boston University and fellow with the Center for Global Christianity and Mission.

Course materials will include one book: *A Model For Making Disciples: John Wesley's Class Meeting*, by D. Michael Henderson. This book can be purchased from Soul Desires bookstore (1026 Jackson St., Omaha, NE 68102, 1-800-264-4249) at \$14, which includes shipping and taxes. We will also use excerpts from various scholars and experts on church renewal and Wesleyan theology. The course will employ use of a CD featuring a series of short lessons to complement each weekly session.

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Name _____

Address _____ E-mail address _____

City/State/ZIP _____ Phone _____

Site Preference: Ainsworth Beatrice Grand Island Kearney Lincoln

Norfolk North Platte Omaha Scottsbluff

Enclosed is my check (payable to Nebraska Wesleyan University) for: _____ \$40/Fall Course

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