

Lay Servant Ministries
Leading, Caring, and
Communicating

Leading: Lay Servants combine words and actions in leadership roles with their families, churches and communities.

Caring: As Lay Servants combine words with deeds; they find ways to care for others.

Communicating: All Lay Servants are called to communicate their faith. We want to be equipped to do it well as we serve as a representative of Jesus Christ.



**North Central District
Lay Servants Training
Event**

**October 28th
&
November 4th
2017**

**LS must attend both
Saturdays to be certified.**

**Location of Classes:
Ocala FUMC
1135 East King Street
Ocala, FL 34471**

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Certification Requirement

Local Church Lay Servants:

- **Pastor Approval**
- **10 hours of Basic Course**
- **A refresher course once every 3 years**

Certified Lay Servants

- **Pastor Approval**
- **Basic Course**
- **An Advanced Course**
- **An additional advanced course every 3 years**

Schedule

October 28th, 2017

- 8:30 Orientation and Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 Session 1**
- 10:30 Break**
- 11:00 Session 2**
- 12:00 Lunch**
- 1:00 Session 3**
- 2:00 Break**
- 3:30 Dismissal**

November 4th, 2017

- 8:30 Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 Session 4**
- 10:30 Break**
- 11:00 Session 5**
- 12:00 Lunch**
- 1:00 Communion Service**
- Certificates and Fellowship**
- 3:30 Dismissal**

Basic Course \$40.00
Advance Courses \$40.00
(Class-Books-Meals both Sessions)

Advanced Courses:

“The Empowerment Church”

Speaking a New Language for Church Growth

The purpose of the church is simple: it exists to bring people to salvation in Christ, and to positively and permanently change lives for the good of the community. The way the church fulfills this basic calling is through empowerment: endowing people with the capacity to be recipients and catalysts of positive social and personal change. Too many churches in North America have neglected this basic calling, argues the author. If they are to become thriving centers of personal and social transformation, then they must work to empower the whole person through ministries that work at the same time for spiritual, relational, and communal transformation. Only when they thus empower individuals to be disciples of Jesus Christ in ways that then transform those individuals' personal relations and the communities in which they live will the church have fulfilled its basic calling.

“Your Church Can Thrive”

Making the Connections That Build Healthy Congregations
How is your church going to grow? Will it grow by fine-tuning worship, the preaching, the Christian education programs, and the like? Or will it grow by making strategic assessments of the people it is most likely to reach and focusing the ministries of the church on the goal of offering the gospel to those people? In this brief, practical book Harold Percy helps congregations answer these critical questions about their mission and ministry.

There are four main groups of people that any congregation can and should seek out: 1. Those in the pews; 2. Those who walk in; 3. Friends and family of current members; 4. Those who live in the neighborhood. Percy argues that these four types of people represent the congregation's best opportunity to lead people to become committed disciples of Jesus Christ.

Basic Course:

This basic course for Lay Servants provides the framework for all leadership in mission and ministry. This course will equip leaders to better lead not only in your church, but also in the local community.

The following topics will be covered:

- Servant leadership
- Spiritual leadership
- Caring ministries
- Sharing your faith
- Leading meetings

*Please bring your Book, Bible,
Book of Worship, & Hymnal to each session.*

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REGISTRATION FORM

“Please complete the form, obtain your pastor’s signature, and send with your payment to the address below.”

NAME (please print): _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE (Priority #): _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

LOCAL CHURCH: _____

SIGNATURE OF LOCAL PASTOR: _____

PLEASE MARK THE COURSE YOU ARE TAKING:

_____: **BASIC LAY SERVANT COURSE**

_____: **“Your Church Can Thrive”** (Advanced Course)

_____: **“The Empowerment Church”** (Advanced Course)

EVENT COST: \$40.00

(Course books, breakfast, snacks and lunch are included.)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: “NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT” – DEADLINE IS October 20th, 2017

MAIL CHECKS TO: Walter L. Dry 3418 Knotty Oaks Circle Spring Hill, FL 34606
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