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News, Resources & Opportunities to Energize & Equip Church Leaders

Conference News & Updates

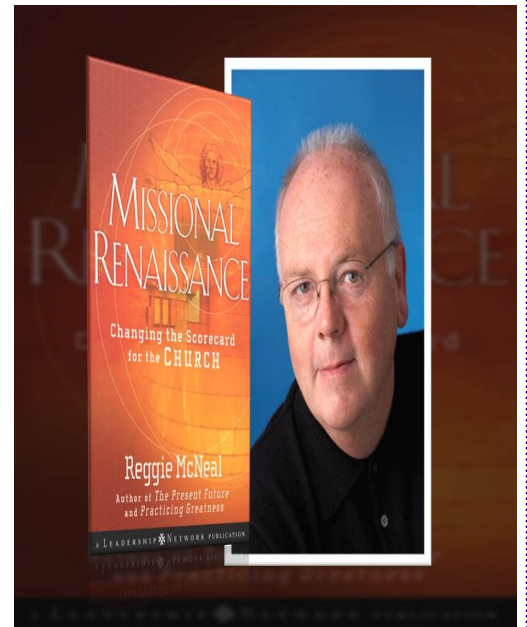
Reggie McNeal Speaking at Mansfield FUMC

Make your plans now to take advantage of a unique learning opportunity as The Central Texas Conference welcomes best-selling author and church leadership specialist Reggie McNeal to First UMC Mansfield on Sept. 10 for a conversation on how to transform yourself and your church into a more missional mindset.

This event is applicable to all, whether clergy, long-time member of the church or those just beginning their faith journey.

Check-in begins at 9 a.m., and the program is scheduled to conclude at 2:30 p.m. **Childcare is available.** The cost for the seminar is \$25 per person, which includes lunch.

To register for the event, [click here](#) or go to www.firstmethodistmansfield.org and click on the "Special Events" tab on the right hand side of the home page. For more information on the event or how to access promotional materials visit ctcumc.org.



<http://ctcumc.org/news/detail/190>

Take Part In:

- **Back to School with God- "Bible, Burger & Blessing":** Mt. Zion UMC UM Women in Belton are hosting this event on Aug. 13 to prepare your children for "back to school." The event will take place at Yetti Polk Park, 101 S. Davis Street, Belton 76513 from 8 am-4pm. For more info, contact Marie Timmons at 254-338-0472 or Tahji Roamartinez-Jackson at 254-394-6423.
- **Evangelism 101 at St. John UMC, Georgetown:** This class will be held in the Fellowship Room at 311 E. University. It takes place 9 am to 5 pm, Aug. 13 and 4-6 pm, Aug. 14. The class will end during the 6:30 pm worship service at St. John's. If interested, please send your name, number, home address, e-mail, and name of your church to Dr. Johnel Louie at JLouie28@aol.com or call 254-791-1435.
- **Leadership for Effective Adult Faith Formation:** Arlington FUMC is holding a leadership training in Room 155 from 1-5 pm, Aug 28. Led by Carol Krau, with the General Board of Discipleship. If you are interested in joining us for lunch at noon, include this on your online registration for the event. Register online at www.arlingtonmethodist.org. For more information contact Kay Lancaster at 817-274-2571 or klancaster@arlingtonmethodist.org.

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Take Part In Cont...

- **R.E.A.P. Program sponsored by Christian Educators Fellowship:** Renewing, Equipping, Affirming, Preparing (REAP) program takes place Sept. 16-17 at Memorial Drive UMC in Houston. Registration is now open for all pastors and laity who serve children, youth, adults, and spiritual formation ministries. For more details, visit www.ghles.org.
- **Fort Worth Crop Walk:** The Tarrant County Community of Churches in Fort Worth is raising money to support ministries to combat hunger in Tarrant County and around the world with a 5K from 1:30-4 pm, Oct. 16 at TCU's Dee J. Kelly Center. The Kick-Off Luncheon will take place at First Presbyterian Church Fort Worth at 11:30 am to 1 pm, Sept. 15. For more information or to reserve a spot, call 817-737-5554 or email melindav@tarrantareacc.org.

Attend:

- **"Take You to Broadway" Show:** Watch The Meadowbrook Players perform at 7 pm on Aug. 12-13 and at 2 pm on Aug. 14 in the Meadowbrook UMC Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$10 in advance (\$12 at the door & \$5 for children under 12). To purchase tickets, call 817-534-1741. For more information, visit www.mbrookumc.org
- **FREE Philmont Concert:** Foundation United Methodist Church in Temple invites you to enjoy a free concert at 7 pm, Friday, Aug. 12. Please bring a canned food donation help the Temple/Belton food pantry. For more information, Contact Clinton Sharp clinton@foundationumc.org. Check out Philmont here <http://www.youtube.com/user/philmont>. Solace Through Flames: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Solace-Through-Flames/163019577077453>.



- **FREE "Forgiven" Concert:** Join us with Southern Gospel quartet "Forgiven" of Oklahoma as they perform at 6 pm, Aug. 14 in the Sanctuary at Crowley FUMC. A love offering will be taken. For a map or more information, visit crowleyumc.com.

• **9/11 FREE Benefit Concert:** Central UMC and Central Presbyterian Churches are combining their choirs for a concert to honor the ten year anniversary of 9/11. The concert will be at 4 pm, September 11 in the sanctuary of Central UMC at 5740 Bagby Ave. in Waco. Donations will be accepted and distributed between the Waco Fire Department and the Woodway Public Safety Department. For more information, please call 254-420-2862.

Happening in the Church

- **Student Leadership Teams Dissolved:** As of August 1, 2011, all Conference Student Leadership teams have been dissolved due to the redistricting and reorganization of the Central Texas Conference. Plans are being made to rebuild student leadership opportunities. For more information, please visit <http://ctcumc.org/pages/detail/1175> or contact Leanne Johnston at Leanne@ctcumc.org.

Mission Messages

- **Joplin Now Open to UMVIM Teams:** For more information in regard to sending a team, please contact Johnny Miller at Johnny@oakparkmethodist.org or 254.773.3021, or Kyland Dobbins, the Mission Experience Coordinator, in the conference office at Kyland@ctcumc.org.
- **Haiti Earthquake Relief Mission:** On Jan. 12, Haiti experienced a massive earthquake that claimed over 250,000 lives. UMC has been working with the Methodist Church of Haiti to rebuild lives & property. You can help by joining:

-Laraine Waughtal (Morgan Mill/Bluff Dale) in a 10 person UMVIM earthquake mission team Oct. 5-13. The team now has one more opening. If interested, contact Laraine: 254-595-1503 or revlaraine@yahoo.com

-George Murphy (Salado UMC) in a 10-member relief mission team for one week on Oct. 20-28. 1 slot remains. If interested, contact George at 254-947-0601 or temeg@embarqmail.com



Meals needed for the TCU Wesley Foundation

Remember free meals in college? Help us continue this hospitality for TCU students.

Any church groups are welcome to supply this meal. This semester, meals will be served at 7 pm every Wednesday.

We welcome anything from appetizers to desserts. If you can, come serve, eat and worship with us as well! Financial contributions to cover the meal are appreciated too. Please contact Kelly Carpenter kelly@tcuwesley.org today to reserve a date.

Meadowbrook UMC Pre-School Enrichment Program Now Open!

Come check us out at our Open House on Saturday, August 27. With a small teacher/student ratio, your child will be taught in a Christian environment with an exceptional curriculum.

Our program will be 3-5 days a week from 9-2 pm. Before care starts at 7:30 am and after care lasts from 2-5:30 pm.

For more information, contact Director Christy Urbaniak at 817-413-0231

Board of Ministry Update

We have a new webpage on the www.ctcumc.org website! Access our page by going to www.ctcumc.org, then click the leadership tab, from there click the Board of Ordained Ministry Link or paste this link into your browser <http://www.ctcumc.org/pages/detail/1499>.

For all candidates seeking a Board of Ordained Ministry interview, Spring 2012, the request for interview form is now available on our webpage under "Spring Interview Materials". Deadline to request an interview is September 15, 2011. If you have any questions email Kathy Ezell at kathyezell@ctcumc.org.

Events to Look into:

- **Passionate Worship Conference:** Join Alamo Heights UM Church in San Antonio, Sept 9-10, to learn more about what passionate worship truly is. Register online at www.umcswtx.org
- **2011 Leadership Institute:** Sept 28-30, UMC of the Resurrection is offering you ways to energize and enhance your ministry. For more information, visit www.li.cor.org. Early bird deadline is Sept. 2. Young adults under 25 receive a special discount of \$49.
- **Wesleyan Leadership Conference:** GBOD presents an opportunity to learn more about a new vision for the Wesleyan Community Oct. 13-15 in Nashville, TN. For more information and registration, check out www.gbod.org/wesleyanleadership
- **Exploration 2011:** If you are 18-26 years old and are considering ordained ministry, look to join the Board of Higher Education & Ministry, Nov. 11-13 in St. Louis, Missouri. To see more, visit www.gbhem.org/exploration. Early registration is now until Sept. 5

Attention Listers: Please contact Amy Banta at amybanta@ctcumc.org to remove your listing when your opening has been filled

Resources, Needs & Opportunities For You

Helpful Links:

- 10thousanddoors.org
- [Central Texas Conference](http://CentralTexasConference.org)
- [Rethink Church](http://RethinkChurch.org)
- [Infoserve](http://Infoserve.org)
- [UM TechShop](http://UMTechShop.org)
- [UM Reporter Interactive](http://UMReporterInteractive.org)
- [UM Global Health Initiative](http://UMGlobalHealthInitiative.org)
- [United Methodist News Service](http://UnitedMethodistNewsService.org)
- [God Films](http://GodFilms.org)
- [UMNS on Facebook](http://UMNSonFacebook.org)
- [Crime Victims Council](http://CrimeVictimsCouncil.org)
- [UMNS on Twitter](http://UMNSonTwitter.org)
- [Grief & Divorce Support](http://GriefDivorceSupport.org)
- [Interpreter Magazine](http://InterpreterMagazine.org)
- [United Methodist Women](http://UnitedMethodistWomen.org)

Youth & Children

- **Children's Ministry Director:** We here at St. Paul UMC in Hurst are looking for a work part-time in a growing church family. Hours are very flexible and the salary is attractive. For the job description and further information please contact Rev. Kent Kilbourne or Rev. Marilyn Schiffman at 817-284-8171 or at stpaulhurst@gmail.com.
- **Part-time Pre-K Teacher:** FUMC Hurst Day School is looking for a qualified and energetic educator to co-teach with our current Pre-K teacher. Position is Tu/W/Th, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Qualifications include: Bachelor's Degree in Education (or Alternative Teaching Certification), or Early Childhood degree (Associate or Bachelor). Email resumes to dayschool@fumchurst.org by Aug. 22. For more information, call 817.82.7384, x25.
- **Youth Spiritual Formation Leader:** Rockbridge UMC is seeking an applicant to work with youth (6th-12th grade). Will be asked to work 15-20 hrs per week on average. For more information, visit <http://www.rockbridgelife.com/about> and send resume to apply@rockbridgelife.com
- **Part-time Minister to Youth:** Will lead comprehensive UM program on Wed. and Sun. nights at Midlothian FUMC. Music and worship leadership skills a bonus and may allow a broader job and higher salary. Prefer education and experience in leading youth. Salary is \$24,000. Send resume to pastorpaxton@aol.com, or call 972-775-3993 for more information.
- **Full-time Youth Director:** Searching for applicants to serve Ovilla UMC. Please email resume to ovillaumc@sbcglobal.net or call 972-617-8840. Ask to speak with Pastor Joel Robbins.
- **Ministries With Youth:** Decatur FUMC is seeking person to lead ministries to and with youth. Currently part-time (30 hrs/wk) suited for a seminary student, but the church is open to offering a full-time position to right candidate. Includes salary and a parsonage. Send resume and cover letter to Rev. Dr. Shelly Brooks, pastor@decaturmethodist.org
- **Part-time Youth Director:** Hillsboro FUMC seeks part-time youth director. Demonstrate commitment to Christ, passion for youth ministry, and theology compatible with UMC. Experience in youth ministry is a plus. Resumes or inquiries may be sent to pastor@hillsborofumc.com or by calling Donna Ware at 254-582-2342.
- **Director of Children's Ministry:** Creekwood UMC looking for full-time, Director of Children's Ministry. Four or more yrs. experience with children's ministry. Bachelor's degree; commitment to UMC mission and vision. Email resume to shogan@creedwoodumc.org.
- **Part-time Director Of Children & Family Ministries:** Wellspring UMC seeks person with passion and gift for ministering to children. Responsible for children (infant-6th grade) and parents. Experience required. 15-hour/wk. Send resume to admin@wellumc.org or contact: Debra Crumpton at 512-930-5959.
- **Part-time Youth Director:** Silver Creek UMC is looking for an energetic person to work with Junior and Senior High aged youth. The position is part-time with full-time excitement! Contact Vaughn Baker at 817-444-1382.
- **Part-time Children's Coordinator:** Ovilla UMC seeks person to develop and administer children's ministry (pre-K-5th grade). Will coordinate and expand variety of children's ministries in outreach and spiritual formation. Contact OUMC at 972-617-8840 or email resume to ovillaumc@sbcglobal.net.
- **Part-time Youth Director:** Corsicana FUMC seeks applicants who demonstrate commitment to Christ, passion for youth ministry, and theology compatible with UMC. Experience in youth ministry is a plus. Negotiable salary. Resumes or inquiries may be submitted to mikea@fumccorsicana.org or by calling Mike Alexander at 903-874-5656.
- **Director Of Youth Ministries:** Stephenville FUMC seeks applicant who will build strong relationships with our youth, plan and lead weekly Bible studies and two summer mission trips. The candidate should have a personal faith in Jesus Christ and a desire to guide and direct youth through that faith. Send resume to: FUMC Stephenville, P.O. Box 173, Stephenville 76401.
- **Part-time Youth Minister:** Coleman FUMC, seek applicant to focus on leading group of Jr. High and HS kids. Monthly program on Sunday also encouraged as well as Sunday morning worship. Pay: \$650/month. Apply with resume by mail to: First UMC Coleman, P.O. Box 852, Coleman 76834. Pastor: Mike Kerzee.



Job Opportunities Cont...

Music

- **Part-time Piano Teacher:** Mansfield FUMC is searching for an applicant available Mon. 4-4:50pm and 5-5:50pm, and Tues. at 4-4:50pm or 6-6:50pm. Available for private lessons as needed. Starts on Aug. 29 through May 24. If interested, please contact Beth LaMee at bethl@firstmethodistmansfield.org
- **Part-time Director of Music:** Springtown FUMC is seeking an applicant to lead music. A detailed job description is available for interested, qualified individuals. Please contact Rev. Lori Cotton at loricotton99@yahoo.com.
- **Full-time Director of Music and Fine Arts:** Salado UMC is looking for an applicant with a master's in music equivalent degree and some experience in the field of sacred music, choral direction, and worship. Please send a resume to Rev. Travis Franklin at tfranklin@saladoumc.org. For further information, please call 254-947-5482.
- **Choral Director:** Brownwood FUMC is seeking to find a Choral Director for our 10:45 traditional service. Please apply to the church office at 2500 11th Street Brownwood TX 76801 or at don.umc11@verizon.net
- **Pianist:** Covenant United Methodist Church in Arlington at 3608 Matlock Road 76015 is looking for a pianist for choir rehearsal and Worship services. If you are interested please contact Reverend Mike Redd at 817-465-1291
- **Bass Player:** Christ UMC, Fort Worth is seeking a volunteer bass player to join our praise and worship team. If interested, please contact Anita McNew, Music Director, 817-456-2837 ah-mcnew@att.net.
- **Pianist/Organist:** Hubbard FUMC in need of part-time pianist for Wednesday night rehearsal and Sunday morning worship service. Compensation is negotiable. Contact Dean Coultas at 254-433-0133.
- **Part-time Choral Director:** Polytechnic UMC seeking Choral Director to lead weekly choir rehearsals Wed. evenings and lead music in Sunday worship. Please send resumes to Rev. Robert K. Flowers at robkenjium@gmail.com.

Media

- **Media Coordinator:** Keller FUMC is looking for an applicant proficient in Adobe Creative Suite, particularly InDesign, Photoshop on a PC platform, and Microsoft Office. Familiarity with FrontPage, HTML and CSS a plus. Resumes to lisag@kellerumc.org or call 817-431-1332 for more information.

Administration

- **Part-time Financial Secretary:** Weatherford FUMC seeks personable individual as part-time Financial Secretary. Need skills in computer, spreadsheet and quickbooks. Send resume to glenn@fumcweatherford.org
- **Minister of Christian Education:** Temple FUMC looking for full-time plus benefits applicant. Deacon preferred, but not required. For more information, e-mail jane.woodward@fumctemple.org or call Rev. Jane Woodward at 254-773-5269.
- **Part-time Administrative Assistant:** Epworth UMC is accepting resumes for applicants proficient in Microsoft Office, have strong organizational skills, and excellent people skills. Resumes to epworthpastor@sbcglobal.net

Microsoft

Articles and requests should be submitted to Vance Morton vance@ctcumc.org or Amy Banta amybanta@ctcumc.org by **noon, Monday** in order to be e-mailed on Wednesday. Articles should be brief and include active links to websites or contact persons for details.

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