

**9th Annual Meeting of the Lay Speakers of the
Central Texas Conference UMC
March 2-4, 2012**

Please Print (One registrant per form please)

Name Tag should read

First _____ **Last** _____

Church _____ **District** _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell** _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone:** _____

Disability: I have a disability and require assistance. Enter description of your needs.

Housing:

Still Water Lodge First come first serve basis: _____

I wish to stay with (designate names) _____

Glen Lake Dorms: I need a bottom bunk _____ I can sleep on top bunk _____

RV Camping available at your personal cost - contact Oakdale Park 254-897-2321 or
www.oakdalepark.com

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Payment Information: Check or money order payable to Melissa Osborne

Mail to: 9th Annual LSM Weekend
c/o Melissa Osborne
119 S. Scurry
Gorman, Texas 76454
254-485-4744 cell

E-mail: mko@totelcom.net

Please choose a first, second, and third choice in courses you would like to attend.

_____ **Lay Speaking Ministries: The Basic Course**

This is where it all begins, the basic course. Revised and rewritten, this course has new features with emphasis on leading, caring, and communicating.

_____ **Lay Speakers Cultivate Christian Community**

Lay speakers will discover what it means to live as Christian disciples in the groups they lead, to work with others to help them grow, and to nurture caring connections and relationships that reflect the love of Christ.

_____ **Dimensions in Prayer**

Our favorite prayer course is available again! Dimensions in Prayer: Cultivating a Relationship with God is a wonderful text and excellent course answering common questions and concerns about prayer. This course serves as an engaging introduction to prayer while providing valuable wisdom .

_____ **Lay Pastoral Care Giving**

How do we learn to care for others in the community – whether the community of faith or the extended community? Some people seem to have natural gifts, but most of us can learn to improve our caring skills. Lay Pastoral Care Giving offers insights to help church leaders reach out with God’s love and care to others.

_____ **Concepts in Leadership**

Increase your effectiveness as a Lay Speaker and leader in your local church.

_____ **Lay Speakers Preach**

This course is designed for those who have not completed formal preaching training, but are called upon to preach in a pastor’s absence.

_____ **Equipping Ministry**

This class is Based on Ephesians 4: 11:16 where the apostle Paul challenges the leaders of the Church to “prepare people for works of service so that the Body of Christ might be built up.” The focus will be about how to prepare people in the local church to understand their God-given gifts and live out their calling in every area of their lives. Some of the key points of the class will be on: (1) Understanding the desperate need for leaders in the local church, (2) How to train and develop leaders with the goal of not being “doers”, but “equippers”, (3) Defining what “Equipping Church” is and how can it be developed in your church.

_____ **Lay Speakers Discover Spiritual Gifts**

This class is about building up the Body of Christ through the Gifts of the Spirit. This course will help you identify and define Spiritual Gifts. You will discuss thirty or more including giving, healing, hospitality, service, witnessing, and music. You will be encouraged to discover your own special particular gifts and use these gifts to build up the body of Christ.

_____ **Dancing with Words**

As people of faith, storytelling has special meaning. We are people of the story, and we seek to identify and share our stories in nearly everything we do. Dancing With Words provides help for all church leaders to explore the history and importance of storytelling in faith development and to acquire basic storytelling skills. You will discover ways that storytelling enhances your ministry.

_____ **Lay Speakers Grow Spiritually Through Daily Discipline**

This class will be an immersion into the life and teaching of John Wesley. There are contemporary illustrations how you can apply his ministry to your own life.