

The Mission and Evangelism Institute

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Missional renewal of the
small-membership church

Significant

Monday and Tuesday
March 15 and 16, 2010

METHODIST THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL
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Schedule of activities

Monday, March 15

12:30-1:30 p.m.	Registration—Alford Centrum
1:30-2 p.m.	Welcome and Opening Worship
2:15-3:45 p.m.	Focus Seminar I “God’s Plan and the Nature of the Small Church” <i>Dr. Anthony G. Pappas</i>
4:15-5:45 p.m.	Focus Seminar II “Worshipping in the Small Membership Church” <i>Dr. Robin Knowles Wallace</i>
5:45-7 p.m.	Dinner
7-8:15 p.m.	Opening Worship Keynote Address: “Jesse, James: Called to Be an Outlaw” <i>Dr. Anthony G. Pappas</i>
8:15-8:45 p.m.	Fellowship

Tuesday, March 16

9-9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship <i>Dr. Robin Knowles Wallace</i>
9:30-11 a.m.	Focus Seminar III “Spiritual Power Available to the Small Church” <i>Dr. Anthony G. Pappas</i>
11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	MTSO Chapel “How God Uses the Useless” <i>Dr. Anthony G. Pappas</i>
12:15-1:30 p.m.	Lunch and Break
1:30-3 p.m.	Focus Seminar IV “Rubble to Roadways—Renewal Because of Our Weaknesses” <i>Dr. Anthony G. Pappas</i>
3-3:15 p.m.	Closing

The purpose of the Institute

This year’s Mission and Evangelism Institute seeks to strengthen small-membership and rural congregations that face unique challenges due to population shifts and economic changes. As many of them and their clergy often feel ignored and neglected, there is an urgent need for transformative leadership, as well as creative and integral approaches to mission and evangelism. Drs. Anthony Pappas and Robin Knowles Wallace will offer seminars around the theme “Small Yet Significant: Missional Renewal of the Small-Membership Church.”

The Mission and Evangelism Institute is a shared ministry of the East and West Ohio Annual Conferences and Methodist Theological School in Ohio. It is designed to assist both clergy and lay-people with an integral and effective practice of evangelism and involvement in mission. For more information, please visit www.mtso.edu/events/mei.htm or contact Dr. Joon-Sik Park, MTSO Professor in the E. Stanley Jones Chair of World Evangelism, at jpark@mtso.edu or 740-362-3367.

Featured speakers

For over three decades, **Dr. Anthony Pappas** has worked in many ways to help small churches find renewal and grow in their ministry and mission. He served as editor of *The Five Stones: A Newsletter for Small Churches* and has authored five books related to the ministry of small churches. Among them are *Entering the World of the Small Church* (Alban Institute) and *Mission: The Small Church Reaches Out* (with Scott Planting, Judson Press). In April 2005, Dr. Pappas was called by the American Baptist Churches of Massachusetts as its executive minister after having served since 1995 as the region's Old Colony area minister. Prior to that, he was pastor of the Harbor Church of Block Island, R.I., for 20 years. It was in that setting that his call to encourage small churches was born.



Dr. Robin Knowles Wallace, Professor of Worship and Music at Methodist Theological School in Ohio and an authorized licensed minister in the United Church of Christ, has been involved in worship and music leadership in churches small and large since she was in high school. Her publications specifically for the small-membership church include *Worshiping in the Small Membership Church* (Abingdon), *Worship in the Small Membership Church*, with Rev. Terry Heck (Discipleship Resources), and "Accept the Challenge: Music in the Small Membership Church" (General Board of Discipleship, the United Methodist Church). Currently on sabbatical, Dr. Wallace is working on a book on the liturgical year with a missional emphasis: How does worship form us to participate in the *missio Dei*?



Registration

Please print, complete and mail this form with payment to:

The Mission and Evangelism Institute
Methodist Theological School in Ohio
3081 Columbus Pike
Delaware, Ohio 43015
Attn: Dina Andrews

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Home church: _____

District: _____ Annual conference: _____

I am clergy a layperson

I need a Continuing Education Unit certificate (for one CEU, attendance at all sessions required)

Tuition

Individual: \$85. Two or more members of the same congregation: \$75 each. Students: \$15.

Enclosed is my check for \$_____, payable to MTSO.

Event information

LOCATION: The Mission and Evangelism Institute will be held on the MTSO campus, 3081 Columbus Pike in Delaware, Ohio. The campus is located on the east side of U.S. Route 23, just 15 minutes north of Columbus. The MTSO campus is fully accessible, and parking is free.

MEALS: Monday's dinner and Tuesday's lunch are included in your tuition.

DELAWARE HOTELS

Best Western Delaware Inn: 740-363-3510

Comfort Inn: 740-363-8869

WORTHINGTON-AREA HOTELS

(10 miles south of campus)

Courtyard by Marriott: 614-436-7070

Doubletree Hotel: 614-885-3334

Sheraton Suites: 614-436-0004

CAMPUS ACCOMMODATIONS: A limited number of rooms in MTSO's Dewire Residence Hall are available for \$40 per night. These are one-person rooms that share a bathroom.

Please contact Jim Rohler at 740-362-3380 or maintenance@mtso.edu.

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