

10TH Annual Healthy Congregations National Gathering



Who is My Family's Keeper?

New Perspectives on Sibling Position

**October 13-15, 2008
Columbus, Ohio**

Lodging and Registration

Venue

This year's workshop will be held both at the Martin de Porres Center and Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio.

Lodging

Best Western Port Columbus Airport Hotel

A block of 60 rooms are reserved for National Gathering participants. When making hotel reservations please indicate **the conference dates** and that you are a part of the "Healthy Congregations" conference. The cost is \$75 per night. This cost includes a hot breakfast in the morning. Wireless internet is available. There is also a shuttle available from the hotel to Easton Towne Center. Shuttle service to and from the airport is provided. Upon arrival at the airport go to baggage claim and call the hotel from the phone available.

These rooms and rates are available only until September 13, 2008.

Each Healthy Congregations participant will need to reserve their own room for the event.

Registration Form

Cost of registration for HC Network members is \$295; \$325 for non-members.

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Please include payment with your registration and send to:

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Columbus, OH 43209

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Mark Your Calendars!

11th Annual Healthy Congregations
National Gathering
October 12 - 14, 2009

Bon Secours Spiritual Center, Marriotsville, MD
Theme: "Triune Brain Theory: New Terrain for the Brain." Honoring the work and memory of Dr. Paul D. MacLean.

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The National Gathering

Celebrating 10 years of education in family systems theory, the 10th Annual Healthy Congregations National Gathering (previously called "Advanced Workshop") is designed for anyone interested in growing in their knowledge of systems theory and its applications. Those hoping to enrich, deepen and otherwise expand the ability to apply principles of thinking about self, family, and workplace will benefit and are invited to attend the conference.

This year's theme is: "Who is My Family's Keeper? New Perspectives on Sibling Position." During the National Gathering participants will have opportunities to:

- Connect with others interested in applying systems theory in their lives
- Work through a case study from a systems perspective
- Hear three well-known speakers on the topic of sibling position
- Take part in Trinity Lutheran Seminary's worship community and visit the Augsburg Fortress bookstore
- Gather to discuss and share with others in small group process.

Monday, October 13th 2008

Programs will be held at the Martin de Porres Center. A shuttle will be available from the hotel to the Martin de Porres Center from 11:30 am–12:30 pm.

- 12:00 Registration Opens at Martin de Porres Center
- 1:30 Welcome, Announcements, Devotions
- 2:00 Plenary Session
Dr. Walter Taylor Jr.
- 3:15 Break
- 3:45 Plenary Session
Dr. Walter Taylor Jr.
- 6:00 Dinner and Small Group Gatherings at Local Restaurants

There will be a hospitality room available at the Best Western from 8:30 pm–10:30 pm for participants to gather.

Tuesday, October 14th 2008

Programs will be held at Trinity Lutheran Seminary. Shuttle service from the Best Western Hotel to the Seminary will be available from 7:30 am–8:30 am.

- 8:15 Devotions
- 8:30 Plenary Session
Dr. Michael Kerr
- 10:00 Chapel
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:45 Plenary Session
Dr. Michael Kerr
- 12:15 Lunch

- 1:30 Sibling Position Process
- 3:00 Break
- 3:30 Interest Groups
- 5:00 Reception and Poster Session
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:30 Celebration of 10th Year
"HC Through the Years"

Shuttle service back to the hotel from the Seminary will be available following the 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Advanced Workshop/National Gathering.

There will be a hospitality room available at the Best Western from 8:30 pm–10:30 pm for participants to gather.

Wednesday, October 15th 2008

Programs will be held at the Martin de Porres Center. Shuttle service will be available from the hotel to the Martin de Porres Center from 7:30 am – 8:30 am.

- 8:15 Devotions
- 8:30 Plenary Session
Dr. Emlyn Ott
- 10:00 Case Study
- 11:15 Plenary Session
Dr. Emlyn Ott
- 12:30 Closing
Lunch

Following the closing, a light lunch will be provided at the center followed by shuttle service to the Best Western Hotel. Participants will arrange their own shuttle from the hotel to the airport.

Membership

HC Member Network Gathering

Plans are underway for a pre-National Gathering event to be held in the morning of October 13 for those who are HC Network members (see below). Please continue to watch the website and your e-mail for further information about this special opportunity for our members.

Interested in Becoming a Member?

Membership in the HC Network is open to all and includes access to a password protected page on the Healthy Congregations Website; subscription to the electronic journal, "Main Street Forum;" a Healthy Congregations bag, and a book on leadership and systems thinking each year of membership.

A one year membership costs \$50 and a three year membership costs \$125.

Contact our office if you are interested in becoming a member.

Dr. Michael Kerr

is a psychiatrist who trained under Murray Bowen at Georgetown Medical School and worked with him for over twenty years. Dr. Kerr was named Director of the Bowen Center of the Study of the Family in 1990. He had contact with the late Walter Toman, whose ideas about sibling position were incorporated by Bowen into his theory. Kerr co-authored with Murray Bowen "Family Evaluation." He is the editor of "Family Systems," a journal specializing in Bowen theory and its applications.



Dr. Walter F. Taylor, Jr.

is the Ernest W. and Edith S. Ogram Professor of New Testament Studies and Director of Graduate Studies at Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, where he has served since 1981. Previously he was a parish pastor. He earned his Ph.D. at Claremont Graduate University. He has also studied at Yale University Divinity School and was a Fulbright Professor at the University of Heidelberg, Germany, in 1988-1989. He has published 140 books, articles, chapters, reviews, and audio-visual materials.



Dr. Emlyn Ott

has served as a parish pastor, campus minister, pastoral counselor, leader and seminary professor during the past 20 years. Current Executive Director of Healthy Congregations, Inc., she is Assistant Professor of Ministry and Pastoral Leadership at Trinity Lutheran Seminary and works in the area of Congregational Life and Leadership theory.



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