Plumbline Tour 2015

I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people.

- Amos 7:8

October 11-14th, 2015 New York City

Plumbline Tour '15 is an invitation to all United Methodist <u>High School Youth</u> to learn how to reflect on social justice issues from a Christian perspective.

The seminar will be held at the Church Center at the United Nations in New York City.

We will:

- attend workshops
- worship together
- reflect on what we've learned
- tour the UN
- explore New York City
- have fun with each other
- eat amazing food!

We hope you can join us!

UNITED NATIONS: DEVELOPMENT GOALS 2015

Seminar Content

Prior to 2000, many nations came together to develop a program of the United Nations called the "Millennium Development Goals." This program has 8 parts and was designed to be a blueprint to "meet the needs of the world's poorest." (www.un.org/millenniumgoals/)

Those goals included ending extreme hunger and poverty by 2015 as well as stopping diseases like HIV/AIDS and malaria.

This fall, we'll go to the Church Center for the UN to ask questions like:

- What is the United Nations?
- · How did the UN select these areas?
- How did they do?
- Why should people of faith care about hunger/poverty and ending killer diseases?

Our hope is for you to return to help to answer—what can I do to make a difference in hunger/poverty or ending diseases? How could our voices be heard?

Expectations

All participants are expected to:

- 1. Abide by the group's covenant of conduct.
- 2. Participate fully in ALL aspects of the program.
- 3. Try new food.
- 4. Bring comfortable shoes.

There will be <u>lots</u> of walking!



The seminar fee of \$695, includes:

- Roundtrip airfare to NYC (and in-city travel)
- Hotel accommodations
- All *meals* (restaurant meals included)
- All other program costs (UN, tours, seminar)

A refundable \$50 fee is due with the Registration Form.

Partial Scholarships are available

(Tell us your need in the application materials).

Registration Dates

Early Registration Deadline: August 10th

Final Deadline: September 9th, 2015

How Do I Apply?

Fill out a Registration Form (see reverse side)

Include \$50 refundable registration fee

Mail to: Michael Mann NIC Program Office 217 Division Street, Elgin, IL 60120 Phone: 847-931-0710, ext. 16; Fax: 847-931-0732 Email: mmann@umcnic.org

Questions?

Contact Michael Mann at 847-931-0710, ext. 20 or email at mmann@umcnic.org

Plumbline Tour 2015 Registration Form

Deadlines:

August 10th for Early Registration (\$50 scholarship)

All Registrations must be submitted by September 9th, 2015

Mail to: Plumbline, NIC Program Office

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Please include \$50 deposit. Make check payable to Northern Illinois Conference.

Name	Date of Birth		
Address	City	State	Zip
Home Phone ()	E-Mail		
High School		Grade	
Church_	District		
Pastor_	Are you in need of a Scholarship?		
Gender Ethnic/Ra	cial Identity		
Please Respond to the fo	llowing questions:		
• Will you be willing to share y	our experience in churches whe	n you return?	
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Will you abide by the designation	ted standards set forth by the lea	adership team?	_
Essay Questions - Plans			-

Essay Questions - *Please use additional sheets as necessary.*

- 1. What motivates you to attend this youth seminar? (1 or 2 paragraphs only)
 - 2. Have you ever participated in a Model UN? Tell us about it. Or tell us why you'd like to.
 - 3. Which of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) most appeals to you? Why?

 ${\it Visit}\ \underline{\it www.un.org/millenniumgoals/} for\ information\ about\ the\ MDGs$

References: Please send a letter of reference from a member of your church, <u>along with this form</u>. (Please give current and/or former pastor's name so they can be contacted as a reference.)

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A Youth Seminar
Connecting Christian Faith &
Social Justice

New York City

