Come away for a time of retreat. Experience personal renewal as Christ's love again meets our own heart's deepest longings. In our noisy and anxious culture, we invite you to a time of quiet. Join us for respite and inspiration through Cen-



tering Prayer and "praying the scriptures" together. Teresa of Avila's methods of prayer will guide us, leading us through the Prayer of Quiet into Divine Presence. Perhaps the "peace of God which passes all understanding" will visit us (Phil. 4:7).

Retreat Leader, Rev. Dwight H. Judy, Ph.D., is Professor Emeritus of Spiritual Formation at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, and retired Elder in The United Methodist Church. Dwight helped design the United Methodist Professional Certification in Spiritual Formation approved in 2000 and has offered retreats in spiritual formation since 1980. In addition to his teaching, he has served as a spiritual director, parish pastor, and director of spiritual formation for a retreat center. He is author of A Quiet Pentecost: Inviting the Spirit into Congregational Life (Upper Room Books, 2013), Embracing God: Praying with Teresa of Avila (Abingdon, 1996), Discerning Life Transitions: Listening Together in Spiritual Direction; Christian Meditation and Inner Healing; and Quest for the Mystical Christ: Awakening the Heart of Faith. Dwight and his wife, Ruth, are parents of two grown sons.



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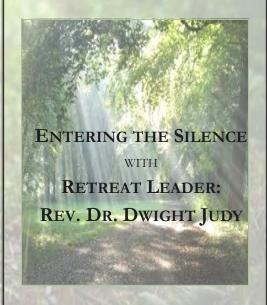
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 11, 2016

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Clergy & Laity Spiritual Formation Retreat



April 25-26, 2016
Spiritual Center of Maria Stein
2365 Saint Johns Road
Maria Stein, Ohio

Dear Clergy and Laity,

The Northwest Plains Spiritual Formation Team invites you to a Spiritual Formation Retreat to be held **April 25-26, 2016** at the Spiritual Life Center, Maria Stein, OH (located in Mercer County).

We have invited Rev. Dr. Dwight Judy, Professor Emeritus of Spiritual Formation at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, and retired Elder in The United Methodist Church to lead the retreat.

Please mark your calendars and send in your reservation for this event as soon as possible. If you have questions, please contact Barbara Lee at 419.738.3402 or Email bjcwapak@bright.net.

If you are interested in arriving a day early or staying an additional day, contact Maria Stein Spiritual Life Center at 419.925.7625 or e-mail spiritualcenter@watchtv.net for further information.

In Christ's Service,

Northwest Plains District Spiritual Formation Team

April 25 & 26

Monday

Registration 1:00 pm Session I 1:30 Dinner 5:30 Session II 7:00

Tuesday

Breakfast 8:30 am
Session III 9:30
Lunch 12:00 pm
Session IV 1:15
Closing Worship 3:30

Retreat Rates

REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO 50 ATTENDEES

\$100 per person within Northwest Plains

\$180 per married couple residing **within** Northwest Plains District (sharing a room)

\$150 per person residing **outside** of the Northwest Plains District.

\$200 per married couple residing **outside** of the Northwest Plains District (sharing a room)

Registration fee covers 1 breakfast, 1 lunch, 1 dinner, and snacks.

Driving Directions

Maria Stein Spiritual Life Center

2365 St. Johns Rd., PO Box 95 Maria Stein, Ohio 45860

Traveling north or south on I-75—take 119 west through Anna and Minster to Maria Stein. At Maria Stein turn north (right) on Route 716. The retreat center is less than 1 mile on your left (west side of the road). It sits approximately 1/4 mile off the road. You will pass the Shrine before you reach the Center. http://www.spiritualcenter.net/respect-life.htm

Northwest Plains District Spiritual Formation Retreat for Clergy & Laity Registration Deadline: April 11, 2016

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