

January 24, 2012



Dear Lay Speaker,

Enclosed is a Coursework Registration form for the spring session of Leadership/Lay Speaking Ministries training from your Lansing District Committee on Leadership/Lay Speaking Ministries. We are excited to be able to offer the Basic Course for Local Lay Speakers, as well as two Advanced courses, "Stewardship" and "Evangelism" for those seeking/renewing Certified Lay Speaker status.

The sessions will be held Saturdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on **March 10**, March 17 and March 31, 2011, at **Williamston United Methodist**, 211 S Putnam St, Williamston, MI 48895. Assignments will be mailed to you upon receipt of your registration fees. **YOU are responsible for obtaining your own books for the class. The list of books is on the registration form. Class prices have been lowered to recognize your expenditure for class materials.** This has been done so that you can get your material sooner, and hopefully less expensively.

You may obtain your books in a variety of ways.

1. Ask other lay speakers you know to **borrow** their book and/or check your church library.
2. If you have **Internet** access, try these: Google the book title; Amazon.com and Alibris.com often have new & used books Cokesbury.com , bookstore.upperroom.org , and Christianbooks.com, often have new books.
3. Have a **local Christian Book Store** order it for you:
Family Christian Book Store, 5132 South Cedar Street, Lansing (517) 887-0448
Gift & Bible Store, 522 Frandor Ave, Lansing (517) 347-5500
4. **Order from Cokesbury by phone** at 1-800-672-1789. They are open 8 am to 7:30 pm EST M-F, 9-5 on Saturdays.

Due to the limited space available, please be sure to send your registration form and fees in check form made out to **West Michigan Conference** as soon as possible to:

Registrar: LSM Training
546 Armstrong Rd.
Lansing, MI 48911

Lay Speaking/leadership is strong and growing in the Lansing District. We have a web site where you are able to view the schedules of upcoming lay speaking classes and download materials. You can find the page at **<http://www.fumer.org/layspeaking/layspeaking.htm>**.

Remember registration and fees are due by February 19, 2012. If you have any questions, please email Loretta Stanaway, our registrar, at SOSWOP@aol.com, or me at ilv@vcconsulting.com .

Thanks and God bless!

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Irene Vittoz".

Pastor Irene Vittoz , Lay Speaking Director for the Lansing District