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The Academy for Ministries with Children

A Two-Year Cycle of Courses
Offering Paraprofessional Certification
for Children's Ministry Workers



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The Academy for Ministries with Children

Designed for persons seeking training in children's ministry, the Academy for Ministry with Children offers local church workers paraprofessional certification through a two-year cycle of courses. The courses are developed to affirm and strengthen the passion and love for ministry through a holistic and theological understanding of children and children's ministry.

Requirements

Participants will be required to read two books prior to the beginning of each course, and complete an assignment to be handed in at each class. You will receive a syllabus upon completion of registration. In order to receive certification, all eight courses must be completed. However, individual courses may be taken. The academy does not offer academic credits.

Registration

To register, contact:
Rev. Leigh Meekins
Alabama-West Florida Conference
100 Interstate Park Drive, Suite 120
Montgomery, Alabama 36109
334-202-9672 / leigh.meekins@gmail.com

Cost

The cost to attend is \$100 per class, which includes supper Friday night & lunch Saturday, classroom supplies and resources. Scholarships are available. Contact Beth Sanford (256-458-7800 / bsanford@northalabamaumc.org) or Leigh Meekins (334-202-9672 / leigh.meekins@gmail.com) for more information. Participants will be responsible for the purchase of books and out-of-town lodging. When registering, please indicate any special dietary needs.

Year-B Courses

Just the Bible

Dr. Jason Borders, *Professor of Religion*
Huntingdon College, Montgomery, AL

September 30, 2011 4-8pm

October 1, 2011, 8am-2pm

Montgomery, AL

Teaching Teachers

Rev. Leigh Meekins
Alabama-West Florida Conference

November 4, 2011, 4-8pm

November 5, 2011, 8am-2pm

Birmingham, AL

The Other Side of the Child

Rev. Melanie Gordon
General Board of Discipleship

February 3, 2012, 4-8pm

February 4, 2012, 8am-2pm

Montgomery, AL

How to Be a Leader

Laura Sisson, *Director of Church Relations*
Jeanne Jackson, *Director of Leadership Studies*
Birmingham-Southern College

April 13, 2012, 4-8pm

April 14, 2012, 8am-2pm

Birmingham, AL