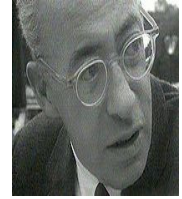




Journeys 2010

Harnessing the Power of Communities at Countryside Church UU

April 23 and 24
at University of St. Mary of the Lake
in Mundelein



In 2008, Barack Obama defined a new way of finding and catalyzing communities of progressive and liberal voters. He was building on a long tradition of community organizing. Today's global challenges in social justice, environment, and economics seem overwhelming if we face them alone, but hope for real and sustainable solutions are possible if done through the power of community collaboration.

We at Countryside Church UU (CCUU) are a community. At times, we call ourselves a beloved community. What power do we have? How do we use that power? For what will we use that power? Wikipedia defines community organizing as a process by which people living in proximity to each other are brought together to act in their shared self-interest. A core goal is to generate durable power for organization representing the community. During our time together, we will hear from practicing organizers, learn about how communities are built, and explore our needs and interests in small group sessions.

During the Journeys weekend we will explore:

- What is community organizing and how does it work?
- What kind of community do we have at CCUU?
- What power do we have?
- How can we use the lessons of community organizing to harness and deploy our own durable power for the greater good?
- How do we transform desire for change into strategy and tactics to bring about that change?

The Schedule

<u>Friday</u>		<u>Saturday</u>	
4 – 6 pm	Gathering & Registration at Residence Hall	8:15 am	Breakfast
6:15pm	Dinner	9:00 am	Session Two room 201
7 – 9 pm	Session One in room 201	12:30 pm	Lunch
9 pm	Socialize in the Living Rm of Residence Hall	2:00 pm	Session Three room 201
		4:00 pm	Adjourn

Your Journeys Organizers

Dan Wiseman has advanced degrees in Educational Psychology and Adult Education from Indiana University and more than 30 years experience as an Organization Development Professional. He is one of the Central Midwest District's Congregational Consultants. Dan's expertise is in community building and real time direction setting which he has done for corporations, libraries and congregations. Contact Dan at connect@wisemanconsulting.com or 847-221-5197.

Hal Snyder got his M.D. from Northwestern in 1981 and has been a math professor and a software systems architect. Hal has been a progressive activist for several years; he was a paid organizer in the 2008 campaign season and a volunteer community leader throughout 2009 with Health Care for America Now. Contact Hal at hal@ideapages.net or 224-678-6188.

Journeys 2010 Registration April 23 and 24 at University of St. Mary of the Lake

How to register?

Please complete this registration form and place it in the AFD mailbox in the church office or mail it to: Countryside Church UU
1025 N. Smith Rd.
Palatine, IL 60067

Please include a check made payable to Countryside Church UU. Due to our financial commitment to St. Mary's, a partial refund is only available through April 11. For more information, contact Dan Wiseman at connect@wisemanconsulting.com or 847-221-5197.

	Shared Room (2 people/rm)	Private Room (1 person/room)	Commuter (no room)
Room	\$50	\$60	n/a
Meals, Conference Rooms, and Supplies	\$60	\$60	\$60
Total Cost per person*	\$110/person	\$120	\$60

*Additional Donations for AFD scholarships are appreciated

Registration deadline is Sunday, April 11

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Registration Request:

_____ Shared Room – If you are sharing a room with someone who is registering separately, please indicate name of that person: _____
(to get the shared rate, you must make your own roommate arrangements)

_____ Single Private Room

_____ Commuter (includes all meals and activities)

_____ I request a scholarship.

_____ I am making an additional donation toward AFD scholarships.

TOTAL PAID: \$ _____ **CHECK #** _____

**Please attach a check to this form payable to Countryside Church UU;
include "Journeys" on the memo line.**