

Give What You've Got!

Young Adult Fellowship Retreat

October 20-22, 2006

South Bend, IN

Camp Ray Bird

Registration Deadline: October 9, 2006

Who am I? Who are we as young adults? What do we have to give? How do we and our gifts fit into the church? Come spend a weekend with friends exploring the gifts that we ourselves, and we as young adults bring to the church. Young Adult Fellowship is an organized partnership between young adults and young adult ministry in Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church USA. This retreat is an opportunity for you to network, grow spiritually and relax for a weekend —away from the normal hurriedness of life.

Ken Hawkley, Development Director for Chicago Mennonite Learning Center, a Christian, private urban school for children of low income families, will be leading the sessions. Ken worked as principal of the school and has also served as a staff person for Mennonite Church USA with a portfolio for Young Adult Ministry – even though he is an "old codger". Ken is Canadian and likes to cook, read, cross-stitch, play full body contact life-size Dutch Blitz, and teaches ballroom dance. His wife Louise is a research scientist at University of Chicago studying how loneliness affects health.

Retreat Schedule

(The weekend will begin at 6:30 Friday evening and conclude with lunch at 11:00 on Sunday)

Friday	Time to get acquainted and Session #1
Saturday	Session #2, "Conversations", free time, Session #3
Sunday	Worship and sending service

A more detailed schedule will be sent with your registration confirmation.

Camp Ray Bird is located in South Bend, IN on Bass Lake. The camp was started as a "Fresh Air Camp" for families staying at the City Rescue Mission in South Bend. You may visit their website for more information: <http://www.raybird.org/> Lodging will be in dorm style rooms with common shower rooms. **Each participant will need to bring their own bedding, pillow, and towels.**

Complete the following form and send with payment (payable to Mennonite Church USA) to:

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Registrant Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Congregation: _____

Registration Fee \$85 Canadian * _____ = _____

Registration Fee \$65 US * _____ = _____
(This covers registration, meals, and lodging)

Total _____

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Please indicate any special dietary needs: _____

Travel Plans

I will be arriving by: _____Car _____Plane _____Bus _____Train

If arriving by other than car, _____arrival time _____flight/bus/train information

_____departure time _____flight/bus/train information

We will arrange for someone to pick you up when you arrive. If you are delayed, contact Scott Hartman at 574-596-5453.

What is Young Adult Fellowship (YAF)?

The Young Adult Fellowship is an organized partnership between young adults and young adult ministry in Mennonite Church Canada/USA. YAF was formed in 1999 as a guiding and over-seeing body for young adult ministry across Canada and the US. The purpose of YAF includes:

1. To assist young adults in becoming more active in congregational life
2. To connect with colleges and seminaries concerning young adult ministry
3. To provide resources for young adults and congregational leaders about young adults
4. To assist conference leaders in building young adult networks in their constituency
5. To gather young adults together in an annual conference for inspiration, nurture, encouragement, discussion, and action
6. To be a body that helps call and nurture young adults to serve in leadership capacities
7. To serve as a reference group for denominational staff and programming concerning young adult ministry

This retreat for young adults (ages 18-30) will help provide tools for thriving in a diverse society so that each person feels welcomed into the Christian community of faith. We strive to help each participant become a better disciple of Jesus Christ. Through worship, study and caring conversations we will confront racism and learn to work together as diverse communities of faith seeking to be Christ-like.