

# TUSCARAWAS DISTRICT

## East Ohio Conference



Friday, May 12, and  
Saturday, May 13, 2023

**BOLIVAR UMC  
248 Poplar St.  
Bolivar, OH 44612**

**Light refreshments during breaks are provided. Lunch available on Saturday for an additional \$10.00.**

**Participant books must be ordered in advance.**

### COURSES OFFERED:

- Basic Lay Servant Course  
(Friday 6:00 pm to 9:00pm and Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- Advanced Course - Opening Ourselves to Grace (Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

### COST:

- **Basic Course:** \$15
- The participant's book for this Course "Lay Servant Ministry – Basic Course" must be purchased in advanced. It is available from The Upper Room web site: ([upperroom.com/store](http://upperroom.com/store)), for \$12.00 plus shipping. The book can sometimes be found on the Cokesbury web site and Amazon for slightly less.
- **Advanced Course:** \$15.00  
The participant's book for this class "Opening Ourselves to Grace" is free as a PDF download from [UMCDiscipleship.org/resources/lay-servant-ministries-advanced-courses](http://UMCDiscipleship.org/resources/lay-servant-ministries-advanced-courses). If you are unable to download PDF's please email Eddie Courtney at [msged@earthlink.net](mailto:msged@earthlink.net) and he will mail a copy to you.

### Questions:

Eddie Courtney, District Director Lay Servant Ministries, 234-458-0440 or email (preferred) [msged@earthlink.net](mailto:msged@earthlink.net)

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **Basic Course** in Lay Servant Ministry

(Friday 6:00 am to 9:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

Lay Servant Ministries is one of the most significant lay leadership development programs available within the United Methodist connections. Through this equipping and empowering system, lay servants have the opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ who then go out and make other disciples. There are a broad range of mission and ministry opportunities for laypeople in the UMC. The Basic Course lays the framework for understanding the UMC approach to leadership in mission and ministry. This course will equip participants to better lead and serve with others, not only in the church but also in the community and throughout the world.

### **Advance Course - "Opening Ourselves to Grace"**

(Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

In this program we will explore how to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. We will learn about God's grace, which is the character of the divine-human relationship. And we will learn the basic practices God has given for the world to draw us to Christ and keep us with Him. These basic practices of Christian faith and life are known in the Wesleyan tradition as the means of grace.

Additional course instructions will be communicated to you after receiving your registration.

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#### Registration Information:

Select one of the courses & complete the form below.

Return form with your payment – Please print legibly

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 30**

Church Name

EOC District

Name

Home Address

City, State, Zip

Phone #

Email

(Please note: We must have your email address for the instructors to best share pre-class directives and assignments.)

Mail completed form and check to:

Eddie Courtney  
Director Lay Servant Ministries  
3006 Center Drive SW  
Canton, Ohio 44706

Please sign me up for:

(pick one)

☐ Basic Course  
\$15

☐ Advanced  
Course \$15

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☐ I would like to  
include lunch on  
Saturday \$10

**Make checks payable  
to: Tuscarawas District  
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