

# PRESBYTERY OF KISKIMINETAS

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## INFO S PAK

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The INFO-PAK will be distributed in alternate months (when we do not publish a newsletter) to:

Minister members of Presbytery  
Clerks of Session, Treasurers, Church Secretaries  
Members of Presbytery Committees  
Christian Educators in churches of the Presbytery

There may be some items included which are not particularly relevant to you, but for bulk mailing purposes, every packet must contain the same material. Please distribute the information to the most appropriate persons in your congregation.

### **This INFO-PAK includes the following items about:**

- ◆ Presbytery Scholarship Policy and Application Forms
- ◆ Presbytery Day Registration Form
- ◆ From the Resource Center: Spotlight on Reference
- ◆ News You Can Use
- ◆ Computer Equipment Giveaway from Presbytery Office
- ◆ Choir Celebration at Pisgah Church
- ◆ Order Form for 2007 Mission Yearbook and Children's Mission Yearbook

*Please note: the Presbytery Youth Rally previously scheduled for Sunday, April 23, has been postponed. For more information, please consult "News You Can Use" in this Info-Pak.*

## PRESBYTERY OF KISKIMINETAS MISSION STATEMENT

**Seeking to be faithful to the Great Commission of Christ and to fulfill the Great Ends of the Church, the mission of Kiskiminetas Presbytery is:**

- ▶ To be a partner in mission and ministry with the Sessions of the Presbytery, the Synod and the General Assembly;
- ▶ To provide care and oversight for the congregations and minister members of the Presbytery;
- ▶ To serve as a judicial court of the church; and
- ▶ To affirm the connectional relationships of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

### **MISSION/MINISTRY DIRECTIONS:**

- ▶ The Presbytery will model Christian community in worship, stewardship, fellowship and encouragement in its structure, staffing, programs, and meetings.
- ▶ The Presbytery will support and encourage Sessions as they lead the congregations in mission and ministry in a rapidly changing world.
- ▶ The Presbytery will respond to the reality that we are becoming an “entry level” presbytery by supporting and nurturing *first call* pastors and the congregation(s) they serve.
- ▶ The Presbytery will provide resources, training, and programming to assist Sessions to enhance congregational vitality and faithfulness in mission and ministry. Areas of focus will include:
  - Member recruitment, assimilation, and care
  - Stewardship
  - Revitalization or redevelopment
- ▶ The Presbytery will provide resources, training, and programming to assist Sessions in educational ministries. Areas of focus will include:
  - Church School Support and Teacher Development
  - Leadership Development for ministers, elders, deacons, and clerks of session
  - Worship and Spiritual Formation/Development
  - Youth Ministry
- ▶ The Presbytery will develop a strategic plan for sharing pastoral leadership, merging, and/or closing of congregations with severely limited ability to maintain a vital mission and ministry.
- ▶ The Presbytery will be a faithful partner with the Synod and General Assembly in mission interpretation and support.
- ▶ The Presbytery will support Sessions which are seeking to address pressing social and economic issues affecting the communities in which they minister.
- ▶ The Presbytery will seek to hear and to respond to God’s call for justice and social righteousness and to call the churches of the Presbytery to do the same.



### ***Kiski E-News Up and Running!***

Did you know that we have more than 500 names on our email list, and that the list is always growing? We now have a new “e-News” program, and we are back in the business of sending presbytery news by email.

If you are not on our e-News e-list, or if you have people in your church who would like to be, signing up is simple. Go to the presbytery website ([www.kiskipby.org](http://www.kiskipby.org)) and click on “join the Kiski E-News List.” You’re in! If you are already receiving email messages from the presbytery, you do not need to sign up again.

### ***Next Presbytery Meeting***

The next stated meeting of the Kiskiminetas Presbytery will take place on May 9, 2006 at the New Bethlehem Presbyterian Church. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

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## **ENRICHMENT EVENT SCHOLARSHIP POLICY**

Understanding the value of special enrichment events and aware of the stretched financial resources of many families, the Presbytery of Kiskiminetas is pleased to be able to provide scholarships for children, youth and adults to help enable members of the presbytery's churches to attend Presbyterian-related enrichment events. The policy for administration of these scholarship is as follows:

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR PRESBYTERY ENRICHMENT SCHOLARSHIPS?**

- Any post high school adult member of one of the presbytery's 89 churches is eligible to apply for an **Adult Enrichment Scholarship** for personal use.
- Any active adult member may apply for **Youth and Children's Enrichment Scholarships** on behalf of their child or youth who is not yet an active member.
- An active youth member may apply for a **Youth Enrichment Scholarship** whether or not a parent is an active member.

### **WHAT ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE FUNDED BY A PRESBYTERY ENRICHMENT SCHOLARSHIP?**

To be eligible for a Presbytery Enrichment Scholarship, an event must be sponsored by a Presbyterian-related organization. Approved activities include:

- Camp, conference, retreat or mission experiences sponsored by one of the churches of the presbytery, CAPNWP (Westminster Highlands and Lambec), the Synod of the Trinity, one of the Presbyterian-related conference centers, a GA entity or a PC (U.S.A.)-related organization.

**For Children and Youth** some events which fit this criteria are a Presbyterian summer camp, the Trinity Youth Conference, Synod School, YIPIM, or New Wilmington Missionary Conference.

**For Adults** some events which fit this criteria would be Synod School, New Wilmington Missionary Conference, an event at Montreat or other Presbyterian Conference Centers, Family Camp or other CAPNWP events, or Wee Kirk.

- Ecumenical events are eligible if a PC (U.S.A.)-related entity is one of the sponsoring partners.

An example of an Ecumenical Conference would include an event sponsored by CORA (Commission on Religion in Appalachia)

- Youth Triennium expenses are not eligible for scholarship since the Presbytery subsidizes the cost of transportation to the Triennium.

### **WHO HAS THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE EVENTS?**

A Scholarship Task Group from the committee on Transformational Ministries will consider requests for events which are not clearly within these guidelines. When the time frame is

insufficient for the Task Group to consider the request, the Chair of the Transformational Ministries Committee, the Presbytery Associate for Transformational Ministries, or the Executive Presbyter shall have the authority to authorize a scholarship request.

#### **FORMULA FOR THE AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

Presbytery Scholarships assist with the costs of enrichment events, but are not intended to cover the full cost of events. To this end the following formula will be applied:

- For events costing up to \$100, a scholarship of up to \$50 may be disbursed.
- For events costing between \$100 and \$300, a scholarship of up to \$75 may be disbursed.
- For events costing more than \$300, any scholarship beyond \$75 must be negotiated based upon fund availability.

A maximum total of 5 scholarship (in any combination of children, youth, and adults) may be awarded to applicants from one congregation until June 1. If any scholarship monies remain after June 1, a congregation may forward additional applications.

#### **FINANCIAL NEED AND SUPPORT FROM THE LOCAL CONGREGATION**

All applicants should understand scholarship funds are limited, and should only be applied for when the scholarship is needed in order to enable the applicant to attend an enrichment event.

The congregation in which the applicant is a member is encouraged to support applicants financially as well. All applications must be signed by the pastor, moderator or clerk of session, who will indicate whether or not the church will also provide financial support.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Application forms and copies of the policy are available on the Presbytery Website, [www.kiskipby.org](http://www.kiskipby.org). Applicants may apply online or download a printable form, which may be mailed or faxed to the Presbytery Office. Application forms may also be obtained from the Presbytery Office.

**Scholarship Application Form for Enrichment Events**  
**Child and Youth Application**

***Family Information***

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School('05/'06) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your Church's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor or Moderator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

***Information About the Enrichment Event***

Name of the event \_\_\_\_\_

Date of event \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsoring Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Reason you would like to attend this event: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What is the cost of the event? \_\_\_\_\_ When do you need the scholarship money?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you received scholarship funds before? If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship checks will be made payable to the event rather than to the applicant. To whom should your check be made payable?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Where should the check be mailed? (Complete address) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

***Endorsement Information***

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of Session/Pastor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Is your church willing to contribute scholarship funds for this event? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to: Rev. Erin Cox-Holmes, Presbytery Associate for Transformational Ministries, Presbytery of Kiskiminetas, PO Box 339, Yatesboro PA 16263

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Amount granted: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Scholarship Application Form for Enrichment Events**

## **Adult Application**

### ***Family Information***

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your Church's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Your Pastor or Moderator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## PRESBYTERY DAY 2006



# A GOSPEL TO KNOCK YOUR SOCKS OFF!

With **DENNIS DEWEY**, Biblical Storyteller

**MAY 7, 2006 3:00—7:00 p.m.**

**Graystone Presbyterian Church, Indiana PA**



### SCHEDULE

2:30 p.m. REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

Adult—\$3.00 Children—free

3:00 p.m. ADULT WORKSHOPS & CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

### KEYNOTE WORKSHOP **Before the Bible Was Ink: An Engaging Journey through Mark's Gospel** Led by **Dennis Dewey** Biblical Storyteller

Compelling performance of stories from Mark, in an interactive format. others have said about Dennis Dewey: "I've been going to church all my life, but never heard the story until Dennis Dewey told it!"

### BIBLE STUDY WORKSHOP **The Secret Lives of Kings** Led by **Peter Bower**, minister member of Kiskiminetas Presbytery

Scandal, Passion, Daring Adventure: It may sound like the front page of today's newspaper, but it's what we find in the books of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel, featured in this year's lectionary cycle. Different parts will be featured in each segment, so take both, or just one. Peter Bower's Bible studies are a popular part of Presbytery Day.

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAM: **God Excitement!**

Come spend the afternoon in exciting stories, art, drama, games, and activities as we focus on God's amazing love. For Kids age 4– 6th grade. The Children's Program will be held at Graystone and led by Cindy Holuta. Children will eat with their parents. Children participating in this program **MUST** be pre-registered. No walk-ins accepted.

### CHILDCARE

Nursery and childcare are available for children age 3 and under for the afternoon. Childcare must be reserved no later than May 1. No walk-ins accepted.

### 5:30 p.m. **DINNER & EMMAUS WORSHIP** at Graystone

**\$5.00—Adult \$3.00—Children (Ages 3-11) Children under 3 eat free!**

Enjoy dinner and family-style worship and stories around the table. Dinner reservations due by Monday, May 1

**7:00 p.m. PRESBYTERY DAY ENDS (See reverse for Monday Storytelling Workshop Description & Presbytery Day Sign-Up Form)**

# Presbytery Day Monday Workshop: Storytelling Behind the Scenes

## A WORKSHOP FOR PREACHERS & STORYTELLERS

With DENNIS DEWEY, Biblical Storyteller

**MAY 8, 2006 10:00—3:00 P.M. Calvary Presbyterian Church, Indiana PA**

"The fastest three hours I've ever experienced," declared one participant in Dennis Dewey's workshop. Learn a lot, experience the Spirit and laugh in the process as you discover that, before there was an ink-and-paper bible, there were breath-and-sound stories. The post-literate culture we live in is secondarily oral, and the ancient storytelling traditions of the early church and Israel provide us with "new" models for preaching, teaching and spiritual nurture. This workshop provides an informative and entertaining journey, an experience of the power of biblical storytelling that will change the way you think about the Bible. We will learn techniques for "internalizing" the stories of scripture and giving them lively expression, and help participants make connections between biblical stories and lifestories. In short, we will explore doing exegesis "from the inside out" as we work on learning and telling a story from one of the gospels. The \$15.00 charge includes a catered lunch.

### PRESBYTERY DAY REGISTRATION FORM

Please copy and send one form for each child or adult registration.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Registration     Child Registration

#### If Registering a Child:

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nickname \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School ('05-'06) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### Presbytery Day Workshops on Sunday, May 7

Select one workshop (\*switch at breaktime if you like!)

- Before the Bible was Ink — with Dennis Dewey
- The Secret Lives of Kings — with Peter Bower
- Children's Program

#### Storytelling Workshop on Monday, May 8

- Storytelling Behind the Scenes with Dennis Dewey

#### Registration & Dinner Reservation

Registration Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Adults—\$3.00, (Children FREE)

Dinner: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Adults—\$5.00 Children (ages 3-11)—\$3.00

Under age 3—FREE

*(All Dinner Reservations must be made by May 1. After that date all reservations must be honored.)*

Storytelling Workshop (Monday): \$15.00

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a list of any food allergies or other concerns.

*Child Care for 3 years and under must be registered by May 1.*

#### Please make out checks to:

Presbytery of Kiskiminetas

**We accept PayPal!** If you would like to pay online the id is payments@kiskipby.org

**Please return registration forms to:** Presbytery of Kiskiminetas, P. O. Box 339, Yatesboro, Pa 16263 or register online at www.kiskipby.org



### *Maps, Charts, & Timelines*

In **Reproducible Maps, Charts, Timelines, and Illustrations** (BK DA 025), you will find pages of charts, graphs and illustrations to enhance your Bible lessons. Each book of the Bible is summarized simply with the purpose/theme, key verse, outline, and timeline. Maps from biblical times are included, as well as illustrations of important biblical objects.

**Bible Student's Map Book** (BK 8DA 024) is a much smaller and simpler collection of maps and timelines.



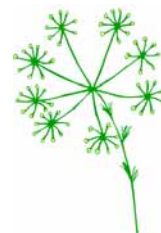
The more serious scholar will appreciate the **Oxford Bible Atlas** (BK 8DA 020). This third edition of the atlas has been thoroughly revised to bring the original work up to date with regard both to biblical scholarship and to archaeology and topography. Various inconsistencies in the earlier edition have been corrected and new illustrations take the place of outdated ones.

### *Plants, Foods, and Other Tidbits*

**Food at the Time of the Bible** is a beautifully illustrated resource which is subtitled "from Adam's Apple to the Last Supper." Filled with information about biblical agriculture, dining customs, the symbolism of various foods, food preservation, weights and measures, and recipes, this in-depth and easy-to-read survey of every aspect of food in the Bible is also well-indexed.



In **Stories Told Under the Sycamore Tree** (BK 8DA 007), you will discover the wonders of God's creation with this exploration of 52 notable flowers, trees, fruits, and other plants in the Bible. The Bible is filled with many intriguing references to a variety of flora - learn what these plants looked like, their symbolism, and see an informative description.



### *For Your Kids . . .*

❖ **If You'd Been There in Bible Times** (BK 2MB 119) - This unique combination of stories and Bible background information helps children imagine what they might have seen had they been there when significant events in the Old and New Testament occurred. Indexed by topic.

❖ **Young Reader's Bible Dictionary** (BK 2MB 118) - What did the temple at Jerusalem look like? Who was Jesse? What is reconciliation? Users of this resource will gain a deeper knowledge of the people, places, and customs of the Bible. Included are full-color illustrations, pronunciations, maps, scriptural references, and more.

❖ **Children's Bible Stories and Fascinating Facts** (BK 2MB 107) - 365 stories are included in this collection, retold in easily understandable language and illustrated in full color. Maps and pictures, reference panels, and special feature pages make this story book a good information book for children.

❖ **What's What in the Bible** (BK 2MB 110) - What games did children play? What did soldiers wear for battle? How did people make clothes of different colors? These questions and others are answered in this illustrated book for kids. Find out about travel, trade, animals, towns, clothes, work, money, family life, food, and other fascinating facts about biblical times.

❖ **Big Book of Bible Facts and Fun** (BK 2MB 111) - This reproducible work is subtitled "cool stuff about the Bible," and it is designed to help students investigate and explore the Bible. It's an ideal supplement to any Sunday School curriculum and great for Christian schools and home schooling, as well. The complete index makes it easy to find information about a Bible person or event and photocopy the information for each student.

