

HINTON YOUTHLEAD ACADEMY: *Equipping and Empowering Young Leaders in Ministry*

August 5-7, 2022 – Hinton Rural Life Center



Purpose

The Hinton YouthLead Academy equips high school youth to be impactful servant leaders by helping them: identify their gifts, abilities, and passions; discern their calls to ministry; develop skills to enhance their effectiveness; and navigate the unique opportunities and challenges of contextual ministry.

Description

The Academy will offer a weekend of leadership development training for high school youth who have shown giftedness in leadership and who desire to grow in their leadership abilities in response to living out their baptismal covenant. Workshops include:

- Wired for Ministry: Spiritual Gifts and Personal Attributes
- When Call Meets Context: Navigating Process and Power Structures
- Writing for Impact
- Presenting for Impact
- Leading for Impact / Mentoring for Impact

A specific goal for each student will be to develop and prepare to launch a “fruitfulness project” in their own church, school, or community that addresses an opportunity for Christian mission.

Participants

- **United Methodist high school youth**, who demonstrate giftedness in the area of leadership, as seen in their ***ability to influence others in working together to achieve a common goal.***
- Because mentoring and coaching provided by trusted adults is significant in a young leader’s development, **each youth participant will be accompanied by an adult from his/her church willing to mentor him/her for a year.** These mentors should have leadership experience, whether at work or in church, community, or organizational settings. Mentors will participate in all of the training sessions and activities, as well as a mentoring workshop. Mentors can be youth leaders, other church members, family members, even pastors, but should be members and/or on staff at the youth’s church. (Two adults may accompany a youth in order to meet Safe Sanctuary requirements.)
- Registration will be limited to 20 youth, plus their mentors, to ensure an intimate, relational, interactive, and quality experience.

Cost: \$30/participant -- Due to a generous grant from The Royce & Jane Reynolds Ministry Fund, student and mentor participants pay only \$30 each. (Their churches are encouraged to sponsor their participation!). Participants will enjoy workshops and worship leadership from experts in their fields (most serving UM churches), lodging, meals/snacks, supplies, t-shirts, and other resources. Bed linens and towels are also included.

Where: Participants of Hinton YouthLead Academy will also enjoy the scenic setting of Hinton Rural Life Center, a United Methodist missional outreach and retreat agency located on Lake Chatuge in the Appalachian Mountains, only two-ish hours from Atlanta, Greenville, Asheville, and Chattanooga. Hinton is nestled on a 33-acre campus in Hayesville, NC, that offers gardens and trails (including disc golf), swimming/boat dock, and lots of rocking chairs for enjoying conversation and beautiful views. (You might spot our local family of eagles!)

Application Deadline: July 25, 2022, or until spots are filled (20 students max, plus their mentors). Additional information, preparation materials, and required forms will follow after registrations are received. Information about current Covid-19 protocols will be provided.

Schedule

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LEADERSHIP	NOTES
Friday, Aug 5	5-7:30pm	Participant Arrivals, Check-in	Angela House	Welcome Center
	6-6:45pm	Dinner		Dining Room
	7:30-8pm	Welcome/Orientation	Karen Kluever, Angela	Moore Great Hall (MGH)
	8-8:45pm	Worship/Communion	Eric Hagemeyer/ Michael Goldston	Chapel
	8:45-10:30	Snacks, Fellowship/Free Time		
Saturday, Aug 6	8-8:45am	Breakfast, Fellowship		Dining Room
	8:45-9:30am	Praise & Worship	Angela, Eric	Chapel
	9:30-9:50am	Reflection Walk to Young Commons Bldg (in pairs)		
	10am-12pm	Wired for Ministry, Part 1: <i>Spiritual Gifts, Heart</i>	Karen	Young Commons Bldg (YCB)
	12-12:45pm	Lunch		Dining Room
	1-2:30pm	Leading for Impact (youth)/ Mentoring for Impact (adults)	Karen/Michael	MGH/ Chapel
	2:30-4pm	Free Time		
	4-5pm	When Call Meets Context	Michael	YCB
	5:10-6pm	Wired for Ministry, Part 2: <i>Abilities</i>	Britt Terry	YCB
	6:15-7pm	Dinner		Dining Room
	7-7:45pm	Worship	Angela, Eric	Chapel
	7:45-8:10pm	Examen Walk to Lake (pairs)		
	8:10-9:30pm	Fire Pit and S'mores		Lakeside
Sunday, Aug 7	8-8:45am	Breakfast, Fellowship		
	8:45-9:15am	Praise & Worship	Eric	Chapel
	9:15-9:35	Prayer Walk to YCB		
	9:35-11:15	Wired for Ministry, Part 3: <i>Personality, Experiences</i>	Karen	YCB
	11:15am-12pm	Pack up; project work in pairs		
	12-12:45	Lunch, Fellowship		Dining Room
	12:50-1:50	Writing for Impact	Britt	MGH
	2-3pm	Presenting for Impact	D'Andre Ash	Chapel
	3-3:15pm	Commissioning, Blessing, Sending	Eric, Michael	Chapel

Academy Leadership

Rev. Karen Kluever -- Academy Director; Wired for Ministry and Leading for Impact workshops leader; *Minister of Church Relations, Hinton Rural Life Center, Hayesville NC*

Rev. Angela Renee House -- Worship Leader, Student Life Coordinator; Associate Pastor, Sugar Hill UMC, Buford GA

Eric Hagemeyer – Worship Leader

Worship Arts Director, Waypoint Community Church; musician/singer/songwriter, general contractor, Charlotte NC

Dr. Britt Terry -- Writing for Impact workshop leader; *Assistant Clinical Professor, Darla Moore School of Business, U of SC; Director of Young Adult Ministries, Pisgah UMC Fountain Inn SC.*

Rev. D’Andre Ash -- Presenting for Impact workshop leader; *Communications Consultant, Smoky Mountain District; pastor, Snow Hill and Iotla UMCs, Franklin NC; missional entrepreneur, Atlanta GA.*

Rev. Michael Goldston -- When Call Meets Context and Presenting for Impact workshop leader and **worship leader; South Carolina Conference**

QUESTIONS? Contact Rev. Karen Kluever
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