

# LEADERSHIP/TRAINING EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE MS RIVER DISTRICT UMC

The following events are open to everyone! Are you a Certified Lay Servant who needs a class for recertification; several of these sessions qualify for recertification. Maybe you want to be better equipped to serve within your own local church or are just interested in furthering your own personal faith journey; just select a class that fits you! (For courses using a particular book, consider ordering a copy in advance of the class.)

To register yourself or a group for any of the sessions or to ask questions, call or email Susan at [731-414-6806](tel:731-414-6806)/[susanandsissy@gmail.com](mailto:susanandsissy@gmail.com). (Registration is required in advance.)

Date/Time	Course	Location
Oct. 13, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 pm. & Oct. 14, 9:00 a.m. - Noon	This two-session course will be led by Rev. Dr. Phillip Cook. The focus will be on how do we respond when God interrupts our lives, ordinary men and women, by calling and empowering us for service? Dr. Cook will use the book, <u>Called: Hearing and Responding to God's Voice</u> by Susan Robb.  Contact Susan to register – cost is \$15	Trenton First UMC 500 S. College Street Trenton, TN
Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup> , 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	<b>Basic Lay Servant Course</b> – This course shares a variety of ways to serve God and neighbor. Susan Davidson will be the course leader and will use the book, Lay Servant Ministries; Basic Course Participant's Book by Sandy Ziegler Jackson with Brian Jackson.  Contact Susan to register – cost is \$15	MS River District Office 1382 W. Church Alamo, TN
Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup> , 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. and continued Nov. 18 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.	<b>Discover Your Spiritual Gifts</b> – understand how these gifts can be aligned with the church and its mission. Class leader, Dr. John Burgette  Book: Each one a Minister by William J. Carter  Contact Susan to register – cost is \$15	Brownsville First UMC 117 E. Franklin Brownsville, TN

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### Special Session at Natchez Trace State Park!

Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. and Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

### **Storytelling and Poetry**

Learn how to use storytelling and poetry to enhance sermons or small group spiritual formation, or other presentations all while enjoying the beauty and casual setting of Natchez Trace.

Instructors will be Rev. Ronnie Peck and Dr. John Burgette (no book needed).

This one will be particularly fun for groups so, contact Susan to register yourself or a group from your church soon!

Costs: Lodging and meals at Natchez Trace (Special Rates Available – contact Susan)