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DATE: September 2015
TO: Retired Pastors/Associates in Ministry and Spouses
Retired Widows and Widowers of Pastors/Associates in Ministry
FROM: Elderberry Planning Team
REASON: The Elderberry Retreat, October 22-23, 2015

The **Elderberry Retreat** is a special opportunity to gather in a community of renewal, fellowship, and fun at the Green Lake Lutheran Bible Camp in Spicer, MN.

The theme for this fall's retreat is "**Mindfulness Meditation**" and features a highly regarded teacher from Gustavus Adolphus College, William Friert. You will find this broadly acclaimed practice easy to learn and enormously beneficial. Bishop Jon Anderson and a representative from Portico will also join us.

We will worship together, sing some of our favorite hymns, laugh a lot and play Bingo (if you want to) for some highly sought after prizes. A gifted musical group will entertain us after dinner.

Come Relax and Share the Fellowship! (We will miss you so much if you don't!)

The retreat registration begins at 9:30 AM on Thursday, October 22nd and ends with lunch on Friday, October 23rd.

Elderberry Retreat Committee

2015 Marlys Larson, Rebecca Otterness

2016 Tom and Jo Anne Heyd

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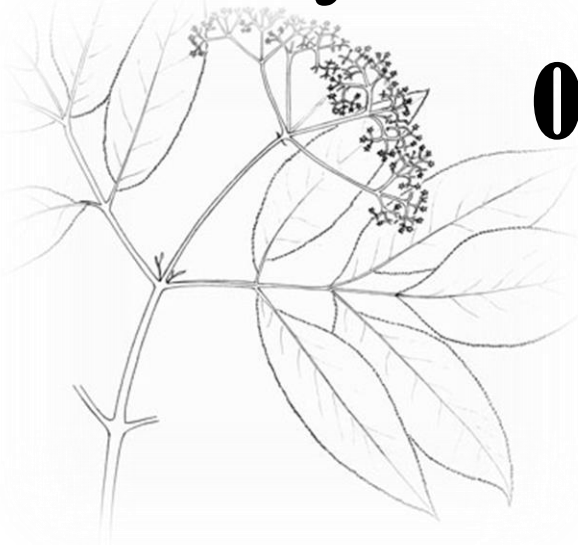
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October 22 & 23

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH A
\$15 DEPOSIT TO GREEN LAKE BIBLE
CAMP BY OCTOBER 16, 2015

Costs*:

\$151/couple - includes all meals, snacks and overnight (includes linens)

\$75.50/person - includes all meals, snacks and overnight (includes linens).

Based on double occupancy. If single is required, add \$17 (if space is available)

Costs for commuters:

\$50/person - includes all meals & snacks for the two (2) days

\$28/person - Thursday only – includes lunch, supper and snacks.

\$23/person - Friday only – includes breakfast, lunch and snacks.

*These fees include an additional charge of \$2 towards a sustaining fund.

The cost for this Retreat is subsidized by the SWMN Synod. No one should be excluded because of cost. If this is an issue with you, please communicate with the Bishop or convener (Rev. Tom Heyd 763-691-3683)

A free-will offering will be received for the SW MN Synod Pension Equity Endowment Fund.

Mail registration by October 16th to: Elderberry Retreat, Green Lake Lutheran Bible Camp, 9916 Lake Avenue South, Spicer, MN 56288 (320-796-2181)

Green Lake Lutheran Bible Camp is located on the south shore of Green Lake in Spicer. Turn East Off Highway 23 (at Mel's Sport Shop/Dairy Queen corner), then proceed to your right on South Shore Road (Co Rd 10) to the east. In about a mile Stavkirk Chapel will be seen on the south side of the road and the camp is just cross the road to the lakeside.

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_____ Name(s)

_____ Address _____ Phone

WILL BE ATTENDING (check one)

- Entire Event
- Thursday Only
- Friday Only

AND (check one)

- Overnight Guest(s)
- Commuter(s)

All rooms will be assigned based on the order registrations are received at the Bible Camp; however, those requiring special accommodations will be given priority. There is an elevator for those who may need one. One ground floor room is equipped to accommodate wheelchairs.*

Deposit and Registration Fee enclosed _____ Remaining fee due upon arrival.

Make checks payable to Green Lake Lutheran Ministries.

*If you have special dietary or housing needs, please note:

If you are a single person and have a preference for a roommate, please note: