

***Making Space For God Registration Form
February 26-28, 2010***

Name: _____ Church: _____

Home Address: _____
(Include Street, City, Province and Postal Code)

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Sex: __M __F

I am staying... (Check one)

Friday night, Saturday, Sunday morning Cost \$125 Paid \$ _____

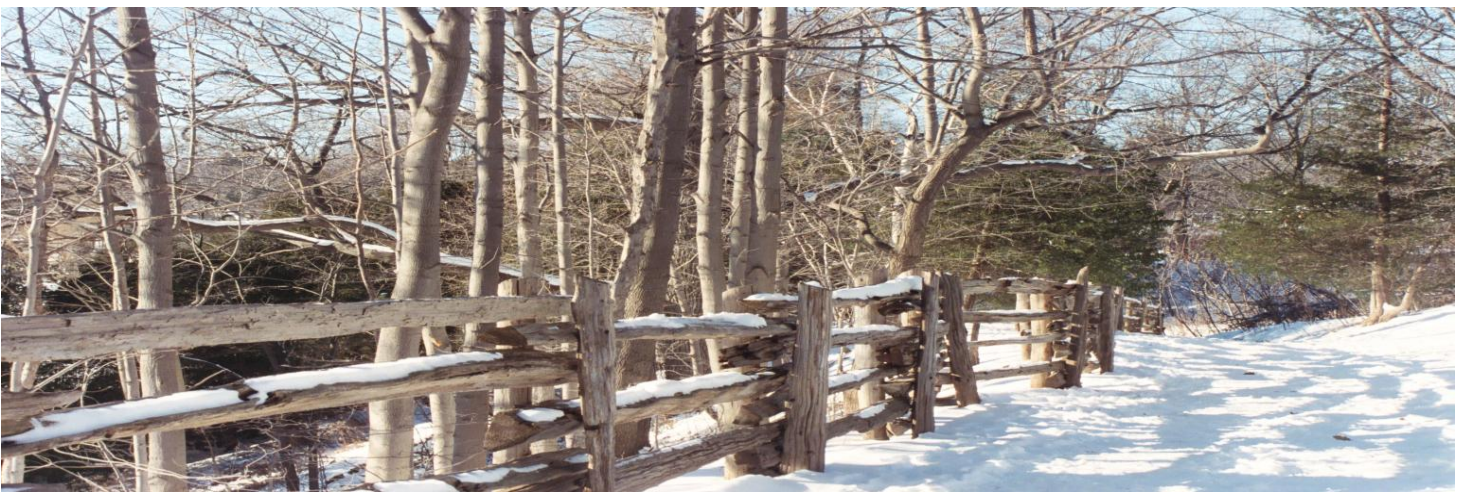
Friday night and Saturday Cost: \$95 Paid \$ _____

Saturday only Cost: \$45 Paid \$ _____

Requested Roommate (if staying overnight) _____

Special needs, requests, food allergies? _____

Registration Deadline Is February 15, 2010!! Make cheques payable to Classis of Ontario. Full refunds will be made until Feb. 15. After that an administration fee of \$25 will be deducted. Send registration form to Rev. Janine Dekker, 1230 County Road #2, Maitland ON K0E 1P0 or email the info to her at: pastor@maitlandchurch.com.



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***Spiritual Formation Retreat
February 26-28, 2010
@Crieff Hills Community***

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Making space for God is necessary if we are to *pay attention*. Paying attention is critical if we desire to be good followers of Jesus. Paying attention is critical if we seem to have others following us. If we take the time together to pay attention, we will soon discover that God's Spirit is already up to something in our lives—giving shape to Christ-likeness, the servant-leader-Jesus authority sort of likeness which is destined to be released for God's Kingdom purposes.

Our spiritual formation retreat will provide us an invitation to reflect upon the need and nature of spiritual formation in our lives both as persons, and as those desiring to lead in a Christian way. Our time together will include experiences of interaction around some challenging thoughts, times of solitude, silence, meditation on Scripture, as well as good conversation with one another—all of which will assist our being shaped into Christ-likeness.

During our time together we will explore...

1. The notion of spiritual formation as the lifelong formation of the likeness of Christ in and among us.
2. Contemporary conditions and barriers which provide a resistance to our formation as Christian leaders.
3. Certain practices which can assist our formation as follows of Jesus.

Schedule of Events:

Friday Evening -- Invitation; we will focus on the need and nature of spiritual formation in our life.

Saturday Morning -- Experience *solitude, silence and meditation* as reflective of spiritual formation in the life of the leader; debrief the experience.

Saturday Afternoon -- An explanation and a practice of the *spiritual reading of Scriptures* as reflective of spiritual formation in the life of the leader will be presented.

Saturday Evening – Open time of fellowship with God or each other and/or rest – depending on personal needs. Especially suited for those who live farther away and prefer to return home on Sunday.

Sunday Morning – A time for worship, reflection, sharing and prayer.

Specifics:

WHERE: Crieff Hills Community, R.R. #2 Puslinch, ON, ph: 800.884.1525. Directions are available at their website: www.crieffhills.com.

WHEN: February 26, 7:00-9:30 pm and February 27, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (See note above about Saturday evening and Sunday morning.)

BRING: Bible, journal/notepad, writing utensil, warm outdoor clothing (in case you want to take a walk). If staying overnight personal toiletries. (Crieff Hills provides bedding and linens for overnight stays.)

REGISTERING FOR:

| | COST | INCLUDES... |
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| Friday night, Saturday and Sunday morning: | \$125 per person | 3 meals Saturday, Sunday breakfast, 2 nights stay |
| Friday night and Saturday | \$95 per person | Saturday breakfast and lunch and 1 night stay |
| Saturday (only) | \$45 per person | Saturday lunch |

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ROOMS: There are two beds per room and space is limited to 14 people. Please name your roommate when registering.

QUESTIONS?: Contact your Rev. Janine Dekker at 613.348.1346 or pastor@maitlandchurch.com.

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