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Register TODAY!

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Make your own Hotel Reservations by calling

Prince Charles Hotel, 420 Hay Street, Fayetteville, NC 28301

PHONE: 910-433-4444

Single Room - \$50; Suite - \$75

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CONVOCATION LEADERSHIP

Keavass Harding
 Senior Pastor
 Dellrose UMC
 Wichita, KS

Rodney T. Smothers
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 Oxon Hill, MD

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 Norfolk UMC
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 Senior Pastor
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 Mt. Bethel/St. Philip UMC,
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 Senior Pastor
 Granville-Vance Charge
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YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES
Shawn Owens
Jerome Purdy

 **Discount for Early-Bird Registration**
 postmarked **BEFORE**
 August 28, 2009

SEPTEMBER 18, FRIDAY

5:00pm **Registration**
 5:30 - 6:15pm **Reception/Fellowship**
 6:30pm **Evening Worship/Keynote Address**
Can These Dry Bones Live?
 Rev. Keavass J. Harding

SEPTEMBER 19, SATURDAY

7:30 - 8:30am **Registration**
 8:30 - 9:30am **Morning Worship**
 Dr. Sherry Daniels
 9:30 - 12noon **Plenary Session**

EFFECTIVE CLERGY & LAY LEADERSHIP

Dr. Rodney Smothers, Setting the Tone
 Dr. Carl Arrington, moderator

Panelists: Keavass Harding Sherry Daniels
 LaNella Smith Regina Henderson
 Rodney Smothers Telley Gadson
 Melba McCallum Robert McMichael
 Shawn Owens Jerome Purdy

12noon - 1pm **Lunch**
 1:15 - 1:45pm **Risk-Taking Mission through**
Evangelism and Outreach

Dr. Sherry Daniels
Breakout Session:
 Plans to Revitalize the Church:
 What We Can Do Back Home

Youth Session:
 Marcus Singleton & Tanika Harris
Music Session:
 Robert McMichael & Jarvis Wilson

3:15 - 4:45pm **Closing Worship/Sending Forth**
 Rev. Telley Lynnette Gadson



Registration Form for the
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Name _____
 Address _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Telephone # (daytime) _____ Email Address _____
 Church Name & Town _____
 District _____ Pastor's Name _____



Registration Fee enclosed **REGISTRATION DEADLINE** postmarked by September 1

Childcare upon request
 by calling 1-800-849-
 4433, ext. 255 no later
 than September 1.

Amount Enclosed Adult early bird (postmarked before August 28) _____ \$20
 Youth early bird (postmarked before August 28) _____ \$ 5
 Adult Regular Price (postmarked after August 28) _____ \$30
 Youth Regular Price (postmarked after August 28) _____ \$10

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