

The Charlotte District E-Pistle

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I have attached a brochure announcing the various classes for this fall's District Leadership Conference, Sunday afternoon, October 7th, at University City UMC. Already you are aware of the fact that the theme will related to our Wesleyan heritage and that Dr.

Richard Heitzenrater will be our keynote speaker. He will also teach at one of our workshops. An added feature will be a workshop taught by the outstanding Wesley scholar, Dr. Robert Tuttle, Jr., from the Florida campus of Asbury Theological Seminary.

Within days you will receive by e-mail the next edition of E-Connection telling you more about the background and importance of this event. For now it is sufficient to say that it is important for you to promote attendance at this unique DLC. Our School of Christian Discipleship has initiated this two-prong DLC: a fall session for the general membership of our churches, and a January DLC for specific leadership roles in the life of the church.

Since this is a new approach to DLC, it is imperative that you interpret this to your membership. Make available copies of the attached brochure to your members in what ever way that is appropriate at your church—bulletin insert, Sunday school distribution, e-mail attachment, pigeon carrier, etc. Just get the word out. This is a significant opportunity for all of us.

I am grateful for your ministry and look forward to seeing you at the clergy fellowship gathering on September 20th at Providence UMC.

Grace and peace,

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