

Registration Form:

Name: _____

Church: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Morning Session Attending: _____

Afternoon Session Attending: _____

Lunch: Yes No

McAlister's Box Sandwich Lunch PROVIDED:

The Club Box The Veggie Box

We MUST have registrations by Friday, February 21. We need a count for box lunches and would like a count for the sessions for handout purposes and room size. You can turn in registration forms to your church office and they will send them to the District. You can also mail, email, or fax them directly to the District Office. Thank you!

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Bridging the Distance Sub-Committee: Melanie Noble, Stan Whites, Leigh Lloyd, Kelly Duke, Sherrie Walker, Glenn Luhrs, Andy Smith, and Amy Moore



2020 West District Leadership Training

Saturday, February 29, 2020

9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

37 E. Beauregard Ave, San Angelo, Texas

with Keynote Speaker, Rev. Carl Rohlfs

Ministry Fair

Schedule for Fair:

Arrive: 9:00 a.m. Set-up and ready by 9:15 a.m.
Open: 9:30 a.m. to approx. 10:00 a.m. & approx. 12:15 to approx. 12:45

If you would like to share a ministry your church is providing, we would love for you to have a table at the Ministry Fair. This will provide people the opportunity to potentially find a mission to collaborate with or provide new ideas to take home to their own faith communities. We want to "Bridge the Distance," and this will help us connect in mission. Please let the District know by Friday, February 21st if you would like a table.

Schedule of Events:

Arrive and check-in: 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Morning Sessions 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. choice of:

- ◆ **Pastor/Staff Parish Relations Committee Training:** This session will focus on the appointment process for pastors and responsibilities of SPRC/PPRCs in the local church setting. Led by DS Andy Smith.
- ◆ **Trusted con Confianza Training, Part 1.** This session begins the third step in the required Rio Texas Conference training for those who work with youth, children, and vulnerable adults and who are seeking safety training for the first time. Led by certified trainer, Megan Getman. **Online registration required:** <https://riotexas.org/safetrainings>. Then click on the training for February 29, which will be listed under "Certification Facilitated Sessions."
- ◆ **A Listening Session: How Can We Help You?** In this session, the District Strategy Team (DST) will solicit feedback from clergy and laity as to how their group can best meet the needs of the District Churches. Led by Melanie Noble, DST Chair.

11:15 a.m. Keynote Speaker & Worship

12:15 p.m. Lunch— Boxed lunches provided
Ministry Fair

12:45 p.m. Plenary Session: How do we Bridge the Distance?
Led by Rev. Stan Whites.

Afternoon Sessions 1:30 p.m.—2:30 p.m. choice of :

- ◆ **Bridging the Distance in Communities of Faith:** This session will provide the opportunity to learn about successful feeding ministries and their implementations. Led by Rev. Bun Jackson.
- ◆ **Bridging the Distance in Faith Development:** This session will provide participants with the chance to share ideas on Christian Education at all levels. Led by Rev. Leigh Lloyd.
- ◆ **Bridging the Distance in Technical Ministries:** Many aspects of our day-to-day "church life" can be automated, simplified, made easier, and even made safer with the use of technology. However, the speed at which technology progresses and the many options available to us at any given time can make the subject of technology pretty intimidating. Join us as Jozlin Parker, the Director of Technical Ministries for the Rio Texas Conference Office, discusses technology that can help to bridge the distance between the church staff members, congregants, the community, and even other churches and organizations. This session will be presented in a way that will be appropriate for all levels of technical understanding. All that is needed is a hunger to see how Technical Ministries can help any church Bridge the Distance. Led by Jozlin Parker, Director of Technical Ministries at Rio Texas Conference.
- ◆ **Bridging the Distance in Ministries of Mental Health:** West Texas Guidance and Counseling will provide valuable information on suicide, pastoral counseling, tele-counseling, and other topics related to mental health. Led by West Texas Counseling and Guidance.
- ◆ **Trusted con Confianza Training, Part 2.** This session continues and completes the third step in the required Rio Texas Conference training for those who work with youth, children, and vulnerable adults and who are seeking safety training for the first time. Led by certified trainer, Megan Getman.