ORANGEBURG DISTRICT UMC LAY SPEAKING SCHOOL
MARCH 2 & 3, 2012
TRINITY UMC, AIKEN, SC

REGISTRATION FORM

Name_____Church_____ Charge_____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Numbers _____ _____ Email _____
HOME WORK OR CELL

SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

BASIC COURSE:

_____ **Lay Speaking Ministries Basic Course** – This basic course is the foundation for other *Learning and Leading* courses. In this course, individuals are encouraged to recognize and employ personal spiritual gifts for the Church in order to use them as God fully intended. It offers guidelines for best practices as church leaders and outlines a number of ministries in which lay speakers may assume roles.

_____ **Lay Speaking Ministries Youth Basic Course** - This basic course encourages and provides training for youth to claim the ministries to which God is calling them.

ADVANCED COURSES: (must have completed Basic Course to take these)
PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FIRST (1) AND SECOND (2) CHOICE.

_____ **Lay Speakers Interpret to Others Our United Methodist Heritage** -- Participants gain an understanding of the distinctive traditions and emphases of the UMC.
Required as the first advanced course to become a Certified Lay Speaker.

_____ **Lay Speakers Lead Bible Study --** Participants learn how to share their faith by telling and doing.

_____ **Lay Speakers Discover Spiritual Gifts** – This course focuses on acquiring a better understanding of the church and its ministry needs; learning what it means to be a minister; doing the work of Christ in the church and in the world; and being more fully equipped to lead others in exploring and using their spiritual gifts.

_____ **Create Disciple-Making Faith Communities** – You will learn about discipleship systems and how the theory of displacement impacts congregations. In addition, you will consider the realities of call and leadership, 21st-century structures for ministry, and new opportunities for ministry.

_____ **Lay Speakers Grow Spiritually through Daily Discipline –** Participants receive guidance in discerning God's direction for their lives, practicing daily discipline, and reaching out in love.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____

Enclose CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR $35.00 MADE PAYABLE TO: *ORANGEBURG DISTRICT UMC* and mail to:

Sheila Shanklin
256 Plantation Estates Lane
Gaston, SC 29053.

The deadline for registration is **Monday, January 30, 2012.**