

Follow-Up Event— May 8, 2008

On May 8th we will have a half-day follow-up event for leaders who want to bring a group from their congregation to learn more about using AI to increase their collaborative capacity. This will be a time to take the 4 D's and overall approach of AI and apply it to congregational life. This follow-up opportunity will be free to all who participate in the April 3 event.

Location:

Montrose Zion United Methodist Church

565 N. Cleveland-Massillon Road
Akron, Ohio
330-666-8809

(Exit I-77 at Ghent Rd., #138. Turn left. Church has an orange/red roof about 1/4 mile off 77)



Schedule of the Day

- 8:30 am Registration and Hospitality
- 9:00 am Welcome and Overview
- 9:15 am Discovery
- 10:45 am Break
- 11:00 am Dream
- 12:15 pm Lunch
- 12:45 pm Dream—continued
- 1:45 pm Design
- 3:30 pm Destiny
- 3:50 pm Closing Reflection

For information,

call a member of the AI Ecumenical Network:

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**Vital and Vibrant
Church Leaders:**

**Using
Appreciative Inquiry (AI)
to Deepen Personal
Vitality and Well-Being**

**April 3, 2008
8:30 am — 4:00 pm**

**Montrose Zion
United Methodist Church
Akron, OH**

Presented by
the
AI Ecumenical
Network

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About Appreciative Inquiry

After 20 years with thousands of appreciative projects underway or having worked their transformation we are beginning to see a growing interest in AI applications in the church. It is not new to religious institutions but its principles are not frequently applied, especially in the negative, anxiety-driven culture we currently experience. The foundations of our faith emphasize AI principles.

"Beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things." - Philippians 4:8

About the Event

The AI Ecumenical Network offers this opportunity to church leaders who want to experience the four phases of Appreciative Inquiry—Discovery, Dream, Design, and Destiny, known as the 4 D's. The focus of this Appreciative Inquiry will be wellness. Looking at the personal wellness of clergy and pastoral staff will provide the opportunity to experience the 4 D's. Along the way we may also discover new understandings of wellness even as we come to understand more fully the life giving dynamics of AI.

What will we consider?

What does it mean to be vital and alive in ministry? In those peak moments of vital ministry, how is personal wellness manifest? Vitality and wellness are expressions of life—hopeful and ultimately energizing even if momentarily draining—physically, emotionally, spiritually. This workshop has the dual purposes of increasing health and vitality and learning by experience the 4 D's of AI.

Who should participate?

The content of this event is designed for clergy and other paid professional church staff as the focus of our inquiry will be the personal wellness of clergy and other pastoral staff members.

**To pour ourselves out in ministry,
we must fill ourselves up in life.**

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Registration

Please detach and mail with payment.

Registration deadline
Thursday, March 27, 2008

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Make your \$35 check payable to
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\$25 for each additional person when mailed together. Please reproduce and send a form for each person registering.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Church Name and Denomination

Mail to:
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