

REGISTRATION

Clergy Spiritual Renewal Retreat

Name _____

Address _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Local Church _____

Single _____ Double _____ Commuter _____

Roommate Requested

Please check one:

Elder _____ Deacon _____ Local Pastor _____

Special Needs: _____

\$25 Deposit is required. Please make check payable to **New England Conference**
Final Payment Due: March 19, 2012

Please send registration form along with \$25 to:

New England Conference
PO Box 249
Lawrence, MA 01842
Attention: Rosemary McNulty

Schedule

Registration begins at 10 am on Tuesday the 10th - *session begins after lunch, which is included.*
We will end with lunch on Thursday the 12th.

Marie Joseph Spiritual Center
10 Evans Rd
Biddeford, ME 04005
(207) 284-5671



The Spiritual Center has a unique setting in a cove off the coast of southern Maine, located in Biddeford Pool where one can wake to beautiful sunrises and taper off the days with gorgeous sunsets.

www.mariejosephspiritual.org

Clergy Spiritual Renewal *A Notorious Hope*



Marie Joseph Spiritual Center

**10 Evans Road
Biddeford, ME**

April 10-12, 2012



**Dr. M. Robert
Mulholland Jr.**

Bob is a native of Rutland, Vermont, with a world of experience before he returned to New England to retire (more or less). After graduating from the Navel Academy and serving for two years, he attended Wesley Theological Seminary for his MDiv., served churches in Maryland and Massachusetts and earned a doctorate in New Testament studies from Harvard Divinity School in 1977. After serving as a College professor in Texas, he went to Asbury Seminary where served as Professor of New Testament and many other administrative roles for 30 years. He has authored over 10 books, including the best seller, Shaped by the Word, as well as many articles and papers.

He is a frequent presenter at the Academy for Spiritual Formation, and has been a visiting professor in Nigeria, Kazakstan, Zambia, Estonia. Though retired, he continues to teach, travel, ski and serve a small church in Shirley Mills, ME .

A Notorious Hope

“Hope’s mission is to save us from a false sense of aliveness. Rather than fulfill whatever fantasies claim our hearts, hope rescues us from a diminished life.” (Prof. Luther Smith, Candler School of Theology in *Weavings*, Feb-Mar-Apr 2012, p.43).

It might also be said that hope saves us from a false sense of individual or corporate deadness. This retreat will seek to probe both aspects of hope and attempt to frame hope in a way that will enliven ministry and revitalize the church

Topics:

Tuesday Afternoon: Discussing the Nature of Christian Hope

Tuesday Evening: Looking at the Hindrances of Hope

Wednesday Morning: Engendering Hope

Wednesday Evening: Nurturing a Hope-filled Church

Thursday Morning: Being Hope in a Hopeless World

Worship Leaders:

Allen and Sarah Ewing-Merrill

Cost:

\$180 single / \$150 double
\$100 for commuters

Registration Deadline:

March 19, 2012

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For more information contact:

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larry.peacock@rollingridge.org
or 978-682-8815

Spiritual Formation Initiative Co-Chairs:

Cathy MacGovern and Evie Doyon

Additional Staffing from Larry Peacock, Rolling Ridge Retreat Center

James McPhee, Director of Connectional Ministries.

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