

Young Children and Worship LENTEN UNIT Workshop

An option to help interested churches get started with YC&W

January 14, 2012

Ardmore Presbyterian Church, 5 Montgomery Ave in Ardmore, Pa (across from Suburban Square)

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.- Training with Olivia 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Story Making with Sherina

Presented by Olivia Stewart Robertson and Sherina Poorman

Overview:

- **Young Children and Worship:** Young Children and Worship is a unique approach to the spiritual formation of young children in a worship setting. Central to the program are beautifully told Bible stories presented to the children with well-crafted wooden figurines and props.
- **The Materials:** Each YC&W story requires a set of figurines and other wooden story telling props. Shelving and other classroom equipment is also necessary.

An option to help churches get started with YC&W: We would like to offer a way for churches to get started with YC&W by presenting workshops on short thematic units. On **January 14, 2012** we will be running a workshop to prepare churches to offer a Lenten YC&W experience to their children. This beautiful series of Lenten stories could be offered as worship experiences during Lent in Sunday school, during a weekly children's worship hour, as children's programming during adult midweek Lenten programs, etc.

Seven Lenten stories: Workshop Participants will be prepared to present seven YC&W stories: a beautiful orienting lesson (presented to the children the week before Lent) plus six Lenten stories.

The Light (YC&W Orienting lesson)

Lenten Puzzle

Jesus and the Children

Jesus and Bartimaeus

Jesus and Zacchaeus

Jesus the King

Jesus' Last Passover

Complete package – Churches can leave this workshop ready to implement a Lenten YC&W unit: provided with the necessary training and materials.

- **Training:** Olivia will be training children's leaders specifically for these seven Lenten stories.
- **Materials:** For those churches who want to save on the full cost of buying the materials, Sherina will provide the guidance, materials and tools necessary to make the wooden figures and story telling props. (Some of the work will be done on The Build-it Bus - a woodworking ministry of Ardmore Presbyterian). The

tools are suitable for middle school and up, so churches are encouraged to include Youth in their workshop team.

Enrollment: Enrollment in the Olivia-led training portion of this January workshop is unlimited, but there is a six church limit for the material making portion of the program. First come, first serve, so sign up early!

Costs: Training: \$ 50 per church or donation as the church is able

Material making: \$150 for story figures, baskets, underlays,
\$50 additional for two shelves - necessary for presenting
the story materials.

(The cost of buying the official YC&W Lenten materials is
around \$380 - plus shipping).

Covenant Grant: We are eager for churches that are urban and under-resourced to attend this workshop. A Covenant Grant has been given to cover the costs for the materials portion of the workshop for churches involved in urban ministry.

To sign up for this workshop email Olivia at Olivia@childrenandworship.org or email Sherina at Brick476@verizon.net