

**Education & Equipping Ministry Team
Report to Providence Presbytery
May 23, 2010**

The Education and Equipping Ministry Team met on April 22, 2010 and reports the following:

Items For Information:

1. Middle School Conference

Providence Presbytery will take its third annual trip to the Montreat Middle School conference at Presbyterian College July 21-25. Twelve youth and two adults from 6 of our churches will attend the conference. Please keep these youth and adults in your prayers as they represent Providence Presbytery this summer. Some of them are present today for a commissioning service.

2. Triennium

Five high school girls and two adult advisors from four of our churches will represent Providence Presbytery at the Youth Triennium at Purdue University July 20-24. Please keep these youth and adults in your prayers as well. Some of them are present today for a commissioning service.

3. Do you have an adult study class looking for new materials?

Did you know that Kathryn McGregor is available to bring resources to your church? She is available to meet with adult Sunday school classes on Sunday mornings or at a time convenient for the class to show them samples of adult curriculum. She can also bring a traveling display of resources for a Women's retreat, Wednesday night program, or special event at your church. Remember, this is YOUR RESOURCE CENTER! Take advantage of the resources we have. An on-line catalogue is also available on the Presbytery website at www.providencepres.org.

4. Scholarship Money Available

EEMT has \$3000 per year for three years to award scholarships for persons to attend leader development events. There is an additional \$1000 budgeted specifically for church educators. Scholarship money may be requested for individuals or teams from your church to attend an event. Applications may be completed online at www.providencepres.org or mailed to Kathryn McGregor at the presbytery office. The scholarship committee of EEMT will respond to requests within two (2) weeks of receiving an application for funds. Persons may apply once within a 12 month period. All scholarship recipients are requested to provide the EEMT with an evaluation of the conference within 30 days of returning from an event. They are also asked to share the information in some way with the presbytery. Some possible ways to meet this requirement would be to lead a workshop, write an article for a presbytery publication, speak at a presbytery meeting, or consult with another church.

5. Don't Miss Presbytery Youth Events for the 2010-2011 School Year!

Check out the enclosed flyer that lists presbytery youth events for the upcoming school year. Be sure and pass this on to the youth advisors at your church so your church's youth can take advantage of the Youth Rally, Worship 4 YOUth events, and the Youth Mission Retreat. Mark your calendars NOW as you plan your church's youth calendar for next year. **(See Appendix 8)**

6. SAVE THE DATE FOR E3 2011

Make plans now to be at Rock Hill First on **Sunday, January 9, 2011** for an afternoon of great workshops for lay leaders, elders, deacons, Sunday school teachers, youth advisors, Christian educators, church musicians, and pastors. Brochures will be available in the Fall.