



## ANNUAL AND YEAR-ROUND STEWARDSHIP WORKSHOP

STEWARDSHIP SERVICES OF THE TEXAS METHODIST FOUNDATION PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO CONGREGATION LEADERS IN DEVELOPING YEAR-ROUND STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS AND ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGNS.



This multi-session Stewardship Workshop is a resource and planning guide for congregations interested in comprehensive and creative stewardship emphasis. A Stewardship Services consultant directs workshop sessions with the pastor, staff members, Stewardship and/or Finance Committee and other invited participants.

The Foundation provides all resource materials and guides workshop activities.

Preparatory planning by the pastor and/or lay leaders is guided by the consultant; congregational and financial data may be requested. Two three-hour or three two-hour workshop sessions are scheduled. A meal may be served but requires additional time.

The workshop encourages participants to engage in individual and small group study between sessions. Outside reading assignments prepare participants to develop and implement stewardship emphasis and education plans. Attendance and individual and group study are strongly encouraged to achieve maximum effectiveness of the workshop process and resulting stewardship plans. Additional consultant workshop sessions are offered for planning, implementation, review and evaluation of stewardship activities.

**TO ENCOURAGE YOUR CONGREGATION TO GROW FAITHFUL GIVERS, CALL 800/933-5502 FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS WORKSHOP.**

### THE OBJECTIVES OF THE FOUNDATION DIRECTED WORKSHOP ARE TO:

- Identify and review current stewardship needs, concerns and challenges
- Analyze and evaluate the activities and results of previous campaigns
- Present and discuss a Wesleyan theology of stewardship
- Begin detailed planning for a comprehensive stewardship emphasis that informs, educates and guides individuals and families in the congregation to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ in their covenant expressions of "prayers presence, gifts and service"
- Develop plans for an annual campaign that recognize the unique characteristics and experiences of the congregation
- Develop plans for a year-round stewardship emphasis that effectively communicate and encourage faithfulness in giving
- Introduce resources for stewardship education for children and youth

As noted above, the Foundation consultant may provide additional services as necessary to fulfill these objectives. This may include telephone consultations, review of stewardship emphasis plans developed by the workshop group, additional meetings, or other support for implementing stewardship emphasis activities.

A modest fee for consultant services, based on church membership, is charged for this multi-part workshop. This includes travel and consultant expenses as well as workshop resources. For churches conducting a Foundation directed capital stewardship program, this workshop is included with the campaign fee. If a church has a stewardship workshop and follows with a capital campaign within 18 months, the workshop fee will be applied toward the capital campaign fee.