

**Interim Ministry Training Seminar  
REGISTRATION FORM**

Please return **\$850.00 registration and training fees** with this form. Please make your check payable to *Texas Annual Conference* and mark it "Interim Ministry."

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Phase I: November 8 - 11, 2010; Phase III: TBA (Spring, 2011)

Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E:mail: \_\_\_\_\_

(Required)

Recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_ DS or Bishop

**Fees:**

\$850.00 Registration and training fees covers all three phases:

**\*\*\*Deadline for Registration Form and training fees is September 30, 2010\*\*\***

The training event will take place at offices of:

**The United Methodist Center  
5215 Main Street  
Houston, TX 77002  
Phone: 713-521-9383**

Hotel contact information along with detailed directions to the office will be provided with confirmation of your registration.

*Please note:*

You will provide your own meals and lodging. These are not included in the registration fee. Numerous restaurants are nearby for evening meals. Do not send money for lodging and meals with registration form.

For further information contact Dr. Suzan Carter, Interim Ministry Program Director at [szncarter@aol.com](mailto:szncarter@aol.com) or 713-859-7070.

## **An Interim Ministry Training Seminar**

### **Sponsored by Multiple Conferences in Texas**

#### **Description**

An Interim Ministry Training Seminar (IMTS) is a three-phase event that spans six months of time led by representatives of the Texas Conference Interim Ministry Program.

Phase I is a four-day time of training designed to

    Sharpen one's general ministry skills,  
    gain new insights for working as a change agent,  
    learn tools and techniques for use in short-term leadership,  
    and orient on how to become a "transition manager" specialist.

Phase II is a time of about six months in one's home church during which the insights learned in Phase I are practiced under the mentoring/coaching of one of the Seminar leaders.

Phase III is a four-day gathered event when theory and practice are more fully integrated using the Critical Incident Reports prepared during Phase II as case studies and the basic tools introduced in Phase I are reviewed for deeper understanding.

IMTS or Seminar is the short-hand term for this entire three-phase experience—an Interim Ministry Training Seminar.

A Seminar is made up of 2 leaders and up to 20 participants, ideally.

This team of 2 leaders, trained and practiced in Interim Ministry, will work for six months with the 20 experienced, mature, productive clergy who are now making themselves available to help churches in transitional situations.