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## Online Education for Clergy and Laity on Congregational Transformation Begins August 25<sup>th</sup>

Six sessions of fully-interactive online education with Dr. Dick Hamm will begin August 25, 2011 at 8 p.m. CDT. The online class is titled "Recreating the Church: Leadership for The Post-Modern Age" and is based on Dr. Hamm's book of the same title.

The class is open to both clergy and laity and all are welcome to register and participate.

This class will be delivered via online learning technologies and all that you need to participate is to have a web browser capable of running Adobe Flash and have a broadband Internet connection. Participants will be able to take the course and fully participate in the class from their homes or offices.

Using TransformingTheChurch.org's "Watch – Discuss – Do!" approach to online education, the course consists of five video-on-demand sessions of Dr. Hamm's lecture and five fully-interactive live online sessions with Dr. Hamm. A sixth session featuring all the music from the course performed as an uninterrupted online concert by John Tracy is also included as a bonus. The first interactive session of the group class will begin August 25<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m. CDT and continue meeting online each week for a total of five weeks. Each week, online students will view one video-on-demand session and participate in one fully-interactive live online session with Dr. Hamm.

Registration is online. Early registrants can access the virtual classroom immediately and begin viewing the video-on-demand sessions in advance of the August 25<sup>th</sup> class start. Late registration for this class will close September 1<sup>st</sup>.

The registration fee for the class is \$129.99 per participant.

To securely register online with credit cards or debt cards, go to: https://www.transformingthechurch.org/pages/catalog\_groups

For more information about the course, go to:

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For more information about Dr. Hamm, go to: <a href="https://www.transformingthechurch.org/pages/DH-01">https://www.transformingthechurch.org/pages/DH-01</a> about dick hamm

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## Recreating the Church: Leadership for the Post-Modern Age

This five-session course helps us make sense of the new context in which we of the church find ourselves, provides practical models by which to understand how our congregations need to change, describes a visioning process by which we can discover what God is calling the church to be and do now, and provides practical advice and counsel to those who provide leadership for change.

This is an online course composed of five high-quality video-on-demand sessions and five one-hour fully-interactive sessions with Dr. Hamm. In addition, participants have an online learning community to discuss classes and topics with each other under the supervision of Dr. Hamm. As a bonus, the course includes a sixth video-on-demand session that is a music concert by John Tracy singing songs about change. The full course is conducted over a period of five weeks.

This course is based on Dr. Hamm's book of the same title, TCP Leadership Series, Chalice Press, 2007, supplemented by up to date findings from recent consultation, which is used as the class textbook for the course.

## **About TransformingTheChurch.org**

TransformingTheChurch.org is a new online resource for churches and congregations in transformation established to provide access to high-quality online learning, courseware, consultation and coaching processes. Although intended for use by any congregation of any denomination that is in need of systemic transformation and deep change, TransformingTheChurch.org has been founded and led by four members of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ): Roger A. Sizemore, Ph.D., Richard L. (Dick) Hamm, D.Min., Richard H. (Rick) Lowery, Ph.D. and William H. (Bill) Anderton. Furthermore, the project is intended to be a resource aligned with the Disciples' goal of transforming 1,000 congregations by 2020 to realize the 2020 Vision of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

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