

January 20, 2018 @ Keystone UMC
January 27, 2018 @ Beach Church UMC

The "E" Word: Evangelism

Join the North East District for our 2018 Training Event entitled EQUIP 2018 – The “E” Word: Evangelism. During this training event, we will offer multiple breakout sessions and also some great plenary speakers.

We are offering the training in two locations: January 20, 2018 @ Keystone UMC in Keystone Heights and January 27, 2018 @ Beach Church UMC in Jacksonville Beach. We encourage you to attend the training that is most convenient for your schedule and/or your location.

You must register in advance to attend. Due to space constraints, we cannot allow walk-in registrations. Cost to attend the event is \$10 per person.

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SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 & 27, 2018

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Fellowship/Check-In
9:00 – 10:25 p.m.	Welcome, Opening Worship and Morning Large Group Gathering
10:25 – 10:45 a.m.	Mid-Morning Break
10:45 – 12:15 p.m.	AM Breakout Sessions (*please note that each breakout session is offered in the AM & PM.)
12:15 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.	PM Breakout Sessions (*please note that each breakout session is offered in the AM & PM.)
2:35 – 3:05 p.m.	Afternoon Large Group Gathering
3:05 – 3:15 p.m.	Closing

Register for Keystone - <https://florida-reg.brapp.com/NEDistrictEquip18Keystone>

Register for Beach - <https://florida-reg.brapp.com/NEDistrictEquip18Beach71>

REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

January 20, 2018 Event – deadline is January 10, 2018

January 27, 2018 Event – deadline is January 17, 2018

COST

- ✓ \$10 per person includes lunch.
- ✓ All registrations must be paid in full before the event.

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

- ✓ Easy online registration opens December 1, 2017.
 - ✓ Keystone Registration - <https://florida-reg.brapp.com/NEDistrictEquip18Keystone>
 - ✓ Beach Registration - <https://florida-reg.brapp.com/NEDistrictEquip18Beach71>
- ✓ No Walk-ins (no space!)

CONFIRMATIONS

- ✓ Emailed to each individual after payment is confirmed.

BUILDING TEMPERATURE

- ✓ Please dress in layers. Some rooms may be warmer/colder than others. We cannot adjust the temperature of the rooms.

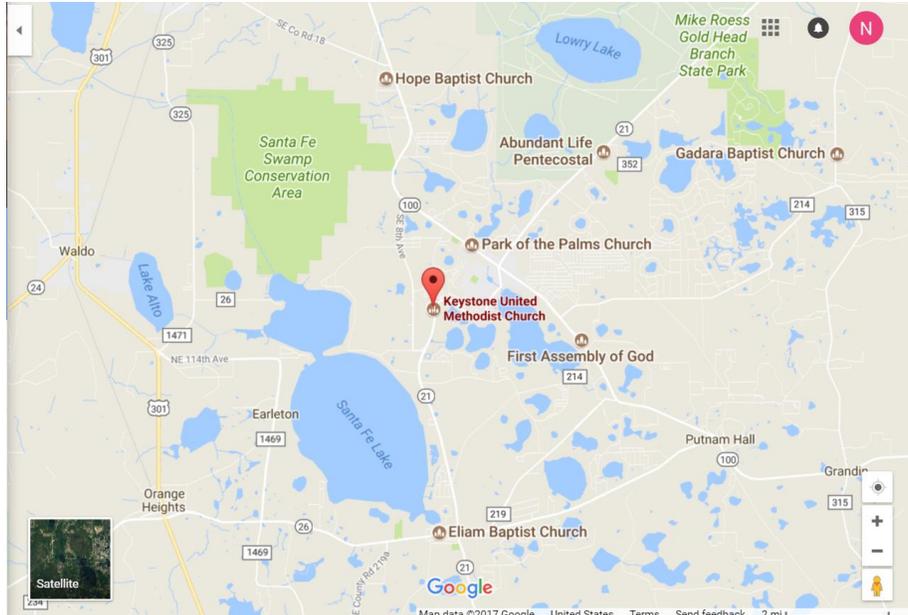
CEU CREDITS

- ✓ Any CEU credits will be processed after the event. You must request a CEU for this event if you need one. Email flumc-ne@flumc.org.

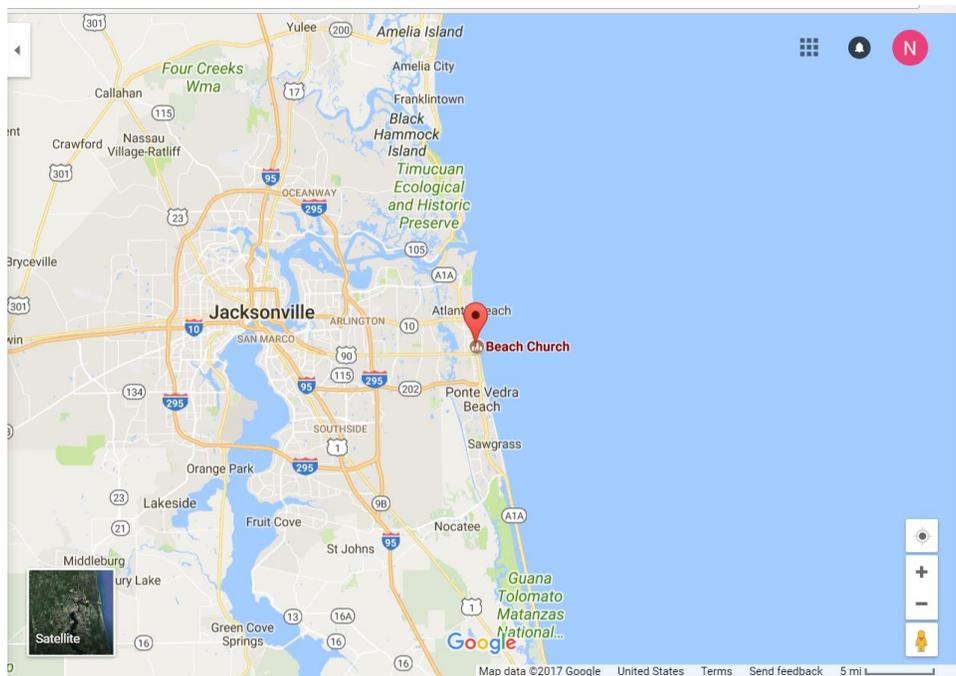
CHILDCARE

- ✓ Childcare is available at each location upon request. Please contact Pam Mullay via email to request childcare – flumc-ne@flumc.org.

LOCATIONS



January 20, 2018 - Keystone UMC, 4001 State Road 21, Keystone Heights, FL 32656



January 27, 2018 - Beach Church UMC, 325 7th Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

Please be sure to use either Google Maps, Mapquest or your GPS to determine the best route to take to get to either location.

Parking

Each church will have parking attendants. Please follow their direction. It will be helpful to carpool if you can.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

90 MINUTES OF HANDS-ON TRAINING IN EACH SESSION

All breakout sessions will be offered in both the morning and the afternoon. Be sure to not select the same class twice. We also recommend that if you have multiple church members in attendance that each person take different classes so each church can be exposed to all of the breakout sessions.

Creating Environments for Visitors

Romans 15:7 So welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God's glory.

Creating a culture of hospitality starts the moment someone drives onto your property – maybe before! This breakout will help you think through what you do on Sunday in the hopes of better helping unchurched men and women hear the gospel of Jesus and how to do it in a way that encourages them to return again. The **Rev. Jeff St. Clair** is currently serving as an associate pastor of Mandarin UMC in Jacksonville. In addition, he is being guided to open a new church Longleaf Church sometime in 2018/2019. **Andrea Vritkapa** is the Congregational Connector at Mandarin UMC and will be co-facilitating with Jeff.

Fresh Expressions

1 Corinthians 9:22 I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some.

Michael and Jill Beck are two of the greatest pioneers for Fresh Expressions in the United States today and they are leading Fresh Expressions to bring people to Jesus and want to help show how. Don't miss this opportunity. The **Rev. Michael Beck** serves as the senior pastor of Wildwood United Methodist Church in Wildwood. The **Rev. Jill Beck** serves as pastor for Webster United Methodist Church in Webster, FL. www.freshexpressionsfl.org

It's Not Rocket Science – It really is just about preaching the gospel.

Matthew 28:19-20 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Paul reminds us in Romans 10:14 that we do not just figure it out on our own. “How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?” We have to preach the gospel so that others can hear, accept, and believe in the One who has called us to preach. The good news is that it is not rocket science! Find out how in this breakout session. The **Rev. Bridget Thornton** is the pastor of Christ UMC in Neptune Beach.

Next Generation - Children

Mark 9:37 Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.

Evangelism isn't just for adults! Studies have shown it is easiest to make new Christian when people are under the age of 18. Come and learn from excellent children's ministers with first-hand experience in helping kids follow Jesus. Instructors are being finalized. Keystone location instructor: **Rev. Carrie Yoder** is the pastor of discipleship and family ministries at Memorial United Methodist Church in Fernandina Beach. Beach location instructor: **Carey Sumner** is the executive pastor at Beach Church in Jacksonville Beach.

Next Generation – Youth & Students

1 Timothy 4:12 Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.

How to develop a ministry that reaches unchurched or lost students for Jesus.

Keystone location instructor: **Josh Reinken** is the youth minister at First United Methodist Church in Starke and has been serving there since 2010. Beach location instructor: **Ryan Sweat** is the pastor of student ministries at Beach Church in Jacksonville Beach.

Relational Evangelism – Touch the heart before engaging the mind.

Luke 12: 11-12 When they bring you before the synagogues, rulers, and authorities, don't worry about how to defend yourself or what you should say. The Holy Spirit will tell you at that very moment what you must say.

Evangelism techniques of years past do not work anymore. Evangelism in 2018 is all about building relationships. Come to this class and learn from an evangelism Jedi master. It's not hard and you won't have to get out of your comfort zone. Don't miss it! The **Rev. Greg Grant** is the pastor of Riverdale United Methodist Church in St. Augustine.

Serving with No Strings Attached – Connecting community/church through servant evangelism

John 13:14-15 If I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you too must wash each other's feet. I have given you an example: Just as I have done, you also must do.

When Jesus washed the feet of the Disciples, he served with no strings attached. How can your church move outside of the walls of the church and into the community. This is a hands-on, practical class in helping your church get out of the pews and into the streets, meet people at their point of need and offer them Jesus. **Rev. Debra Thompson** is the pastor of Ebenezer United Methodist Church in Jacksonville.

Special Events As An Evangelism Strategy

Romans 15:7 Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

Just offering special events to offer special events in a church can be a huge waste of time! Plus, some other organization down the road can probably do a better job! But don't be too quick to toss out these events! There is a way! **Joshua Delp** is the Connections pastor at Beach Church and will be leading this breakout at Keystone. The **Rev. Jerry Sweat** is lead pastor of Beach Church in Jacksonville Beach and will be leading this breakout at Beach.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All registrations must be completed online. If you have any trouble with the online registration, please contact the District Office at 904-396-3026 or flumc-ne@flumc.org

To ensure you get your first choice of class, please register early as class sizes are limited.

Online registration opens on December 1, 2018 and ends on January 10, 2018 for the Keystone location (January 20, 2018) & January 17, 2018 for the Beach location (January 27, 2018.)

We cannot honor late registrations. Please, no walk-ins.