

# Licensed Teacher Update

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## HOME OFFICE

Many of our staff members will be attending our midyear meetings which are scheduled for Tuesday thru Thursday, January 26 thru 28. Please take this into consideration when calling your Home Office during this week.

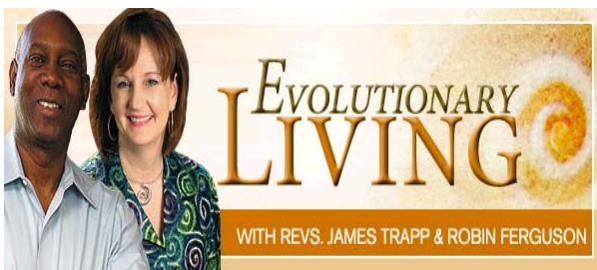
United we make a difference. In response to events unfolding in Haiti, Silent Unity invites the world community to join hands in prayer across the Internet by logging on to [www.unity.org](http://www.unity.org) or visiting us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/silentunity](http://www.facebook.com/silentunity). Churches are invited to post their spiritual social action initiatives to [www.facebook.com/silentunity](http://www.facebook.com/silentunity).

## UNITY IS ON FACEBOOK!

Check out our Facebook page: [ <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Unity/241459271284> ] You can post links to the wall or start discussions. Explore our discussion on getting a Unity pre-school program started (Discussions Tab). Our fans continue to grow and it's a lot of fun getting to watch is take off!

## UNITY.FM

Join Rev. James Trapp and Rev. Robin Ferguson every Thursday at 11am CST on Unity FM for their new radio program *Evolutionary Living!* Just go to [www.unity.fm](http://www.unity.fm) and click on the shows icon. If you can't listen to it live, you can also look up archived shows later. This New Year, resolve to evolve with Evolutionary Living!



## 2010 UNITY PEOPLE'S CONVENTION

Circles of Divine Love...2010 Unity People's Convention will be here before you know it! Check out the [evite](#) on YouTube.

**"Growing from Good to Great"**  
**A Pre-Convention Symposium**  
**Presented by Rev. Wendy Craig-Purcell and The Unity Center**  
**Friday evening, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to Sunday afternoon, June 6<sup>th</sup> 2010**

Join Reverend Wendy Craig-Purcell, Founder and Spiritual Leader of The Unity Center, and members of her Board and Staff for this fun, informative, fast-moving pre-conference symposium designed to share some tools and best practices you can take home and put to work immediately to help your ministry move to its next level regardless of its current size.

Wendy was ordained in 1980 and pioneered The Unity Center in 1983 growing it to a large and successful corporate-size ministry. Having had first-hand, personal experience in all phases of church growth and development, Wendy is uniquely qualified to speak about both the personal and organizational sides of ministry that have contributed the most to this success.

"Growing from Good to Great" will begin on Friday evening with a very special and inspirational opening presentation by Wendy. Saturday will be an information-packed day, as Wendy, her board, and staff share some of their very best gems of wisdom on topics ranging from leadership and church growth to assimilating new members, moving through times of change and how to juggle it all more effectively. After attending services on Sunday morning, participants will meet at The Unity Center's 240-acre retreat property-Stallion Oaks Ranch-for a BBQ luncheon and a very touching closing celebration.

"Growing from Good to Great" is being offered to all New Thought ministers and their boards with all profits going to the Association of Unity Churches International. We ask that all participants make arrangements to attend the entire Symposium (Friday evening through late Sunday afternoon). A minimum of 125 people registered at the \$195 dollar rate by February 25<sup>th</sup> is needed for us to offer the Symposium.

### **INSTRUCTOR RESOURCE ROOM**

Are you teaching SEE classes and looking for helpful resources? Check out this page on our website: <http://www.unity.org/education/see/SEEinstructor.html>. From this page you can read about how to get access to download any of our SEE required syllabi and additional SEE information that will be helpful to you. **A note of caution:** When logging in using the universal login, do not change the password. If it is changed, other instructors will not have access to this room.

### **SUMMER 2010 SDS**

This SDS is scheduled for the week of August 9 thru 12. The due date for completing and submitting all documentation is May 9. Again, we are limiting the number of candidates to 12. Therefore, if you are planning to come to the Summer SDS, please be sure to contact Shirley Kennedy well before May 9. The first 12 candidates who complete all requirements and submit them to the Association office by May 9 are the candidates who will be considered for invitation to our SDS - on a first come, first served basis.

The SDS Application form is available on our website at [www.unity.org](http://www.unity.org). Click on the "Ministries/Leaders" tab and then click on the Licensed Teachers link under Ministry Support on the left hand side of the page. Your application form for our Summer SDS is due by May 9<sup>th</sup>.

## 2010 PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION SCHEDULE

Psychological evaluations are completed during your first Leadership (Session C) class week. The written portion is administered on Sunday afternoon before classes start on Monday. The 90-minute interview with the psychologist is on the Saturday following classes. If you have not completed this pre-requisite to entering the Licensed Unity Teacher program and you are planning to attend Leadership classes this spring, please contact Shirley Kennedy as soon as possible. You will need to reserve a specific time for your interview on Saturday. Below is the schedule for this year.

Spring: Sunday, March 28 at 1:00 pm - written portion; Saturday, April 3 - Interview  
Summer: Sunday, August 1 at 1:00 pm - written portion; Saturday, August 7 - Interview  
Fall: Sunday, October 31 at 1:00 pm - written portion; Saturday, Nov. 6 - Interview

## 2010 SDS SCHEDULE

Spring: April 12 - 15; documentation due date is January 12 (This SDS is filled)  
Summer: August 9 - 12; documentation due date is May 9 (12 students maximum)  
Fall: November 8 - 11; documentation due date is August 8 (12 students maximum)

## ANNUAL REPORTS

Each Licensed Unity Teacher must submit an annual report each year. The Annual Report form is available on our website at [www.unity.org](http://www.unity.org) on the Licensed Teacher page and is due by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## OPORTUNITY FROM THE FIELD

Rev. Dr. Gary Simmons and Rima Bonario will be presenting a workshop at the Spiritual Life Center based on their new book: *The Art & Practice of Living with Nothing and No One Against You* on Friday evening, January 29th 7 - 9 PM and continuing Saturday, January 30th, 9 AM - 5 PM. For details an online registration go to [www.theQeffect.com/register](http://www.theQeffect.com/register)

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Unity Church of Omaha is looking for a **Youth and Family Ministries Director**. This position is accountable to the Minister and General Church Circle. The purpose of this position is to develop and manage a family program that effectively addresses the spiritual education needs of UCO youth ages birth through high school. To provide a safe and nurturing environment for the spiritual growth of youth and adults involved in the program. The Youth and Family Ministries Director will work with the Minister(s), the General Church Circle and UCO families regarding programs, budget, space, and planning for the Youth and Families Program. For more information contact Rev. Barry Vennard at 402.571.1344

Open Church information for Licensed Teachers is now on our website at [www.unity.org](http://www.unity.org). You must be a licensed teacher and you must first register to view the openings. In the upper right corner of our home page you will find the word "Register." Click on this and complete the form. Once you are registered, please send a new email to [info@unity.org](mailto:info@unity.org) with your name and email address and request your status be changed to LUT. (This email must be send from the same email address you registered with). You will receive a confirming email with instructions on how to get to the open churches. Current openings for licensed teachers are listed below.

Talk to us. What would you like to see in this newsletter? Do you know a licensed teacher that you would like to recognize or honor? Email suggestions to [luc@unity.org](mailto:luc@unity.org).

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