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To: SLM Cornell Class of 2012

From: Barb Mann, SLM Registrar

Re: March 9-11, 2012 Session

Topic: **Stewardship, Christian Ethics & Conflict**

Faculty: **Pastor Scott Meador**, Independence First UMC
Pastor Scott Kober, West Union UMC

Reading Assignment:

In preparation for class, please purchase and read the following two books: *Three Simple Rules* by Rueben Job, ISBN # 9780687649662 for \$5.99.

The Cost of Discipleship, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer ISBN #9780684815008 for \$16.00. Please read the opening Memoir by G. Leibholz, as well as Chapters 1 and 2, "Costly Grace" and "The Call to Discipleship."

An **optional** book to read (**NOT required for class**) is: *Longing for Enough in a Culture of More* by Paul Escamilla, ISBN # 9780687466511 for the sale price of \$9.75 (no discount).

These books can be obtained through Cokesbury at their toll free number 877-231-1594. Let them know you are with the SLM to receive a 20% discount (if applicable) plus free shipping. To cut down on the cost of these books be sure to check with your pastor, SLM graduates, Barnes & Noble or other bookstores, seminary libraries, public libraries, Amazon.com, etc

Worship Leaders: Friday Evening: **Kathy Lamb**
Saturday Evening: **Steve Lamb**

Student-led worship is held at the end of the Friday and Saturday sessions. Plan to devote about 10 minutes to a favorite Bible passage, a Bible story, a personal experience, and/or your own faith journey. Feel free to bring items along to help you create the ambience you want: boom box, cassettes, CD's, props. If you are unable to lead devotions on your specified evening, please find another class member to trade with.

Bring: Please bring: a) your favorite translation of the Bible, b) a hymnal and The Faith We Sing songbook if easily available, and c) a journal or notebook for writing during reflective times.

Where: Cornell College: 600 First Street SW in the Commons/Student Center. You can check Cornell's website at www.cornellcollege.edu or www.mapquest.com for the location of the specific addresses if you are not acquainted with the Mt. Vernon area.

Details: Registration is in the MLK Room from 5 - 7 p.m. with a meal together on campus at 5:30 closing about 9:30 with worship. Sunday's closing worship begins at 10:30 with communion and you will be headed home by 11:00.

Money Matters: Tuition is \$120 per class and covers the cost of speakers, facilities, handouts, Friday and Saturday dinners and Saturday lunch. You are responsible for costs associated with travel, lodging, books and breakfasts. *Make checks payable to the "Iowa Annual Conference"* and please pay when you register for class on Friday evenings.

Emergency: In case of emergency, a call may be placed to the Cornell Switchboard at 319-895-4499. They will get a message to the Dean for you. You may also want to leave information at your hotel.

LODGING

Sleep Inn: 310 Virgil Avenue / 319-895-0055. We have negotiated special student rates with Sleep Inn at \$76.55 per night for one king or two queens with a Continental breakfast. Please identify yourself as being with the School for Lay Ministry to receive this rate.

Palisades Road B&B: 902A Palisades Road, Mt. Vernon (1 block north of Hwy. 30) / 319-895-6155 (Joyce). Family room with walk out basement into yard; large bedroom with a double bed, single bed and pull out couch; breakfast each morning \$55/night for 2 people (adjusted for more).

Blyth Cottage Inn: 108 Bryant Court, Mt. Vernon (2 blocks from the western edge of Cornell) / 877-895-0188. Continental breakfast. Check out website for photos and information <http://www.pollyanns.com/indexinn.html>.

Bracket House B&B: 418 2nd St NW, Mt. Vernon / 319-895-4425. Different sized rooms with Cornell affiliated rates from \$62/night to \$77/night depending on number of people. Continental breakfast may be served; please call to check on this. <http://www.cornellcollege.edu/brackett-house/index.shtml>

Engelbrecht B&B: 117 7th Avenue NW, Mt. Vernon / 319-895-8895 Jackie/John. Located approx. 2 blocks from Cornell's Admissions Office (Wade House). 1 Q. room \$57.50; 3rd floor suite can sleep 3-4 people, \$67.50 for 2, \$7.50 each additional. Continental breakfast, parlor with TV, screened-in wrap around porch.

Mt. Vernon Motel: 353 Hwy. 30 SW, Mt. Vernon / 319-895-4039. \$55 for the first person, \$5 extra for each additional person (new rate). Check out their website for photos and Senior/Military discounts <http://www.mountvernonmotel.com/>. No continental breakfast; coffee shop with pastries next door.

****Be sure to double check the rates as they may have changed without our knowledge.**

We look forward to seeing you at our next session. Please contact Lynn or me if you have any questions.