

Youth Fall Retreat

for youth in grades 7 to 12



Theme: Poverty and Me

Friday November 18th at 7p.m. to Sunday November 20th, 2016 at 1p.m.

Cost: \$85**

Application Deadline November 5th, 2016

Please send this completed form to:

Bay of Quinte Conference, 25 Holloway St., Belleville K8P 1N8

Attention: Jackie Harper

Name: _____

Address: (please include complete mailing address – number, street, town/city, postal code)

Your Email Address: _____

Your Parents/Guardians Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Age: _____

Gender: _____

Grade: _____

Preferred Pronoun: _____

One of our activities during the Fall Retreat will be participating in an Outreach Project, more information will follow with confirmation of your registration.

Also you are asked to bring [something that makes you feel safe](#) to share with your small group.

And finally if you play an instrument and are able to bring it along we hope to create a BQ worship band.

In order for us to make this event as safe and accessible for you please complete the following:

Access Needs: (how can we make you feel safe and supported at this event?)

Health Care Needs: (do you have any medical conditions that we should be aware of to ensure your safety and well-being at this event?)

Medications: (Instructions for medication administration – If any)

If needed is an authorized leader allowed to administer **non prescription medications** (such as Tylenol or Benadryl) _____ (parent/guardian please initial if participant is under 18 years of age.)

At times we may be required to seek **emergency medical attention.**

_____ (parent/guardian please initial if participant is under 18 years of age.) Permission is given for leaders or their designate to permit emergency treatment for my child if it is deemed necessary. All efforts will be made to contact the parent or guardian before permission for treatment is given.

Allergies: (food, environmental, medications)

As all meals will be provided please provide us with your Dietary needs: (please state any special needs – i.e. vegetarian, gluten free)

Sleeping Arrangements: We will be staying at the churches in Bowmanville. Youth will be divided based on age/grade – grades 7&8 in one church and grades 9 to 12 in another space. As is common in other conference youth programs all genders will sleep in the same space with adequate leaders overseeing sleeping arrangements. You may request individual sleeping arrangements (we will try to accommodate all special requests depending on the space available to us).

Please list any needs or concerns you have about your accommodations.

Swimming: In order to provide some outside activity and to provide times to shower we will be swimming at the **Quinte Wellness Centre, we will travel by bus.** The pool is adequately supervised with trained lifeguards and we will travel on a bus with a certified driver

_____ (parent/guardian please initial if participant is under 18 years of age.)

Photo and Video Release Permission: At times we will be taking pictures, some of these pictures may appear on the Conference website and/or printed resources. We require your permission to allow your youth's photograph to be taken.

_____ (parent/guardian please initial if participant is under 18 years of age) I give permission for the photograph and/or video image, of myself/my child, as taken by authorized persons, to be used as memory or promotional material in various United Church of Canada print and electronic resources, including online community locations and Bay of Quinte Conference web site for the promotion of Youth Forum and Youth Events in Bay of Quinte Conference of The United Church of Canada.

Leadership: This event has been organized by a collective of volunteers from Bay of Quinte who are ministry personnel, lay people and is supported by the Conference Children, Youth and Young Adult Committee and by the Bay of Quinte Conference Minister: Programs and Youth.

Our goal is to provide engaging, challenging, and nurturing opportunities to build relations and to link our experiences with justice making and lived faith. It is our hope to build community

for youth across the conference. Various members of this leadership team have certification in the following areas – First Aid and CPR, training in gender identity and sexual orientation, mental health awareness and suicide intervention. Bay of Quinte Conference is an Affirming Conference.



****Cost: \$85** (for first youth from a family, \$75 for a second youth and \$70 for a third youth from the same family) Please note money should not deter participation – many presbyteries, UCW groups and conference are willing to share the cost. Please contact Jackie or your minister for help.

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Please include registration form, parental permission form and behavioural covenant – cheques should be made out to the Bay of Quinte Conference Office

Please feel free to contact Jackie Harper – Conference Minister: Youth and Programs, if you have any questions or concerns about attending this event, by phone 613-967-0150 or within Bay of Quinte Conference 1-888-759-2444 or by email programs@bayofquinteconference.ca

Parental Permission Form

(This form must be completed if the participant is under 18 years of age, if the participant is over 18 years of age please complete the bottom part of this form – thank you.)

(Please Print)

I / We _____
(Parent / guardian name)

give permission for _____
(Participant's name)

to participate in the Bay of Quinte Conference Youth Fall Retreat.

During the time of the Fall Retreat (November 18-20) I/we will be available by phone at the following numbers:

Home: _____ - _____ - _____

Work: _____ - _____ - _____

Cell: _____ - _____ - _____

We know that many of us require assists in order to cope with the stresses and demands of everyday living, some youth require easy access to their phone to feel safe, others need a vaporizer to calm their nerves, some youth smoke in order to feel centered. If your youth needs one of these or other special needs that we should be aware of, please share with us what is needed.

Also we are aware that youth may be given permission to drive to this event, while they are at the event we ask that they give their keys to the conference program staff person, Jackie Harper. If they need to leave prior to the end of the event please let Jackie know prior to the event starting. Also if they are giving a ride to another youth participant please make sure your insurance covers this and that the other parent or guardian has signed off on this. Again, we would appreciate it if this arrangement has been made that you let Jackie know prior to the event.

Permission is granted for our youth to fully participate in the Fall Youth Retreat of Bay of Quinte Conference, The United Church of Canada, to be held at Trinity United Church, 116 Church St., Bowmanville. Participation will include physical activities such as walking, swimming, games, outdoor activities, etc. Please list anything that would limit participation:

Signatures:

Parent / Guardian Name: _____

Relationship to Participant: _____

Signature: _____

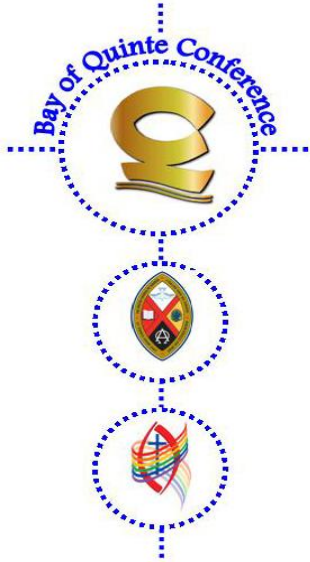
Date: _____

For Participants 18 years or older

Please provide an Emergency Contact Person:

Name:

Contact Information: _____ - _____ - _____ Cell or _____ - _____ - _____



Behavioural Covenant

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We are not alone, we live in God's world!

Wherever two or three are gathered, God is present.

(Matthew 18:20)

When we gather, we have responsibilities:

towards ourselves,

towards the others with whom we gather, and

towards God.

It is our intent that all of the *Bay of Quinte Conference Youth Fall Retreat* will provide a safe space for youth to participate and to grow in relationships with one another and with God. In order to accomplish this goal it requires the best intentions of all participants. We all have a role to play in helping to build a strong community. Certain behaviours contribute to the health of a community, while others can be unsafe and can create unhealthy tensions and breakdown in community. As participants in *Bay of Quinte Conference Youth Fall Retreat* we will celebrate the incredible diversity of participants and strive to not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, culture, colour, sexual orientation, gender identity, sex, abilities, age, class, and theological beliefs.

I, _____, a participant in the *Bay of Quinte Youth Fall Retreat* community, will participate fully in the event. I choose to agree to the standards described in this covenant, and the standards that will be collectively created when the community gathers.

I commit to upholding these standards, for the duration of the event. I understand that should I fail to keep this covenant I may be removed from participation in the group, and/or required to return home. If a participant is sent home, the participant will not be eligible for a refund of fees paid.

Signed: _____

Date: _____