

KEYNOTE SPEAKER **Jane Marie Thibault**



Jane Marie Thibault is a clinical gerontologist and associate clinical professor of Family and Geriatric Medicine at the School of Medicine, the University of Louisville in Kentucky, where she has taught since 1981. In addition she teaches gerontology at the Kent School of Social Work and at the Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. She recently taught "Successful Aging" at Oxford University, Oxford, England.

Jane received her PhD in clinical gerontology from the University of Chicago, an MA in counseling psychology from Chapman University, an MSSW in clinical social work from Kent School of Social Work and a BA in English and psychology from Salve Regina University.

In her first book, *A Deepening Love Affair: The Gift of God in Later Life* (Upper Room Books, 1993) she explored the inner work that is the spiritual life task of the mature adult who chooses to embark on a new vocation – an ever-deepening love affair with God in this life. In her second book, *10 Gospel Promises for Later life*, (Upper Room Press, 2004) she explores the promises of God's good news for the older adult and the aging process.

Jane has worked clinically with elders and their families for three decades. She is director of a geriatric assessment program, conducts research on "dedicated suffering" and provides counseling for older adults and those preparing to become older. She has designed and patented a restraint-free chair for elders and is president of Eld-Arondak, Inc. the company that manufactures it. Jane is also a trained spiritual director and considers herself an "ecumenical Christian."



**Florida United Methodist Conference  
Tapestry III  
P.O. Box 3767  
Lakeland, FL 33802-3767**

**SCHEDULE**

**Friday**

- 1:00-6:00 p.m. Registration
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Speaker
- 8:30 p.m. Fellowship and Refreshments

**Saturday**

- 7:00 a.m. Lakeside Devotional
- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Gathering
- 8:45 a.m. Speaker
- 10:00 a.m. Workshop #1
- 11:30 a.m. Concert
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Workshop #2
- 3:00 p.m. Church Sharing Sessions
- 4:00 p.m. Workshop #3
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Gathering
- 7:00 p.m. Speaker
- 8:30 p.m. Fellowship and Refreshments

**Sunday**

- 7:00 a.m. Lakeside Devotional
- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Workshop #4
- 10:30 a.m. Worship and Communion
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch

# Tapestry III

## "Maturing Spiritually"

Hosted by the Beyond 50 Ministries Task Team  
of the Florida Annual Conference

**February 26-28, 2010**



### Life Enrichment Center

4991 Picciola Road  
Fruitland Park, FL 34731

*"I have stilled and quieted my soul"*

Psalm 131:2



## REGISTRATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Name & City: \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

(list only one person)

### Special Needs:

First floor room (specify need) \_\_\_\_\_

Handicapped Room \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

### Workshops (please select four)

1  2  3  4  5  6  7

### Choose Housing Option

	Before	After
<input type="checkbox"/> LEC, double occupancy (includes 6 meals)	\$185 /person	\$200 /person
<input type="checkbox"/> LEC, single occupancy (includes 6 meals)	\$231 /person	\$245 /person
<input type="checkbox"/> Family Campground, full hookup (includes 6 meals)	\$128 /person	\$143 /person
<input type="checkbox"/> Family Campground, full hookup (no meals)	\$77 /person	\$90 /person
<input type="checkbox"/> Commuter (includes 4 meals)	\$114 /person	\$126 /person
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Only (includes Lunch and Dinner)	\$90 /person	\$105 /person

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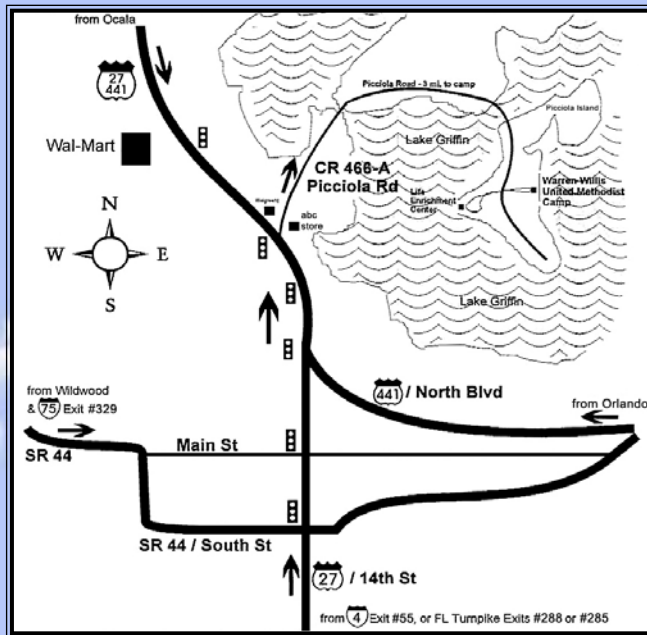
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## DIRECTIONS

**1-75:** Exit Wildwood on Hwy 44 East ( exit # 329 ) **NEW EXIT NUMBER!** Travel 13.5 miles on Hwy 44 East. Turn left at traffic light on to 441/ US 27. (14th Street) Drive 1.8 miles and turn right on to Picciola Road-C-466A (Walgreen's Pharmacy is on the corner of Picciola and 441/US27 ).

**I-4 ( West of Orlando ):** Take the US-27 exit- # 55 (NEW EXIT NUMBER)- toward HAINES CITY/ CLERMONT. Travel north for about 48 miles to and through most of Leesburg. Turn right on to Picciola Road C-466A (Walgreen's Pharmacy is on the corner of Picciola and 441/US27 ).

The Warren W. Willis Camp will on the left of Picciola Road and the Life Enrichment Center will be on the right. ( The RV park is on the right side with the Life Enrichment Center )



## WORKSHOPS

### 1. Fearless Aging in a Youth-Oriented Society

This workshop makes a comparison of retirement with the transition that teens go through, showing that aging, rather than a down-hill slide, leads one to a wonderful new and challenging stage of life. It involves the participant in discovering the answers that Scripture provides to remove the fears and grasp the challenges of aging. The presenter, Sandy Escontrias, has developed this personal ministry for creating curriculum for senior adults.

### 2. Wholistic Faith: Body, Mind and Spirit

We are all wonderfully made by God. This presentation will assist in answering how people of faith work with the helping professionals to minister to the total person. Leading will be Jessica McCune, R.N., B.S., M.S., who is the Parish Nurse Coordinator with the Monroe Regional Medical Center of Ocala, Florida.

### 3. Living Fully, Dying Well

Based on a Study written by Retired Methodist Bishop Rueben Job, this workshop will provide beneficial personal insights into this subject matter as well as provide an overview of the material one might wish to purchase and take back to the local church. An experienced presenter, Phyllis Rabb, a retired Certified Associate in Christian Education for the UMC, will be the leader.

### 4. Nothing Off Limits: Money and Christian Maturity

Whatever separates us from God is sin. This workshop will lead laity and clergy in examining attitudes about possessions and generosity, regardless of financial position. Growing ourselves into Christ-followers, able to fund the Great Commission, begins with attention to what we have and where it is going. The freedom that comes from knowing those things is priceless. The Leader, Nancy Metz, is chairperson of the Beyond 50 Ministries Task Team. She has a passion for leading small group classes that assist discovery and enjoyment of the true financial freedom coming from following God's Word. She earned her B.S. in Gerontology from FGCU in 2009.

### 5. Someone I Love is Aging...and so am I!

Almost without exception all of us will find ourselves in the role of caregiver at some time in our lives. Unfortunately, nothing in our society prepares us for this challenging role. We must find our own way through this maze of emotions, options and situations. That is what this workshop is designed to address. The focus is on the ones in need of care and meeting the needs of the caregiver. Leading is Marian Palmer, a registered Music Therapist who specializes in the field of Gerontology. She has presented this workshop to both personal and professional caregivers in a variety of settings nationwide.

### 6. Transforming Suffering into the Gift of Love

Participants will explore traditional ways of dealing with the pain and suffering that often accompanies aging. The practice of "Dedicated Suffering" will be presented as a way to transform suffering into a ministry for the well-being of others. The presenter is Jane Marie Thibault, a clinical gerontologist and associate clinical professor of Family and Geriatric Medicine at the School of Medicine, the University of Louisville in Kentucky. A published author, Jane has worked clinically with elders and their families for three decades.

### 7. Reaching Out

This workshop presents information about Primetimers opportunities in 2010, volunteering in Mission at UMCOR in Baldwin, LA, Disaster Relief Service, Feeding the Homeless and other ways to serve through Mission Outreach. The presenter is Lois Polstra, a retired Diaconal Minister of Christian Education and one of the members of the Beyond 50 Ministries Task Team.