

Dear NCNC friends,

You may already be aware of one of the most exciting things happening this year at Annual meeting. One of the first business items at Asilomar this May will be voting on amending the Conference by-laws to give each congregation an additional delegate who is a youth or young adult (ages 13-25). The Youth and Young Adult Leadership Programs Planning Team has already been hard at work creating parallel programs for both youth (13-18) and young adults (18 to 25) designed to develop the leadership skills of the participants. The program will integrate participation in both meetings and worship as well as in special leadership development sessions. Youth and young adults who take part in the programs will:

- \* learn about and participate in the congregational process.
- \* discover and experience their voice in the Conference.
- \* get energized about THEIR church and their role in it.
- \* develop general and spiritual leadership skills.
- \* have fun learning in a loving community.

Both delegates and non-delegates are welcome to participate in the programs. Note, this youth program is the only youth program at Asilomar this year. Youth (ages 13 - 17) who wish to attend the Conference Annual Meeting this spring will need to participate in this leadership development program or be under the continual care and supervision of a parent or guardian.

If you have not already chosen a youth delegate from your church, now is the time to do so. Registration fees for youth are already heavily discounted and young adults can take advantage of the early bird registration (due by February 15) discount of \$20. There are also needs-based scholarships available through the conference. Registration forms are available on the [www.ncncucc.org](http://www.ncncucc.org) website. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Rev. Jeff Spencer at 510-797-0895 or [minister@ncncucc.org](mailto:minister@ncncucc.org)

This is a wonderful opportunity for a youth from your church to learn about and participate in the governance of our church. Don't miss this opportunity to send a youth or young adult delegate to Annual meeting.

With warm regards,

The Youth and Young Adult Leadership Programs Planning Team

Enclosures:

Newsletter article for you to use.

Bulletin announcement for you to use.

Flyer to pique youth interest for you to copy and distribute.

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