# **Adult Program**

When he's not rewilding Christianity, Todd Wynward spends his time reinventing public education and re-imagining the American way of life, starting with his own. Todd has been engaged in experiential education and social change movements for twenty years. He is cofounder of a wilderness-based public charter school, leads backpacking and river trips for adult seekers, and is an animating force behind TiLT, an intentional life-change movement in Taos. New Mexico. His new book is entitled Rewilding the Way: Break Free to Follow an Untamed God. Todd is married, with one son.



The Winter Peace Retreat has been held for over forty years, bringing together Mennonites who care about peace and justice to worship, to learn, and to share their stories together, as well as to inspire each one to be witnesses in their own settings. Besides adult sessions, there are also sessions for children ages 5-12 at the same time. Come and enjoy a tranquil retreat setting while learning together as followers of lesus!

MANY MODERN CHRISTIANS LIVE IN TWO WORLDS, TRYING TO FOLLOW JESUS WHILE SHACKLED TO CAESAR.

WE ARE THE TRIBE OF THE SEMI-TRANSFORMED, THE HALFWAY-THERE.

> IS THERE ANY HOPE FOR SORRY HALF-DONE DISCIPLES LIKE US? LUCKILY, YES.

HOW DO WE EMBODY A BETTER, WILDER "GOOD LIFE" IN THIS WATERSHED MOMENT-ONE THAT'S BETTER FOR OURSELVES AND OUR ACHING PLANET?

Todd Wynward

#### Schedule

FRIDAY NIGHT [adults and children together

- Registration (7:00 p.m.) Interactive activities (8:00 p.m.)
- Snack (9:30 p.m.)

#### SATURDAY MORNING

- Breakfast (8:00-8:30 a.m.)
- Session (9:00 a.m.)
- Lunch (12:00-12:30 p.m.)

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Free time and/or watching peace videos
- Dinner (5:30-6:00 p.m.)
- SATURDAY EVENING
- Session (7:00 p.m.)
- Snack (8:30 p.m.)

#### SUNDAY MORNING

- Breakfast (8:00-8:30 a.m.)
- Session (9:00 a.m.)
- Break (10:30 a.m.)
- Worship Service (10:45-12:00 noon) [adults and children together]
- Final announcements
- Dinner (12:00 p.m.-)

## **Retreat Costs**

The PJC budget does not cover honorariums, travel and accommodations for the retreat leader, publicity, or financial aid for those who need it to attend the retreat. **These** depend upon your generosity. Donations may be made along with your registration, or put in the offering plate during the worship service on Sunday morning.

Children under age 3 may attend free of charge.

The full retreat registration charge includes meals from Saturday breakfast through Sunday lunch. Note that there will be no food available on Friday until the snack time at the end of the session that evening.

Adults may register to attend the retreat for Saturday only at a cost of \$60 each; this fee includes lunch and supper.

# Financial Aid

Aid is available for those who find it difficult to pay the full registration fee, if there have been enough donations. Contact Carolynn Boyd (610-489-9084; fcboyd@verizon.net) for more information.

TOO OFTEN WE PRACTICE A MARKET-APPROVED VERSION OF CHRISTIANITY.

CAN PRIVILEGED CHRISTIANS FIND A TRANSITIONAL PATH, JOYFULLY UNSHACKLING FROM CONSUMER CULTURE ?

> I THINK WE CAN. I THINK WE MUST.

> > Todd Wynward

\* Make checks payable to: Eastern District Conference

**Registration Form** 

Name/s [please print]

Address [please print]

Amount Enclosed\*

Donation

TOTAL

Email

Children's Names & Ages [please print]

Dietary Restrictions and/or Other Needs

Adult/s @ \$150 each for full retreat

private room

College student @ \$130

\_\_\_\_ Adult/s @ \$60 each for Saturday only

Adult @\$180 each for full retreat with

\_\_\_\_ Children (ages 3-10) @ \$40 each = \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Youth (rooming with parent) @ \$70 each

**PLEASE REGISTER BY JANUARY 20TH** 

# **Notes About the Retreat**

Activities for children ages 6-12 will be provided during the three adult sessions.

Please bring snacks (fruit, cookies, etc.) to share with others during the evenings.

Linens and towels are provided.

There is no accommodation for sleeping at the Center only one night.

Up to two children may sleep in a room with their parent/s; sleeping mats or cots, and bedding, must be brought along for them.

### Location

St. Mary of Providence Center 227 Isabella Road, Elverson, PA 19520 610-942-4166 www.stmaryofprov-pa.org



St. Mary of Providence Center is near Morgantown, about halfway between Norristown and Lancaster.

# **For More Information**

Direct any questions about the retreat itself to Carolynn Boyd (610-489-9084; fcboyd@verizon.net), or see the Peace and Justice Committee's website at http://efpjc.ppjr.org/retreat/efp172.htm

# Winter Peace Retreat February 10-12, 2017



Rewilding the Way:
Breaking Free to Follow
An Untamed God
Led by Todd Wynward
at St. Mary of Providence Center

Sponsored by Eastern District Conference & Franconia Mennonite Conference Peace and Justice Committee

#### Quotes

"Try this on: Your native, indigenous character as a child of God has been distorted by dominant culture. If you're a privileged North American like me, your mental and spiritual environments have been colonized by the captains of conspicuous consumption. You've been tamed and domesticated, shackled and stuffed. Despite professing values of love and justice and sharing, you often make choices that are unfair, unjust, and unhealthy for the rest of the world.... You've become enthralled by the tempting titillations, frenetic compulsions, and enticing attachments of the world-ruling corporate economy.

Any of this resonate? If not, put this book down, pat yourself on the back, and keep living as you are. But if these words ring true, then like me, you may suffer from the addictive disease known as affluenza."

"See how you do on this quiz:

- 1) Which of the following is comparable in size to today's typical three-car garage?
- a. A basketball court
- b. A McDonald's restaurant
- c. An RV (recreational vehicle)
- d. The average home in the 1950s
- 2) Since 1950, Americans alone have used more resources than:
- a. Everyone who ever lived before them
- b. The combined third world populations
- c. The Romans at the height of the Roman Empire
- d. All of the above (In case you're interested, the correct answer to both is d.)"

[from Kindle version of *Rewilding the Way*]

# Tear off & mail this form and your check to:

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