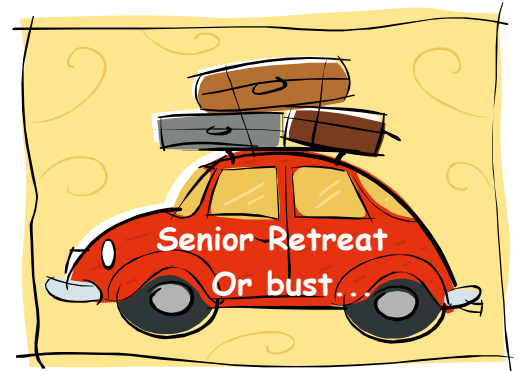


July 2010

Dear Fellow Pilgrims,

Here is an invitation that I hope you can't resist!
You are warmly invited (encouraged, urged)
to attend the



Golden Years Retreat Christian Conference Center, Newton, IA Sunday, September 12– Tuesday, September 14, 2010

The retreat theme is **“Faith Journey”**, and we will be learning a great deal from our keynote speakers. Thanks to medical advances we live longer and healthier. Now the question becomes, “To what purpose?” Faith is a journey that encompasses the whole of life, and there are special lessons of faith to be learned in each of life’s stages. Join us and we will learn together how to move from “aging” to “sage-ing.”

We’ll have interesting keynotes, meaningful worship, and great singing. Add to that, lots of fellowship activities, leisure activities, wonderful food, comfortable lodging, and an optional work project to benefit the Conference Center. What a grand 48 hours!

And here is good news: The cost is \$100 to stay in the Lodge at the Conference Center (2 nights & 6 meals). What a deal!

We will be collecting an offering at our closing worship to help us raise funds for **“camperships”** to help our young people attend church camp next summer. This holy ground has been a blessing to many, and we’d like to help others experience God in this place.

Our planning committee has been working hard to provide a retreat that will enrich our lives and deepen our spiritual growth. We hope that you will make this event a high priority ~ and plan to attend!

We are really looking forward to being with you on Sunday, September 12 – Tuesday, September 14. Hope you will put those dates on your calendar right now, then fill out a registration form and send it to the Conference Center.

Peace to you,

Jerry & Gladys

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