

You are invited to the 19th Semi-Annual OPC Singles Retreat.

2-4 October 2009

Sponsored by the Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church
at the Machen Retreat and Conference Center (MRCC) in McDowell, VA

Topic: Lessons from God's Redemptive Work in the Exile

We will be looking at both Ezekiel and Daniel to see what lessons they teach about God's redemptive work in the exile. Ezekiel spoke of what God intended to do as He sent Judah into exile in Babylon. Daniel recounts the historical outworking of what God actually did. These are very encouraging events in the history of redemption, and we hope you will join us to study God's unyielding love for His bride, and what He did to restore the covenant with her after her infidelity and idolatry.

Our speaker, **Rev. Steve Green**, is a graduate of Westminster Theological Seminary in California and has served on staff at Columbia Presbyterian Church for more than 20 years. Steve works with adult education and discipleship as he oversees the community ministry, the adult Sunday school and works with training mentors at CPC. He is captivated by the gospel and its transforming impact on the unbeliever and the believer alike. We come to Christ through the gospel and we live in Christ by the power of the gospel.

All singles of college age and up are invited as are non-OPC members. The cost is \$57. If you would have difficulty paying the full cost but would like to attend, a small subsidy may become available and will be given as a rebate (you can indicate your need on the registration slip below and you will be contacted) or you may wish to request assistance from a deacon at your church.

What to Bring:	Sleeping bags and/or bed sheets & blankets	Pillows
Towels	Warm Clothes	Personal Items
Notebook	Pens	Hiking Boots
Flashlight	Camera (if desired)	Favorite Snack
		Games

All meals are included with the cost of the retreat. **If you have any food allergies (nuts, dairy products, etc.), please describe them on the back of the registration form (including severity). We will contact you to let you know what can be accommodated. In some cases, you may need to bring your special food items.** Showers are available. Please keep in mind that the weather may be cold.

Schedule: The retreat begins at 7 PM on Friday and ends after lunch and cleanup on Sunday.

Directions: From Interstate I-81, take Exit 225 for Route 262 South (Woodrow Wilson Parkway) just north of Staunton, VA. Route 262 is a bypass around the town of Staunton and was recently renamed from Route 275. After 5.5 miles take the exit for Churchville Ave. (aka Route 250) west. Proceed west on Route 250 for about 32 miles. You will pass through Churchville early on. For the last 10 or so miles you will cross three mountain ridges of which Shenandoah Mountain is the first. Beware of sharp hair pin turns going up and down the mountains. When you get to the town of McDowell, turn left on Route 678 immediately before the small church. Proceed south on Route 678 for about 8.9 miles. The entrance to the MRCC is on the right. Take the gravel road to the right of the Machen sign up to the conference center. If you get lost, you can call Machen at 540-396-3650. More information is available on the MRCC website at <http://www.machen.org> or by mailing opcretreatinfo@yahoo.com or by calling Harry Kinney at 703-866-6149.

Please mail this completed registration slip with your payment of \$57 by 20 September 2009 to John Drum, 20876 Isherwood Ter Apt 203, Ashburn, VA 20147-7788.

Make your check out to "MRCC" and indicate "Singles Retreat."

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zipcode _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Home Church _____

I am M F

I am interested in carpooling.

I can bring a tent if needed.

I can sleep in a tent if the cabins are full.

I would like to help bring food.

I would like to request the partial subsidy.

Please note: All attendees at Machen Retreat and Conference Center events should acquaint themselves with the guidelines that have been established by the MRCC operating committee. These guidelines include a dress code and standards of conduct. Please go to the Machen website link below:

<http://www.machen.org/RulesAndRegs.html>

After you have read the material, please indicate your agreement to follow the guidelines by signing below:

If you don't have internet access, you may call Harry Kinney and he will be glad to mail you a copy of the guidelines.