



Association of Youth Ministers

welcomes Michael Theisen

Saturday, March 7, 2009

**Hilton Garden Inn
8971 Wilcox Dr.
Twinsburg, OH 44087
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
includes continental breakfast**

“Catholic Youth Ministry: The Future is at Hand”

Catholic Youth Ministry leaders today are confronting more new challenges than ever before:

- a media-driven, consumerist culture
- new technologies that are redefining relationships and communication
- parents who are at a loss in how to pass on a faith they don't always fully get
- the need to form, and even re-form, teens in faith
- shrinking budgets and expanding expectations
- parish clustering and restructuring
- the growing need for more formation and training and fewer resources to acquire it.

Come and spend a few hours with other colleagues as together we explore both the challenge and the opportunities for these and other issues that are at hand in youth ministry today.



Michael Theisen has been involved in youth ministry & adolescent catechesis for 25 years, authoring more than 15 books and numerous articles. His experience extends from the parish to diocesan and national levels, and he is a frequent speaker and trainer throughout the U.S. Michael is the Director of Membership Services for the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM).

Cost: \$10

FREE to members of AYM!

AYM is a newly formed organization providing professional support for all youth ministry personnel in the Diocese of Cleveland.

For event registration & membership information, email Katie Drager:

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