

Christophany Goes Green • 2009 • Info



with special guest Tyler Edgar from the Nat'l Council of Churches

Assistant Director of Climate Change & Energy

Watson Homestead Retreat Center • Painted Post, NY

What is Christophany? A spiritual retreat celebrating Christ and the full and generous life that is possible for Christians.

Who May Attend Christophany? 6-12 graders in the Diocese of Bethlehem & their friends, as well as adult chaperones. Parishes are asked to send one adult chaperone for every five youth attending from your parish. In order to maximize spaces for youth, we will not be able to take extra adults. If you have fewer than five youth attending, please contact Demery Bader-Saye (dbader-saye@diobeth.org or 570-586-7573) before registering an adult.

How Much Does Christophany Cost? The cost for youth is \$100. The cost for adult chaperones is \$50. If a participant cancels within one week of the event, refund of payment will not be possible. Full and partial scholarships available. Please ask your parish for help first. If your parish cannot help, please contact Demery Bader-Saye (see info. above).

How do I register? Go to www.lifeistasty.org On *Life is Tasty* you will see a link to the online registration: 123 Sign Up. *Life is Tasty* you will also find medical release/community life standards forms (adult & youth versions). After you have registered online, please immediately print and send the appropriate two page form, along with your payment, to Diocesan House. You are not considered fully registered until you have signed up online AND mailed your forms & payment in. Space is limited so sign up and get your forms in early! Registration will close on Tuesday, March 31st. Check are made payable to The Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem. Please mark "Christophany" in the memo. Mail to: Diocesan House/Attn: Christophany/333 Wyandotte St. Bethlehem, PA 18015.

Heads Up! Get ready for the *Great Diocesan Enviro-Walk*, an educational service project & trek. We will clean up paths around the retreat center while learning about key environmental issues and themes. The walk will raise awareness about and will also to help keep the grounds of Watson Homestead beautiful. Each participant will have the option of asking friends and family to sponsor your walk; funds raised will be donated to the New Hope Youth Campaign to benefit our brothers & sisters in Kajo-Keji, Africa. The Youth Council has pledged \$7,000 to the campaign. We are a little over half way to our goal. Once you have registered online for AND mailed in your forms, you will receive a sponsorship form via email (along with directions to Watson Homestead and a What to Bring List). So start thinking of friends, family and fellow church members who might be willing to sponsor you for the Enviro-Walk. When You Register - be sure to provide a parent or guardian's email address when you register. Because we are trying to be more green and use less paper - we do all of our communications via email now. Thanks and hope to see you at Christophany!