

2017 TEACHER WORKSHOP

ADVANCED TEACHER TRAINING

Saturday, November 18, 2017



Teacher Trainers



Carole Buleza was appointed to the position of Director of the Department of Christian Education for the Antiochian Archdiocese in January 2000. She holds a B.A. in Elementary Education and a Master's Degree in Religion, with a specialty in Religious Education. She was one of the first to see the value of the internet and in 2004 produced the Antiochian Gospel Program "Let Us Attend," now in its 13th year. The sphere of social media ministry is presently being nurtured by the Department. As Chair of the OCEC Curriculum Department from 2001-2005, Carole served as the project director and primary author of the high school text "The Way, The Truth & The Life." While also in that position, she established the Training Department and wrote modules to standardize basic training for teachers. "Educating Ourselves and Our Children in Godliness" has provided hundreds of teachers throughout North America with the resources and training for success in the church school classroom. As Carole continues to serve the Archdiocese she looks forward to the challenge of providing an entirely new curriculum in the near future.



Father George Alberts, a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, has been involved in Orthodox Christian Education for over 35 years. Ordained to the priesthood in 1973, he also studied Clinical Pastoral Education at Pine Rest Mental Health Hospital, Grand Rapids, MI, and has taught sociology at the community college level. Fr. George has served as a pastor in Michigan and Pennsylvania and is currently the pastor of St. Mary Orthodox church, Wilkes-Barre, PA. In addition, he holds the positions of Recording Secretary of the Orthodox Christian Education Commission, and Christian Education Coordinator for both the Diocese of New York and Washington, D.C., and the Diocese of Oakland, PA and the East.

Hosted by: **ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH**
237 LONG HILL ROAD, LITTLE FALLS, NJ

THE SCHEDULE

An Advanced Teacher Training Workshop will take place on Saturday, November 18, 2017, at St. George Orthodox Church, in Little Falls, NJ. This workshop is designed for current and future teachers and assistant teachers who desire advanced training for working in the religious education classroom and will include classroom planning. Participants may choose the elementary or middle school/high school track.

Teacher Training II Elementary

Session 1: Enriching the Classroom Experience-Offers concrete tools to equip teachers with the skills and materials to capture the attention of the student in the classroom.

Session 2: Child Development & the Exceptional Learner-Explore the differences in how children learn and how to approach these differences in the Sunday school classroom.

Session 3: Creative Expressions-Bring the arts into your classroom.

Teacher Training II Middle School/High School

Session 1: Adolescent Needs-Meeting the needs of Orthodox teens in today's world.

Session 2: Overview of Moral Issues-Discuss the Orthodox viewpoint on today's moral issues. Learn how to effectively convey that viewpoint in the church school classroom.

Session 3: Creative Expressions-Bring the arts into your classroom.

9:20 - 9:40 a.m. Registration & Coffee

9:45 - 11:30 a.m. Session 1

11:35 - 1:05 p.m. Session 2

1:10 - 1:40 p.m. Lunch

1:45 - 3:15 p.m. Session 3

3:15 - 3:30 p.m. Certificate Presentation

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 6, 2017

A registration fee of \$20 covers all workshops, printed materials, handouts, and Saturday lunch. We encourage parishes to assist teachers with this fee to benefit their church school programs and students. Certificates will be given to participants who complete the courses in their track. To register, please contact Claire Levash, from the host parish, at churchschool@stgeorgenj.com or call 973-634-8131.