

Join the Dismantling Racism Team at the First Matthew 25 Summit

Atlanta, Georgia, January 16 -18, 2024

The Dismantling Racism Team (DRT) is organizing a group from the Presbytery of Baltimore to attend the Presbytery Mission Agency's first **Matthew 25 Summit**. Join with representatives from the presbytery's <u>Matthew 25 congregations</u> (now 17!) and from around the country. It

will be the perfect time to find out how to lean into your Matthew 25 commitment. Not a Matthew 25 congregation yet? Find out why it's important to make the Matthew 25 pledge.

The registration deadline is January 2, 2024.

The Matthew 25 Summit will bring mid-councils, churches, and individuals together to explore the eradication of poverty, dismantling of systemic racism, and building of a vital congregation. This is a chance to dialogue, learn, and grow with others in exploration. Featuring innovative speakers, thriving ministries, transformative workshops, and space to imagine what's next!

The event cost is \$199 and includes two lunches, two dinners and conference materials.

*A discounted registration fee of \$99 per person is offered for those in the following self-identifying groups:

- Marginalized Persons (persons of color, LGBTQIA+ identities, and those who are economically disenfranchised)
- Students (currently enrolled)
- Young Adults (ages 18-26)

*The discount will show at the end of the registration form.

Register for the Summit HERE.

Experience the summit at the historic <u>New Life</u> <u>Presbyterian Church</u>, which carries on the legacy of its founding pastor and former pastor of Knox Presbyterian Church in Baltimore, The Rev. Dr. Lonnie Kofi Oliver. Join our commitment to transformative change.

DRT is offering limited financial support to help cover expenses to attend the summit.

Preference will be given using the following criteria:

- Applicants from Matthew 25 congregations
- Applicants from congregations whose sessions are in discernment about the Matthew 25 commitment
- Applicants who are marginalized, students (currently enrolled), or young adults
- Congregations may receive only one scholarship for the summit.

Attendees receiving financial support will be expected to meet online with the team before the summit and check-in with the team during the summit. We will also meet after we return home to share our experience and learnings presbytery-wide.

For information on how to apply, please contact Susan Krehbiel, Social Justice Consultant by email – <u>skrehbiel@baltimorepresbytery.org</u> -- and look for additional information in our next *Tidings.*