

The 2010 Washington Island Forum

June 21-25, 2010

"Almost Christian: What the Faith of Our Teenagers is Telling the American Church"

Attention youth directors, youth ministers, adults and pastors who care about youth who drift away from the institutional church and want to find ways to recover the missional imagination and passionate communities youth seek.



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Kenda Creasy Dean is an ordained elder in the Baltimore-Washington Annual Conference (United Methodist) and Associate Professor of Youth, Church and Culture at Princeton Theological Seminary, where she works closely with the Institute for Youth Ministry. A graduate of Wesley Theological Seminary, she served as a pastor in suburban Washington, DC and as Wesley Foundation Director at the University of Maryland-College Park before coming to Princeton Seminary. Kenda and her husband, Kevin, are the proud parents of Brendan (a junior in the film conservatory at Purchase College) and Shannon (a junior at Princeton High School). Her most recent books include *Almost Christian: What the Faith of Our Teenagers Is Telling the American Church* (Oxford, 2010) and *Generation OMG: A Youth Ministry Handbook*, ed. (Abingdon, 2009).

Daily Topics Include:

- **"Somebody Save Me!: Youth & the Quest for a Passionate Church"**
- **"Youth & the Church of 'Benign Whatever-ism': Going Viral for Jesus"**
- **"Recovering a Missional Imagination: Why Generational OMG is the Theological Stimulus Package We Need"**
- **"Generation OMG and the Currency of Hope"**

Dr. Dean will demonstrate why teenagers' half-hearted faith may be good news, calling churches to recover a Missional imagination and to become the passionate communities Christ calls them to be. The Forum offers an opening picnic, daily worship, morning presentations and optional afternoon and evening activities. More information about the Forum program, Island accommodations and other arrangements is available on the WCC website.

Pre-register for next year's event by submitting this form with a \$100 deposit or pre-register online and pay by credit card at the WCC website: www.wichurches.org at "Events." A full schedule and fees for the 2010 Forum will be available late in 2009. Full refunds will be available through June 1, 2010.

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