

Our Workshop Leaders

Kim McPherson is currently Director of Religious Education at Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral in Denver, Colorado. She has been an Accredited Godly Play Trainer since 2000 and has implemented and directed Godly Play programs at the cathedral as well as at Trinity Church and St. Richard's School, Indianapolis, where she served for 16 years. Kim has worked on a variety of religious education projects, including using Godly Play at Riley Children's Hospital, and a collaboration with a Jewish congregation (Beth el Zedek) to help begin a Jewish version of Godly Play. Kim contributed articles to *The Complete Guide to Godly Play, Volume 5*, and currently serves on the national Steering Committee for the Godly Play College of Trainers. She is trained as an EFM mentor. Kim is married to "Mac" and they have two grown children, Heather and Jamey. Jamey grew up as a Godly Play kid.

Becki Stewart has a rich history of experience with children, including twenty years as a professional educator. Becki implemented and directed the Godly Play program at Hyde Park Christian Church in Austin, Texas, which has been successfully used 15 years. Becki recently became the Director of Christian Education for Children at Annandale United Methodist Church in Annandale, Virginia. She has also served as Director of Christian Education at Heritage Presbyterian Church in Alexandria, Virginia, and as Director of Children's Ministries at Westlake Methodist Church in Austin. An accredited Godly Play Trainer since 1999, Becki currently serves on the national Steering Committee for Godly Play Trainers. She is married to Robert and they have three children, all of whom are Godly Play kids.

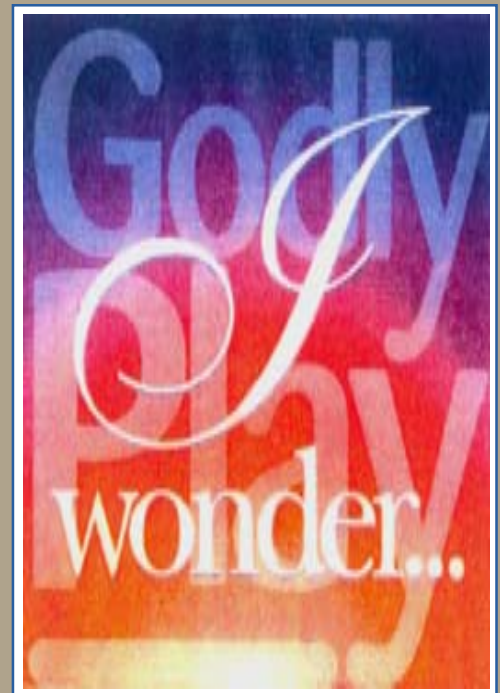
Our trainers have completed an intensive training process and have been authorized by the Center for the Theology of Childhood as Accredited Godly Play Teacher Trainers.

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Godly Play®

Teacher
Accreditation
Training

January 31 - February 2, 2008

Saint John's Cathedral
1350 Washington Street
Denver, Colorado 80203

Discover **Godly Play**[®] from the inside out.

There are a lot of things you can learn from a lecture, but Godly Play[®] has to be learned from the inside out. This accredited teacher training event will enable that to happen. You will experience Godly Play[®] stories as both teacher and learner and have the chance to analyze them with your peers in a collegial setting. You will learn how to build the Godly Play[®] classroom and strengthen your classroom management skills. You will deepen your understanding of children's spirituality. Each activity takes place in a prayerful atmosphere of give and take with talented, creative Godly Play[®] Teacher Trainers. You will improve your teaching skills, achieve greater clarity about the foundations of Godly Play[®], and leave spiritually refreshed.

You will practice and experience each of the three types of presentations:

Sacred Story
Parable
Liturgical Action

You will experience and reflect on the:

Spirituality of the Child
Classroom Structure & Management
Classroom Environment

You will examine these Godly Play[®] relationships:

The Community of Children
The Doorperson and Storyteller
Parents and Congregations

Prior experience with Godly Play[®] is helpful but not absolutely necessary for accreditation. Each participant will be required to present a story or lesson without notes in the presence of a trainer. Participants are asked to read *The Complete Guide to Godly Play: Volume I* by Jerome W. Berryman prior to attending the training.

The Teacher Accreditation Training begins at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, January 31st, and ends at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, February 2nd. The tuition for accreditation is \$360.

The Center for the Theology of Childhood will award Godly Play[®] Teacher Certificates of Accreditation to each participant successfully completing this training event.

Participants are required to be present for the entire training experience.

For information about this event and area lodging,
please contact Meg Stern, Conference Coordinator
by telephone: 303.837.1173, or by e-mail: mstern@coloradociocese.org.

Training Registration

Name _____

Parish or ministry setting _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Accreditation tuition fee of \$360 enclosed.

check number: _____

The full training tuition includes dinner Thursday evening, Friday lunch and dinner, and lunch Saturday.

Space is limited to 24 participants. This form and full payment are due no later than January 17, 2008. If cancellation is made prior to January 17, 2008, the tuition fee will be refunded (less a \$100 deposit). There will be no refund for cancellations made after January 17th; however, the tuition may be used for another person attending the same event.

Please make checks payable to The Diocese of Colorado and write "Godly Play Training" on the memo line.

Please send this form and your payment to:

The Diocese of Colorado
1300 Washington Street
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attention: Meg Stern