



# Leadership Development Day

**SATURDAY  
JANUARY 30**

MAUMEE UMC, MAUMEE  
9:00AM—3:30PM  
[DOORS OPEN 8:30 A.M.]

**DR. OWEN ROSS**  
Keynote Speaker

**Holistic Mission:  
The Role of the Church in Poverty Alleviation.**

\$10.00 Fee includes  
2 workshops, Keynote speaker and lunch

**Registration Deadline: January 15, 2016**

MAUMEE WATERSHED DISTRICT OF  
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## Leadership Development Day for 2016 Church Leaders & Laity

Dear Clergy and Laity,

I invite you to be part of our annual Leadership training event. Saturday, January 30 will be filled with great presentations on pertinent topics for ministry in your local church. We have invited Pastor Owen Ross as our keynote speaker. He comes to us from Texas where he is involved in a very effective and growing Hispanic church plant. There are many other fulfilling workshops for effective ministry planned for you on this day. This event promises to be a great day well worth your time investment. I encourage your presence and participation.



For His Church,

*Rev. Scot Ockel*  
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District Superintendent



**DR. OWEN ROSS**  
**KEYNOTE SPEAKER & WORKSHOP LEADER**

Dr. Ross is the founding pastor of Christ's Foundry United Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas. Having never pastored a church and having never been a part of a Spanish-language congregation, Dr. Ross moved into the north Love Field neighborhood in 2002 and began knocking on doors. Today, Christ's Foundry is the largest Spanish-language United Methodist congregation west of the Mississippi River, operating in a \$2.5 million facility that was completed debt free in 2012.

Christ's Foundry serves both as a center for worship as well as a center for social services, touching over 3000 lives a year in a high-density, immigrant community with a per-capita income 2/5 the national average.

Dr. Ross was born and reared in the rural East Texas town of Henderson. Graduating from Texas A&M in 1995 he joined the Peace Corps and served in the rural lowlands of Ecuador. A graduate of Perkins School of Theology and a graduate of Asbury Theological Seminary with a Doctor of Ministry, Owen shares, "My calling is to serve the One who was anointed to proclaim Good News to the poor." Owen is married to Xo'chitl and is the father of Leland and Larkin.

*The Rev. Dr. Jim Ozier - Director of New Church Development & Congregational Transformation of the North Texas Conference writes, "Owen Ross is a treasure! His unique skill set and background -- coupled with a track record of successfully building a growing Hispanic church -- makes him the real deal when it comes to coaching and consulting for congregational vitality. I highly recommend him!"*