

Senior Adult Retreat



American Baptist Churches/Central Region

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April 28-29, 2010

Cross Wind Conference Center, Hesston, Kan.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Joe Kutter

And the Beat Goes On

Interest Groups

- Hand driven scooters for disabled individuals.
(The scooters, made in Moundridge, Kan., are distributed to people in third world countries who cannot afford wheelchairs.)
- Thera-Band Workshop
- Paintings of Grandma Layton led by Alice Jo DeFries
- Financial Assets for Seniors led by Michael Hambley of Waddell & Reed
(Michael Hambley is also a chaplain for hospice.)
- Building Bird Houses & Feeders led by Clyde Frye
- Western Kansas, *Sites of Significance*, led by Rev. Lynne and Ruth Smith
- Cornhusk Dolls led by Marie Carson
- Senior Hobbies — Show & Tell

About Dr. Joe Kutter ...

Dr. Joe Kutter currently serves as Executive Director of the ABC/USA Ministers Council. During his 39 years in American Baptist pastoral ministry, he has served five congregations. In 1997, he became Senior Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Topeka, Kan. Under his leadership, the congregation constructed a new community life center, costing about \$2.3 million. The center has allowed them to create new ministries to impact the community, including the Topeka Shepherd Center for senior adults, an after-school program for middle school students, and Upward Basketball for more than 200 elementary school children from the community.

Dr. Kutter's prior pastorates included First Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich., (1987-1997); Cherry Hill Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, Mich., (1980-1987); First Baptist Church of Arlington, Kearny, NJ (1972-1980). He was also assistant pastor at First Baptist Church, Haddonfield, NJ, (1970-1972).

Dr. Kutter has been President of the Ministers Council, trustee of Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, chaplain to the General Board and General Board Executive Committee, and in a variety of regional and community leadership roles. He received his education at Drew University, Madison, NJ (Doctor of Ministry, 1978); Crozer Theological Seminary, Rochester, NY, (Master of Divinity, 1971); and Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, (Bachelor of Arts, 1967).

