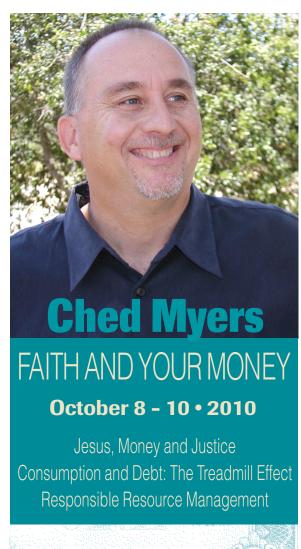


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# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, DOWNERS GROVE, presents



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# FAITH AND YOUR MONEY

In the midst of global economic uncertainty, "Faith and Your Money" is a timely forum that you don't want to miss. Led by theological educator and author, Ched Myers, "Faith and Your Money" will explore the ways we invest, spend, give, and yes, even waste our money.

Myers will lead us in a thought-provoking discussion about Jesus' teachings and the urgent need to act for local and global economic justice. Divided into three distinct sessions, beginning Friday evening with Jesus, Money and Justice and culminating with the Sunday morning sermon, Myers will enlighten and challenge us as we explore our beliefs and habits about money.

Don't miss this opportunity to evaluate your own perception of money and what it means to make socially responsible investments in both our local and global communities.

#### Friday, October 8

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

### **Jesus, Money and Justice**

This opening session will set the tone for the weekend. Jesus repeatedly spoke about money and challenged the disciples, the scribes and the crowds to become conscious of money and their relationship to it. We will examine our thoughts, feelings and behaviors as they relate to money. As we discern the ways we earn, inherit, invest, spend and give, we will be enabled to respond more fully to Jesus.

## Saturday, October 9

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Registration and light refreshments

9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

# **Consumption and Debt:The Treadmill Effect**

Do you find that your "Payday" is really the day that you "pay back" others? Do you feel like you are on an endless treadmill of working to pay bills but never seem to get ahead? What if you had a different perspective about your personal spending habits? Ched Myers will examine consumption and our "addictive" economic practices and how to practically and faithfully reduce our debt.

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Working Lunch in the Gym

What would your "Money Autobiography" say? As part of this working lunch, we will consider a variety of questions that will help us understand our behavior and feelings about money so that we can more fully respond to Jesus' call for economic justice.

1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

# **Responsible Resource Management**

Does your household have surplus income? How can you best put your money to work for your family, your community and the global community? This session will help us learn about socially responsible investments. Discover what Jesus says about money and our social responsibility and learn how to put it into action.

### Sunday, October 10

8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Ched Myers delivers the sermon,

"Too Big and Failing: Jesus' Cure for Affluenza"

#### **Seminar Registration**

The fee for all three sessions plus lunch is \$35 per person. Single sessions are \$10 each and lunch is \$10. I / We would like to register adult(s) for: All 3 session and lunch (\$35) ☐ Jesus, Money and Justice (\$10) Consumption and Debt: The Treadmill Effect (\$10) ☐ Responsible Resource Management (\$10) ☐ Lunch (\$10) City, State, ZIP: \* Please provide the names of additional registrants for name tags:

Checks payable to First United Methodist Church Memo: Myers

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Return form and payment by **September 27** to:

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