

Director of Christian Education

**A Presentation from the DCE Search
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Our Search Priorities

Responsibility	Candidate
Administration of Programs	Masters Degree and Experience as Director of Christian Education
Administrative Leadership	Develop and Coordinate Curricula for All Education Programs
Communication (written/oral)	Speak and Write Well
Congregational Fellowship	Outgoing and Enthusiastic
Leadership Development	Recognize Members' Gifts and Help Them Grow
Training Volunteers	Find Materials and Give Support
Children's Ministry	Strengthen Existing Programs and Develop New Ones
Youth Ministry	Support Youth Leaders
Young Adult Ministry	Develop New Ministry

Our Search Priorities

Responsibility	Barbara Chalfant
Administration of Programs	Masters Degree and 23 Years of Experience as DCE
Administrative Leadership	Experienced at Writing and Administering Curricula
Communication (written/oral)	Public Speaker and Published Writer
Congregational Fellowship	Joyful, Contagious Spirit
Leadership Development	Gifted at Discerning People's Calling and Encouraging Them
Training Volunteers	Creates Unique Materials and Matches Resources to Situations
Children's Ministry	Relatable and Enthusiastic Equipper
Youth Ministry	Equips Leaders with Administration, Curricula, and Personal Support; Connects with Youth
Young Adult Ministry	Formed Unique New Adult Programs

Barbara Chalfant



- Life-long Presbyterian
- Master's Degree from Christian Education School at Union Seminary in Richmond
- 23 Years of Experience as DCE
- Local Ties to Massanetta and Hat Creek
- Outgoing, Enthusiastic, and Joyful Encourager
- Committed Educator
- Musical and Creative

Barbara's Experience

Education

Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Richmond, VA 1987

Certified Christian Educator, Presbyterian Church, USA 1988

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Longwood College, Farmville VA, 1985

Director of Christian Education

Grace Presbyterian Church, Springfield VA, 1987-91

First Presbyterian Church, Knoxville TN, 1991-99

Silver Spring Pres. Church, Mechanicsburg PA 1999-2010

Current Position

Consultant/Co-Creator, Tree Ministries, 2010-Current

Writing Experience

Articles

Presbyterian Outlook: "Silk and Steel" – April 30, 2011

Association of Presbyterian Church Educators Advocate:
"The Heart of the Potter" – Spring 2008

Devotionals

Upper Room:

"United in Prayer" - May 07, 2009

"Choose the Lord" - March 23, 2008

"Call of Moses" - March 21, 2007

Curricula

Custom Lenten Devotionals and Original VBS Programs

Programs To Be Energized

- Wednesday Night Live or other Mid-week Program
- Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- Sunday School, Children's Chapel
- Elementary Age Children's Program
- Retreats
- Small Groups
- Festivals
- New Ideas

To Good to Be True?

We thought so, but God knew better.

“For nothing is impossible with God.”
Luke 1:37