

## Schedule:

**Tuesday...Arrive at Sacred Chaos Seminar** site throughout the afternoon. Individual sessions with Jim Newby and Mark Minear to be scheduled. Dinner together at 6:00 p.m.

### Daily Schedule:

- Worship at 8:30a.m. led by Mark
- Group Sessions: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Break for Lunch at noon
- Free time: 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
(individual sessions with the leaders if desired)
- Group Session: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday...Recovering Passion...**Defining the feeling of passion...How is it experienced? What happens when I lose it? How can it be recovered?

**Thursday...Processing Pain...**What am I feeling? At whom am I angry? What do I fear? How have I been hurt? How have I sought to resolve my issues of pain...within my family and network of friends? Within the congregation I am serving? Or, how am I self-medicating my pain?

**Friday...Experiencing Pilgrimage...**What is my story? Who are my people?...family?...faith community? How have I experienced God in my pilgrimage? When does God feel close? Does God feel distant? How so?

**Saturday Morning...Closing Sessions,** where we seek to define future steps to wellness and wholeness. How will I try to change my life dance?

**Sunday ...**After breakfast, travel home.



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# Sacred Chaos

*A Retreat of Renewal  
for Religious Leaders  
in Transition...*



*The Mandala Center  
April 26 - May 1, 2011*



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## About the Seminar...

## A Spiritual Journey

## Facilitate Renewal

**Purpose:** To provide a seminar to assist in the spiritual and emotional renewal of religious leaders in transition. Sacred Chaos spiritual journey seminars seek to help religious leaders through some of their most difficult life passages, i.e. retirement, divorce, mid-life, etc, as well as to encourage and support them in their struggles with congregation dysfunction.

**Comments from Participants:** *"The small groups and the intimate laid-back setting were very helpful..."* -A Presbyterian Minister

*"My expectations were more than met! This seminar felt like a rope thrown to a drowning person...I will be forever grateful..."* -A United Methodist Pastor

*"I was ready for this seminar...The unhurried pace and the beautiful setting were perfect!"* -A Disciples of Christ Minister

*"I am truly overwhelmed by the degree to which my hopes were exceeded in the Sacred Chaos Seminar. I am very, very grateful and feel deeply and gently and abundantly blessed...I admire the leadership of this event for their gentle, wise and spiritual way of encouraging the group as a healing community."* -A United Methodist Pastor

*"Sacred Chaos was a turning point moment in my ministry..."* -A Presbyterian Minister

*"Sacred Chaos was a gift of pure grace, a little island of peace where I felt myself being called out of the tomb like Lazarus..."* -A United Methodist Pastor

**Meet the Facilitators:** The Reverend Dr. James (Jim) R. Newby is the Senior Minister of The Church of the Savior in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and the Director of the Trueblood Yokefellow Academy. Before coming to Oklahoma, Jim was the Minister of Faith and Learning at the Wayzata Community United Church of Christ in Wayzata, Minnesota, and the Minister of Spiritual Growth at Plymouth Church in Des Moines, Iowa.



He has served as the Director of the Yokefellow Institute at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, and was on the faculty of the Earlham School of Religion. Jim holds degrees from Princeton Theological Seminary, Earlham School of Religion, and Friends University, and has served in pastorates and denominational leadership positions in North Carolina, Ohio and Nebraska. He is, by tradition, a Quaker, and the author of *Sacred Chaos: One Man's Spiritual Journey Through Pain and Loss*.



Dr. Mark Minear earned his PH.D in Counseling Psychology from Ball State University in 1997. He returned to graduate school after 20 years in the pastoral ministry. Besides Ball State, he holds degrees from the Earlham School of Religion and William Penn University. He is currently a licensed psychologist in the State of Iowa and practices full-time, providing psychotherapy, assessment, consultation and training. Mark utilizes a multidimen-

sional model of wellness in his therapeutic approach; this allows for his clients to work across physical, emotional, intellectual, vocational, social, environmental and spiritual domains. He is the Director of Mental Health Services at the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown, Iowa, and lives with his family in Marshalltown.

**Sacred Chaos - A Ministry of the Trueblood Yokefellow Academy**  
**Our Website: [www.sacredchaos.org](http://www.sacredchaos.org)**

**Seminar Location:** The Mandala Center in Des Moines, New Mexico [www.mandalacenter.org](http://www.mandalacenter.org). The Center is an intimate, peaceful, contemplative, and beautiful place to relax, renew, and reflect. It is located in the enchanted lands of northeastern New Mexico which is 35 miles east of Raton, NM. Colorado Springs Airport is the recommended airport for air travel.

**Cost: \$695.00.** Includes workshop, 5 nights lodging (single rooms) and all meals. Transportation costs not included. Payment in full is required at time of registration. Cancellation fees apply.



The Fountain Room, Mandala Center