

THE FACE OF PROFESSIONAL WORKER CARE IN THE OHIO DISTRICT IS CHANGING

As of the end of March 2008, Professional Worker Care in the Ohio District will be modifying its style of providing services to district professional church workers. Bob Myers, the district's Director of Ministerial Health, will be shifting from full to part time as of the first of April. In order to continue to provide full-time services to district workers, regional Professional Worker Care Contacts will be made available as a first line of contact for workers needing assistance.

Identification of these PWC Contacts is underway presently and training will follow. Bob Myers' support and counsel will continue to be offered in conjunction with these regional Contacts. He will also remain accessible by phone and e-mail to workers throughout the district. But most of his time will be spent in developing the regional contact system and in continuing to shape the "Well-Gathering" clergy support group initiative (more of which you will be reading about elsewhere on this web site). The services of Timothy House as a summer retreat for church professionals will continue to be available to Ohio District workers.

This arrangement will remain in place through the end of 2008. Conversations will continue regarding whether it will remain in place past that time.