

"The Proposed Resource Center at Montreat"

The Christian Education Committee is excited to share a new opportunity with the Presbytery. After several conversations with Pete Peery, the President of the Mountain Retreat Association, there is a very real possibility that we could relocate our Resource Center to Montreat. This would allow our presbytery to expand the ministry of this important place and would also provide a new ministry for Montreat.

In order for this to occur, the proposed Resource Center at Montreat needs to raise \$45,000 by October 1st. Montreat is willing to provide space, but cannot provide dollars to make this happen. This would be a wonderful gift from the Conference Center to our presbytery, and would allow us to have new options for resources and training experiences. We believe it would be a win-win situation for us.

Already, we have received \$2500 from the Synod of the Mid Atlantic as seed money for this goal.

We hope to raise this money from individuals, as well as churches, and through grant applications. We need your help. Can you share with us any suggestions that you have for building this support? It isn't a lot of money, but we must be able to guarantee Montreat that we have money in hand, or committed to us, for 3 years of operations in order for this new partnership to take place.

We celebrate this opportunity and hope you will join us in making it a reality - and a very valuable tool for the members of our presbytery and the churches.