



# Union Baptist Church Substance Abuse Recovery and Prevention Ministry

In existence since February 2001

## Vision

Union Baptist Church, having recognized the need in our congregation and community, will provide faith-based education and support for persons affected by addiction. Specially trained and experienced members of our congregation will provide this support.

## Goals

The Substance Abuse Recovery and Prevention Ministry:

- Provides education to parents on how to talk to their children about alcohol, drugs, and other substance abuse.
- Provides access to information of where to seek support for alcohol, drugs, and other substance abuse.
- Recognizes that in our community and church, people are not willing to talk about substance abuse as being a disease.
- Create a safe, confidential environment where people can share their experiences and feelings.
- Strengthen families through a program support system specific to gender, co-dependency, type of dependency, and age (including teens).
- Provide youth with the tools they need to have the knowledge and skills to make wise choices about alcohol and other drugs



## Mission

*To provide education, information, and support by being a:*

Substance Abuse Recovery and Prevention Ministry team that is active and visible in the community: reaching beyond our congregation to support people with substance abuse problems; and break the taboo barriers by sharing the hope for healing and providing the tools to prevent the misuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.



## Training

The Substance Abuse Recovery and Prevention Ministry Team will be made up of members of the Union Baptist Church who will be trained by Certified Prevention Specialists affiliated with:

- Assistance for Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) Center
- Coalition for a Drug-Free Greater Cincinnati
- People of Faith Partners/Central Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT)
- Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program (UMADAOP) of Cincinnati, Inc.

**This training will be free of charge. In addition to the training, UBC team members will be expected to devote a minimum of three hours per month to plan team activities**

## An Invitation to Join the Ministry



To join Ministry and to be trained on the Substance Abuse Recovery and Prevention contact:

Phyllis Matthews, **Chair**  
(513) 541-2827

Carolyn Stallings, **Co-Chairperson**  
(513) 351-2664

### We are in need of individuals:

- ◆ with energy to spare and spiritual, mental, and emotional health to share
- ◆ who have been in recovery for over one year
- ◆ have special training in the chemical dependency field
- ◆ who are a teacher, professional, retired, parent, grandparent, or have a personal interest in prevention, healing and recovery

### Accomplishments:

- ◆ Alcohol, Tobacco, and other Drug (ATOD) Education Programs
- ◆ Wellness Educational Program to those in Recovery
- ◆ Prevention Education to Purpose Driven Youth Ministry and other organizations
- ◆ Benefit Bank Site
- ◆ Grant Recipients
- ◆ Continue to increase awareness about ATOD via the display board