

## CHURCH EDUCATORS CERTIFICATION COURSE



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educators Oct. 25-29, 2010 entitled “Human Growth and Faith Development.” Kathy Dawson, associate professor of Christian education at Columbia Theological Seminary and certified educator will lead the course.

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Program cost is \$245 (\$270 after Oct. 4). Reasonably priced meals are available on campus. Limited housing is also available at an additional charge. Contact the Office of Continuing Education at 412-924-1345 or [ConEd@pts.edu](mailto:ConEd@pts.edu) to register.

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