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Helping the Church be more effective in proclaiming the gospel to the world!

CREATIVE CHURCH CONFERENCE

January 12-14, 2010

Orlando, FL - Disney World

It is time to start making your plans to come to Florida in January for an event that will not only lift your spirits, but will also revitalize your ministry in the church and put the glow of God's sunshine on your face!

You are invited to this three-day conference on "Creativity in the Local Church". Several strong Christian leaders in the area, along with employees of Walt Disney World, Universal Studios, and Sea World, will lead us. They will guide us in the principles of being creative and show us how to transfer the concepts and ideas used in their organizations into more effective church ministries.

This conference includes a Day at Disney, complete with a reflection guidebook written by Dr. Pierson and several Disney staff people, to use as you visit the parks and make observations.

Some of the presenters include:

- Alice Bass is an actress, scriptwriter and author of *The Creative Life*. Alice has worked for Disney and Universal for many years and is highly involved in ministry at her local church as well.
- Jeff Larson is Vice-President for Advertising for Walt Disney World and an active member of St. Luke's UMC in Orlando.
- Jim Atchison is the CEO of Sea World/Busch Gardens. He will share how his faith influences his work.
- Jennifer and Kevin Brassard are long-time Disney entertainers involved in acting, singing and improvisation. They are excellent teachers for loosening the ties that bind our creativity. They have each won several awards in the Disney Entertainers division, are both deeply committed Christians and the parents of three children.

Other industry professionals who will join us include:

- Ben Adams with excellent experience in artistic endeavors
- Phil Card, Disney actor and Director of The InnerMission Theatre Troupe, a wonderful group with a message you will not want to miss.

We will also hear from Dr. Bill Barnes, current senior pastor of St. Luke's UMC in Orlando hosting this event, and Dr. Bob Pierson, executive director of Leadership Nexus and a very creative pastor.

We will have several workshops, including a pre-conference morning session on Tuesday, January 12th before the conference begins at noon.

Plan now -- bring your family and learn about God's gift of creativity and how He wants you to use it!

[Register](#) now!

Event Pricing

Early Bird (by December 10)	\$190
Regular	\$230
Additional Attendees	\$160
Spouse	\$120

REGISTER NOW FOR NAVIGATE
November 10-12, 2009
 Florence UMC, Florence, KY (Cincinnati area)



"Outfitting the Church to navigate the waters of changing culture"

Speakers include: Dan Kimball, Lilly Lewin, David Kinnaman, Troy Bronsink, Gary Gibson, DG Hollums, Becky Pierson, Robert Pierson ... and many other local leaders!

Why NAVIGATE?

- *Because you want to reach the new generations growing up in this postmodern culture, as well as those disillusioned people of the modern era generations.*
- *Because you are looking for help to comprehend, connect with and share in the cultural shift and spiritual movement within this changing, postmodern culture.*

Realizing that all of us are seeking to find our way as the Church today, young and old, emerging and existing, modern and postmodern, we felt God pulling us strongly towards defining how to do that.

Thus, the NAVIGATE event was created to help empower the Church to navigate these waters of changing culture. Come join us in this discussion -- you will come away with a renewed sense of purpose for God's Church today and in our future!

Together we NAVIGATE!

Multiple workshops will be offered on the specific topics you want to learn, as well as Pre-conference and Post-conference Intensive sessions led by our speakers.

Cost: \$200 (includes 4 meals, registration and conference materials)

For more info: [visit](#) our site.

Visit Leadership Nexus to [enroll](#)

Event Pricing

Regular \$200

Additional workshops \$25 - \$50

Church and Cultural Change

With George Barna and Phyllis Tickle

February 9-11, 2010

Phoenix, AZ at Willowbrook UMC

We are all keenly aware of how the culture around us has changed, and thus the culture of "Church" has changed, and is continuing to change. So how do we respond? How do we lead the Church in these times of great cultural change? Where do we find some answers?

Come to Phoenix in February and hear some of the best researchers, writers, thinkers and doers in the midst of this cultural storm. In addition, not only hear, but also discuss, network and fellowship with them and other participants from across the country.

- George Barna is the best researcher in the Christian field with valuable insights into our culture.
- Phyllis Tickle is a brilliant writer whose latest book is *The Great Emergence*, a fantastic review of where we have been and where we are going as a people of faith.
- Walt Kallestad is a highly successful pastor of The Church of Joy in Glendale, AZ, who changed the mission and direction of his church several years ago as he felt the cultural changes around them.

Other speakers include Sandy Herron, Tim White, Michael Ward, John Southwick, Vance Ross, Darrell Higgins and Lou Martin. Workshop topics and more details to come soon!

[Register](#) now!

Event Pricing

Early Bird (by January 10) \$270

Regular	\$310
Additional Attendees	\$240
Spouse	\$120

Planning and Polishing Preaching Retreat

February 12-14, 2010

Sedona, AZ

Following the Cultural Changes Conference, you may wish to join us for a special time of retreat in beautiful Sedona, Arizona. It is a short drive from metropolitan Phoenix, but a total change of environment in the hills and flat top mountains surrounding this small resort town. It will be balanced with times of teaching, learning, planning, reflection and meditation for your personal spiritual life in this beautiful and inspirational setting.

You will have the opportunity for help with and instruction in planning your preaching, improving your delivery and refining your style for maximum effectiveness. This help will be effective for you whether you are a lectionary or topical preacher.

The people guiding this weekend are Sandy Herron, Vance Ross, John Southwick, Bob and Delia Pierson.

[Register](#) now!

Event Pricing

Early Bird (by December 10)	\$170
Regular	\$200
Spouse	\$80

Doctoral degree credits

You can receive credit toward a Doctoral degree for attending any of these conferences. For information contact me, Bob Pierson, bperson@leadershipnexus.net, or Lawrence Wilkes, dean of California Graduate School of Theology at lwilkes@cgsot.edu. This is a practical and creative doctoral program geared toward empowering your ministry with an emphasis on local church leadership. Check it out by contacting Bob or Lawrence at the above email addresses.

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