



# Workshop and Seminar Guide

## 2008 Sunday School & Church Ministries Conference

### Contemporary Issues

#### Healed by His Scars: Dealing with

**Disagreements, Disappointments, and Despair**  
- Michelle Gilmer, M.D. - *Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist in Community Mental Health, Trenton, MI*

Why do teens cut themselves? This seminar will shed light on why they cut and show you ways to identify and help teens who are cutting to see that they can be "healed by His scars." While teens who cut will be the focus, this seminar is helpful for those interested in helping others who are hurting.

#### Reconciling Technology and the Information Age with the Bible

- Peggy Koloian - *Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Northville, MI*

Participants will discover what is at stake if we choose to ignore rather than understand, confront, and embrace technological advances and social changes head-on. Discover how today's technology has the potential to save lives and be used by God to fulfill His Word.

#### Sex Talk

- Helen Crown - *Christ's Hope USA, Plymouth, MI*

God has given us the solution for STDs, broken hearts, and unplanned pregnancy. It's 100% effective, 100% of the time. The Choose to Wait curriculum teaches God's plan that Sex was made for Marriage, and Marriage was made for Love. Discover a place where love is deep and sex is amazing.

### Personal Growth

#### Developing a God Consciousness

- Rev. J. Bernard Harris - *Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, Saginaw, MI*

Learn how to remove any doubt about who God is and about your relationship to the Father through the Son, Jesus. You will become aware of your responsibility to maintain a connection with your Lord, and how to reconnect if that connection is broken.

#### Facing the Giants

- Larry Patton - *Troy, MI*

This presentation challenges individuals to face the obstacles in their lives and provides direction and solutions for hurdling them. Based on personal experiences, Larry will provide interesting and, at times, humorous insight into how he has persevered with the Lord's help through a lifetime of obstacles and how you can, too.

#### Finding Freedom Through Forgiveness

- Kimberly von Oeyen - *Richland Bible Church, Richland, MI*

Is there someone in your life, past or present, you have not forgiven? When we attempt to control through unforgiveness we end up in a prison of our own making. Come discover the keys that release us from fear, anger, bitterness, and isolation so that we can experience God's grace and confidently pray, "forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors."

#### Hermeneutics: The Art and Science of Biblical Interpretation

- Rev. Earl F. Hood, Jr. - *FaithWalkers Bible Training Ministry, Southfield, MI*

If you've ever wondered why there are so many different interpretations concerning the same passages of scripture, you need to take this class! Like everything else, there are rules and laws that govern language and sentence structure. If you violate these, your communication and interpretation of scripture will be flawed. Learn the basics of hermeneutics to properly "study to show thyself approved".

#### Making Time for Prayer

- Dr. Leroy Jolly - *Prayer Enrichment Revivals, Flint, MI*

Christians are busy people, and sometimes 24 hours go by and many have not talked to their Lord. Discover what God says about making time for Him.

#### Sozo Marriage Institute

- Rev. Leonard Cheeseborough - *Rain Drop Bible Institute Network, Southfield, MI*

Sozo, Greek for to save, to heal, to make whole. In today's society married people are struggling, and singles are questioning the value of marriage. Come and experience excerpts from Sozo Marriage Institute, which is a practical, approachable, lively class series which uses case studies, skits, and the Word of God to help equip both singles and married couples for lifelong ministry.

#### The Art of Biblical Encouragement

- Kimberly von Oeyen - *Richland Bible Church, Richland, MI*

Have you ever wanted to encourage someone but didn't know what to say? "The right word at the right time is like a custom-made piece of jewelry..." (Proverbs 25:11, The Message). Mining Paul's second letter to Timothy we will discover three facets to nourishing others with our words. Participants not only will receive a packet of materials but also will have time to compose their own letter of encouragement.

#### The Basics of Christianity: What Every Christian Must Know

- Rev. Earl F. Hood, Jr. - *FaithWalkers Bible Training Ministry, Southfield, MI*

The Christian faith is totally different from all other faiths. We will explore Christianity's uniqueness. As Christians, we should know what we believe and why we believe it.

#### Understanding Spiritual Gifts [Parts 1 & 2]

- Lynn Karidis - *Cornerstone University, Troy, MI*

What is a Spiritual Gift? Who gets one? How is the gift related to ministry? Come and learn how you can discover your own spiritual gifts.

### Special Ministry

#### Conflict Management: Recognition and Resolution

- Rev. Earl F. Hood, Jr. - *FaithWalkers Bible Training Ministry, Southfield, MI*

Have you ever had a conflict? We don't need the Bible to tell us what conflict is. But as Christians, we need to know what the Bible teaches us concerning our responsibility in handling and resolving conflict in our relationships, for we are "the light of the world."

#### The Knights of Truth

- Charles A. Lenze & Michael Cubalo - *Livonia, MI*

A program designed to help fathers and mentors train their boys to be Christian men of character.

### Teacher Education

#### Building a Bridge to Reach the Disadvantaged Child

- Deanna Miller - *Child Evangelism Fellowship of the Greater Detroit Area, Detroit, MI*

A lack of resources, an unstable home life, the effects of divorce, and the feelings of guilt and shame all contribute to disadvantaging a child. Learn how to reach out and meet the needs of a child caught in turmoil.

#### If the Feet Are in the Air and the Head Is on the Floor—Do They Still Learn?: Dynamics of Discipline

- Joanne Allebach - *Child Evangelism Fellowship of the Greater Detroit Area, Detroit, MI*

Inner control or outer control—do you disciple or discipline? This workshop will give you practical ways to

do both. Capturing your students' attention contributes to an orderly and pleasant learning atmosphere.

#### Oral Communication Methods of Teaching the Bible: Easy to Teach...Fun to Learn

- Dr. Sharon Samson - *African Children's Curriculum, Warren, MI*

Designed to help the teacher who works with children who struggle with learning disabilities, this workshop answers the needs of both teacher and learner, using oral and visual methods.

#### Preparing Your Heart to Teach

- Doris Webber - *Rosedale Park Baptist Church, Detroit, MI*

I know I should teach. I actually think that I can. But, how and where do I begin? Teaching begins with preparation of the heart: Committing one's desire, apprehensions, and perceived inadequacies to the Lord. This workshop is designed to give you scriptures that answer your questions and provide you an opportunity to apply them.

### Teaching Techniques

#### Balloon Sculpting: A Great Teaching Tool!

- Dr. Norman Clothier - *Teens, Inc., Waterford, MI*

Have you ever secretly wished you could make a balloon sculpture? A flower? A sword? A puppy? Everyone likes balloons; they cross all language barriers! Learn to make creations for object lessons, promotion, and personal witnessing. Easy to learn! Fun to make!

#### Communicating God's Word in a Meaningful Way By Involving Our Students

- Sid McMichael & Marilyn McMichael - *Child Evangelism Fellowship of the Greater Detroit Area, Detroit, MI*

Involvement is the key to learning. Innovative ideas to enhance your teaching will be provided in this interactive class. Come join the fun!

#### Enhance Learning the Fun Way: Using Exciting Review Games

- Deanna Miller - *Child Evangelism Fellowship of the Greater Detroit Area, Detroit, MI*

Observe a variety of approaches that help children commit God's Word to memory. Discover how to keep kids listening by using review games that stimulate recall and recapture the point of the lesson.

#### Junk Puppets

- Major Ruth Hursh - *The Salvation Army, Sterling, IL*

Turn your everyday trash into show and tell Bible learning. Explore ways to share the gospel using this cheap, yet effective, teaching tool.

#### Scrapbooking in Christian Education [Part 1]

- Jerri Lynn Robinson - *Christian Education Consultant, Allen Park, MI*

Utilizing inexpensive materials or items you already have on hand, learn how to make any Bible lesson, or passage of scripture come alive for boys and girls of all ages. Use scrapbooking as a method of recall and reinforcement. Ideas presented for individual and group scrapbooks.

#### Scrapbooking in Christian Education [Part 2]:

**Learning by Doing** - Jerri Lynn Robinson - *Christian Education Consultant, Allen Park, MI*

This session is a hands-on workshop showing you how to make a scrapbook project that correlates with your chosen curriculum or theme.

#### Scrounge Craft Bonanza

- Nell Beare - *Calvary Baptist Church of Hazel Park, Hazel Park, MI*

Add interest to your children's ministries with scores of ideas for recycling throwaway materials into creative craft projects.