

## MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2018 / 10 AM - NOON**



### **Faith Factors: Rethinking Discipleship—5 Faith Factors to Build a Faith That Lasts**

*Tiger McLuen, Former President of Youth Leadership*

Everyone is talking about the drop-out rate after youth group and high school

and it is getting depressing. This seminar will re-look at this whole issue of discipleship and faith formation. Tiger will present some ideas about how to be more intentional and will share how the “Faith Factors” will help build a faith that sticks.



### **Beware of Bullies: Strategies for Pastors, Parents and Lay Leaders**

*Becky Danielson, M.Ed., Cofounder of 1 Corinthians 13 Parenting*

Equip kids, parents and youth leaders with tactics to handle the bullies they encounter in life. This session will focus

on various types of bullying: verbal, social, physical and cyber. The signs and next steps for pastors, lay leaders and parents will be discussed whether dealing with a child who is being bullied or the instigator.



### **What is Faith@Home?**

*Mark Holmen, Executive Director, Faith@Home*

Scripture is clear that the home is the primary place where faith is nurtured and passed from generation to generation (Deut. 6:1-9, 2 Tim. 1:5). Could

it be that the church has become such a trusted partner for “outsourcing” spiritual growth that a robust, Christ-

centered spiritual life in the home seems less important? Research suggests that the answer is yes. So what do we do? Part of the solution involves us shaping our ministry so that it is increasingly home-centered and church-assisted, instead of the more typical church-centered, home-assisted model. In short, that’s Faith@Home.



### **Special Needs and the Church**

*Vicki Newendorp, Director of Children's Ministry at Faith Covenant Church*

Growing numbers of kids and families with special needs are in our churches.

They face a unique set of joys and challenges. This workshop will equip

you with practical ideas, to help you walk alongside families and to make your church a more inclusive and welcoming place.



### **Pressing Forward in Multi-Ethnic and Inter-Cultural Ministry**

*Kevin Farmer, Head of Admission & Family Ministry at Hope Academy and Lead Pastor of Epiphany Covenant Church*

The neighborhoods in which our churches reside are becoming more and more ethnically diverse. And while the ECC has made significant strides over the years, many churches still struggle with both the “whys” and the “hows” of multi-ethnic ministry—especially in the context of children and youth. In this interactive session, we’ll explore the “5-Fold Test,” a tool created by the Covenant to help churches be more intentional with the hard but beautiful work of multi-ethnic ministry.

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### **Ordination Workshop**

*Rich Theilen, Member of the NWC Committee on Ministerial Standing*

Are you looking toward ordination? If you are, consider attending this workshop sponsored by the Committee on Ministerial Standing. Most of our time will focus on writing your ordination paper, but we will also help you anticipate your interview. The workshop is valuable not only for prospective ordinands, but for their ordination mentors as well.

# WORKSHOPS

## NORTHWEST CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING (GENERAL DELEGATES)

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2018 / 1 - 2:15 PM**



### **Tax-Savvy Generosity**

*Joshua Myers, J.D., Staff Attorney at Covenant Trust, Steven Allison & Erik Carlson, Financial Services Representatives*

Learn strategies and tips to take advantage of incentives in the Tax Code that could cause your generosity to be magnified. Help your church or ministry grow both its current giving as well as future bequest dollars. This session will also include new ideas in light of recent Tax Legislation.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018 / 10 AM - NOON**



### **From Chaperones to Shepherds**

*Tiger McLuen, Former President of Youth Leadership*

This seminar will help you understand the perceptions, barriers and struggles in developing a team of shepherds—and give practical ideas on how adults can shift their mindset from managing behavior to building healthy relationships and shepherding young people.

explain how they made the transition to Faith@Home in their ministry model, what the outcome has been in their congregation, and how it has influenced the families at Buffalo Covenant to live the Christ-life, 24/7, at home, at work, at school and in the community.



### **Raising Godly Kids in a 24/7 World**

*Becky Danielson, M.Ed., Cofounder of 1 Corinthians 13 Parenting*

Technology has changed our world and the way we raise our kids. How do we as parents and church leaders keep up with the changes? In this class, setting limits and creating boundaries for technology, including cell phones, the Internet and social media will be discussed. Explore media tools, the effects of screen time on children and how to intentionally unplug as a family.



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### **How to Implement Faith@Home in Your Church**

*Mary Blosser, Children and Families Pastor at Buffalo Covenant Church along with other pastors, elders, leaders and families from the church*

In this workshop, the staff of Buffalo Covenant Church will tell their story and



### **Essential Leadership: 4 Biblical Qualities for Every Ministry Context**

*Kevin Farmer, Head of Admission & Family Ministry at Hope Academy and Lead Pastor of Epiphany Covenant Church*

No matter what your role in ministry might be, there are just certain leadership qualities that are essential when serving children, youth and families as the Body of Christ! In this interactive session, we'll explore historical, contemporary and biblical models of leadership, engage in some interactive dialogue and maybe even sing a classic hymn!