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Telling the Story

2ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON
EVANGELISM & CHURCH GROWTH

February 23-25, 2024



A FREE CONFERENCE
DESIGNED FOR ALL CHURCH
MEMBERS, LEADERS, AND MINISTERS

Featured Keynote Speakers:



GARY SMITH

7:00 PM FRIDAY

"TELLING THE STORY OF
GOD'S GRACE"



MITCH WILBURN

11:00 AM SATURDAY

"TELLING THE STORY OF A
TRANSFORMED LIFE"



LAMONT ROSS

4:00 PM SATURDAY

"TELLING THE STORY OF
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP"



DR. STEVE CLOER

9:45 AM SUNDAY

"REACHING THE S.B.N.R.'S"
(SPIRITUAL BUT NOT RELIGIOUS)



DR. BRUCE MCLARTY

8:30 & 10:45 AM SUNDAY

"TELLING THE STORY OF AN
UNSHAKEABLE KINGDOM"

Welcome to the *Telling the Story Conference on Evangelism and Church Growth*, and may I be the first to welcome you to Prestoncrest Church of Christ! This weekend many will gather to equip, edify, worship, fellowship, discuss, and dream about the future of the church. Every presentation will focus on evangelism and outreach efforts. Five excellent keynote presenters will remind us why telling the gospel story is such a priceless task. Six different tracks of classes and three round table discussion groups, supported by thirty-two outstanding teachers, will convene Saturday, helping us uncover the nuts and bolts of church growth.

I am indebted to countless volunteers and leaders for their tremendous assistance. *Telling the Story* was served by a powerful planning committee. The Prestoncrest eldership generously funded the effort. Rebecca Sutton organized our exceptional Children's Program. Angie Maddox skillfully designed promotional materials. Finally, I cannot forget to thank my faithful sidekick who masterfully helped with every detail, Kellie Wilkinson. I cannot list every name who made this weekend possible, but may we always remember the only ONE who makes everything possible—our father God.

Again, welcome to the *Telling the Story Conference on Evangelism and Church Growth*, and welcome to Prestoncrest! May God refresh your spirit and renew your passion to serve the Kingdom all your days.

Dr. Jacob Hawk

DIRECTOR OF TELLING THE STORY
CONFERENCE ON EVANGELISM AND
CHURCH GROWTH



Schedule:

SPEAKER BIOS AND FULL CLASS & TRACK DESCRIPTIONS @
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:00 pm: Gary Smith, KEYNOTE (AUDITORIUM) • 8:15 pm: Dismissal & Fellowship

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

8:30 am: Praise & Worship
9:00 am: Class
9:45 am: Break #1
10:00 am: Class
10:45 am: Break #2
11:00 am: Mitch Wilburn KEYNOTE (AUDITORIUM)
12 Noon: Lunch FELLOWSHIP HALL
RSVP FOR LUNCH REQ'D BY FEB. 11

1:00 pm: Class
1:45 pm: Break #3
2:00 pm: Class
2:45 pm: Break #4
3:00 pm: Class
3:45 pm: Break #5
4:00 pm: Lamont Ross KEYNOTE (AUDITORIUM)



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

8:30 am & 10:45 am: Worship, Dr. Bruce McLarty KEYNOTE (AUDITORIUM)

9:45 am: Bible Class, Dr. Steve Cloer KEYNOTE (AUDITORIUM)

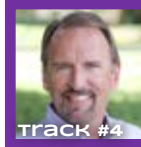
MORE DETAILS & BIBLE CLASS OFFERINGS LISTED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN

9:00 AM SAT CLASS & TRACK OPTIONS:*

9:00 AM ROUND TABLE
- DETAILS ON BACK -



SHARING YOUR FAITH IN A CORPORATE WORLD by Scott Wolfe
Learn the keys to becoming more comfortable about sharing your faith at work in corporate America.



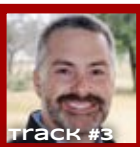
ARMING OUR CHILDREN FOR CULTURAL WAR by Robert K. Oglesby, Jr ~ Join us for insights on preparing kids and teens to recognize truth in a postmodern world.



FRIENDSPEAK by Don Lewis ~ This time-tested program offers a simple, effective avenue for evangelism! Come hear how a church can start this helpful community outreach.



NAVIGATING CHURCH CONFLICT by Dr. Carlus Gupton ~ Church is beautiful... but messy. One vital key to a healthy church is giving leaders the tools to navigate difficult conversations.



TEACHING BAPTISM by Seth McDowell
Jesus was baptized and said all His followers should be, too. Join us as we absorb the power of the sacred moment of being buried and raised with Him.



EVERYDAY EVANGELISM by Dr. Matthew Morine ~ This "nuts and bolts" class will provide practical ways to share the good news of Jesus, anywhere, anytime, to anyone.

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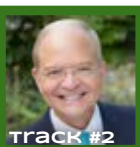
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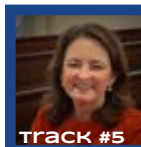
MOLDING THE MESSENGER by Sammie Berry ~ We are called to present our faith to others, but how do we prepare our hearts and minds before sharing the hope we have?



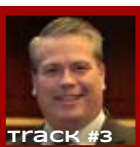
THE NEED FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION by Dr. Phil Schubert
Is a Christian education worth the cost in the development of faith and life in children, teens, and young adults?



IDENTITY CRISIS: WHO ARE WE? WHY DO WE EXIST? by Dr. Bryan Pruitt ~ What makes New Testament Christianity different? How can/should we simply be Christians?



YOUR CHILDREN AND GRAND-CHILDREN ARE YOUR MISSION FIELD by Lisa Pipkin ~ How can we be "Missionary Moms" in our own homes, working the mission field before us?



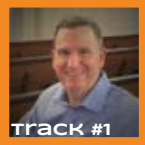
PROCLAIMING REPENTANCE by Devin LaBay ~ Repentance was preached by John the Baptist and Jesus. Proclaiming the word "repent" is more important now than ever.



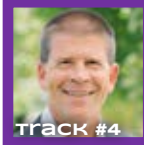
SOCIAL MEDIA MINISTRY by Tim Yaeger ~ COVID taught churches the importance of a strong social media presence. What are the tools we need to navigate online mission fields?

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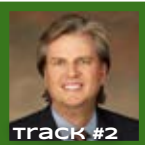
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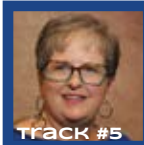
MAKING AN IMPACT: 6 SECRETS OF SHARING THE GOOD NEWS by Dr. Gordon Dabbs ~ Discover six key shifts in mindset that unleash the power of the Good News in today's culture.



DEVELOPING DYNAMIC DISCIPLES by John deSteiguer ~ Jesus spent 3 years developing His disciples for leadership/evangelism. How can we train leaders today using His example?



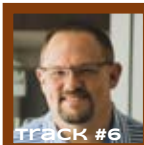
GOD'S ROLES FOR MEN & WOMEN IN HIS CHURCH ~ YESTERDAY, TODAY, & FOREVER by Mike Pipkin
What does the Bible say about the unique roles of men and women?



BALANCING GRACE AND TRUTH by Leisha Norwood ~ Jesus came full of grace AND truth (John 1:14). How can churches continue to be full of mercy and conviction?



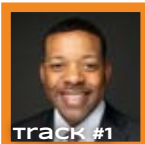
THE GOSPEL STORY by Todd Miller
Join us for unique insights and a helpful, challenging overview of the beauty of the old story and what the "gospel" truly means for everyone.



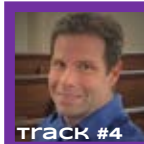
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AND EVANGELISM by Aubrey Eudy ~ How can children's ministries be educational AND evangelistic? Come hear about a program partnering with public schools!

2:00 PM SAT CLASS & TRACK OPTIONS:

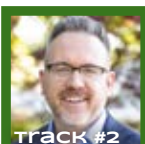
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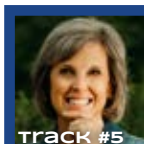
A CHRISTIAN ON THE BENCH by the Honorable Shelton Gibbs IV ~ Insights from a minister and district county judge about faith intersecting with our judicial system and everyday life.



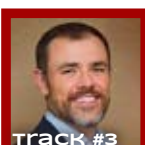
TEENS SHARING FAITH STORIES by Bryan Borden ~ How can families and churches better equip students to tell their friends about what the Lord has done for them?



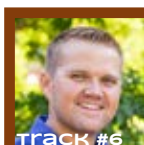
EVANGELIZING THE HURTING by Dr. Josh Kingcade ~ How should the church minister to those who are grieving? What works for the happy may not work for the hurting.



BUILDING COMMUNITY AS WOMEN by Rita Cochran ~ We were created to live in community! How can women's ministries build life-changing communities for their churches?



CAN I LOSE MY SALVATION? by Wes McAdams ~ Many sermons/classes explain how to find salvation in Jesus, but few discuss losing salvation. Is it possible for Christians to become lost?



BE THE GOOD by Keith Harris ~ Now more than ever, our world needs strong, Christian character and influence. Come learn intentional ways we can "be the good" for Christ at every opportunity.

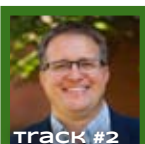
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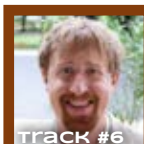
A CANDLE THANKFUL FOR THE DARKNESS by Phil Jackson
Evangelism may not be so much about what we say, or even what we do. Evangelism is about who we are.



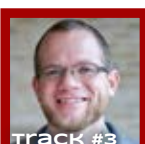
MINISTERING TO THE 2024 FAMILY by Dr. Ben Myers ~ American families are not as "simple" as they once were. How do we best minister to our singles, divorced, and blended families?



A BIBLICAL VIEW OF TOLERANCE by Dr. Jeremie Beller ~ When defining tolerance, "acceptance" is sometimes defined as "approval." What does the Bible say about tolerating our culture?



COLLEGE AS MISSION FIELD by Dr. James Prather ~ Decisions made at college can affect an entire life. How can we better equip students (and their faith) to thrive in college?



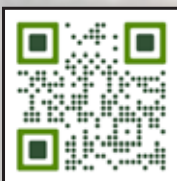
WHAT SALVATION DEMANDS by Dustin Jones ~ After baptism, the "sanctified" life is ahead. What does that look like? How should churches teach and exemplify God's standard?



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- #1: **SHINING THE LIGHT** - Preston Place #200 (YOUNG COUPLES CLASSROOM)
- #2: **FAITH FOUNDATIONS** - Preston Place #125 (S.H.O.U.T. CLASSROOM)
- #3: **REDEMPTION & SALVATION** - Preston Place #130 (HEARTS IN ACTION CLASSROOM)
- #4: **NEXT GENERATION** - Preston Place #100 (THE ZONE / YOUTH GROUP CLASSROOM)
- #5: **LADIES' MINISTRY** - Church Building #223 (FRIENDSHIP CLASSROOM)
- #6: **EQUIPPING THE CHURCH** - Preston Place #135 (DISCOVER CLASSROOM)

Bonus Class:
"EVERYDAY EVANGELISM"
In the Auditorium
9 AM & 3 PM ONLY
TAUGHT BY
DR. MATTHEW MORINE

SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK

IDEAS? CONCERNS?
APPLAUSE?

LET US KNOW!



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**RM #231: SATURDAY
ROUND-TABLES**

PRIOR RSVP REQ'D FOR EACH



**9a: Developing
Spiritual Education**
HOSTED BY ROBERT STOLTE



**1p: Understanding
Spiritual Formation**
HOSTED BY BOB CHISHOLM



**2p: Connecting
with Communities**
HOSTED BY GARY COCHRAN

