

Lancaster Mennonite Conference Youth Leaders Resource Event

Purpose: To support and encourage youth leaders by providing practical ideas, resources and opportunities for collaboration.

Goals:

- ❖ That youth workers would be refreshed physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually
- ❖ To offer opportunities to network with other youth leaders
- ❖ To provide space for youth workers to ask questions as well as space that allows for times of reflection and renewal

Date: Friday, February 16 at 6 pm through Saturday, February 17 at 6 pm

Location: MCC Welcome Center

Who is invited: This event is for EVERYONE who works with youth! Youth leaders, Sunday School teachers, youth ministry educators, sponsors, youth pastors or anyone else passionate about reaching teens with the love of Jesus Christ are welcome to come and learn together! Spouses are invited as well.

Food! Breakfast, snack, lunch and dinner will be provided on Saturday along with a snack on Friday evening.

Cost: \$90 per person or \$160 per couple

Please register by January 26, 2018

Registration link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lmc-youth-leaders-resource-event-tickets-39481861310>

Saturday Seminar Options

Seminar #1

Presenter: Troy Landis

Seminar Title: *Sacred Space*

Sacred Space is a sensory experience of the gospel. So much of our learning about God and the good news of who He is and what He has done for us comes through a verbal and textual medium. We want to broaden that and invite you to experience the gospel in new ways.

Seminar #2

Presenter: Jann Denlinger

Seminar Title: *Handling the Serious Issues*

Do you know what to do if one of your teens comes to you with a serious issue like physical/sexual abuse, or thoughts of suicide? What questions do you need to ask? Who should you notify? Unfortunately these are a few of the things that we as youth leaders need to be prepared for.

Seminar #3

Presenter: Jesse Yoder

Seminar Title: *Let's talk about porn*

The pornography epidemic continues to wage a war for the hearts and minds of this generation's youth. Many parents and youth workers desire to help their youth overcome these battles, but may feel either awkward or ill-prepared to do so. In this session youth workers will be presented with the facts about the pornography epidemic, be equipped with strategies to help their youth in the battle against pornography, and be introduced to various resources that are helpful both for youth and youth workers.

Seminars continued ...

Seminar #4

Presenters: Dale and Lauri Rintelman

Seminar Title: *Soul Care/Avoiding Burnout*

Soul Care: When you have a passion for serving the Lord and serving others sometimes it is hard to think about your own needs. How do you continue to "run the race" without burning out? We would like to share an honest glimpse of what it's like to serve in ministry, raise a family and keep from losing our own selves in the midst of it.

Seminar #5

Presenters: Chris and Dawn Landes

Seminar Title: *Mentoring Digital Natives*

How do we relate to and guide young people today whose tech devices never leave their hands? It can be challenging to know what boundaries are helpful when we as adults increasingly struggle with our own digital addictions. This seminar encourages us to maintain a voice and presence with our youth in ways that reinforce our Christian values and love, but also freely challenge young people to healthy critical thinking in regards to their use of technology.

Seminar #6

Presenter: Fred Zeiset

Seminar Title: *Teaching the Bible: It's the Most Important Thing We Do As Youth Leaders*

The Bible contains truth about culture, relationships, and many topics that youth need to know. But how do I teach it without being overwhelmed or intimidated? Where do I start? In our time together you will receive practical ideas and resources to effectively teach the Bible! And have opportunity to share what is working for you.

Schedule of Events

Friday evening

- 6 pm Arrival, registration, room assignments
6:30 Welcome, introductions, ice-breaker/get acquainted activity
7:30 Devotional, discussion, prayer
8:30 Snack
9:00 Free time

Saturday

- 7:30 am Breakfast
8:15 Personal quiet time
9:15 Worship, devotional, prayer
10:15 Snack
10:30 – 11:45 Breakout seminars
12 noon Lunch
12:45 – 2:00 Breakout seminars
2:15 – 4:15 Free time, games, seminars
4:20 – 5:20 Worship, devotional, communion, sending prayer
5:30 Dinner and evaluations
6:00 Dismiss

Jesus' program of discipleship was simple: Hang out with the disciples; let them see you at your best and worst; spend lots of time alone; teach truths that none of your disciples can grasp at the moment; avoid crowds; go slowly; spend hours in solitude; don't worry about opposition; ignore criticism; don't expect immediate results.

Quoted from the book by Mike Yaconelli
Getting Fired for the Glory of God



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Akron, PA**

