

Tentative Schedule and Breakout Descriptions

8:30 AM- Opening Session

Barrett Johnson- "Helping Our Kids Navigate A Hyper Sexualized Culture"

10- Breakout 1

"When Someone Has a Secret" – Susan Watts (kids and youth focused)

"Can I tell you something that you have to promise not to tell anyone else?" is a common phrase to many in ministry to kids and teens. Come learn when to tell and what warning signs to look for to help identify situations that need help.

Lesson Planning For Sunday School- Jeremy Carroll (kids min focused)

Does putting together and executing a Sunday School lesson seem intimidating? Does it ever feel like the book just isn't exactly what you need but you don't know how to modify it? Discuss helpful tips are planning and teaching well.

Keeping It Gospel Centered- Nate Holder (kids min focused)

We can give kids a lot of things at church including our time and attention not to mention all the snacks and prizes. How do we make sure we are giving them what they really need: Jesus?

Theology for Teenagers- Robbie Crawford (youth focused)

Join us for a practical discussion of how we teach theology in youth ministry. How do we take complex ideas and break them down in a way that teenagers understand? Why does theology impact youth ministry? And more...

Bridging the Gap to College- Jeremy Montgomery (youth focused)

Every youth group, no matter how large or how small, faces a time when students go off to college. They may go far or stay near, but either way their home church plays an important role in bridging the gap. Come discuss some practical tips on how to address the needs of college students in any setting.

11- Breakout 2

Guiding Kids and Teens- Barrett Johnson (kids and youth focused)

Join us for a follow up from the main session for more practical tips for church workers.

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Classroom Management and Discipline- Jeremy Carroll (kids min focused)

Finding the balance between maintaining control of your classroom and having a fun environment can be difficult. Come learn some keys to disciplining other people's kids

and managing a classroom while still creating an environment where kids can learn about the Bible.

Nuts and Bolts of Kids Ministry- Nate Holder (kids min focused)

Starting from scratch with a kids ministry at your church? Looking to refocus the goals of your ministry? Need to consolidate your ministry to be able to accomplish long term goals? Join us for a discussion of how to do kids ministry successfully from the start.

Equipping Teens For Life Decisions- Robbie Crawford (youth focused)

How can we, in the church, guide teenagers to make Biblical decisions regarding difficult issues in their lives. How do we guide them to have a worldview influences all their decisions?

Teaching Teens to Go- Jeremy Montgomery (youth focused)

How do we go from being a group that learns about God and talks about God at church to being a group that goes. How do we create a culture of “going” to the most common places? How can we be a group committed to going to the high school, the mall, the movie theater, and the classroom.

Making Events Matter- Paul Turner (youth and kid focused)

We all know that churches should be having community events, but why? How do we go from following a calendar to making events that matter?

12 Noon- Lunch

Lunch break will include a Lifeway curriculum overview as well as time to visit the bookstore and other displays.

1:00 PM- Closing Session

Paul Turner- Spiritual Disciplines of a Leader

Being a leader in your church can be exhausting, but keeping yourself spiritually focused is key to successful leadership. Spend some time preparing for another year of ministry and planning to develop yourself spiritually.