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CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

January 30, 2010

A Hope and a Future...

Seeking God's Heart

Saturday, January 30, 2010

Mt. Scott Church of God, Portland

- Young Adults Finding Their Faith
- Creating a Friendly Church
- When the Bottom Falls Out
- Youth and Children's Ministries
- Biblical Peacemaking Perspective
- Multiple Outreach Conferences
- Hope Amidst Life's Crises
- Find Your Church Online
- Understanding Your City
- Equipping Self-Sustaining Ministries

Schedule

8:00am	Registration
8:30am	General Session
9:40-10:50am	Session 1
11:00am-12:10pm	Session 2
12:15-1:15pm	Lunch
1:20-2:30pm	Session 3
2:40-3:15pm	Wrap Up

Guest Speaker

Warner Pacific President Andrea Cook has spent most of her career in higher education in Oregon, beginning at Judson Baptist College in 1977. Between 1983 and 1987, Dr. Cook served as the Associate Director of Financial Aid at the University of Oregon. She then began a 15-year stint at George Fox University. She served as Vice President for Institutional Advancement at Goshen College in Indiana from 2002-2005 before taking the same role at Warner Pacific. Dr. Cook served as Interim President at WPC following the retirement of President Jay A. Barber in May of 2008, and in November 2008, the Board unanimously selected Dr. Cook to become the college's seventh president. President Cook is a person of integrity, insight, transparency and faithfulness.



Registration is only \$25 per individual if post-marked by January 19, 2010. Groups up to 10 can register from the same church for \$150 if postmarked by January 19, 2010 (see info on the back). Choose your conferences from pages 2-3; then turn to page 4 to register and to get directions to the Mt. Scott Church of God in Portland.

SESSION 1

1. Question/Answer Conference — Dr. Andrea Cook (President, Warner Pacific College) will dialogue with participants and answer any questions you may have related to her opening session and/or concerning the college. Come expecting to leave with a sense of excitement about your college.

2. How To Help People Find Your Church Online — Rick Thomas (Quinn Thomas Public Affairs, Mt. Scott Church). The Internet has transformed the way people find information. Are you making it easy for people to find your church online and are you enticing them to visit more than just your website? Learn strategies to enhance your online appeal without breaking the church budget.

3. How To Deal with “Problems” That Come With Youth Ministry — Janice Collazo (Youth Leader, Albany First Church of God). Having problems with an out-of-control youth? Got a parent breathing down your neck about your events? Frustrated with complaints about your ministry yet no one comes directly to you? Feel like your leaders ask for unreasonable requests? If you answered “YES” to any of these questions, you need this workshop. Bring your questions and gain tools from youth pastors and leaders in an open discussion group.

4. How To Preach Hope Amidst Life’s Crises — John Johnson (Associate Professor of Missions and Urban Ministry at Warner Pacific College). Discover hope in God’s Word, design hope-filled messages, deliver hope to the worn and weary.

5. How To Restore Your Church With a LIVE Weekend — Lowell Lux (International Region Director for LIVE Ministries) will share how LIVE weekends have brought renewal, refreshment and revival to churches throughout the U.S and Canada through the use of Spirit-filled lay teams. LIVE was founded 40 years ago in the Vancouver First Church of God. Come find out how this unique lay ministry can help your church.

6. How To Serve Your Community Through a Pre-school Indoor Park — Gloria Cooper (Director of Safe Haven at Oak Park Church of God, Salem) and Carrie Maheu (Salem Leadership Foundation). Why is this service needed in today’s culture? What does an indoor park look like and how does it work? How do you motivate your congregation to embrace this concept? Learn how to develop a plan, what resources are needed and/or available to assist in starting a park.

7. How To Be a Master Greeter — Rich Liedtke, (Master Greeter at Vancouver First Church of God). Rich travels across the USA giving seminars in churches. Learn how leaders, greeters and ushers reach out in ways that visitors want to return again and again.

(Choose ONE conference from the above Session 1 and enter it on the registration form.)

SESSION 2

8. How To Establish a Sabbatical — David ShROUT (Executive Coordinator). Every pastor needs time to deeply recharge his/her spiritual life through God’s provided method. Come learn the strategies for applying and establishing a policy and then seeking outside funding for a sabbatical.

9. How To Understand the City You Live In — Caleb Rosado (Professor of Urban Studies at Warner Pacific College). You will be offered direct handles on how to understand the city you live in. Then you will be able to understand the people who attend your church and the people who live in your community so that you can focus your ministry more effectively.

10. How To of Empowerment Endowment: A Five-Step Method for Equipping Self-Sustaining Ministries — Ben and Kelli Shular (Church of God Missionaries to Tanzania). Sponsored by the Missions Commission and facilitated by Terry ShROUT (Chair), this session will be applicable not only for cross-cultural ministries, but also to other areas of ministry.

11. How To Network with LOVE Inc. — Debbie Powell (Linn County Director of LOVE Inc.) will share what this “helping hands” clearing house is about and how it can meet the needs of those in your community.

12. How To Build a Friendlier Church — Rich Liedtke (Vancouver First Church of God). Learn the eleven actions that build a friendlier church. This session is full of action and fun to help you teach your congregation these simple and productive principles.

13. How To Make Your Children’s Ministry Come Alive — Julie Jackson (Lynchwood), Laurie Sutter (Albany) and Laurie DeLapp (Mt. Scott). Stuck in the same old children’s programming rut? Need some fresh ideas? Learn what these three children’s pastors have found to be some of their best ideas for Children’s Ministry this year. Bring your best ideas to share in this Town Hall format.

14. How To Assist Young Adults (18-20 years) in the Process of Owning Their Faith — Jess Bielman (Director of Campus Ministries, Warner Pacific). The transition from youth to adulthood can include a process of deciding whether the faith of one’s youth will be lived in the future. Jess offers tips for this process that often includes doubt, discovery, and new experiences.

(Choose ONE conference from the above Session 2 and enter it on the registration form.)

SESSION 3

15. How To Recover When the Bottom Falls Out — Mike Mugford (Senior Pastor, Friendly Street Church of God, Eugene). What can you do when difficulty hits either/both your life or the life of your church? Could it be a window to rethink what an authentic church looks like?

16. How Seniors Can Be Mentors in Their Own Churches — Bruce Steffensen (Interim Pastor, Holladay Park Church of God and Association

Pastoral Health Director). Learn how to be used as a mentor in your own church. Senior adults make terrific role models and are greatly needed.

17. How To Teach According To The Way People Learn — Lorin Myers (Christian Education Commission Chair). This conference will help participants discover their personal learning style, enabling them to be better teachers of any age, as well as better parents and students.

18. How To Make Worship a Verb — Bill Lane (Senior Pastor, Albany Community Church of God and Christian Education Commission member). There are many different styles and methods of worship. Learn how to make worship an action rather than a spectator sport.

19. How To Implement Biblical Peacemaking — Laurie Sutter (Associate Pastor at Albany First) and Chuck Ellis (District Church Service Associate) will share from a Biblical perspective, the resources that are available to individuals and to churches for resolving conflicts on a personal level or within the church.

20. How to Focus Your Support of Mission Projects — Bob Christensen (Senior Pastor, Mt. Scott Church of God) will provide specific ways to help sort through mountains of appeal letters requesting funds. Learn how to measure the target, the effectiveness and the appropriateness of your church’s mission projects.

21. How To Think Big for Your Church’s Outreach Programs — Toni Drager, Lay Pastor of Care and Outreach, Albany and Social Concerns Commission Chair. Toni will share outreach ideas for your church and will gather outreach ideas on what your church is doing in this come-share forum. You will be encouraged in the work you are doing as ambassadors for Christ.

(Choose ONE conference from the above Session 3 and enter it on the registration form.)

Driving Directions

Mt. Scott Church of God, Portland, Oregon
10603 SE Henderson St. — 503-771-1195 (church phone)

From I-205, take either Johnson Creek or Foster Exit. Go to SE 92nd and SE Flavel. Turn east on SE Flavel, and take the first left on SE Knapp Street. Continue following the road to the top. Turn left on SE Henderson Street to the church. **See map at www.mtscottchog.org**

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Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
Home Church _____ Email _____

INDIVIDUAL RATE: \$25 if postmarked by January 19, 2010
\$30 if postmarked after January 19, 2010

GROUP RATE: \$150 per church group (up to 10) postmarked by Jan. 19
\$175 per church group if postmarked after January 19, 2010

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

Registration fee includes lunch. We need the number attending for accurate lunch count. With group registrations, add \$3.00 for each person over 10. (Example: early registration for 12 people attending from your church would be \$156.00). Attach a separate piece of paper for conference choices for each person in your group.

SEND REGISTRATION and MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Association of the Churches of God
P.O. Box 18000
Salem, OR 97305

CONFERENCE CHOICES:

Choose **one** conference from **each session** and list below.

Session 1 _____ Session 2 _____ Session 3 _____