

Training Sessions

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A– Pastors Round Table on Succession Planning: (Rooms L, & M) Pastor Jeffery Singletary, Central Region Catalyst, Florida Baptist Convention

This round table will be a great discussion on how and when a pastor should plan for church transitions.

Becoming a Welcoming Church (Room N) Pastor Zelvis Applin, South Hills Church, Tampa, FL

This training aims to equip pastors and church administrators with tools to help connect faster with their guests in a relevant way. Practical tips and strategies will be discussed to address how to enhance current guest follow-up practices as well as how to implement new practices.

Team Leadership: (Room O) Pastor Ricardo Moore, St. Andrews Missionary Baptist Church, Miami, FL

Discover how effective leadership principles can help your church become and stay healthy. This training will share practical insight on how to rally your team around vision and how to develop systems to reproduce leaders.

Connecting the Dots between Discipleship and Evangelism: (Room P) David Alexander, Grace of God Baptist Church, Miami, FL

Both Evangelism and Discipleship were never meant to be programs of the Church. John 3:16 discloses the fact that God loves people. God loves all people: Black, White, Gay, Rich, Poor. This training will identify ways you can create a culture in your church that makes evangelism a lifestyle for every disciple of Christ.

Revitalizing a Legacy Church through Transition: (Room Q) Pastor Ricardo Peters, Cosmopolitan Missionary Baptist Church, Miami Gardens, FL

This training will give great insight on how to lead and love an established church through transition and revitalization.

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The Church and Technology: (Room II) Pastor Joseph Wells, Holy Mission Church, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Technology has become an essential part of everyday life. This session explores ways your church can use technology to stay connected with your context and reach new people.

The Wonder of Worship: (Room III) Dr. Jerome Symonette, Restoring Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Fort Lauderdale, FL

This training will explore how worship is much more than the Sunday gathering, but a way of life.

A– How the Church Should Address the Same-Sex Marriage Issue and the LGBT Community at Large (Room IV) Dr. Sherard Burns, Renewing Life Church, Miami, FL

This course is designed to address two critical aspects of these issues. First, we will explore the biblical basis on how the church should treat LGBT persons attending the church. Second, we will discuss the legal issues involved and how to set up the legal structure to protect the witness of the church, including provisions for your by-laws or constitution, establishing policies and procedures, and revisiting your employment contracts and facility usage agreements.

B– Discussion on the Role of the Church in Race and Reconciliation, Christ Above Culture (Room IV) Dr. Sherard Burns, Renewing Life Church, Miami, FL

This training will explore the issues of race and reconciliation and how the church can influence our community, church, and state towards true biblical unity.

Forgiveness: The Freedom to Let Go: (Room V) Dr. Jerry Johnson, South Hills Church, Tampa, FL

“I forgive you.” These three little words are so simple, so complex, and yet so powerful! These words give us permission to let go of recent irritations or long-held grudges of minor offenses or festering hurts that keep us up all night. Learn how you can be an expression of God’s grace by forgiving others and find the freedom He intended you to have.

Children’s Ministry: (Room XI) Charlotte Matthews, New Philadelphia, St. Petersburg, FL

How you can have an effective children’s ministry when you don’t have the facilities or volunteers.

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Huddle Touch: (Room VI) Pastor Zelvis Applin, South Hills Church, Tampa, FL

Does your church engage your community? Learn how your church can get on the local school campuses. This training will provide information on how your church can touch lives through the huddle touch program. This program is geared towards reaching and sharing the Gospel with young athletes all over.

Church Finances: (Room IX) Pastor Charles Jones, Grace of God Baptist Church, Miami, FL

Tips on how to set up your church financials and how to avoid financial mistakes.

Youth Ministry: (Room X) Pastor Darryl Jones, The Rock Fellowship Church, Miami, FL

In a recent poll, 84% of all Christians polled shared that they were saved before the age of 18. Strong-gospel centered youth ministry is the life-line for tomorrows ministry leaders. This training will explore how to build a strong youth ministry.

How to be a Good #2: (Room VIII) Pastor Anthony Brown, Renewed Bethel Church, Miami, FL

This training will explore the role of the ministry associates, deacons and church leaders in the local church. Focusing on how to embrace your season, learn, grow, and find contentment in the ministry God has placed you in.

How to Write and Publish your Book: (Room VII) Pastor Lennox Zamore, Exciting Central Baptist Church, Tampa, FL

This training will walk you through the steps necessary in structuring your ideas, writing your book, and publishing your book efficiently and effectively.

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Senior Adults: (Room B) Joann Garvin, New Life Baptist Church, Miami, FL

This training will explore ways of engaging and maintaining a vibrant senior adult ministry.

How to Have an Effective Women's Ministry (Room C) Archalena Coats, Kingdom Covenant Baptist Church, Miami, FL

Useful tips on how to have a thriving and effective women's ministry at your church.

Leading on Empty (Room D) Pastor Felix Walters, El-Shaddai Baptist Church, Seffner, FL

How to lead a church when you are physically and emotionally drained.

Is Sunday School Still Relevant? Rebuilding through Sunday School: (Room E)

Lewis Miller, West Regional Catalyst, Florida Baptist Convention

Sunday School is still alive. Come understand the original intent of how Sunday School is used as an evangelistic program for church growth.

Keeping and Mobilizing Millennials: (Room F) Pastor Jon Matthews & Pastor Stephen Berthelot, New Philadelphia, St. Petersburg, FL

There are many polls that suggest that Millennials are leaving the church. This training provides insight on how to reach, keep, engage, and mobilize millennials.

Calling All Youth: (Rooms G & H)

A time of activity, discussion, worship, and fellowship for our youth ages 12-18.

Calling All Children: (Rooms I, J, and K)

A time of activity, discussion, worship, and fellowship for our children ages 11 and under.