CPC17 INTENSIVES (1/24/2017, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm)

Envision Special Needs Ministry in Your Church!

Come take a journey through different ways to approach special needs ministry in your church! In this intensive, we will:

- Examine different ways to approach disability ministry.
- Explore practical aspects of ministry like facilities, staffing, training, and the important "must haves"!
- Experience a disability through a hands on activity to gain a better understanding of the challenges that kids with special needs face in adapting into your church community.
- Get a glimpse into the types of kids that might come to your church and ways to help them transition and engage in ministry by hearing from a panel of children with disabilities and their parents!

Together, we will address common obstacles and concerns ministry leaders navigate when serving kids with specials needs and explore what the solutions are! – **MARIE KUCK**

CATEGORY: Special Needs

Essential Children's Ministry

Children's Ministry can be one of the most challenging and complex areas within the church to lead. For the new leader, it can seem complicated, with a never ending list of tasks to be done, problems to solve and people to manage. So what are the most essential areas for the new ministry leader to master? In this session, we will learn how the new ministry leader can:

- Work with their team to establish a compelling vision for the ministry
- Measure the success (or failure!) of the ministry
- Build a team of "rock star" staff, leaders and volunteers
- Develop leaders and equip volunteers to do the work of the ministry
- Create program that engages children for life change (rather than just entertaining them)
- Partner and equip parents to invest in the spiritual formation of children
- Envision greater ministry for the future

Join us as we answer these and other foundational questions and examine a framework for ministry that includes 7 critical areas of focus essential for a healthy Children's Ministry. – **GREG BAIRD**

CATEGORY: New to Children's Ministry

Leading Your Children's Ministry to its God-Given Potential!

In this highly creative intensive, the visionary twins Ruben and Efraim Meulenberg (widely known as "the TornadoTwins") lead you on a path to discover how to reach God's biggest vision for your children's ministry. Creativity becomes a transformative force when it is applied to purpose and vision, and we have been entrusted with the greatest purpose! In this invigorating process you'll be encouraged as you ...

- Combine each element of your ministry with a fresh future vision
- Connect your ministry vision with the changes in kid-culture
- Put the pieces back together in a new and fresh way
- Gain insights make new ministry connections from engaging discussion groups with leaders like you

 Watch your creativity soar as you evaluate challenges and discover solutions you'd never dreamed of!

For best results, bring your team! *Happy warning*: Your ministry may never be the same again! – **RUBEN AND EFRAIM MEULENBERG**

CATEGORY: Creativity in Ministry, Vision

Children's Ministry Handbook - Hands On Development

What if you could overhaul your children's ministry handbook from start to finish in just one day? If you have an outdated ministry handbook, or simply don't have one, this intensive is designed just for you. Join us for...

- A hands on session of policy goodness as we build, revise, and update our ministry handbooks
- Evaluate and explore policies and procedures
- Explore how your handbook helps you equip and prepare volunteers
- Gain powerful techniques and tips for training your team (in a way that keeps them engaged!) If you want to go home with a handbook that truly serves your ministry, and gain insights for how to use this tool with volunteers and staff, join us! (Tip! Though not required, it will be helpful if you bring a laptop.

as well as your existing handbook if you have one.) - HEIDI HENSLEY

CATEGORY: Policy, Structures, Strategy

How to Determine, Develop, and Deepen Your Volunteer Team

Have you ever wondered why people are not volunteering? What does it take to get and keep volunteers? Is it really possible to get and KEEP every week leaders? If you are passionate about seeing your ministry move forward with a volunteer team that lasts, this intensive is for you! In this intensive, we will...

- Explore the five reasons why people aren't volunteering for us.
- Challenge conventional wisdom by revealing how we can get more volunteers by understanding how viruses spread, how riots start and what makes velcro stick!
- Discover the leadership arrow and the power that comes by encouraging, equipping and empowering each volunteer!

You will leave with the ability to define your team, equipped with tools to lead them effectively, empowered in how to build a volunteer team that lasts, and invigorated with fresh vision for how to invest your time in one of the most important aspects of your ministry – your volunteers! – **CRAIG JUTILA CATEGORY**: Volunteers, Leadership

How to Communicate in EVERY Situation with Clarity, Confidence, and Creativity

Would you like to improve your communication skills? Become a more effective, confident public speaker? Run more efficient meetings? Write with more clarity and power? If you desire to take significant steps forward in your ability to communicate, join us! This intensive is designed to:

- Be a practical, hands-on workshop that will improve every area of your communication.
- Equip you in the same 4-step system (Complete Communication System™) Keith has taught for the last decade to teams at Microsoft, Amazon, and others!
- Empower you to prepare more efficiently, deliver more confidently, and land messages more effectively.

We all want to improve our communication, and this intensive will help you advance in your ability to communicate vision and get others on board! (<u>TIP</u>! *If you've ever thought about presenting a breakout at CPC, INCM encourages you to attend this intensive!*) – **KEITH FERRIN**

CATEGORY: Communication

Caring for Your Soul

Do you often find yourself weary, worn out, frustrated, or wanting to quit? Most likely your soul is weary. As leaders who operate busy lives and schedules, our souls can easily be forgotten. This intensive is designed to address your soul. Together, we will...

- Discover why soul care is an integral part of walking with Jesus
- Explore what God has to say about taking care of your self
- Discuss practical tools and ideas to care for your soul

If you feel like the waves keep coming, and you're struggling to get some air, you are invited to step into three hours of truth, grace, and space to meet with God. This might be exactly what the future of your ministry needs- a healthy leader. – **MELISSA J. MACDONALD**

CATEGORY: Soul Care, Discipleship

It's Time to Install an Update! Digital Solutions for Moving Your KidMin Forward

If you've got technology in ministry all figured out, this intensive is NOT for you! For the rest of us, we'll be learning how simple digital solutions can help achieve our ministry goals. You'll experience...

- How free tools (Slack, Trello, and Evernote) can dramatically improve team communication and productivity
- Engaging with key leaders about how they're using digital in their churches
- Steering the conversation and asking the technology questions that matter most to you

Join us to explore how to move your ministry forward, and leave with tools you can begin using today. MUCH more than talking about the benefits of technology, you will actually leave with skills and tools to gain back valuable time and enhance the way you do ministry! (<u>Tip</u>! Though not required, it will be helpful if you bring a laptop or other digital device.) – **MICHAEL COVINGTON**

CATEGORY: Technology

Children Ministry, the Door to Family Ministry

In Children's Ministry, when a child passes through your door, how are you preparing them and their parents to remember what you taught after Sunday morning is over? This intensive will equip you to answer this question as you...

- Learn the D6 (Deuteronomy 6) generational approach to discipleship and enlist the help of parents and grandparents to ensure students are being discipled beyond Sunday morning.
- Discover two easy ways to focus your efforts!
- Walk through a 10-category assessment
- Explore four ways for parents to connect with your teaching while at home,

In this interactive session, you will be given several tools that will help you along the way as you develop your family ministry. Let's make Children's Ministry connect beyond the next generation! – **RON HUNTER**

CATEGORY: Family Ministry

AND LENA WOOTEN

LEAD

What if you could spend dedicated time to developing essential skills for children's and family ministry leadership? In this preview of the LEAD experience and you will...

- Connect with other like-minded leaders in their pursuit to strengthen existing leadership abilities
- Discover new tools and skills to become an increasingly more effective leader
- Engage in personal discovery of the kind of leader God has called you to be

In its traditional form, LEAD is a two-day, live event. Join us as we condense some of our favorite parts into this interactive and dynamic LEAD preview. This is not for teaching you how to run a children's

ministry, but how to be a better leader in ministry! If you are ready to lead, this time is just for you. -

DONNA HERSHOCK CATEGORY: Leadership VBS SHOWCASE!

Get an exclusive sneak peek! Explore the incredible VBS programs available to you this year from a wide array of resource providers. Hear directly from the developers about each program's spiritual focus, theme, and tools. Engage in helpful discussion, get your questions answered, and get excited about what's in store for this summer! VBS Showcase featured providers:

- Group
- Lifeway
- Cokesbury
- Answers in Genesis
- KidMin Science

Get a jump start on your VBS planning, and get your big questions answered at this FUN showcase featuring this summer's VBS options!