


KCKBA

Connections

August 2010



**Turning
The Church
INSIDE/OUT**

A Conference
on
The Missional Church
with
Dr. Reggie McNeal

Leadership Network
Dallas, Texas

Turning the Church Inside/Out is a one-day conference featuring speaker and author Dr. Reggie McNeal, Tuesday, September 14. The Kansas City conference is a collaborative effort between the North American Mission Board, Missouri Baptist Convention, Kansas-Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptists, and the CityFocus Ministries of Blue River-Kansas City, Clay-Platte and Kansas City Kansas Baptist Associations.

McNeal will lead three main sessions focused on helping church leaders understand the cultural shifts taking place in North America and the implications for the church on doing effective ministry. There will be special emphasis on the importance of developing and deploying church members as missionaries in local neighborhoods and work places. There will also be five breakout sessions offered that will assist participants in making personal application in their local context. The cost for the conference is \$30 per person (includes lunch). You may mail your check to Kansas City Kansas Baptist Association, 8745 Ballentine, Suite A, Overland Park, Kansas 66214. Be sure to mark your check "Church Inside/Out." Registration forms may be downloaded at www.churchinsideoutkc.org or by contacting Brad



September 17 & 18, 2010
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Cost: \$85 (postmarked by Aug. 10)

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Transitioning From Traditional to Missional

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Last month, a series was started on nine possible elements necessary to transition a traditional church in a more missional direction. As mentioned last time, these nine points are certainly not conclusive or comprehensive; however, they will provide significant starting points to becoming more externally focused.

1. **Start with Spiritual Formation**
2. **Cultivate a Missional Leadership Approach**

The second most important transition in fostering a missional posture in a local congregation is rethinking church leadership models that have been accepted as the status quo. This will require the development of a missional leadership approach that has a special emphasis on the apostolic function of church leadership, which was marginalized during the time of Christendom in favor of the pastor/teacher function.

This missional leadership approach will involve creating an apostolic environment throughout the life of the church. The leader must encourage pioneering activity that pushes the church into new territory. However, because not all in the church will embrace such risk, the best approach will involve creating a sort of “R&D” or “skunk works” department in the church for those who are innovators and early adopters.

A culture of experimentation must be cultivated where attempting new initiatives is expected, even if they don't all succeed. As pioneering activities bear fruit, and the stories of life change begin to bubble up within the church, an increasing number of people will begin to take notice and get involved.

—to be continued next month

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Teaching through Bible Drill

Although the State Bible Drill was in April, the Children's Bible Drill team from Emmanuel Chinese Baptist Church in Lenexa remained active and gave a demonstration for the Hispanic Super Summer in June. They want to inspire more children and youth to get involved in Bible Drill. . . so do we!!

As you plan your 2010-2011 Bible programs for your children and youth, there are various options from which to choose. If your church is not involved in a scripture memory program already, consider using one of the BEST scripture memory programs available—BIBLE DRILL.

Children's Bible Drill is designed for grades 4–6, and Youth Bible Drill is available for grades 7–12. Children and youth memorize scripture and become very adept at finding all the books of the Bible, many verses, key passages and doctrines. As they learn the verses, they also learn the meaning and how they relate to their own personal lives.

As an alternative to Bible Drill, youth in grades 9–12 may participate in the Youth Speaker program. Individuals choose a topic from the current topic list and prepares and delivers a 4 to 6 minute inspirational or informative speech.

An added incentive for both Bible Drill and the Speaker Tournament is competition at the church, association and state levels. Qualifying children and youth at the association level will be eligible to compete at the State Bible Drill/Speaker Tournament to be held April 16, 2011, at Webster Conference Center in Salina. September is the best time to begin in order to be ready for the State Drill in April.

Bible Drill and Speaker Tournament are inexpensive and effective ways to get older children and youth involved in scripture memory. Leader Guides, memory cards, topic lists and Bible Reading and Learning Activities for Children are available from the KNCSB office at no cost. Look for brochures coming out from KNCSB this month explaining Bible Drill and Speaker Tournament. They will also have contact and ordering information.

The Bible Drill Team from Emmanuel Chinese Baptist Church in Lenexa is available to do a demonstration drill in your church if you so desire. Delores Hanneman, KNCSB Bible Drill/Speaker Tournament Coordinator, is available to answer questions, provide help or give training in getting started. Contact her at delores.hanneman@sbcglobal.net.

Children Come to Know Christ at Camp

by Jim Conard, KCKBA Children's Camp Coordinator

Wow! What a contrast between this year's camp and last year's camp. Last year, a virus hit 25 people. This year, no one got sick. Last year, there were four bee stings in one day. This year, none all week! Furthermore, there were no serious conflicts between campers, all were compliant with their sponsors, and all went to bed and fell asleep when the lights went out for the night. Most importantly, at least 2 campers received Jesus as Savior because God's presence was real in every worship rally. Children were asking sponsors on their own initiative about getting baptized. What a joy, also, to hear campers praise God and sing in such Spirit-led worship.



2010 Kids Camp participants from various KCKBA churches.



The Clark family love for KCKBA Kids Camp passes on to another generation as Lizzy Clark, Nall Avenue Baptist Church, teaches Bible study at Camp. (Lizzy is the granddaughter of Marie Clark, former Kids Camp director.)

Dale Phillips did a fabulous job teaching the children God's word. There was not a single camper who, at the end of the week, could not recite the camp theme and Mark 10:17—all with hand motions! Everyone was so blessed by Dale's ministry, the Bible studies and the worship experiences that no one was anxious to go home! One mom said when she pick up her child at the end of camp, "What did you do to my daughter? She's glowing!"

It is without a doubt that the reason God moved so powerfully at camp this year is because so many people were praying. Thank you to all who

prayed and thanks to all the sponsors who worked so beautifully together and did such a great job leading Bible studies and activities.



Included among the many camp activities for the week were fishing and archery.

Churches Partner Together to be on Mission Overseas

Are you challenged with finding time to plan and coordinate a church mission trip? Are you looking for a trip in which you may participate on your own with believers from other churches? If you have answered "yes" to either of these questions, then perhaps you will consider partnering with KCKBA Mission Trip Coordinator Scott Mayse in planning your 2011 church mission trip.

Mayse serves as the volunteer specialist coordinating overseas trips for KCKBA in partnership with International Commission (www.IC-World.org). Currently, he is planning a trip to Jamaica in the fall. Over 70 people have shown an interest in participating in this trip and 38 people have already committed to go financially. If you are interested in this or future trips, contact Scott Mayse, ScottM@IC-World.org or 913.731.0539.

August Birthdays

- 02 Richard Griffin, New Hope Baptist Church
- 08 Joe Funderburk, Nall Avenue Baptist Church
- 10 Pete Mayse, retired
- 15 Jim Heaton, Westside Family Church
- 19 John Hollan, Blue Valley Baptist Church
- 22 Jimmy Hill, Vista Baptist Church
- 23 Judy Dearwester, Westside Family Church
- 23 Rhonda Allen, Blue Valley Baptist Church
- 31 Larry Dunn, Metropolitan Baptist Church

August Ministry Anniversaries

- 01 Chue Ge Herr, First Hmong Baptist Church, '98
- 01 Tom Couric, Fellowship Baptist Church, '93
- 01 Matt Adams, Westside Family Church, '01
- 01 Steve Rives, Eastside Church of the Cross, '06
- 01 Leonardo Simbaqueva, Leavenworth Hispanic Baptist Church, '04
- 05 Rick Rooks, First Southern Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas, '03
- 15 Bill Shiflett, Lenexa Baptist Church, '05
- 17 Dan Southerland, Westside Family Church, '08
- 21 Bryan Fellers, Valley Fellowship, '05
- 23 Michael Holmes, Sr., First Baptist Church of Bethel, '09
- 24 Larry Dunn, Metropolitan Baptist Church, '97
- 25 Paul Geldart, Emmanuel Baptist Church, '96
- 29 Casey Kapple, Emmanuel Baptist Church, '05
- 30 Ryan Holt, First Family Church, '04

August

- 2-6 Super Summer, Wk 6, WCC
- 20-21 Lifeway's Regional Sunday School Conference, FBC, Raytown, Missouri**
- 21 KNCSB Baptist Men's Softball Tournament/Family Weekend

September

- 9-10 KNCSB Executive Committee & Board Meeting, Topeka
 - 14 The Church Inside/Out Conference with author Dr. Reggie McNeal
 - 17-18 Wonderful Weekend for Women, WCC
 - 20-26 State Missions Week of Prayer & Viola Webb Missions Offering
 - 21 KCKBA Executive Board Mtg., 1:30 PM**
 - 22 See You at the Pole**
 - 24-26 Fall Collegiate Conference, Baptist Men's Golf Tournament, Topeka
 - 26 Viola Webb Missions Offering
- *WCC=Webster Conference Center, Salina, Kansas*



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