



THE ALLIANCE

Northeastern District Alliance Mission Summit

Gospel Access: From All, For All

Breakout Descriptions

Workshops/Breakouts – Session One

- **RAIN: Welcoming Our Global Neighbors With The Love Of Christ** – Pete Brokopp

At the Refugee and Immigrant Network (RAIN), we see an incredible opportunity to engage our Alliance churches in welcoming, building relationships, and sharing the gospel with refugees and immigrant.

Matthew 25:35 "...I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

- **Alliance ESL: What Would ESL Look Like in Your Church?** – Bruce Lyman

God will continue to bring the nations to your community (Acts 17:26-7). Your church can easily offer your new neighbors English and friendship, their two greatest needs. Come hear some inspiring stories, be part of an ESL class (English as a Second Language), and learn how to launch your own ESL Ministry. You'll be amazed at how much fun sharing the Good News can be! Alliance ESL is here to coach you in your journey into His harvest fields around your church.

- **Introduction to Alliance Missions and Structures** – David Murphy

Discover the heart behind Alliance missions in this breakout session, "Introduction to Alliance Missions and Structures." Whether you're new to The Alliance or simply want to better understand how our churches partner together to fulfill the Great Commission, this session will provide a clear overview of our global missions philosophy, organizational structure, and opportunities for involvement. Learn how local churches, districts, and the national office work together to send workers to the least-reached peoples of the world, and discover practical ways you and your church can pray, give, send, and participate in God's mission. Join us and be inspired to see how every Alliance church has a vital role in bringing the hope of Christ to the nations.

- **What International Workers Don't Tell You: Ministering To The Relational, Emotional, And Spiritual Needs** – Stuart Burton

If you could read between the lines in their prayer letters what are the things that IWs do not always talk about? What types of things do they struggle with silently? How can we know the true needs of our IWs so that we can properly support them? The more we understand about the needs of our IWs the better equipped we are to actually meet those needs. Join us as we delve deeper and learn to read between the lines of the prayer letters to better support our IWs so that they are better suited to serve the Lord in their country of service.

Workshops/Breakouts – Session Two

- **RAIN: Welcoming Our Global Neighbors With The Love Of Christ** – Pete Brokopp
- **Alliance ESL: What Would ESL Look Like in Your Church?** – Bruce Lyman
- **Developing Alliance International Worker Partnerships and Engagement** – David Murphy

Healthy partnerships between local churches and Alliance International Workers are essential to advancing the Great Commission. This interactive breakout session will explore practical strategies for building meaningful, long-term relationships that extend beyond financial support to include intentional prayer, effective communication, mutual encouragement, and active ministry collaboration. Whether your church is just beginning to engage in global missions or is seeking to strengthen existing partnerships, you'll leave with actionable ideas, proven practices, and a renewed vision for partnering with Alliance International Workers to make Christ known among the nations.

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Networking Session

Question: How are you helping to expand access to the gospel in your local community, throughout the region, and around the world through your involvement with the Alliance?

Workshops/Breakouts – Session Three

- **Breaking the Chains of Addiction: A Gospel-Centered Approach** – Jake Jaros

Drug and alcohol addiction continues to devastate individuals, families, and communities across America. Many churches recognize the need but are unsure how to respond in ways that are both compassionate and effective. In this breakout session, I will share my personal journey of finding freedom from addiction through Christ and the lessons I have learned in ministering to others. We will also explore the ministry of Recovery Church – a proven, gospel-centered model that helps churches reach those struggling with addiction, offering both the hope of lasting recovery and the transforming power of the gospel. Whether your church is looking to begin an outreach or strengthen an existing ministry, this session will provide practical insights and encouragement for making a lasting impact in your community.

- **Serving Those Facing Domestic Abuse**
- **Northtown Care Connection: The Changing Landscape of Local Missions** – Rebecca Henderson

The mission field is changing. As communities become increasingly diverse, many nations, tribes, and tongues are now represented within our own neighborhoods. This session explores how local churches can effectively engage in missions in an increasingly globalized world. Participants will discover key lessons learned, practical strategies, and proven best practices for building meaningful cross-cultural relationships and sharing the gospel with the diverse people God has brought to their communities.

- **How to Communicate with International Workers (CAC Guidelines)** – David Murphy

How do we stay connected with international workers serving in sensitive parts of the world while protecting their safety and ministry? Join us for this practical breakout session, "How to Communicate with International Workers (Creative Access Country Guidelines)," where you'll learn best practices for writing emails, sharing prayer requests, using social media responsibly, and communicating in ways that encourage rather than endanger those serving in Creative Access Countries. Whether you're a pastor, missions committee member, church communicator, or faithful prayer partner, this session will equip you with practical tools to strengthen your partnership with international workers while safeguarding the people and ministries they serve.

Emerging Leaders Track: Discover Who God Created You to Be

Amy Roedding – The Alliance Director of Candidate Recruitment and Development
The Emerging Leader Track is designed for participants that are 14 to 22 years old.

Have you ever wondered how God has uniquely wired you—or what His calling might look like for your life? These two interactive sessions will help you discover your God-given identity, recognize your gifts and passions, and explore the many ways God can use you in His Kingdom.

Whether you sense a call to vocational ministry, marketplace leadership, missions, or simply want to understand your next faithful step, these sessions will encourage and equip you to see that God delights in using ordinary people in extraordinary ways.

Come ready to discover more about who you are, how God has gifted you, and where He may be leading you next.

Session 1: Discovering How God Has Made You

Big Idea: God intentionally created each person with unique gifts, personality, passions, experiences, and purpose. Understanding ourselves helps us better understand how God may want to use us.

Session 2: What Are the Wild, Crazy...or Very Normal Ways God Can Use Me?

Understanding Calling

Big Idea: Every follower of Jesus is called. God invites ordinary people into extraordinary Kingdom work in many different ways.