

## **BREAKOUT DESCRIPTIONS**

**Church Planting and Partnership Overview:** Facts & trends, what God's been doing, stories from church planters, benefits of church planting (church planting AND church health, not OR), how to be an effective church planting partner, current church planting opportunities/resources. (Gary Irby)

**Connecting with Your Community:** Learn how to exegete your community and discover resources to assist in opening doors for ministry in your community. (Steve Schenewerk)

**Creating You Own Missional Strategy:** This breakout will help church members to create their own mission strategies around local leisure and resort activities. Americans spend over 500 billion dollars a year in leisure activities and have typically over 130 days a year to enjoy "free time" for themselves and their families. The resort and leisure industry also is the nation's second largest employer. This means in our churches, members are working in the industry and spending time and money closer to home. This presents each church an opportunity to get their members to go on mission where they already work and play and will show them how they can be a part of fulfilling the Great Commission. (Ron Allen)

**Growing a Committed Team:** Building a committed leadership team is one of the most difficult challenges in ministry. Most often the problem is not with our people, it's with our systems. Come learn simple ways you can raise the commitment level on your team and keep your leaders growing well in to the future! (Gabe Kolstad)

**Leading from Your Strengths:** We are most effective when we are doing ministry in our strength zone. Focusing on what you're good at, delegating confidently, and saying yes to the best are the name of the game. Come find out how to make the most out of your ministry as a lady who leads at your church. (Melissa Kolstad)

**Outreach Methodologies:** Learn outreach principles and tips, developing a comprehensive strategy, and a wide variety of outreach ideas. (Gary Irby)

**Reaching the Millennial Generation:** Boasting a population of 72 million, they are the second largest generation in the history of America. Their ages range from 14 to 34. They are a generation of hope and promise; however, they are the most unreached generation in our country. We will look at ten trends that define this generation, and the most effective way to reach them for Christ. (Danny Kuykendall)

**Stress Management Made Easy:** Life is stressful. Stress comes in many forms and attacks you in a variety of ways. The key is to control (manage) it before it consumes you. Today, we are examining and applying twelve simple stress management tips that will help you conquer the stressors of life. (Bruce Sloan)

**Toward a Transformational Small Group:** Our desire is to see people become like Christ, observe our class/group act more like His body, and to have an impact in our community that reflects His Kingdom. How can we do all of this in just one hour a week? This conference will help you identify and implement a strategy for becoming a “Transformational” Sunday school class/group that is making a difference in today’s world. (Richard Kirk)

**When Less is More:** It may seem natural and necessary for pastor/staff leaders to try to “prove themselves” by doing everything. But what may initially be natural and necessary will limit your effectiveness as a leader. Come observe a dynamic video of lead pastor Andy Stanley and discuss how lay leaders can help to empower their staff leaders, and how leaders can lead to their full potential. (Von Tomasini)

**Worship: Leading vs. Reacting:** A breakout on the sensitivity of corporate worship and how to lead your people as opposed to simply reacting to them. Includes practical encouragement in how to handle and even shift style of worship, the future of worship in the church, as well as general Q & A time. (Josh Howeth)