THE SEVEN DYNAMICS OF COOPERATING WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Jesus Christ has invited us to work with Him in building His Church and extending His Kingdom in the world.

He does this by sending the Holy Spirit to grow us from within to be his disciples and to come upon us for empowerment and gifts to work with Him.

The purpose of this equipping is to learn these dynamics of cooperation so we can enter the dance with Christ and the Holy Spirit through which Christ grows His Church.

The challenge facing today's Church: avoiding the "fatal error"

"Management techniques are God-given tools, available for the Church's use. But far more basic are the God-given characteristics of the Church itself - its unique nature as the people of God and its unique gift, the Holy Spirit.

The fatal error for the Church is to employ management techniques as if it were just another human organization in pursuit of human goals. The *fatal error* is to focus on oiling the organizational wheel, without attention to the *wheel* within the wheel [the Holy Spirit who] is the basic power source."

Richard G Hutcheson, Wheel Within the Wheel: Confronting the Management Crisis of the Pluralistic Church (Atlanta: John Knox Press, 1979), 155.

Meeting the Challenge! Learning to Cooperate with the Holy Spirit

This event is sponsored by Presbyterian-Reformed Ministries International. Invitations are being extended to those whom God may be calling to help in the development of this biblical approach to growing the Church.



An equipping process for church leaders

May 16-20, 2011

At the Community of the Cross: A place of encounter with Jesus Christ

International

Black Mountain, NC
Presbyterian-Reformed Ministries



This five-day equipping event is intended to introduce the *two foundations* and *seven dynamics* of growing the Church in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People will experience a unique combination of personal prayer retreat, biblical and reformed teaching on the Holy Spirit and practical application of the teaching. The purpose of this course is to give participants tools so that when they return to their congregations they can implement what they have learned.

This event is intended for pastors accompanied by others in their church leadership.

There will also be opportunity for building prayer support relationships with others in ministry.

A team called to offer intercessory prayer, hospitality and ministry will help to make this a restful and transforming week.

Leadership Team

The Rev. Dr. Brad Long—Executive
Director of Presbyterian-Reformed
Ministries International. Co-author of the
teaching materials and course director.

The Rev. Cindy Strickler—Director of PRMI Dunamis Fellowship International. Co-author of the teaching materials and co-director of the course.

The Rev. Paul Stokes—United Reformed Church Pastor from Plymouth, UK. Co-author of the teaching materials and leader in the DF Britain & Ireland.

They will be joined by the following pastors who have had extensive experience in applying these principles of cooperation with the Holy Spirit in ministry and missions:

Rev. Rich DeRuiter - CRC - WA

Rev. Susan Finck-Lockhart - PCUSA, TX

Rev. Denny Finnegan - PCUSA, PA

Rev. Larry Selig - PCUSA, FL

Rev. Dean Weaver - EPC, PA

Rev. Richard White - EPC, NC

"Learning to be led by the Holy Spirit and allowing Him to work through me to do the ministry of Jesus is the key to an alive and growing congregation that is reaching out in missions." Richard White,

Pastor, Montreat Presbyterian Church



The Community of the Cross: A Place of Encounter with Jesus Christ is a dynamic prayer and teaching community. You will be invited to take part in the food preparation, clean-up and work that makes this event possible.

There is no charge for this event. Offerings will be received to cover the cost of the food, administration and to extend the vision of equipping leaders in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Housing: At this time we do not have housing on site. You will receive hotel information when you register.

We are limited to just 30 participants, so register early! For more information contact us:

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