

MCMA ENGAGE! 2020

A Fresh Start: Preparing for Post-Pandemic Ministry

October 3, 2020 – 9 am Central Time

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SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

9:00 am	Welcome, Brief Worship, Orientation & Instructions					
9:20	Opening Address – Bob Moeller, For Keeps Ministries <i>Things Will Never Be the Same Again – And Why That's Good News!</i>					
9:45	Instructions on Break-Out Sessions & Short Break					
Wkshop #1 9:50	CHILDREN	YOUTH	ADULT	LEADERSHIP	MARRIAGE	NEXT GEN
	Understanding The Child Behind The Mask Mandy Johnson Calvary Church	Deepening Connections Through COVID Scott Volltrauer TreeHouse	Discipleship 101 Walt McFadden CityView Church	Four Keys to Leadership In the New Normal Eric Hulstrand Moving Forward Consulting	Solve the Root Problems in Marriage and the Fruit Problems Will Take Care of Themselves Bob Moeller For Keeps Ministries	Are Your Young People Leaving Your Church? John Yoder Global Youth Interchange
10:45	Instructions on Next Steps & Short Break					
Wkshop #2 10:55	CHILDREN	YOUTH	ADULT	LEADERSHIP	MARRIAGE	NEXT GEN
	Understanding The Leader Behind The Mask Mandy Johnson Calvary Church	Navigating Restrictions With Flexibility Scott Volltrauer TreeHouse	Biblical Discipleship: A Kingdom Model Walt McFadden CityView Church	Five Common Mistakes That Lead to Trouble Eric Hulstrand Moving Forward Consulting	Marriage-at-Home Order: Counting the Benefits Natt Miller MCMA	Are Your Young People Leaving Your Church? John Yoder Global Youth Interchange
11:50	Short Break					
11:55	Closing Session – Natt E. Miller II – MCMA – Still, This Gospel of the Kingdom					
12:10	Final Directives, Dismissal, & Blessing – Tim Johnson, MCMA Executive Director					

OPENING SESSION

Things Will Never Be the Same Again – And Why That's Good News! **Bob Moeller, For Keeps Ministries**

In the midst of seismic upheavals recently experienced by our churches and educational ministries there is yet reason to rejoice.

Why? The future has arrived sooner than expected and church based ministries are adapting remarkably well and effectively through: 1) Utilizing innovative technologies at relatively low cost to vastly expand the number, variety and quality of creative learning environments available to our children, teenagers and adults; 2) Embracing a paradigm shift from large group settings to smaller or home-based settings for worship, learning and fellowship, and 3) Rediscovering the timeless values of pastoral care, personal discipleship and individual loving nurture through the redemptive use of social media platforms.

And should the secular culture become less hospitable toward the church in the future, making these adaptations now may well help provide the needed structure, methodology and resilience for the mission of the church to prosper whatever its challenges or circumstances.

CHILDREN'S TRACK

1. Understanding the Child Behind the Mask - Mandy Johnson – Calvary Church Splash

Director - We need to be aware of the social and emotional changes that COVID-19 has made on our children. Each of our students will need us to “peel away the mask” to understand their needs so we can reach them with the Gospel of Christ.

2. Understanding the Leader Behind the Mask - Mandy Johnson – Calvary Church Splash

Director - As we re-enter the walls of our churches and continue to reach virtually into the homes of our families, we need to look at how we lead in light of COVID-19. How do we manage and engage our volunteers? How do we communicate our needs for in-person and virtual gatherings? How do we protect the leader behind the mask?

YOUTH TRACK

1. Deepening Connections Through COVID—Scott Volltrauer, Treehouse—

The pressure is off! We're not here to meet our teens' needs. Join us to discuss how to encourage our teens and how to help them understand their needs and feel more hopeful.

2. Navigating Restrictions with Flexibility—Scott Volltrauer, Treehouse—

We're leaders. We face problems almost every day. So do teens. Let's focus on helping teens solve problems rather than solving problems. They can help. They want to make a difference. Empower them! Collaborate!

ADULT TRACK

1. Discipleship 101—Walt McFadden, CityView Church--

A brief overview of the mission of the Church...to make disciples. How did Jesus make disciples? What were the expectations of discipleship in the time of Jesus? How can we repeat what Jesus did?

2. Biblical Discipleship: A Kingdom Model—Walt McFadden, CityView Church--

A model of contemporary discipleship, Life on Life discipleship groups. Life on Life is an appealing and effective model of discipleship for today's young adults. It combines Jesus' method of discipleship alongside relationship with spiritual mothers and fathers. Learn the difference between Life on Life and a traditional small group model.

LEADERSHIP TRACK

1. Four Keys to Leadership in the New Normal—Eric Hulstrand, Moving Forward Consulting—

How do we be the church in a time when “normal” is becoming a memory? Come and find out how the Church can stand strong and even thrive in these unprecedented times. Be ready for whatever the future holds.

2. Five Common Mistakes that Lead to Trouble—Eric Hulstrand, Moving Forward

Consulting—As a consultant I run into these 5 mistakes often. In fact, they have been, are or will be in your church. Learn what they are and how to keep your church as healthy as possible.

5 mistakes: easy to make and hard to undo.

MARRIAGE TRACK

1. Solve the Root Problems in Marriage and the Fruit Problems will Take Care of Themselves—Bob Moeller, For Keeps Ministries--We often spent too much time and effort trying to resolve external problems in marriage (the fruit issues) such as arguing too much, disagreements over money or sex, or a growing lack of love and intimacy. Yet often little changes in the marriage. Scripture teaches the heart is the heart of all relationships. Learn how to focus instead on the heart issues of unresolved sin and pain (the root issues) and watch as the external problems will often resolve themselves.

2. Marriage-at-Home Order: Counting the Benefits—Natt Miller, MCMA--The stay-at-home orders of this global health crisis brought many unintended consequences. One of them is the Stay-at-Home Marriage! What are couples doing with the hundreds of unplanned hours? Some grew frustrated while others are seeing opportunities. As we anticipate a fresh start, what are the benefits to marriages that we can consider in this season?

NEXT GEN

1 & 2. Are Your Young People Leaving Your Church?—John Yoder, Global Youth Interchange--Serving the next generation is a challenge for all immigrant churches. In this session you will learn unique characteristics of the second generation as well as different models of ministry to them. ***This session will be repeated...offered in both workshop hours.***

CLOSING SESSION

Still, This Gospel of the Kingdom

Natt Miller, MCMA

Our 24/7 cycle of mainly bad news can be overwhelming. The Church must not be caught up in the 'gospel of hopelessness.' Fresh out of crisis, the 1st century disciples knew what to offer in tough times. So must we. In this closing session, leave with encouragement from the words of Jesus Himself, that the preaching of the Gospel of the Kingdom is still the overarching message of the 21st century believers.