

# REGISTRATION BROCHURE

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**SEEING  
CLEARLY**

TO FOLLOW IN OUR  
MASTER'S FOOTSTEPS

GLC ANNUAL CELEBRATION

**APRIL 24, 2020  
APRIL 25, 2020**

## HOST CHURCHES

SANCTUARY  
COLUMBUS  
CHURCH

4142 WESTERVILLE RD  
COLUMBUS, OH 43224

FAITH  
COVENANT  
CHURCH

3607 DEPMBSEY ROAD  
WESTERVILLE, OH 43081

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER PASTOR RICH JOHNSON

Richard Westley Johnson is the pastor of Sanctuary Columbus Church. He is gifted in speaking, facilitating and networking for the purpose of bringing people together across cultural, religious and political differences.

Rich has been married to Shalla for 18 years. Their four children keep them very active!

His commitment to God and family motivates him to live a life of integrity and humility. Micah 6:8 explains his passion well: Do Justice, Love Mercy and Walk Humbly with God.

## WHO'S INVITED?

All GLC church attendees are invited to the GLC Annual Celebration.

While only church-elected delegates may vote at the Saturday business meeting; the workshops, banquet and awards ceremony, worship service and business meeting are open to all.

## NEXT STEPS

Please share this brochure with your staff and lay leaders!

Digital Brochure and Online Registration available at:

[www.greatlakes.cc](http://www.greatlakes.cc)



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## WELCOME FROM TIM HEINTZELMAN | LEAD PASTOR | FAITH COVENANT

We at Faith Covenant Church in Westerville, Ohio are excited about the opportunity to co-host this year's Annual Celebration of the Great Lakes Conference.

FCC was a church plant in 1977. The GLC's support during our early years was critical. We are, therefore, pleased to be able to welcome you back to our church!

In the year 2000, Faith Covenant Church relocated to Westerville, a northeast suburb of Columbus. Westerville has a rich history of cultural activism.

Otterbein University (just a few miles north of FCC) was founded in 1847 by evangelist Rev. Philip Otterbein and was one of the first universities in our country that was open to women and persons of color. Later, Westerville became a station along the Underground Railroad and was at the center of our nation's temperance movement, becoming home to the Anti-Saloon League. More recently, Westerville has been recognized as one of our nation's friendliest cities, while being honored with having the best park system in the country --- five years running!

Faith Covenant Church is honored to bring a warm O-H-I-O welcome to you!

**Faith Covenant Church**  
3607 Dempsey Rd  
Westerville, OH 43081



## WELCOME FROM RICH JOHNSON | LEAD PASTOR | SANCTUARY COLUMBUS

We at Sanctuary Columbus Church in Columbus, Ohio are delighted to share our new church building with friends in the Great Lakes Conference.

After almost nine years of being mobile, the generous Free Methodist Church invited us to a free, five-year lease and a refueled mission to see people transformed by Jesus --- united in service.

It is our sincere hope that you will find in this renewed space a personal spark of renewal in your own ministry, partnerships and church endeavors.

May the Lord continue ordering our steps until His Kingdom comes in full.

Sanctuary Columbus Church is honored to have the opportunity to co-host this year's Annual Celebration of the Great Lakes Conference.

**Sanctuary Columbus Church**  
4142 Westerville Rd  
Columbus, OH 43224



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## INVITATION FROM GLC SUPERINTENDENT | GARTH MCGRATH

It is my privilege to invite the 76 churches of the Great Lakes Conference to send pastors and delegates to our 2020 Conference Annual Celebration. We will celebrate the work God did in and through our churches in 2019 and look forward to how God will be working in and through our churches in 2020. This year's theme is: Vision 2020: Seeing Clearly To Follow In Our Master's Footsteps.

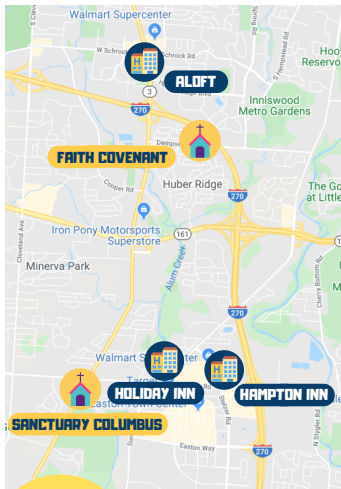
As you will see in this brochure, the 2-day event brings together pastors (starting Friday morning) and lay leaders (starting Friday afternoon) from all of our churches to worship God together, to be equipped for ministry, to hear about progress being made in church planting, church revitalization, leadership development and outreach, and to give thanks for the lives that are being touched and transformed by the power of the gospel in and through the ministry of Great Lakes Conference churches.

In the midst of our celebration, we will consider a budget that will fund our mission priorities. We will elect wise, skilled, gifted and spiritually mature women and men to serve on our Conference Board. And we will connect with other lay leaders and pastors in our sister churches --- to encourage them and to be encouraged by them.

I look forward to greeting your delegates in person at both Faith Covenant and Sanctuary Columbus to celebrate our partnership in God's mission field known as the Great Lakes Conference.



## PLACES TO STAY | PLEASE REQUEST BLOCK "GLC ANNUAL CELEBRATION"



### ALOFT COLUMBUS WESTERVILLE

32 Heatherdown Drive  
Westerville, OH 43081  
614.899.6560  
1 King or 2 Queen beds - \$115 + tax  
Rate honored through 4/10/20

### HAMPTON INN AND SUITES

4150 Stelzer Road  
Columbus, OH 43230  
614.473.9911  
1 King (standard) - \$119 + tax  
1 King (suite with sofa sleeper) - \$139 + tax  
Rate honored through 3/22/20

### HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS AND SUITES

4899 Sunbury Road  
Columbus, OH 43230  
614.476.1100  
1 King with sofa bed - \$129 + tax  
Rate honored through 4/3/20



# SCHEDULE FRIDAY, APRIL 24



**8:00AM - 6:00PM**

**REGISTRATION**



**9:00AM - 12:00PM**

**MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION | SANCTUARY**



**12:15PM - 1:30PM**

**LUNCH | BOTH LOCATIONS**

(Lunch depends on the location of your Workshop A)



**1:45PM - 3:15PM**

**WORKSHOP A | BOTH LOCATIONS**



**3:30PM - 5:00PM**

**WORKSHOP B | BOTH LOCATIONS**



**6:00PM - 7:30PM**

**BANQUET AND AWARDS | FAITH**



**7:30PM - 9:00PM**

**WORSHIP SERVICE | FAITH**

# SCHEDULE SATURDAY, APRIL 25



**7:00AM**

**BREAKFAST - CHURCH CHAIRS | FAITH**



**7:45AM**

**REGISTRATION | FAITH**



**8:30AM - 12:30PM**

**GLC ANNUAL MEETING | FAITH**



**12:30PM**

**LUNCH PICKUP AND HOME | FAITH**

**Have questions?**

Please call 734.451.4670 or email [dani@greatlakes.cc](mailto:dani@greatlakes.cc)



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# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS



## INTRODUCTION TO CRESCENDO | FAITH



**DAN WOLTER** • IDENTICAL CLASS IS TAUGHT IN BOTH WORKSHOP A AND B  
CONSULTANT - GREAT LAKES CONFERENCE



An age wave of tsunami proportion is here. 10,000 people have turned 65 each day since 2011 and will continue to do so through 2029. Unleash the missional potential of boomers and beyond (age 60 and above) at an interactive seminar to explore biblical and historical reflections on aging, generational differences, a holistic framework for ministry, and practical ideas for implementation. We believe the church today is called to challenge boomers and beyond to engage in purposeful living as missional disciples. The later years of life can be a fulfilling and productive season for advancing Christ's mission.



## ENGAGING OUR MEMBERS: FROM VISITOR TO ACTIVE MEMBER, ENGAGEMENT THAT CAUSES GROWTH | SANCTUARY



**JON HALEY** • IDENTICAL CLASS IS TAUGHT IN BOTH WORKSHOP A AND B  
DIRECTOR OF DENOMINATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS | SERVANT PC RESOURCES



Growth seldom happens by accident. From the first-time visitor to long-time member, explore proven ideas and actions that growing churches embrace to engage their members. Join Jon Haley from Servant Keeper for this workshop to discuss many specific actions you can start right away, including: Doing visitor follow-up that leads to visitor retention, helping attendees get more involved in the ministry, and making sure members understand the vision of the ministry.



## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT | SANCTUARY



**GARTH MCGRATH** • IDENTICAL CLASS IS TAUGHT IN BOTH WORKSHOP A AND B  
SUPERINTENDENT | GREAT LAKES CONFERENCE



**SHELLEY KURTH**  
DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL VITALITY | GLC  
INTERIM DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL VITALITY | ECC

God has blessed every leader with a specific leadership style. Using David Olson's book, "Discovering Your Style," this workshop will help you understand yours and give practical insights to developing teams that make use of each other's styles.

*An online pre-assessment will be required. The link will be sent to registrants via email that can support you along your journey.*



# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

## CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY: SESSIONS 1 AND 2 | SANCTUARY

EACH SESSION IS RELATED, BUT DIFFERENT | CAN BE TAKEN SEPARATELY

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**LAURA JACKSON**

CHILDREN'S PASTOR | FAITH COVENANT CHURCH | FARMINGTON HILLS, MI

### Session 1 | WHY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MATTERS

How can we as a church body welcome the little ones as Jesus commands us to do? In this workshop, we will look at different ways your children's ministry program can become a ministry to children. We will see how children matter and how they can make a positive impact in the greater church body.



### Session 2 | CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY - AN OUTREACH FOR YOUR CHURCH

Sometimes doing outreach can happen in the simplest ways --- through relationship and connections. Yet, other times we feel we need program after program to do outreach and to reach the community. In this workshop, we will look at different ways to organically reach your neighbors through the lens of children's ministry and families.

## A MORE COMPLETE BODY OF CHRIST: SESSIONS 1 AND 2 | FAITH

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**JESSE SLIMAK**

LEAD PASTOR | BETHANY COVENANT CHURCH | DUBOIS, PA

### Session 1 | A MORE COMPLETE BODY OF CHRIST: MINISTRY TO AND WITH THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

We will explore some of the prejudices that are often prevalent, yet unrecognized, in the Church toward those with disabilities. We will discuss a more inclusive biblical model of ministry that involves not merely ministering to, but alongside those with disabilities.



### Session 2 | A MORE COMPLETE BODY OF CHRIST: DISABILITY AND THE SACRAMENTS - PREJUDICES AND POSSIBILITIES

We will examine the prejudices that often accompany our understanding of the sacraments that too often, unintentionally exclude and marginalize those with disabilities. We will also look at the beautiful possibilities of a healthy way forward and discuss practical matters pertaining to these possibilities.



# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

## HOW GOES YOUR WALK?

A REFLECTION ON YOUR PERSONAL SPIRITUAL JOURNEY | FAITH

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JENNIFER ANDERSSON • THIS IS AN ALL-AFTERNOON WORKSHOP  
COMMUNITY GROUP PASTOR | CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH | WIXOM, MI

JOE MUZZI  
SENIOR PASTOR | CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH | SOUTH LYON, MI

Our personal faith journey is not a linear one, but one that is more circular, with ebb and flow. The use of spiritual practices gives us ways in which we can discern, cultivate our relationship with the Holy, and work with God as he guides and transforms. Just as we ever change and grow in Christ, our understanding and approach to spiritual practices can also grow. Join us as you reflect on your own faith journey. We will discern and actively utilize various spiritual practices that can support you along your journey.

*This is the only workshop that is continuous from part A to part B. Registering for this will complete your choices for BOTH workshop A and workshop B.*



## OPTIONS FOR WORKSHOP A & WORKSHOP B

### WORKSHOP A | 1:45 - 3:15 PM

- A1. INTRODUCTION TO CRESCENDO
- A2. ENGAGING OUR MEMBERS | FROM VISITOR TO ACTIVE MEMBER - ENGAGEMENT THAT CAUSES GROWTH
- A3. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- A4. WHY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MATTERS
- A5. A MORE COMPLETE BODY OF CHRIST | MINISTRY TO AND WITH THOSE WITH DISABILITIES
- A6. SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

### WORKSHOP B | 3:30 - 5:00 PM

- B1. INTRODUCTION TO CRESCENDO
- B2. ENGAGING OUR MEMBERS | FROM VISITOR TO ACTIVE MEMBER - ENGAGEMENT THAT CAUSES GROWTH
- B3. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- B4. CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY - AN OUTREACH FOR YOUR CHURCH
- B5. A MORE COMPLETE BODY OF CHRIST | DISABILITY AND THE SACRAMENTS - PREJUDICES AND POSSIBILITIES
- B6. SPIRITUAL JOURNEY CONTINUED



# ONE ANNUAL CELEBRATION - TWO CHURCH LOCATIONS

FAITH COVENANT  
CHURCH  
WESTERVILLE, OHIO

SANCTUARY COLUMBUS  
CHURCH  
COLUMBUS, OHIO



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**REGISTER ONE OF TWO WAYS:**

- 1. ONLINE AT [WWW.GREATLAKES.CC](http://WWW.GREATLAKES.CC) OR**
- 2. COMPLETE THE ENCLOSED PAPER REGISTRATION**

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