



Children's Ministry Conference

Empowered to Teach; Equipped to Serve

Date and Time: March 24, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: Lancaster Bible College Campus

Cost: \$20 if pre-registered before March 10th, \$15 per person if a church brings 10 or more volunteers, \$25 after March 10th.

Registration: Check out www.lbc.edu/events to register for this event

Conference Schedule:

Registration: 8:30-9:00 am

Main Session: 9:00-9:30 am

Session One: 9:40-10:30 am

Session Two: 10:40-11:30 am

Session Three: 11:40 am -12:30 pm

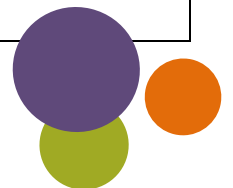
This conference is an affordable, God-focused morning that will equip and inspire Children's Ministry leaders and volunteers. Featured tracks will be leadership and spiritual enrichment as well as nursery, preschool, and elementary ministry.

Tentative Workshop Schedule:

Tracks	Nursery	Preschool	Elementary	Creative Teaching	Specialized Ministry	Leadership
9:40-10:30	Partnering with Parents in the Spiritual Development of the Nursery-Aged Child -Anna Fillgrove	Faith Like a Child -Chris O'Malley	Discipline for Discipleship -Joni Behrendt	Building Relationships in Teaching -Esther Zimmerman	Autism from the Inside Out -Michael Gannaway	How to Develop a Voice in Children's Ministry Leadership -Andy Ervin
10:40-11:30	A New Approach to Baby Dedication -Jen Sager	Shepherding Twos and Threes -Amy Hamilton	Presenting the Gospel Clearly to Children -Esther Zimmerman	Add Spice, Color and Texture to Lessons -Carol Williams	Help for Hurting Children -Chris O'Malley	Developing and Modeling a Biblical Attitude -Stan Tyson
11:40-12:30	Procedures and Check in for Nursery Ministry -Rachel Greenholt	Helping Preschoolers Experience God -Asbury Church Preschool Team	Teaching for Response -Stan Tyson	Involving the Senses in Teaching -Esther Zimmerman	Launching a Family Ministry in Your Local Church -Diane Hakes	Partnering with Interns -Cindy Gardner

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Nursery:

Partnering with Parents in the Spiritual Development of the Nursery-Aged Child: Anna Fillgrove
Learn practical ways to teach Bible truths to all nursery-aged children and how to help parents teach the same truths at home.

A New Approach to Baby Dedication: Jen Sager

Baby dedication is not just a one-time event or service! It's the beginning of a partnership between the parents and the church. Learn how to make your baby dedication a memorable and purposeful event that will help parents connect with their church intentionally by imagining the end, making it personal and understanding it's a partnership.

Procedures and Check in for Nursery Ministry: Rachel Greenholt

Check-in on Sunday mornings is one of the most hectic times and can be tough time not only for babies and preschoolers, but also for parents. Find out how to welcome and transition parents and their children during this time and also during check-out!

Preschool:

Faith Like a Child: Chris O'Malley

Children can develop a strong spiritual foundation at a very young age when they experience basic faith concepts in a nurturing environment. This workshop will offer principles, practical ideas and resources to encourage the developmental and spiritual formation of preschoolers.

Shepherding Twos and Threes: Amy Hamilton

The focus of this session is to help volunteers teach and serve in ways that reach the hearts and minds of the 2's and 3's.

Helping Preschoolers Experience God: Asbury Church Preschool Team

A presentation and demonstration of helping children develop a sense of their own spirituality and experience with God. The materials used and program are based on "Young Children and Worship" by Stewart and Berryman.

Elementary:

Discipline for Discipleship: Joni Behrendt

What's in your teaching "discipline tool belt" that helps facilitate the making of disciples? Discover and explore 7 proven tools to make your class time effective through classroom management and planning skills so that discipleship happens!

Presenting the Gospel Clearly to Children: Esther Zimmerman

This session looks at how to explain the key points of the gospel clearly and visually. Many creative ideas and resources are shared.

Teaching for Response: Stan Tyson

It is not enough to model God's truth and to build relationships with our students. We need to present God's truth and challenge our students to respond with faith and obedience. This session looks specifically at how we do this in our Bible lessons.



Creative Teaching:

Building Relationships in Teaching: Esther Zimmerman

We will not disciple our students if we have not taken time to build relationships with them. This session looks at practical ways we can get to know our students and show them that they are valued.

Add Spice, color and texture to your lessons: Carol Williams

Learn how to add spice, color, and texture to your lessons! Through the use of attention getters, advance organizers, and effective teaching methods, you can go beyond teaching to "REACHING."

Involving the Senses: Esther Zimmerman

This session looks at practical ways we can get the children hearing, seeing, saying and doing during our Bible lesson.

Specialized Ministries:

Autism from the Inside Out: Michael Gannaway

Hear a young man share his experiences of growing up with Asperger's syndrome (mild autism). Learn how to use these insights from inside childhood autism to help the autistic kids in your children's ministry. This seminar will help you to know and better relate to their worlds.

Help for Hurting Children: Chris O'Malley

Families today struggle with divorce, chemical dependency, death of a loved one, or even emotional, physical or sexual abuse. This workshop will offer perspective, discussion and resources to help children handle significant changes in their lives.

Launching a Family Ministry in Your Local Church: Diane Hakes

There are many things churches do already that help to promote healthy family relationships. Churches also do many things that actually keep place more stress on the family. Find out how to meet somewhere in the middle and begin building things into your ministry that show that the church values, supports, and contributes to building healthy families.

Leadership:

How to Develop a Voice in Children's Ministry Leadership: Pastor Andy Ervin

Developing and Modeling a Biblical Attitude: Stan Tyson

We will not disciple our students if we are not convinced from God's Word that it is important. The first part of this session examines Scripture to see what God says about children. It sets out the goal clearly for teachers—to help our students come to know, love and obey God. The second part looks at the importance of modelling in the life of the teacher and the importance of the teacher in moving towards living out this goal in his or her own life.

Partnering with Interns: Cindy Gardner

Internships are a great way for students to gain experience and decide if Children's Ministry is the right career path. In this seminar you will learn what to do with an intern to make the experience rewarding for both of you.

