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PASTOR! Yes, YOU!!!

The Church of God in Michigan (MICO) is partnering with **YOU!** We are “equipping local congregations to extend the Kingdom of God.” To help Ministry Leaders extend the Kingdom beyond the walls of their local church buildings, “**360**” is resourcing them with fresh ideas, insightful instruction, and catalytic conversations. Our 360 Ministry Leadership Conference theme for 2020 was, **AND STILL IS for 2021, “Be Disciples / Make Disciples.”** Even more relevant in 2021, and forward! Engaging others in the mission builds a better Kingdom.

On **Saturday, Sept. 25th, 2021**, there'll be **30** sessions with experienced presenters who'll offer valuable insight, training, & resources for developing relationships and ministries to make & deploy better disciples. From 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m., we're offering **10** equipping tracks. All will be focused on some aspect of developing disciples-makers & helping us become more mature as disciples of Jesus.

We're excited to have **Dr. David Nelms** as our keynote. He is the founder & director of a fast-growing movement for church planting, *The Timothy Initiative*, (TTI). He'll be leading 3 breakout sessions on the topic. **We are expecting an energetic and exciting opening session @ 9:15 a.m.!** We will be acknowledging each congregation in attendance this year, so come and represent your church family!

IMPORTANT INFO:

Registration **deadline is Friday, Sept. 17th**. The registration fee will increase and lunch may not be available to those who register after the stated deadline. **Complete information is available on-line @ micog.org/360lc.**

Please be sure to make use of the promotional video on the website. It should be used during general announcements and linked on your church's webpage, too.

What to do next: Copy & post the [descriptions](#) in prominent areas around your facility... yes, including inside restroom stall doors!

1. **Include a “360 MLC” link in all your communications:** websites, worship folders, emails, newsletters and other media!
2. **Recruit a REGISTRATION CHAMPION** (coordinator) **NOW!** to make contact with key leaders to motivate them and get them registered!
3. **Make a general announcement this week for this early FALL event for 2021!**

“360” is a LIFE-GIVING, UNIFYING, & AFFORDABLE TRAINING for you & your people!

On behalf of the MICO Church Health Ministry, we encourage your church's ministry leaders to take advantage of this low-cost, high-impact, 360 degrees of ministry training and opportunity. We are enthusiastically looking forward to seeing you on September 25th @ Clarkston Community Church of God!

Jerry A. Lyon, Church Health Minister, MICO



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| Session ID | Conference Description |
| A1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | Making Disciple Makers (How To Multiply) Dr. David Nelms, Founder and President of The Timothy Initiative (TTI) Whatever system you use, if these ingredients are present in your disciple making process, you're much more likely to produce disciple makers, that is, disciples who make disciples. |
| A2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | Why Start Micro Churches? Dr. David Nelms We're losing ground and losing it rapidly. The way we typically do "church" is perfectly designed to get the results we're realizing. There's a way—not instead of what we're doing, but in addition to what we're doing—that will help us reach more of the unchurched. |
| A3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | How To Start Micro Churches Dr. David Nelms A step-by-step process in raising up disciple makers in your local church, resulting in micro churches springing up all around your community. |

Casting the Net

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| B1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>Creating a Missional Community - Exercise your disciple-making Rev. Matt Chesney, Eagle Ridge Church of God, Midland</p> <p>What is a missional community? It's a place to exercise your disciple making! Eagle Ridge Church of God's journey of creating a space in a local mall is where people are having conversations that have the potential to lead to new life in Christ. This session will explore how to cultivate and implement ideas for missional outreach in a world that is need of safe spaces to explore faith.</p> |
| B2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>Gospel Clarity for the Disciple Maker and The Bonhoeffer Project Rev. Bill Greiner, Eagle Ridge Church of God, Midland</p> <p>How clear is the "Gospel" in your mind? The gospel you preach/teach/live determines the disciples you make. The predominate gospel being taught in the American church has made it almost impossible to make Christ like disciples. The need for "Gospel" clarity, and other foundational blocks that create a pathway for true disciple making, will be presented and discussed.</p> |
| B3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>Multiplication Mindset Rev. Bill Greiner and Rev. Matt Chesney</p> <p>What was the intent of Jesus' "Great Commission?" Was his mindset one of addition or multiplication? The church today is in need of renewing a multiplying mindset. This session will present how Eagle Ridge Church of God has begun changing how they think about the call of the Great Commission as a corporate body, how to cultivate this mindset, and establish it as the mission.</p> |

Foundations of Effective Ministry

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| C1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>Witnessing - effective use of your God moments Rev. Rhyan Glezman, Community Church of God, Clio</p> <p>In this session, we will be encouraged and challenged in how to effectively and intentionally be witnesses, disciples and disciple makers. We'll learn to take everyday moments and see how God is opening doors for us to walk through in the power of the His Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the key to a powerful witness!</p> |
| C2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>Walking in the Spirit Rev. Rhyan Glezman, Community Church of God, Clio</p> <p>This world needs authentic encounters with the King of Kings! Walking in the Spirit is exactly how the world can encounter Jesus Christ. In this session you will be able to identify areas where you are resisting the Holy Spirit, and how to walk in the empowerment of the Holy Spirit to move you forward. We will learn how to give the Holy Spirit complete control of our lives.</p> |
| C3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>Church Culture: For Better Or Worse Pastor Jeff Richardson</p> <p>Examining the power of culture and its impact and effect in congregational life, function and outreach.</p> |

TTI Training - A Practical Hands-On Approach To Discipleship

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| D1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>Asking to be Filled with The Holy Spirit Rev. Tom Bader, Chippewa Valley Church of God, Clinton Township</p> <p>Being filled with the Holy Spirit is easier than we may think. All we need to do is ask. Jesus said “ask and you will receive.” In this class we will learn not only how to ask for the Holy Spirit to fill us every day, but also we’ll discover the power of what happens when we do.</p> |
| D2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>Tell Your Story Rev. Tom Bader, Chippewa Valley Church of God, Clinton Township</p> <p>Learn how to share your personal testimony of how Jesus has affected your life. In this class we will discover how to tell our story: life before Christ; how we met Christ; and life after Christ. Knowing our story and telling it well enables people to relate to how Jesus can work in their lives too.</p> |
| D3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>Tell God’s Story Rev. Tom Bader, Chippewa Valley Church of God, Clinton Township</p> <p>Learn a powerful new way to tell God’s Story using 3 Circles. Circle 1 is “Brokenness” something everyone can relate to. Circle 2 is “God’s Perfect Plan” — God never meant for us to be so broken. Circle 3 is Jesus, The Way and the means to get back to God’s Perfect Plan. The 3 Circles is an effective way to help people find a real solution to the challenges they face and ultimately their way back to God.</p> |

Equipped as Ambassadors of Reconciliation” - 2 Corinthians 5:11-21

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| E1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>Biblical Principles for Peacemaking in Christ’s Church Dr. Christopher Cottrell is a Certified Trainer with VitalSmarts® in the area of Crucial Conversations® and is a professional mediator</p> <p>Church conflict can be from disagreements over what color of carpet to buy, to how to respond to different issues that arise during a pandemic. This session will focus on some basic, biblical principles for addressing these and other issues.</p> |
| E2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>Confronting the Conflict: Engaging in Crucial Conversations - Galatians 2:11-13; Acts 6; Acts 11 & 15 Dr. Christopher Cottrell is a Certified Trainer with VitalSmarts® in the area of Crucial Conversations® and is a professional mediator</p> <p>So, you feel like you and another person, or even a group, have a conflict. This session will focus first on how to decide whether you need to engage in a crucial conversation. Then we will define what a "crucial conversation" is and how to engage in it.</p> |
| E3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>It’s a Kingdom of Peace - Romans 14:17-18; Isaiah 11:1-9 Dr. Christopher Cottrell is a Certified Trainer with VitalSmarts® in the area of Crucial Conversations® and is a professional mediator</p> <p>We have it in our basic DNA in the Church of God to live at peace with one another. We have sung this theology in our songs like "The Kingdom of Peace" which stirs within us a "theme that is sweet to our memory... 'Tis a kingdom of peace, it is reigning within..." This session will focus on a practical theology for peacemaking in the church that celebrates, challenges, convicts, and corrects what we believe and what we proclaim.</p> |

Prayer

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| F1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>Healing Prayer Alise Merrow, Prayer and Healing Ministry Leader, First Church of God, Saint Joseph</p> <p>As disciples of Jesus, God has given us this beautiful gift of praying to bring His miraculous power of healing. This session will focus on how to pray, what to do if healing doesn't happen right away, and how to partner and walk with Holy Spirit in healing ministry."</p> |
| F2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>Contemplative Prayer for Disciples Rev. Dr. David Aukerman, Mount Haley Church of God, Midland</p> <p>Rooted in the Christian mystical tradition of the desert fathers and mothers, contemplative prayer is a process of inner transformation which involves resting gently in the loving presence of God. In this session, we will learn the history of contemplative prayer, explore methods of practicing it in everyday life, and engage in a brief period of contemplative prayer together.</p> |
| F3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>Soul Care for the Disciple Rev. Sandy Kuepfer, Spiritual Direction</p> <p>The deeper and more connected our relationship with Christ, the more we are able to experience the Spirit's guidance in discipling others. This session will explore practical ways to strengthen our connection with God as we develop strategies to slow down, rest, and restore our souls in Christ.</p> |

Church Governance

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| G1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>Basically speaking, what is church governance? Rev. Doug Talley, Executive State Pastor, Indiana Ministries Church of God</p> <p>Church Boards are often uncertain the role they play in the church's mission. This can result in a board getting lost in management and failing to fulfill its purpose. Thus, hindering the church from focusing on its mission. This session explores a couple of key structural concepts that relate to missional effectiveness while identifying two basic tenets of effective governance.</p> |
| G2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>How does church governance work? Rev. Doug Talley, Executive State Pastor, Indiana Ministries Church of God</p> <p>This session builds on the previous session as it focuses practically on key aspects of governance and how to make it work in your church. We'll identify key principles that direct the work of the board, as well as how the board supports the lead pastor and holds the lead pastor accountable.</p> |
| G3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>What does the board do and what are the basic ethics the board follows? Rev. Doug Talley, Executive State Pastor, Indiana Ministries Church of God</p> <p>This session builds on the previous two sessions as it identifies what a governing board actually does in its meetings. We'll also review some frequently asked questions about governance and the board, as well as identify key qualifications for persons serving on the board.</p> |

Children's Ministry

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| <p>H1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM</p> | <p>Partnering with Parents... Disciple making at home. Children's Ministry Task Force-Clyde Beaver, Farmington Hills; Bill Shepard, First Church of God, Saint Joseph</p> <p>Come and find ways to better help equip parents as they take their key role in disciple making of their children.</p> |
| <p>H2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM</p> | <p>Discipleship = Relationship - Wet, Wacky and Wild in Children's Ministry. Children's Ministry Task Force-Clyde Beaver, Farmington Hills; Bill Shepard, First Church of God, Saint Joseph</p> <p>Come and have fun as we look for ways that are kid friendly to connect spiritually in creative ways.</p> |
| <p>H3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM</p> | <p>Discipling in a Post COVID World Children's Ministry Task Force-Clyde Beaver, Farmington Hills; Bill Shepard, First Church of God, Saint Joseph</p> <p>An open discussion on ministering to the needs of kids and families in our new reality.</p> |

Tools for Discipleship

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| I1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>Deepening Your Discipleship Jeff and Eva Salisbury, New Horizons Community Church, Jackson</p> <p>Learn about how to experience the formational process of accountable discipleship and participation in a supportive community, where spiritual gifts and servant-leadership skills are developed for use in the local church and its mission. Participants in the disciple-making process are encouraged to find ways to live out their individual call.</p> |
| I2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>Making and Deploying Disciples Beyond Church Walls Tom Fischer, founding director of GoodLife Community Partnership and GoodLife Church in Rochester Hills</p> <p>Discover how God can connect your church to your community in a simple, repeatable way...and build disciples in the process! Those who attend...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Will understand the wonder of God's working outside the church walls. 2. Will learn how to establish places where individuals can be equipped and trained for growth in discipleship and outreach. 3. Will learn how churches of all sizes (even theirs) and individuals can extend their Christian outreach simply and effectively. 4. Will learn how God is calling--and equipping--us to a greater ministry than we ever imagined. |
| I3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>Moving into a "church-like heaven" (Rev. 7:9) The Mandate, The Commitments, and The Practices Rev. Al Grant, Church of God of Detroit and Southeastern Regional Pastor</p> <p>This session's intent covers straight forward truth concerning our pursuit of discipleship and how it must also include the pursuit of the multi-ethnic local church. We will briefly look at three areas that are not optional, The Biblical Mandate, the Commitment to Becoming Racially Literate, and the key elements of developing meaningful conversations across racial, ethnic, and cultural lines.</p> |

Evangelism 101 - Expressing Your Discipleship

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| J1 Session 1 10:10 – 11:25 AM | <p>All Are Called Rev. Kevin Spencer</p> <p>In this session you will learn the difference between an evangelist and a witness, the basics of evangelism and how to make disciple making more effective.</p> |
| J2 Session 2 11:35 – 12:50 PM | <p>What Is Your Message? Rev. Kevin Spencer</p> <p>In this session you will learn the basics of presenting a message that encourages your audience to consider what a disciple is and why being a disciple of Jesus is important.</p> |
| J3 Session 3 1:45 – 3:00 PM | <p>Hitting The Streets Rev. Kevin Spencer</p> <p>In this session you will learn how to engage your audience by applying the skills necessary in any situation for a successful and fruitful disciple making experience.</p> |



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