

The logo features a stylized human figure composed of green and purple dots on the left. To its right, the words "Mission & Ministry" are written in green and purple, with an ampersand between them. Below this, the word "SUMMIT" is written in large, grey, spaced-out capital letters.

Mission & Ministry

S U M M I T

Workshop 1 | Monday 10:30 - 11:30 am.

■ ■ **Leading and Growing a Church of Any Size** (Turnaround 2020 Track)

by Bart Rendel, **Exhibit Hall 1**

Every church has the potential to grow the way God intended. In this workshop, you will learn the fundamentals of how to practically lead your church to grow again and again.

■ ■ **Icebreaker Session** (Student Track)

by Mike Hickman, **Hotel Breakout Room 1**

Especially for our Jr. High/Senior High Students this session will introduce the Student Track and help the students get better acquainted with their leaders and each other.

■ ■ **The 3-Step Follow-up Formula—Transitioning Guests Into Members** (Local Church Ministry Track)

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■ ■ **He Did That?!: Jesus' Amazing Acts** (Personal Enrichment Track)

by Brenda Poinsett, **Locust B**

Do you “want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship in his sufferings” (Phil. 3:10 NIV). That possibility becomes ours when we look at Jesus through Mark’s eyes. When we see Jesus’ amazing—and sometimes bewildering—acts in Mark’s gospel, our spiritual vision improves, our belief in miracles is renewed, our sense of integrity is strengthened, and our appreciation of His great love increases.

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by Jason Warren, **Locust C**

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■ ■ **ProPresenter: The Essentials** (Worship Arts Track)

by Joy Bork, **Main Hall**

From dreams in a service order to live on screens – ProPresenter is the tool to use! But why is it sometimes so complicated? There's gotta be an easier way! In this class, we'll discuss some options on how to make weekly service building easier for all involved – the builder, content manager, and operator.

■ ■ **Intentional Strategies for Kingdom Impact** (Turnaround 2020 Track)

by Chris Vaught, **Walnut A**

A practical, open discussion to assist church leaders in developing the framework of a basic ministry plan designed to optimize the local church's potential for impacting its community for Christ.

■ ■ **Youth Ministry on a Budget** (Local Church Ministry Track)

by Adam Thacker and Brent Wersing, **Walnut B**

How can a church do youth ministry with little budget and few volunteers? Learn from these experienced youth leaders who started youth ministry in newly organized churches with little budget and few volunteers. You will learn how they recruited and trained their teams so you can do the same.

■ ■ **Healthy Pastors** (Local Church Ministry)

by Barnabas Project, **Walnut C**

Explore the current issues General Baptist pastors are facing that threaten their physical, emotional and spiritual health. But beyond diagnosis of problems learn how those problems are being successfully addressed to restore and maintain health.

■ ■ **Technology Solutions for More Effective Ministry Administration** (Technology In Ministry Track)

Walnut D

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■ ■ **Guam and Saipan** (International Missions Track)

by Bob Murphy and Josh Slater, **Walnut E**

Bob Murphy, pastor of the Yigo Baptist Church on Guam and Josh Slater, pastor of the Saipan Community Church, will bring you further updates about two of our older General Baptist ministries that were directly influenced by Ed Stevens and continue to see lives changed today.

■ ■ **Ways to Lead Worship without a Musician** (Worship Arts Track)

by Steve Gray, **Walnut F**

Music is a vital part of any church service. Discover several different options and resources for helping your church worship this Sunday without any live musical assistance. Whether you have no musicians or just need help when your musicians are not available, you will learn how to find resources to lead worship and how to put them to use.

Workshop 2 | Monday 1:30 – 3:00 pm.

■ ■ **Logos Software: Introduction** (Technology In Ministry Track)

by Trevor Cornejo , **Exhibit Hall 1**

Technology allows us to study the Bible with incredible depth and accuracy. This interactive, introductory workshop will demonstrate the use of all-new Logo Bible Software – Logos 7 – for effective teaching, counseling, and personal Bible study. What normally takes five to 10 hours of flipping through paper books for theological answers and Bible study can be done in seconds – and the depth of study is unparalleled!

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■ ■ **Meeting God on His Terms** (Student Track)

by Chris Vaught, **Hotel Breakout Room 1**

Your life is on a collision course with destiny. When God calls someone into His service, it often leads down a path different than what you had planned. The call often comes unexpected and will be far beyond your comfort level. The answer to the call will often challenge your faith and require surrender to and trust in the sovereignty of God. Join us for this interactive discussion on meeting God on His terms. Together, we will examine the similarities in the interaction between God and His call upon the lives of various Biblical persons and our own call into ministry service.

■ ■ **Getting Your Church Unstuck** (Turnaround 2020 Track)

by Don Ross, **Locust A**

There are no silver bullets for getting a "stuck" church "unstuck", but hearing from someone who has walked this path before is both helpful and encouraging. In this workshop we look at four hard, painful and nearly impossible decisions to help you get your church moving forward. This workshop is filled with stories and experiences of seeing a 2,000 member church drop to 175 and then come back. Jesus loves to get churches unstuck, and your church can get unstuck too!

■ ■ **Honduras: Inside and Outside the Gate** (International Missions Track)

by Rodney Walls, **Locust B**

Rodney Walls, Church Development missionary to Honduras, will bring an update on ministry in Honduras as well as Faith Home. Dr. Walls will share information about the new children, new opportunities, and new challenges facing Honduras and Faith Home.

■ ■ **Sunday to Sunday: Providing Tools for Women in Crisis** (Women's Ministry Track)

by Lois Shearer, **Locust C**

Lois Shearer, Fellowship of Acceptance leader at Fellowship GBC in Poplar Bluff, MO, began a ministry she felt unqualified to lead. In her case, she took notice of an overwhelming number of people needing help every day of the week because of addiction issues. If the Spirit is speaking to you about crisis ministry and you don't know where to begin, you will want to join this conversation.

■ ■ **ProPresenter: Diving in Deeper** (Worship Arts Track)

by Joy Bork, **Main Hall**

Okay – so you've got building the weekend down pat. You've heard about jazzing things up a bit using what comes standard in the package...but many times, using these features in ProPresenter comes with many quirks. Learn more about how to jazz things up using media cues, social media, telestrator, and much more!

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■ ■ **Reaching Hispanics** (Local Church Ministry Track)

by Rene Rodriguez, **Walnut B**

Explore our General Baptist strategy to reach Hispanics in California, Northern Mexico and the Midwest. Rene Rodriguez will describe the Bible Institute format and the potential it has to produce leaders. Learn how Sheffield Association has come back to life after its original churches all but disappeared. Discover how your church or your region can prepare to reach Hispanics in your area.

■ ■ **A Layman Looks at Religion and Science — I** (Apologetics Track)

by Robert Poinsett, **Walnut C**

Need Scripture and Science be at odds? Not at all! Scripture and Science need each other. Scripture's role: to search for "meaning/purpose" in science's discoveries. How we interpret Scripture and Science is key: we can be fallible in interpreting both. Session A gives attention to better understanding the Creator's method of bringing into existence His physical and biological creation. Learn the responsibilities and challenges humankind is to assume. Understand the meaning of Genesis 1-2:4 from a fresh perspective. Join us for a new point-of-view.

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■ ■ **Worship Planning** (Worship Arts Track)

by Worship Leaders Panel, **Walnut F**

Round Table discussion by and for Worship Leaders and anyone facing the challenges of leading worship week after week.

Workshop 3 | Tuesday 1:30 – 3:00 pm.

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■ ■ **“You want me to what?”** (Student Track)

by Josh Carpenter, **Hotel Breakout Room 1**

Though we make our plans and imagine what our life will be, there are clues all along the way of what God has always had in mind. These clues and Spirit nudges help us understand what God built us for and has arranged for us in the future. Learn in this workshop how to better see the evidence already in your life and hear stories about others who have taken the crooked road to hearing and understanding God’s calling for ministry. No path is the same, so be encouraged and learn from others who are still figuring out what God has in mind for them. Come prepared to share as much as you are comfortable sharing about your own journey or if you’re just starting out, sit back and listen. God is calling. Will you take time to listen?

■ ■ **Turnaround Cycle** (Turnaround 2020 Track)

by Don Ross, **Locust A**

This workshop touches on the common lifecycle every church is experiencing and then introduces the Turnaround Cycle that helps your church begin to understand the path to reverse decline or get off a plateau. It will take you through nine specific phases, to help turnaround your church. Each phase is detailed to help the leader chart a course forward. It also contains an assessment for use with your elders, board and leadership team to identify where your church is to help you move forward.

■ ■ **The Importance of Children's Ministry** (Children’s Ministry Track)

by Julie Nichols, **Locust B**

If you want your church to grow, you must grow your Kid’s Ministry. Join our team as we take you on a journey through the phases of a child’s life and how we must create environments with this in mind. We will also explore key aspects of mission/vision, staff structure, service planning, recruiting volunteers, and plans for growth with interactive learning in sub-groups by church and program size. You will also learn how ONE simple decision exploded our kids’ programs. Be a champion for kids and be here!

■ ■ **Women's Ministries Gathering: Sticky Joy** (Women’s Ministry Track)

Locust C

Celebrate the inexpressible joy of standing in unity to accomplish His call. Join us if you are part of a Women's Ministries group, or if you would like to know more about us, sponsored events, and/or new projects on the horizon.

■ ■ **Planning Center: Best Practices** (Worship Arts Track)

by Joy Bork, **Main Hall**

Almost everyone these days is using Planning Center to make service planning easier. Learn some tips and tricks to help make communicating with those on your weekend team easier as you dream and build life changing moments.

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some find intolerable. Depression involves the *spirit* as well as the mind and body so join us on this spiritual quest for strategies to cope with depression. **(Note: This workshop will repeat on Wednesday afternoon.)**

■ ■ **Mission One Teams** (International Missions Track)

by Jim Pratt, **Walnut B**

Jim Pratt will share about current and future mission trip opportunities to each of our international fields. He will discuss the types of trips available and the steps to having a successful trip. Short-term and internship opportunities will also be discussed.

■ ■ **Effective Time Management** (Personal Enrichment Track)

by Josh Henry/Aaron Broyles, **Walnut C**

Every person in the world has the same 24 hours per day. The process you use to manage those 24 hours can be the difference between success and failure. This session will teach you how to: Create a game plan that maximizes your time management, Real world tips for multi-tasking and balancing multiple priorities, Ways to shift from being controlled by your schedule to taking control and eliminating distractions, Ensure your daily routine includes a balance of your most important priorities.

■ ■ **Video & the Gospel—Intro** (Technology in Ministry Track)

by Darren DeLoach, **Walnut D**

Video & the Gospel (on a budget), will teach churches of all sizes how to create dynamic video content without breaking the budget. From free resources to creative ideas, participating churches will learn to how to get the most video bang for their buck.

■ ■ **10 Common Barriers to Growth** (Turnaround 2020 Track)

by Bart Rendel, **Walnut E**

Churches of all sizes face similar challenges when it comes to growing their church. In this workshop we will discuss these common challenges and practical solutions to each one.

■ ■ **A Layman Looks at Religion and Science—II** (Apologetics Track)

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Science's role: to search for an "explanation of how things work" in creation. Science takes physical and biological nature "apart" to see how these work. Learn why the scientific method is value neutral. Science's role is neither to prove nor disprove God. Why is religion so slow to acknowledge science's discoveries? What did Charles Darwin really say and why is he vilified by atheists and Christian alike? Why do so many people fail to accept factual scientific facts: vaccines, climate change, the age of the earth, etc. Understand why science needs theology. *Science-oriented youth* may find this session fascinating.

Workshop 4 | Wednesday 10:30 - 11:30 am.

■ ■ **Engaging and Keeping Newcomers** (Turnaround 2020 Track)

by Bart Rendel, **Exhibit Hall 1**

Many newcomers walk through your church's doors. We will discuss practical ways you can retain these people so you can impact their lives and families for eternity.

■ ■ **Hearing and Following God's Call** (Student Track)

by Jim Pratt, **Hotel Breakout Room 1**

This workshop will focus on how involvement in an internship program can help solidify God's plan for life. Special attention will be given to the Launch Go! program that has been developed by General Baptist International Ministries. Included in the workshop will be an interview with Kaebra LaGrange, an intern who served in Saipan in the fall of 2016.

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■ ■ **God and Your Stuff: Help Yourself and Help Others Reduce Clutter** (Personal Enrichment Track)

by Brenda Poinsett, **Locust B**

Theology, testimony and tips from a talkative woman on reducing clutter, living freer, ministering more and dusting less.

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■ ■ **Connecting with Spanish speaking sisters: A Bridge Worth Building** (Women's Ministry Track)

Walnut A

New Spanish speaking church plants in the Midwest, unprecedented church additions in California and Mexico, and an El Paso team house; all burgeoning General Baptist ministries with a strong core of women leaders. Explore ways to join together beyond borders and language barriers to share our Jesus passion.

■ ■ **Why Sunday School?** (Local Church Ministry Track)

by Dwayne Foster, **Walnut B**

Why is Sunday school still vital for many congregations? Let's look at the future of Sunday school and what is next as we also explore how to build your class.

■ ■ **Calvary Grace General Baptist Churches, India** (International Missions Track)

by Jesse Vemula, **Walnut C**

An update on the various ministries of the Calvary Grace General Baptist Association located in the Telangana state of India which is only 1.2% Christian.

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■ ■ **MBI: Opportunities and Challenges** (International Missions Track)

by Phil Warren, **Walnut E**

Explore the ongoing opportunities of GBIM's flagship ministry to the indigenous populations of the island of Mindanao, Philippines.

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■ ■ **Off-site activity** (Student Ministry Track)

A fun-filled afternoon at **Burdette Park!**

Students will meet at Double Tree Hotel Breakout Room 1 to leave for Burdette Park. Be sure to bring your swimwear! Pizza picnic provided at the park. Students will return to the Double Tree Hotel at 4:30 p.m.

■ ■ **Becoming an Outreach Focused Church** (Turnaround 2020 Track)

by Don Ross, **Locust A**

This workshop will focus on the characteristics needed to become an outreach-focused church and the emotional price each turnaround pastor must be willing to pay. The Biblical basis for becoming an outreach-focused church is taught, as well as a stark comparison between a church in maintenance and a church on mission. This seminar contains a session specifically for senior leaders, as well as congregational surveys for use in your local church.

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■ ■ **The Life and Legacy of Ed Stevens** (International Missions Track)

by David Stevens, **Locust C**

David Stevens, son of the late Ed Stevens, will share information about his father's ministry and legacy. The General Baptist World Missions Offering is named in honor of Ed Stevens whose legacy as pastor, missionary, church planter, and father continue to impact God's kingdom in a powerful way. The year 2017 is the centennial of Ed Stevens' birth and a great opportunity to remind us all how powerfully God can use our lives for eternal impact.

■ ■ **Sponsorship: A Life Change Opportunity** (International Missions Track)

by Christina Massey/Joyce Porcadilia, **Walnut A**

Learn about the opportunities available for you to make a difference in a variety of personal ways in the life of a child in Honduras or a student in the Philippines.

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■ ■ **Start-up Children's Ministry** (Children's Ministry Track)

by Kyle Dotson, **Walnut D**

This session presents the basics of how to begin a children's ministry in such a way that it will thrive and grow. Specific, hands-on training to help the start-up leader with curriculum selection, volunteer recruitment and programing that will help you begin this most important ministry with only a few volunteers and a few children.

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Not all churches are new to social media or video, but they struggle to produce the videos they want. Video & the Gospel (advanced) will help these churches tweak their systems. From gear advice to live streaming set-ups, this session will equip churches to begin producing exponentially more effective videos.

■ ■ **Latin American Leaders** (International Missions Track)

Off-Site

Leaders of our Latin American/Hispanic Churches will spend the afternoon at the historic Howell General Baptist Church where they will enjoy lunch and a teaching session and a tour of the Howell facility.