About Our Conference Leader

DAVID HANSEN has served in pastoral ministry for 30 years. He has pastored churches in Montana and Ohio. He speaks regularly at pastor’s conferences as well as teaches Doctor of Ministry courses. David has authored four books, including *The Art of Pastoring, Ministry Without all the Answers; A Little Handbook on Having a Soul; The Power of Loving Your Church*; and *Long Wandering Prayer*. He has also contributed 26 articles to *Leadership Journal*.

Dave is presently the Interim Pastor at First Baptist Church in Hillsboro, Ohio (American Baptist). The father of three, he loves hanging out with his wife of 36 years, Debbie, getting crazy with his three grandchildren, fly-fishing, and playing the guitar and dulcimer.

The Art of Pastoring

*Pastor as a Parable of Jesus Christ*

Not a how-to. Rather, we will look at what’s happening when we’re doing our work right; when we stumble into the presence of Jesus in the middle of our pastoral work. Or, as so often happens, people tell us years later that God met them in our visit. Extending the love of Christ makes us his living parables and the results are unpredictable.

*Four Loves for Ministry*

Here are four kinds of love found in scripture which reflect the heart of God and are essential to our pastoral work as parables of Christ: steadfast love, compassion, sacrificial love, and the little appreciated but ever so powerful joy of simply liking people.

*Praying Enough to Get Fired*

Some ministry situations are so perplexing that all we can do is spend an unreasonable amount of time praying about it. How can we do that? We can pray for hours at a time if we understand the amazing freedom God gives us in prayer, as exemplified in the Scriptures.

Workshops on pastoral transitions, time management, and a congregational “Bill of Rights,” presented by area pastors, will round out the conference schedule.

Schedule of Events

**Monday, September 28**

AM 8:30 - 9:15 Breakfast
9:15 - 10:45 Session One: *Pastor as a Parable of Jesus Christ*
10:45 - 11:15 Break
11:15 - 12:00 Worship

PM 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch and free time
1:00 - 2:45 Session Two: *Four Loves for Ministry*
2:45 - 3:15 Break
3:15 - 5:30 Workshops
   Each workshop will be offered twice, with a 15 minute break in between
   *Pastoral Transitions, Angie Best-Boss*
   *Pastoral Priorities and Time Management, Jim Orr*
   *Does Your Church Need a Bill of Rights?, Josh Brown*

5:30 – 6:30 Dinner

**Tuesday, September 29**

AM 8:30 - 9:15 Breakfast
9:15 -10:45 Session Three: *Praying Enough to Get Fired*
10:45 End of the Conference
11:20 - 1:00 Common Meal: Conference attendees are invited to join the ESR students, faculty, and staff for lunch and a program featuring David Hansen  [Cost: $7.00]
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Lodging

We offer the following suggestions for lodging while attending the conference.

Quaker Hill Conference Center
10 Quaker Hill Drive
Richmond, IN 47374
765-962-5741

Lees Inn & Suites
6030 National Road East
Richmond, IN 47374
765-966-6559 or 800-966-8972

Philip W. Smith Bed & Breakfast
2039 East Main Street
Richmond, IN 47374
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Or visit:
www.waynet.org/lodging

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Approach Richmond via Interstate 70, exiting at Williamsburg Pike south (Exit 149A), merging after about a mile into Northwest 5th Street. Follow Northwest 5th Street to U. S. 40 (National Road West). Turn right and prepare to turn left one block later, at College Avenue. Turn left (south) on College Avenue. The ESR Center (stone building) sits on the southwest corner. To reach the parking lot, continue south on College Avenue to the first stop sign, turn right. Turn right again at the next stop sign and take the next right into the large parking lot.

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