



Life-Cycle and Stages of Congregational Development

Presented by Tom Beers

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9 a.m.-3 p.m.
United Church of Marion

Jumpstart Your Future Church

Have you ever wondered what the next step for your church should be? This seminar helps you assess where your church is on the life-cycle of congregational development and begins the discussion of what steps you need to take to cross over the gap of the downward spiral to the growth side of development. It is designed for pastors and leaders of the church and it will benefit your church the most to have both there.

Life-Cycle and Stages of Congregational Development:

The Life-Cycle Model for understanding congregational development, developed by George Bullard, is one of the most powerful and enlightening explanatory tools available to help address questions of change and renewal in your congregation! Understanding what the life cycle looks like for congregations is crucial for knowing how to effect change, and work toward renewing vitality.

Included in this workshop:

- Presentation of the life-cycle model***
- How to use the model to assess the current state of your congregation***
- The implications of the life-cycle for the shape of your change-path to future vitality***
- Ideas on where to go from here***

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Pre-Registration by Feb. 23rd - \$15

Registration at the Door - \$20

Includes refreshments and lunch

Rev. Tom Beers is the Coordinator for the Nehemiah Leadership Network, a Pastoral training institute equipping Pastors to lead change. In addition, Tom works as a congregational consultant, leading the Empowered process, which helps congregations to articulate their future-story, and create an effective plan to live into this story. Prior to serving with the Nehemiah Leadership Network, Tom served for five years on staff with the Philadelphia Baptist Association (the ABCUSA regional body for the greater Philadelphia area), leading the regional ministries of congregational transformation, evangelism, and church-planting. Before serving with the PBA Tom served for ten years as a Pastor in Suburban Philadelphia. And, before entering the ministry Tom taught Philosophy and Theology at Eastern College and Villanova University for 12 years.