

MICHIGAN'S 41ST ANNUAL  
**Inspirational Networking  
Conference for Homeschoolers**

**INCH 2025**



**G R O W   Y O U R   H O M E**

"THEN CHRIST WILL MAKE HIS HOME IN YOUR HEARTS AS YOU TRUST IN HIM.  
YOUR ROOTS WILL GROW DOWN INTO GOD'S LOVE AND KEEP YOU STRONG."

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HOSTED BY: MICHIGAN CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL NETWORK

**MAY 15–17, 2025**

**MOUNT HOPE CHURCH – LANSING, MI**

CONFERENCE PLATINUM SPONSORS:



**Family  
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# GENERAL INFO

## EMERGENCY NUMBER/CELL PHONES

PLEASE MAKE SURE CELL PHONES ARE SILENCED DURING SESSIONS. IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY WHILE AT THE CONFERENCE, PLEASE CALL 517-481-5994.

## YOUNG CHILDREN

CHILDREN UNDER 12 SHOULD BE UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THEIR PARENTS AT ALL TIMES. DO NOT LET YOUR CHILD ROAM THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING ALONE. PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL OF OTHERS IN BREAKOUT SESSIONS AND TAKE YOUR CHILDREN OUT IF THEY BECOME DISTRACTING.

## NURSING MOMS/FAMILY ROOM

WE HAVE SET ASIDE ROOMS FOR BOTH NURSING MOMS AND PARENTS WITH ENERGETIC LITTLE ONES. THE NURSING ROOM IS LOCATED NEAR THE MICHN BOOTH, AND THE FAMILY ROOMS ARE LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY. SANCTUARY SESSIONS CAN BE HEARD IN THE FAMILY ROOMS.

## SECURITY/IDENTIFICATION

IT IS NECESSARY THAT NAMETAGS & LANYARDS ARE WORN AND VISIBLE WHILE ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE. IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A SAFE AND SECURE EVENT, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO BE ABLE TO QUICKLY IDENTIFY WHETHER SOMEONE IS A CONFERENCE PARTICIPANT.

## SPEAKERS & EXHIBITORS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE VIEWS, ATTITUDES, AND BEHAVIORS OF OUR EXHIBITORS AND SPEAKERS ARE NOT NECESSARILY SHARED BY INCH.

# ABOUT OUR SPONSORS



To equip and empower American citizens to stand for and preserve freedom for themselves and future generations by resolving breaches of liberty through local awareness, local light, and local action. To educate the American citizen on the value of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and its influence on America's founding.



Citizens for Traditional Values is a nonprofit civic organization working at the grassroots level to promote & preserve Judeo-Christian values in local communities and at the state capitol. CTV advocates for candidates and public policy that reflect those values. This is accomplished through education, networking, and mobilizing the pro-life, pro-family, pro-freedom community in order to engage in the public debate and provide "a positive voice for your values."



We are honored to create engaging, thought provoking science textbooks and classes for homeschoolers. Designed to encourage critical thinking, our courses combine excellence with accessibility for learners of all ages.



In April 1966, Warren Bolthouse launched the Family Radio Evangelistic Corporation which would ultimately become Family Life Radio. Today, the network has 36 signals covering 11 states with a broadcast reach of more than 18 million listeners.



Herzog Foundation exists to catalyze and accelerate the development of quality Christ-centered K-12 education. Our vision is for families and culture to flourish through quality Christian education.



Quality Dairy Company was founded in March 1936 by Gregory J. Martin and Harvey Mack. The first store was located at 1406 South Washington Avenue. The original company mission included providing bottled milk on a cash and carry basis from small neighborhood milk stores.



Hillsdale College is an independent institution of higher learning founded in 1844 by men and women "grateful to God for the inestimable blessings" resulting from civil and religious liberty and "believing that the diffusion of learning is essential to the perpetuity of these blessings."



SLG equips churches, pastors, and ministry leaders to contend for the faith. We shine the healing light of Christ Jesus into dark places, sharing the Good News of Jesus in unique unreached forums. We strategically work to ensure the next generation may continue this Gospel work free of persecution.



We are dedicated to encouragement, building community, and empowering you in your walk with Christ through Christian music and media. For 50 years and counting we have served West Michigan and it's been our mission to see more people come to know Christ.



The United States is a maritime nation, and the U.S. Navy protects America at sea. Alongside our allies and partners, we defend freedom, preserve economic prosperity, and keep the seas open and free.



LEAD is a week-long camp that combines dynamic teaching on Biblical worldview and ethics with real-world experiences in business, law, journalism, and more. This fun and unique community points teens to Christ, moves them out of their comfort zones, and equips them as leaders.



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# 2025 INCH SPEAKERS



**Jean Burk**  
College Prep Geniis



**Sheila Carroll**  
Living Books Curriculum



**Joe Cecil**  
LEAD & SSI



**Karen Ehman**  
Author & Speaker



**Brittani Hall**  
Going Homesteady



**Kody Hanner**  
The Homestead Education



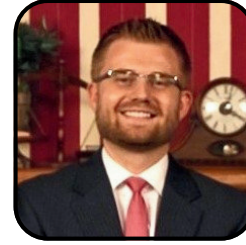
**Bob Hazen**  
Algebra for Kids



**Karri Iverson**  
The Mystery of Science



**Dave Kallman**  
Great Lakes Justice Center



**Stephen Kallman**  
Great Lakes Justice Center



**Phylcia Masonheimer**  
Every Woman A Theologian



**Kathie Morrissey**  
The Character Corner



**B. J. Meurer**  
Jesus, Help Me Parent



**Cliff Petrak**  
Math Teacher & Author



**Cheri Kay Sessions**  
HSLDA -Special Needs  
Education Specialist



**S. D. Smith**  
The Green Ember



**The Growing Roots**  
Worship Leaders



**Ann Troast**  
Without Doors - Charlotte Mason



**Sarah Villanueva-Wilson**  
The Seed Dream



**Israel Wayne**  
Family Renewal



**Krisa Winn**  
SPED Homeschool



**Mike Winter**  
President of MICHN &  
Author of Man Up!



**Ginny Yurich**  
1000 Hours Outside



# WHO & WHAT IS MICHN?

THE MICHIGAN CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL NETWORK, FOUNDED IN 1984 AS INCH - THE INFORMATION NETWORK FOR CHRISTIAN HOMES AND REBRANDED IN 2019 AS MICHN (PRONOUNCED LIKE "MISSION"), IS THE OLDEST AND LARGEST HOMESCHOOL ORGANIZATION SERVING MICHIGAN FAMILIES.

## OUR VISION

EVERY MICHIGAN FAMILY WHO CHOOSES TO EDUCATE THEIR CHILDREN AT HOME HAS THE RESOURCES, SUPPORT, AND OPPORTUNITIES THEY NEED TO DO SO WITH EXCELLENCE.

## OUR MISSION

ENSURING HOMESCHOOL FREEDOM IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN SO THAT IT CAN BE A PLACE FOR FAMILIES TO FREELY PASS ON THEIR VALUES AND FAITH, TRAINING THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH HOME-BASED, PARENT-DIRECTED, PRIVATELY-FUNDED HOME EDUCATION.

## OUR METHOD

ENCOURAGING, EQUIPPING, AND EMPOWERING MICHIGAN'S HOME EDUCATORS THROUGH:

- **CONFERENCES/EVENTS** - (INCH, Day at the Dome, Mom's Retreat)
- **COMMUNICATION** - (Website, social media, e-newsletters, etc)
- **CONNECTING** - (Networking homeschool families, groups, & leaders)
- **CULTIVATING LEADERSHIP** - (Leadership Summits and retreats)
- **CONSISTENT VOICE IN THE CAPITOL** - (Protecting homeschool freedom)

## OUR FOCUS

ALTHOUGH WE DESIRE TO SERVE ALL HOME EDUCATING FAMILIES IN MICHIGAN, MICHN PARTICULARLY FOCUSES ON ASSISTING CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOLING FAMILIES WHO DESIRE TO RAISE AND LAUNCH MATURE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST.

- **FAITH** - PROMOTING CHRISTIAN HOME DISCIPLESHIP
- **FAMILY** - PROTECTING THE TRADITIONAL FAMILY
- **FREEDOM** - PRESERVING OUR HOMESCHOOL FREEDOM

# WHY DO WE NEED MICHN?

MAYBE YOU'VE WONDERED WHY MICHIGAN HOMESCHOOLERS NEED A STATE ORGANIZATION? MANY OF US TAKE FOR GRANTED THE FREEDOM TO EDUCATE OUR CHILDREN AT HOME. IT IS A BLESSING AND A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT THAT MICHN HAS BEEN FIGHTING TO PROTECT FOR NEARLY FORTY YEARS. THE BOARD MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS WORK BEHIND THE SCENES TO PROVIDE MANY BENEFITS TO HOMESCHOOLERS ACROSS MICHIGAN:

- **MICHN (FORMERLY INCH) WAS A KEY PLAYER IN THE BATTLE FOUGHT TO MAKE HOMESCHOOLING LEGAL IN MICHIGAN**, CULMINATING WITH THE SUPREME COURT DECISION IN 1993 WHICH ALLOWS YOU TO FREELY HOMESCHOOL YOUR CHILDREN TODAY IN MICHIGAN WITHOUT GOVERNMENT REGULATION. (PEOPLE VS DEJONGE - [HTTPS://LAW.JUSTIA.COM/CASES/MICHIGAN/SUPREME-COURT/1993/91479-5.HTML](https://law.justia.com/cases/michigan/supreme-court/1993/91479-5.html) )
- **MICHN HAS BEEN INFLUENCING THE LEGISLATURE ON BEHALF OF HOME EDUCATORS SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 1984**, PROTECTING YOUR RIGHT TO EDUCATE YOUR CHILDREN AT HOME.
- **MICHN WORKS CLOSELY WITH OTHER STATE, NATIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS** TO STAY INFORMED AND TO KEEP OUR MEMBERS UPDATED ABOUT ISSUES THEY NEED TO KNOW. WE WORK WITH:
  1. **HSLDA** (HOME SCHOOL LEGAL DEFENSE ASSOCIATION)
  2. **DR. BRIAN RAY OF NHERI** (THE NATIONAL HOME EDUCATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE)
  3. **THE ALLIANCE** (NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF CHRISTIAN HOME EDUCATION LEADERSHIP)

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# MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE MICHN EVENTS!

**WEDNESDAY**  
**OCTOBER 15, 2025**



**FRIDAY & SATURDAY**  
**NOVEMBER 7-8, 2025**



**FRIDAY & SATURDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 6-7, 2026**



**THURSDAY - SATURDAY**  
**MAY 14-16, 2026**



## WHY JOIN MICHN?

### WE MUST STAND TOGETHER

TO PROTECT THE HARD-WON HOMESCHOOL RIGHTS WE HAVE TODAY. MICHN IS YOUR VOICE IN THE LEGISLATURE, PROVIDING UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION AND KNOWLEDGEABLE REPRESENTATION AT THE CAPITOL

### WE'RE STRONGER TOGETHER

YOUR MEMBERSHIP DOLLARS AND DONATIONS HELP TO EQUIP AND ENCOURAGE THOUSANDS OF HOMESCHOOL FAMILIES.

### YOU DON'T HAVE TIME TO READ THROUGH 6,000 PAGES

OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS EACH YEAR. MICHN MONITORS LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY, PURSUES LEGISLATION THAT BENEFITS HOMESCHOOLERS, AND FIGHTS PROPOSALS THAT WOULD RESTRICT YOUR FREEDOM TO EDUCATE YOUR CHILDREN.

### YOU NEED TO KNOW YOU'RE NOT ALONE

ON THIS WONDERFUL, WACKY, AND BLESSED JOURNEY OF HOMESCHOOLING. YOU ARE PART OF A COMMUNITY THAT ENCOURAGES AND HELPS ONE ANOTHER, AND YOU HAVE SOMEONE TO CALL FOR ACCURATE INFORMATION.

## JOIN TODAY AT MICHN.ORG!



# Become a member & support the mission of MICHN!

Michigan Christian Homeschool Network

**Freedom Friend**  
**\$45/YR**

- Support Michigan's Homeschool Freedoms
- Receive Legislative Updates & E-Newsletters
- Online Access to Past Conference Recordings
- Print Student & Teacher ID Cards
- \$15 Discount Code for HSLDA
- Get a 10% discount on all MICHN Events

**Freedom Defender**  
**\$150/YR**

#### All the Freedom Friend Benefits PLUS:

- 15% Discount on all MICHN Events
- 20% Discount Code to Heritage Defense
- SPED Homeschool Membership Discount

**Freedom Superhero**  
**\$300/YR**

#### All the Freedom Friend & Defender Benefits PLUS:

- 20% Discount on all MICHN Events
- Free Full Set of Conference Recordings
- Free 1 Hour SPED Homeschool Consultation Session
- Early VIP Access to our Used Curriculum Sale

**Learn More about us @ MICHN.org!**

## 3 Ways to Support MICHN!

**1. Become A Member**

**2. Donate @ MICHN.org**

**3. Volunteer**



# FRIDAY SCHEDULE

MAY 16TH, 2025

8:30-9:30AM KEYNOTE #2 - EVERY HOME A FOUNDATION - PHYLCIA MASONHEIMER  
7:45AM-5:00PM TEEN LEADERSHIP CORPS  
9:30AM-7:00PM EXHIBIT HALL OPEN FOR SHOPPING  
8:15AM-12:15PM GIANT COW CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE  
9:45-10:45AM BREAKOUT SESSION #1  
11:00AM-12:00PM BREAKOUT SESSION #2  
12:00-1:30PM LUNCH & SHOPPING  
1:15-5:30PM GIANT COW CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE  
1:30-2:30PM KEYNOTE #2 - WHOM SHOULD WE TRUST: GOVERNMENT OR PARENTS? - ISRAEL WAYNE  
2:45-3:45PM BREAKOUT SESSION #3  
4:00-5:00PM BREAKOUT SESSION #4  
5:00-7:00PM DINNER & SHOPPING  
7:00-9:00PM KEYNOTE #4 - FAMILY FUN NIGHT WITH GINNY YURICH & S. D. SMITH W/ BOOK SIGNING!

# SATURDAY SCHEDULE

MAY 17TH, 2025

7:45AM-2:00PM TEEN LEADERSHIP CORPS  
8:15-11:15AM EXHIBIT HALL OPEN FOR SHOPPING  
8:15AM-12:10PM GIANT COW CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE  
8:30-9:30AM SPECIAL SESSIONS #5- MOMS & MUFFINS AND DADS & DONUTS  
9:45-10:45AM BREAKOUT SESSION #6  
10:45-11:15AM LAST CHANCE SHOPPING  
11:00-11:15AM BUY IT HERE DRAWINGS - SANCTUARY  
11:15AM-12:00PM CLOSING KEYNOTE - HOMESCHOOLING, YOU'RE DOING IT RIGHT! - GINNY YURICH

# CONFERENCE RECORDINGS

WE ARE EXCITED TO OFFER YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE HOME SOME OF THE ENCOURAGEMENT PRESENTED AT THE 2025 INCH CONFERENCE!

**SO MANY SESSIONS... SO LITTLE TIME!**

## CONFERENCE ATTENDEE SPECIAL PRICING:

\*PRICING VALID MAY 15-17TH\*

**\$3.50/SESSION**  
**\$45 FOR CONFERENCE SET**

## REGULAR PRICING FOR NON-ATTENDEES:

\*CAN BE PURCHASED STARTING  
MONDAY, MAY 19TH\*

**\$4.00 PER SESSION**  
**\$70 FOR CONFERENCE SET**



**SCAN TO  
PURCHASE RECORDINGS**

# FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT

SANCTUARY - 7:00-9:00PM

ADVENTURE, IMAGINATION, & STORYTELLING:  
A LIVE FAMILY NIGHT WITH GINNY YURICH & S. D. SMITH

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STAY FOR A BOOK  
SIGNING WITH BOTH  
AUTHORS AFTER THE  
SHOW!



FOR TEENS  
AGES 13-19!

## TEEN LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

SSI - STUDENT STATESMANSHIP INSTITUTE



All teens enrolled in our TLC (Teen Leadership Corps) will spend half of their time serving in various aspects of the conference, and the other half experiencing government in a hands-on simulation. Teams of "representatives" will tackle current issues, articulate solutions, and defend their positions to their peers. Through dynamic teaching sessions and activities, participants will learn about how we can approach hard topics as Christians, all while having fun in a competitive environment!

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*"LEAD has opened doors for my future, nurtured my spiritual life, developed my skills to fulfill my God-given destiny."*

Tabitha F. (16)

*"I feel closer to God than ever before. This week has inspired me to take the next step in devotion and dedication to Him."*

Trevor A. (18)

Not your typical summer camp!

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[www.LEADMICH.org](http://www.LEADMICH.org)

June 15-20 July 13-18 July 27-Aug 1



Sign up TODAY to  
reserve your spot.  
First-time campers can  
save \$100!

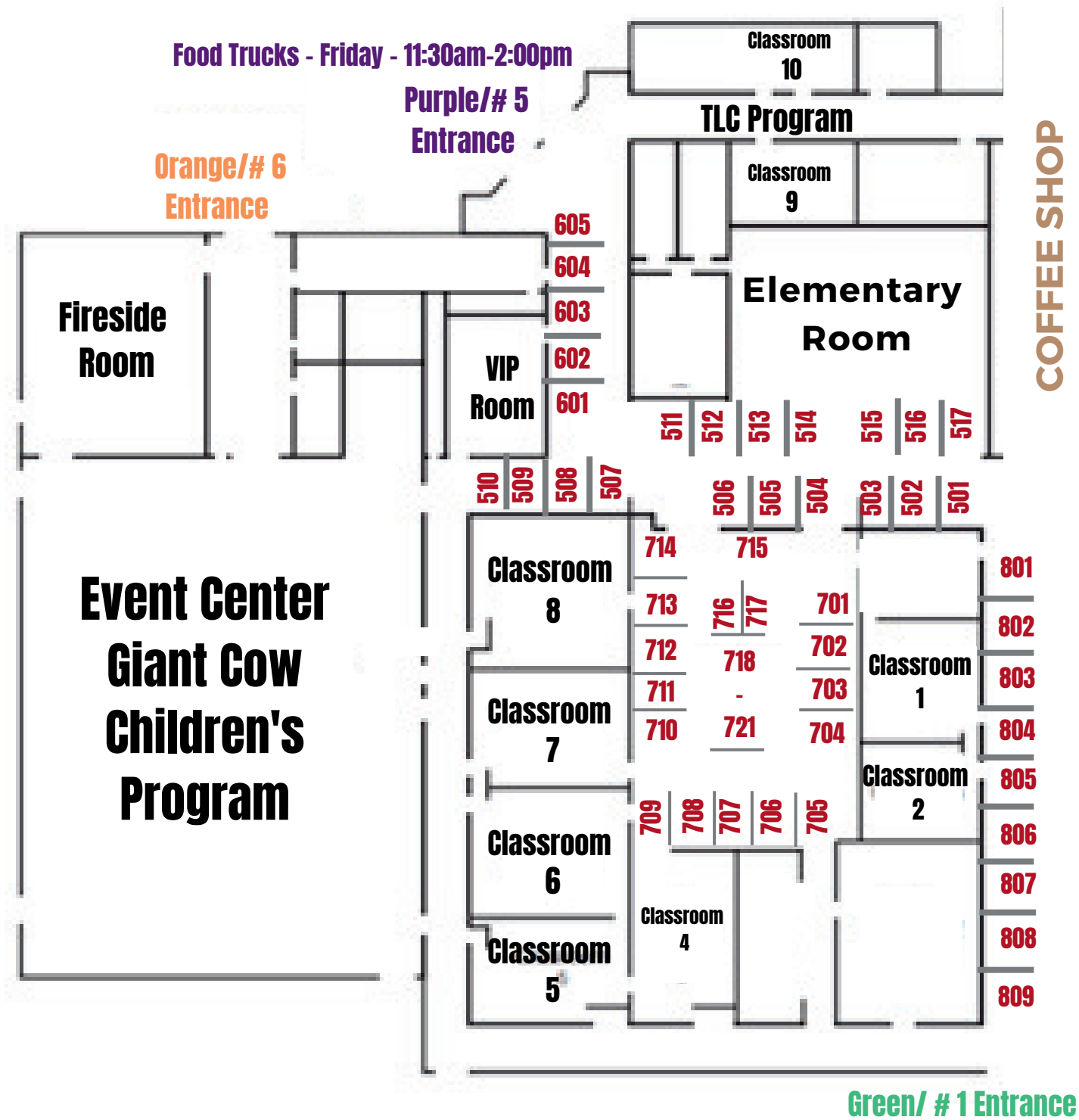




# Mount Hope Church & Exhibitor Map

Page 7 & 8 maps can be read as one continuous map of the venue.

**Black = Room Names      Red = Exhibitor Booth Number (Exhibitor list on page 9)**



**Blue/ # 4  
Entrance**

Northwest Chapel Upstairs  
Please Use Stairs near Blue Entrance

**Yellow/ # 3  
Entrance**



**Green/ #1 Entrance**

**Red/ # 2 Entrance**

**Two Ways to Win!!**

**#1. Visit Exhibitors & Fill Your Passport!**

EACH EXHIBITOR HALLWAY/ROOM IS COLOR CODED ON YOUR PASSPORT. VISIT AN EXHIBITOR FROM EACH COLORED AREA TO COLLECT A STAMP! BRING A COMPLETED PASSPORT OF 8 DIFFERENT STAMP COLORS TO THE MICHN BOOTH & BE ENTERED TO WIN!

**#2. Buy It Here & Win Prizes!!**

PURCHASE ITEMS ON-SITE FROM OUR EXHIBITORS, BRING YOUR RECEIPTS TO THE MICHN BOOTH (#101), AND BE ENTERED TO WIN DOOR PRIZES!

**\$25 = 1 ENTRY**

**ENTRIES CLOSE AT 10:55AM ON SATURDAY!  
DRAWINGS ARE AT 11AM IN THE SANCTUARY**

# Exhibitor List & Booth Numbers

BOOTH	EXHIBITOR	BOOTH	EXHIBITOR
<u>309-310</u>	1000 Hours Outside - Ginny Yurich	<u>715</u>	Modern Woodmen Fraternal Financial
<u>801</u>	Acquainting Agriculture	<u>710</u>	My Fervent Prayers
<u>301</u>	Algebra for Kids - Bob Hazen	<u>302</u>	National Park Mysteries - Buttonwood Books, LLC
<u>711</u>	Animo Games LLC	<u>502</u>	Navy Recruiting Command
<u>408</u>	Biblical Citizenship / Patriot Academy	<u>210-211</u>	PaperPie Learning formerly known as Usborne Books
<u>401-404</u>	BJU Press Homeschool/HomeWorks by Precept	<u>311</u>	Parenting for Purity
<u>803</u>	Brain Balance of Oakland County	<u>201</u>	PB's Friends Inc.
<u>716</u>	Chicken Scratch Books and Courses	<u>303</u>	Pine Hollow Reading
<u>409</u>	Christian Arts Academy	<u>306</u>	Reformed Free Publishing Association
<u>203-206</u>	Classical Conversations	<u>512</u>	RightStart Mathematics
<u>307</u>	College Prep Genius - Jean Burk	<u>702-704</u>	Rod & Staff/ Truth and Life
<u>215</u>	Community Bible Study	<u>718-721</u>	Royal Fireworks Online Learning
<u>515</u>	Creating A Masterpiece	<u>706</u>	SimplyFun Affiliate Rachele Karteczka
<u>805</u>	Discovery Toys Learning Products	<u>802</u>	Sing, Move, and Memorize!
<u>503</u>	Distinctive Music Studios	<u>509</u>	SPED Homeschool - Krisa Winn
<u>806</u>	Don't Slow Me Down with that Calculator (Mental Math)	<u>209</u>	Spring Arbor University
<u>406</u>	Drawing Adventures by Bob Jaruzel	<u>105</u>	Student Statesmanship Institute (SSI)
<u>513-514</u>	Every Woman a Theologian - Phylcia Masonheimer	<u>705</u>	Talkbox.Mom
<u>510</u>	Family Life Radio	<u>505-506</u>	Teaching Textbooks
<u>601-602</u>	Family Renewal - Israel & Brook Wayne	<u>501</u>	The Character Corner-Kathie Morrissey
<u>807</u>	Future Fortunes Academy	<u>217</u>	The Growing Roots
<u>713</u>	Get Classically Educated	<u>308</u>	The Homeschool Printing Company
<u>804</u>	Going Homesteady - Brittani Hall	<u>707-708</u>	The Homestead Education - Kody Hanner
<u>213</u>	Grace College	<u>212</u>	The Mystery of Science - Karri Iverson
<u>305</u>	Great Lakes Christian College	<u>717</u>	The Responsible Brand
<u>405</u>	Home School Music Association	<u>714</u>	The Seed Dream - Sarah Villanueva-Wilson
<u>104</u>	HSLDA - Cheri Kay Sessions	<u>216</u>	Turning Point USA
<u>103</u>	HSLDA (Home School Legal Defense Association)	<u>712</u>	WindowSeat
<u>508</u>	Jesus, Help Me Parent - B.J. Meurer	<u>701</u>	Without Doors - Ann Troast
<u>808</u>	JudiGalloway.com	<u>507</u>	Women At Risk, International WAR Chest Boutique
<u>207</u>	Junior Achievement of Michigan		
<u>208</u>	Karen Ehman		
<u>202</u>	Kingdom Quest		
<u>516-517</u>	Lamplighter Ministries		
<u>504</u>	Las Lengüitas		
<u>809</u>	Laurie Salisbury		
<u>709</u>	Learning RX		
<u>214</u>	Living Books Curriculum - Sheila Carroll		
<u>304</u>	MAN Up! - Mike Winter		
<u>603-605</u>	Master Books		
<u>101-102</u>	Michigan Christian Homeschool Network (MiCHN)		
<u>511</u>	Michigan for Vaccine Choice		
<u>407</u>	Michigan Pray		

## Food Trucks

FRIDAY - 11:30-2:00PM

OUTSIDE OF THE PURPLE/#5 ENTRANCE

coffee



MOUNT HOPE CAFE

FRIDAY - 9:00AM-12:00PM

SATURDAY - CLOSED

Coffee will be served at both  
Dads & Doughnuts and  
Moms & Muffins on Saturday Morning!!





# 2025 INCH KEYNOTES

OPENING KEYNOTE #1 - THURSDAY 7:00-9:00PM

## SPEAKER SPOTLIGHTS

During our opening keynote, various conference speakers will be given the chance to present their passions and speaking topics for the weekend. It is a fun, fast-paced evening that will serve as a great introduction to the speakers for all attendees!

### KEYNOTE #2 - FRIDAY 8:30-9:30AM

#### EVERY HOME A FOUNDATION

What if our homes and the work that goes on inside them are not "in the way" of our calling but are instead "the way" to live well and disciple effectively? Reimagine the Christian home as the firm foundation of a life filled with faith, joy, contentment, and belonging, even in the midst of everyday tasks. The Christian home is an image of both a coming spiritual reality and the existing spiritual reality of our family, the church. Through Christ, we can heal and build a home that brings joy to us and love to others. Phylcia will help transform your view of home from a place of boredom to a place of purpose, train you to find joy in daily tasks, and equip you to use your home to love others well by focusing on healing our view of home and creating a culture of faith; exploring the purpose in the mundane tasks of the home and learning the importance of hospitality and creating a covenant home culture.



**PHYLICIA  
MASONHEIMER**

### KEYNOTE #3- FRIDAY 1:30-2:30PM

#### WHOM SHOULD WE TRUST? PARENTS OR GOVERNMENT

There has been a fundamental shift in our culture's view of the role of parents versus government in the past two hundred and fifty years. Contrasting the statements of America's Founding Fathers with ivy league professors and journalists today, you can better understand the battle over who should control the education and upbringing of children.



**ISRAEL WAYNE**

### KEYNOTE #4 - FRIDAY 7:00-9:00PM

#### ADVENTURE, IMAGINATION, & STORYTELLING: A LIVE FAMILY NIGHT

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**GINNY  
YURICH**



**S. D.  
SMITH**

### KEYNOTE #5 - SATURDAY 11:15AM-12:00PM

#### HOMESCHOOLING, YOU'RE DOING IT RIGHT!

Whereas the public school system is very uniform, the landscape of homeschool includes all sorts of variety. This variety can sometimes lead to confusion about the decisions we make along our homeschooling journeys. We know that God is a lover of variety. We can see that simply by looking at His creation. He made 7,000 different types of apples, for instance. In this session you will learn how to cater learning to the individual interests of your children and you will leave embracing the freedom that homeschooling offers each family.



**GINNY YURICH**

**THANK YOU TO "THE GROWING ROOTS" FOR BLESSING US BY  
LEADING WORSHIP BEFORE EACH KEYNOTE!**

## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

# BREAKOUT SESSIONS #1 - 9:45-10:45AM



### SANCTUARY

#### **HOW TO KEEP YOUR CHILD IN THE FAITH ISRAEL WAYNE**

Studies show that 70% of church youth abandon the Christian faith sometime before high school graduation. While there are no guarantees in parenting, there are steps parents can take that have been proven through various studies to statistically improve the chances of your child embracing and remaining in the faith. Learn what actionable steps you can take to help strengthen your child against unbelief.



### CHAPEL A

#### **KEEP SHOWING UP KAREN EHMAN**

It is true that opposites attract – for a while. But often as the years go by in our marriages, opposites may also begin to attack. The habits and characteristics we once found endearing about our significant other are the exact things that drive us crazy years later! Whether you and your spouse disagree about finances, parenting, or how to load the dishwasher, your differences don't need to divide you. They can actually bring you closer together – and closer to God. Discover how your “incompatibility” can become the strength of your marital team in this real-life guide to both living with and loving your spouse – differences and all.



### CHAPEL B

#### **CANDLE MAKING & CHAPSTICK DEMO CLASS 1 \*HANDS-ON\* BRITTANI HALL**

Make your own homemade candle, watch a live demo of how Chapstick is made, and leave with one of each product!

\*Extra ticket required - Limit 20 People\*



### ELEMENTARY ROOM

#### **HOMESCHOOLING LIKE A HOMESTEADER KODY HANNER**

With so many people embracing a self-sufficient lifestyle, we should be looking for ways to include our children. To do this, we need to create hands-on learning opportunities through life-skills and family relationships.



### VIP ROOM

#### **PLAY, LEARN, GROW: TEACHING PRESCHOOLERS AND EARLY LEARNERS - CHERI KAY SESSIONS**

Do you want to start building the foundation of educational readiness for your littlest learner? If so, this is the perfect workshop for you! Cheri Kay will teach you about the stages of development, the importance of learning through play, and the foundations for lifelong learning. She will share tips and tricks for making learning fun and engaging for you and your child, while sparking their curiosity about the world around them.



### NORTHWEST CHAPEL (UPSTAIRS)

#### **FINDING CALM IN EMOTIONAL STORMS: A PARENTAL RESPONSE TO WORRY, SADNESS, AND ANGER - B.J. MEURER**

When children struggle with big emotions like worry, sadness, and anger, they often push back against the very help they need. Their reactions can make it hard to know how to support them without escalating the situation further. But these moments—while challenging—are also opportunities to connect with your child's heart. In this session, you'll learn the CALM approach to guide your child through emotional storms with wisdom and grace. Discover how to connect with your child when they struggle, help them navigate their big emotions in a healthy and effective way, anchor them in biblical truth, and equip them with a plan to face the challenges that brought on those big emotions. You'll also learn simple parenting scripts to use when you feel triggered, helping you respond with calm instead of chaos. Walk away with this powerful strategy to strengthen your relationship while fostering emotional resilience in your child.

# SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS #1 - 9:45-10:45AM



### CLASSROOM 1

#### **YOUR PERSPECTIVE IS EVERYTHING** **KRISA WINN**

If you have a unique learner, it's easy to get 'caught up' in the stress of trying to get your child 'caught up' academically. In this encouraging and practical workshop, Krisa points out areas of progress that are sometimes forgotten. She helps you see that when it comes to kids - academic progress isn't the only measure of success!



### CLASSROOM 2

#### **20 REMARKABLE CREATURES THAT SHOWCASE GOD'S DESIGN** **KARRI IVERSON**

God's power and majesty are evident in all of creation, from the tiniest bacteria to the massive blue whale. Did you know the mantis shrimp's punch can break glass? Or that the robin's song is distinct from the sparrow's? A whale not only communicates with sound waves, but those waves can travel for thousands of miles! These amazing animals didn't happen by chance, they were created by God. Discover how learning about the world around us points to God's character and power, drawing us into authentic worship, even in our homeschooling! Join veteran homeschooling mom and The Mystery of Science author, Karri Iverson, for an exciting exploration of unique wonders - each pointing to our Creator.



### CLASSROOM 4

#### **SIBLING SQUABBLES IN THE CLASSROOM** **KATHIE MORRISSEY**

Sibling rivalry and squabbling is something we all deal with every day. It can be frustrating, as well as discouraging. We must teach our children how to respond to conflict Biblically so that arguing and strife don't disrupt our home, and so they will be prepared to handle conflict in life. Learn the most common causes of sibling conflict and get practical Biblical solutions to the problem.



### CLASSROOM 6

#### **SECRETS TO THE SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH** **JEAN BURK**

Wait before you fill out any scholarship applications and waste precious time. You can learn the contests that are legitimate and easiest to win, and why sometimes you should NEVER apply for a single one. Discover the one place that contains nearly 85% of all the award money and how you can get your hands on it! There are 24 billion dollars' worth of private scholarships each year. Discover key words to search for little-known scholarships and find out the key that the library holds to unknown money. No matter how old your child is, you can't miss out on the money that is available NOW!



### CLASSROOM 7

#### **SIMPLIFY AND REFRESH YOUR HOMESCHOOL DAYS** **ANN TROAST**

Are you feeling overwhelmed? Are you just trying to make it to the end of each day? Let's refresh your purpose so you can exchange discouragement for fresh vision for your homeschool. Declutter things that are weighing down your days and gain tips for being fully present, prioritizing rest, and delighting in the time spent with your children when the days are long and the years are short! "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." Psalm 90:12



## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

# BREAKOUT SESSIONS #2 - 11:00AM-12:00PM



### SANCTUARY

#### **MODEST AUDACITY: FOUNDATIONS FOR A FAITHFUL WRITING LIFE S.D. SMITH**

Author S. D. Smith shares three bricks for building a faithful writing life. More than just cleverness and craft, our identity informs our creative life and the words we write and share with others.



### CHAPEL A

#### **HOW TO COMBAT SCREEN TIME IN A TECH HEAVY WORLD GINNY YURICH**

Screens are everywhere, from the local pizza parlor to your minivan and everywhere in between. Screens offer considerable benefits in many arenas of life, but excessive use can severely hamper childhood development. In this session you will learn strategies to combat screen time in a tech heavy world.



### CHAPEL B

#### **CANDLE MAKING & CHAPSTICK DEMO CLASS 2 \*HANDS-ON\* BRITTANI HALL**

Make your own homemade candle, watch a live demo of how Chapstick is made, and leave with one of each product!

\*Extra ticket required - Limit 20 People\*



### ELEMENTARY ROOM

#### **HOW TO CONFIDENTLY ANSWER KIDS' THEOLOGICAL QUESTIONS PHYLICIA MASONHEIMER**

Kids ask some insightful theological questions: Did Adam and Eve have to sin? Why does God allow bad things to happen? Where did God come from? Sometimes we don't know the answer -- or where to find it! In this session you'll learn how to make theology a natural part of your homeschool day, answer tough questions, and teach your kids how to find answers for themselves.



### VIP ROOM

#### **TRICKY HIGH SCHOOL ISSUES: HOMESCHOOLING TEENS W/ SPECIAL NEEDS CHERI KAY SESSIONS**

This workshop addresses some of the challenges associated with teaching struggling or atypical learners at home in the high school years. Do you have questions such as "How do I award my teen with special needs a diploma?" or "What do I do when my teen with dyslexia can't read high school-level material?" Cheri Kay discusses alternative coursework, specialized curricula, assistive technology, transcript options, graduation guidelines, high school programs for special learners, and post-high school options. She also offers tips for navigating the process of applying for testing accommodations for College Board tests.



### NORTHWEST CHAPEL (UPSTAIRS)

#### **RAISING KIDS WHO KNOW GOD – STARTS WITH DAD MIKE WINTER**

Every father wants what's best for his kids — but the greatest gift we can give them is to know God. We will talk about how to take up our God-given role as spiritual leaders in the home — not with pressure, but with biblical clarity and confidence. We will learn to:

- Lead our children into a growing knowledge of who God is
- Make the Bible real and relevant in everyday family life
- Build a home centered on God's truth, love, and grace
- Model a walk with God that kids actually want to follow

Through practical teaching rooted in Scripture, we will discuss how to train up our children in the way they should go — not by perfection, but by faithful, intentional steps.

# SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS #2 - 11:00AM-12:00PM



### CLASSROOM 1

#### **TEACHING TOOLBELT: STRATEGIES FOR MATH** **KRISA WINN**

Does your student understand math concepts, but can't master multiplication facts? Do you have a child with a math phobia or even a learning disability in math? This super practical workshop includes a variety of teaching strategies and resources that will equip you to teach math no matter what curriculum program you're using!



### CLASSROOM 2

#### **DOCUMENTING GOD'S CREATION: THE POWER OF A SCIENCE LAB JOURNAL** **KARRI IVERSON**

Lab journals play a powerful role in both the academic and spiritual growth of students. As homeschool parents, we can foster curiosity, reflection, and intentionality in young learners. A lab journal not only records experiments but also cultivates gratitude, stewardship, and a deeper understanding of God's design. By engaging with their observations and reflections, students can recognize the Creator's purposeful order in nature, seeing that all scientific discovery points to His glory.



### CLASSROOM 4

#### **TIME MANAGEMENT: GETTING IT ALL DONE!** **KATHIE MORRISSEY**

Do you often feel like you end up getting off track by the end of the day? Are you just struggling to get it "all done" everyday, get your kids back in line, and your homeschooling rolling smoothly? How do you sort through the distractions, get back on track, and stay there? As homeschooling moms, it is always a challenge to balance our many roles, and accomplish what we need to without being distracted. But it IS possible! Kathie will share practical ideas on staying focused, and being a wise manager of your time, so you can get those important things done!



### CLASSROOM 6

#### **BUILDING FAMILY LEGACY** **SARAH VILLANUEVA-WILSON**

Maybe your family of origin wasn't the strongest and you want your family to look and feel different. Sarah will share what types of activities lead to legacy building - the ones that build long lasting family memories and commitment to each other.



### CLASSROOM 7

#### **HOMEMADE AND HEALTHY: COST-CUTTING STRATEGIES FOR REAL FOOD FAMILIES - KODY HANNER**

Tired of skyrocketing grocery bills? Discover the powerful, yet simple, strategies we used to cut our annual grocery spending by over \$2500 – without relying on coupons, boxed meals, or sacrificing quality! In this workshop, you'll learn practical techniques for maximizing your food budget, from strategic meal planning and bulk buying to mastering essential homemade skills. We'll share our proven methods for building a nourishing pantry, minimizing food waste, and creating delicious, budget-friendly meals that your family will love. Say goodbye to processed foods and hello to real food savings!

## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

# BREAKOUT SESSIONS #3 - 2:45-3:45PM



### SANCTUARY

#### **WALK BY THE WAY: TEACHING SPIRITUAL TRUTHS THROUGH NATURAL MEANS - GINNY YURICH**

Bring Deuteronomy 6:7 to life! "You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." Opportunities to teach Biblical truths are all around us. Learn ten practical ways to teach truths through hands-on learning activities you can easily add into your school year.



### CHAPEL A

#### **CHRISTIAN STORYTELLING: ESCAPE INTO REALITY S. D. SMITH**

Storytelling is everywhere, from Netflix and Disney+ to advertising and politics. Should Christian families be ignorant of the how and why of storytelling? In this talk, bestselling author S. D. Smith shares insights on how Christian parents can wisely think about the challenges and opportunities of storytelling. Christians should be at home with storytelling. After all, we follow a storytelling God.



### CHAPEL B

#### **CAR DIFFUSER MAKING & TALLOW SUNSCREEN STICK DEMO CLASS 1 \*HANDS-ON\* - BRITTANI HALL**

Make your own car diffuser, watch a live demo of how tallow sunscreen is made, and leave with one of each product!

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### ELEMENTARY ROOM

#### **KEEP IT SHUT: WHAT TO SAY, HOW TO SAY IT & WHEN TO SAY NOTHING AT ALL - KAREN EHMAN**

Got words? Oh yeah, you do! The average woman speaks over 20,000 a day—not to mention the ones she types online. Karen Ehman—a woman whose words have often landed her in a heap of trouble—shares from experience the how's (and how-not-to's) of dealing with the tongue in her new message based on her book *Keep It Shut*. Using biblical examples, as well as Karen's own personal (and sometimes painful!) stories, *Keep It Shut* will equip you to know what to say, how best to say it, and when you'd better just keep your lips zipped!



### VIP ROOM

#### **TEACHING STRUGGLING LEARNERS AT HOME: NUTS & BOLTS FOR SUCCESS - CHERI KAY SESSIONS**

This workshop offers practical resources, lists of materials, and curricula ideas to equip you as you homeschool a struggling learner. Cheri Kay presents ideas for designing a unique home instruction program tailored to your child's specific challenges. She also addresses homeschooling while working, teaching multiple ages, scheduling the day, and practical teaching strategies you can use regardless of your curriculum program. Finally, Cheri Kay explains multi-sensory teaching methods, direct instruction, and modeled teaching.



### NORTHWEST CHAPEL (UPSTAIRS)

#### **THE HOMESCHOOL FAMILY PEACE PLAN: HELPING YOUR KIDS RESOLVE CONFLICTS WITH MATTHEW 18 - B.J. MEURER**

Tired of constantly playing judge and jury in your kids' conflicts? In this session, you'll learn how to empower your children to handle disagreements biblically using Matthew 18. Discover practical tools to teach them how to ignore without bitterness, confront without anger, and tell without tattling—while also equipping yourself to coach your children through conflicts rather than just referee their fights. Learn how to adapt these strategies to fit their ages, stages, and specific challenges, and how to reduce conflicts through nurturing relationships within your family. Walk away with a clear, actionable, heart-based family peace plan that everyone in your family can use.



## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

# BREAKOUT SESSIONS #3 - 2:45-3:45PM



### CLASSROOM 1

#### **LIVING MUSICALLY: INCORPORATING MUSIC INTO YOUR HOMESCHOOL AT EVERY AGE AND STAGE - THE GROWING ROOTS**

Are you looking for ways to bring music into your family and your homeschool? Come join The Growing Roots (worship leaders for this year's INCH conference) as they share insights into making music a valuable educational, emotional, and spiritual tool for children of all ages. They will provide tips for sparking musical interest, practice time, and using gifts for the glory of God. Expect a fun session with live demos from kids, stress relieving musical parenting hacks, and interactive preschool songs!



### CLASSROOM 2

#### **CREATING A MATH-RICH HOME ENVIRONMENT BOB HAZEN**

The heart of a math-rich home is YOU as the parent - arranging and managing math enrichment items in your home. Discover specific "stuff" you can provide for your kids that stimulates mathematical thinking.



### CLASSROOM 4

#### **NATURE JOURNALING MADE SIMPLE SHEILA CARROLL**

Nature journaling is about deepening observation, curiosity, and connection with God's creation. In this workshop, Sheila Carroll, author of Nature Study Companion and founder of Living Books Curriculum, will show you how to make nature journaling simple, pressure-free, and enriching for your homeschool. You'll learn easy methods for recording nature encounters, five simple prompts that work for all ages, and how to integrate Scripture and science into your journals. No artistic talent is required—just a heart for wonder! Attendees will receive a free starter guide to begin nature journaling with confidence.



### CLASSROOM 6

#### **BUILD AN AMAZING HOMESCHOOL TRANSCRIPT JEAN BURK**

There is only ONE secret ingredient to giving credibility to a homeschool transcript. If you don't know it, author Jean Burk will share the answer in this incredible lecture. Discover the insider criteria that Harvard uses to judge applicants and why summer break needs to be more than just a vacation. Learn the differences between AP, Dual Enrollment, and CLEP courses and the pros and cons of adding them to your schedule. Find out about the 3-Tier credit plan, so you can correctly build a portfolio that will impress any admissions counselor. If your kids are planning to go to college, you cannot afford to miss this engagement.



### CLASSROOM 7

#### **BOYS WILL BE BOYS: THE DELIGHT OF HOMESCHOOLING BOYS ANN TROAST**

Are you homeschooling boys? Do they have more energy than you can keep up with? Providing an intentional atmosphere of learning for your son will result in successful lessons and joyful days. I'll share stories and helpful tips as a veteran homeschooling mom of three boys. "Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching. They are a garland to grace your head and a chain to adorn your neck." Proverbs 1:8-9

## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

# BREAKOUT SESSIONS #4 - 4:00-5:00PM



### SANCTUARY

#### **NOT-SO-QUIET TIME: HOW TO PRIORITIZE TIME WITH GOD AS A HOMESCHOOL MOM - PHYLCIA MASONHEIMER**

Coffee, candle, armchair - check! The perfect quiet time is all over Instagram -- but making it happen in real life feels impossible. Maybe it's because...it is! In this session, you'll learn how study times looked in Christian history, why our current ideal creates frustration, and how to intentionally display the Word of God to our children even while homeschooling.



### CHAPEL A

#### **GOOD FOOD AND STUBBORN WIVES (WITH RON HANNER) KODY HANNER**

Hear my husband's story of being diagnosed with end-stage liver disease and how we turned our lives around to pursue a natural lifestyle. Our heart-wrenching story will bring tears to your eyes but doesn't leave out some good laughs, steps to cleaner living, and working with your spouse.



### CHAPEL B

#### **CAR DIFFUSER MAKING & TALLOW SUNSCREEN STICK DEMO CLASS 2 \*HANDS-ON\* - BRITTANI HALL**

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### ELEMENTARY ROOM

#### **SCHOOL CHOICE - A TROJAN HORSE? ISRAEL WAYNE**

Many conservatives support and promote school choice initiatives, believing it is a way to offer more options to struggling families and give them a way to use some of their hard-earned tax dollars for private schooling or homeschooling. Israel Wayne gives reasons why true conservatives should sincerely question these initiatives.



### VIP ROOM

#### **HOMESCHOOLING LEGALLY IN MICHIGAN DAVE & STEPHEN KALLMAN - GREAT LAKES JUSTICE CENTER**

Navigating the legal landscape of homeschooling in Michigan can be challenging, but this session will make it easier to understand and follow. Join experienced Michigan attorneys, Dave and Steve Kallman, as they walk you through the state's homeschooling laws, your rights, and the practical steps you need to stay compliant. Whether you're just beginning your homeschooling journey or are a seasoned educator looking for a legal refresher, this session will equip you with the tools and knowledge to homeschool confidently and legally.



### NORTHWEST CHAPEL (UPSTAIRS)

#### **LISTENING FOR PARENTAL ANGER: NAVIGATING YOUR EMOTIONS TO BECOME THE HOMESCHOOL PARENT YOU ASPIRE TO BE - B.J. MEURER**

Do you ever feel like your kids know exactly how to push your buttons—and before you know it, you're reacting in ways you regret? Parental anger is a signal—not just a reaction. When frustration builds, it's easy to act in ways that hurt rather than help, leaving both you and your child feeling disconnected. In this session, you'll learn what the Bible really says about anger, how to listen for it in yourself, recognize its triggers, and redirect it toward meaningful growth. Discover how to respond with wisdom instead of reacting in frustration, model emotional regulation for your children, and create a more peaceful home environment for both you and your children. Walk away with biblical insights and practical strategies to help you break free from guilt, foster connection, and become the homeschool parent you aspire to be.

# SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS #4 - 4:00-5:00PM



### CLASSROOM 1

#### **TEACHING TOOLBELT - STRATEGIES FOR READING** **KRISA WINN**

There's so much to be said about teaching reading. In this session, you'll learn about the science of reading, multi-sensory teaching, and best practices for teaching a student who's struggling to read.



### CLASSROOM 2

#### **MATH GAMES & ACTIVITIES TO SUPPLEMENT ANY MATH CURRICULUM** **BOB HAZEN**

Games provide motivation and context for reinforcing math skills and concepts. You will play math games with me - both home-made and commercial - to see how "active math" can be an intentional part of your homeschool.



### CLASSROOM 4

#### **NATURE STUDY: WHERE STEM, STEAM, AND FAITH COME TO LIFE** **SHEILA CARROLL**

Sheila Carroll, author of Nature Study Companion and founder of Living Books Curriculum, will show you how to integrate STEM and STEAM learning into your homeschool through the lens of faith and wonder. Discover how hands-on nature study fosters scientific inquiry, critical thinking, creativity, and a deep appreciation for God's design. Learn five simple ways to connect science, faith, and the natural world, inspiring curiosity and a lifelong love of learning—no expertise required! Attendees will receive a free resource to help them get started right away.



### CLASSROOM 6

#### **CULTIVATING GRATITUDE** **SARAH VILLANUEVA-WILSON**

It's likely that please and thank you are a part of your family, but is gratitude really at the core of who you are? Living a life of gratitude is more than just using manners. We will discuss ways to bend our hearts toward gratefulness and to teach our children how to be truly grateful.



### CLASSROOM 7

#### **LEADING LIKE JESUS: A WORKSHOP FOR FATHERS** **MIKE WINTER**

Leadership is being like Jesus — in intention, in method, and in goal. In this workshop, Mike will help dads discover what it means to lead their families the way Jesus leads us: with purpose, humility, and love. Through clear, biblical teaching and real-life application, this workshop equips fathers to:

- reflect Christ's character in their everyday leadership
- shepherd their families spiritually
- build a home where God is known, honored, and followed.

# BREAKOUT SESSION #5 - SATURDAY 8:30-9:30AM

COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS STARTING AT 8:15AM!

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## Moms & MUFFINS

WITH KAREN EHMAN

LOCATED IN THE CHAPEL

**LISTEN, LOVE, REPEAT: OTHER-CENTERED  
LIVING IN A SELF-CENTERED WORLD**

Our culture is obsessed with self - in our schedules, our relationships, and especially online. But in the midst of this near-narcissism, people are less content than in decades past. Why? Because we have forgotten the joy that comes from putting others first. Becoming such a person requires us to live alert, listening for "heart drops" - hints from those in our lives who might need a helping hand or a dose of encouragement. Living alert lifts our own spirits, showing us that blessing others blesses us even more. Listen, Love, Repeat offers both biblical teaching and doable actions - some heart-tugging and sentimental, others sneaky and hilarious, all simple and practical. This much-needed message presents scriptural examples of those who lived alert, explains the role of good works in the life of a follower of Christ, provides inspiration for blessing the "necessary people" in your life (the ones who help you get life done), suggests practical ways to reach out to the lonely, gives ways to help the grieving, and teaches you how to hug a porcupine and squeeze a skunk - genuinely loving the hard-to-love. As we scatter kindness, we create a safe space where we can openly share the gospel and see lives changed - including ours! Most importantly, Listen, Love, Repeat will enable you to live a life that is full of good deeds, not to selfishly shout, "Hey! Look at me!" but in order to humbly implore, "Well... will you look at Him?"

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## Dads & Doughnuts

WITH ISRAEL WAYNE

LOCATED IN THE ELEMENTARY ROOM

**IS HOMESCHOOLING JUST FOR WOMEN?**

For many men, homeschooling has been looked at largely as something their wife does. Many believe that if they pay the bills, that is really all that God expects of them. Biblically speaking, what is the proper role for men in the process of home education?





# SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS #6 - 9:45-10:45AM



### **SANCTUARY**

#### **BEING SALT & LIGHT FAMILIES**

**ISRAEL WAYNE**

Should parents send their children to public schools to be missionaries and evangelists? Homeschoolers are often accused of retreating from society instead of impacting it. What is the balance between sheltering our children and reaching out to a lost world around us? In this session, Israel explains how you can equip your children for the 'real world' without putting them in harm's way.



### **CHAPEL A**

#### **THEOLOGY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN YOUR HOMESCHOOL**

**PHYLICIA MASONHEIMER**

We know that leading little hearts is hard. Overwhelming, even! There are days we just can't do it -- because without supernatural help, it's impossible! Thankfully we have been given that supernatural Helper in the form of the Holy Spirit! But many Christian parents have not been taught a strong theology of the Spirit: what it means to walk in step with Him, hear His voice, and allow Him to lead their parenting. This session will look at the biblical theology of the Spirit and include practical steps for living under His influence with our kids.



### **ELEMENTARY ROOM**

#### **STARTING A HOMESTEAD BUSINESS**

**KODY HANNER**

With over 20 years of experience in small business, including the agriculture and food industries, Kody works with homesteaders on the steps of sorting through the overwhelming options to choose the best income-producing product or service for their homestead.



### **VIP ROOM**

#### **HOW TO ACE THE SAT/ACT - FOR PARENTS & TEENS!**

**JEAN BURK**

Test-prep Guru, Jean Burk, will share her secrets of test success that have helped tens of thousands of students raise their SAT scores as much as 700 points and ACT 9 points! Learn how to find shortcuts in test patterns and save time on all types of questions. Math, Writing, Reading, Science and the Essays are all covered in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. If you have kids in high school, you can't miss this seminar about preparing them for the SAT and ACT!



### **CLASSROOM 1**

#### **THE HOMESCHOOLER'S ROADMAP TO BIG EMOTIONS: NAVIGATING YOUR CHILD'S DEEP FEELINGS WHILE STAYING ON COURSE.**

**B.J. MEURER**

Big emotions can easily derail a homeschool day, leaving both you and your child feeling frustrated and exhausted. But what if those emotional moments could become opportunities for growth, connection, and discipleship? In this session, you'll learn how to use a heart-based approach to helping your child/teen process anger, anxiety, sadness, and more—while still making academic progress. Walk away with practical tools to manage emotional challenges, reset negative patterns, and equip your child with lifelong skills for emotional resilience—all while keeping your homeschool journey on track.



### **CLASSROOM 2**

#### **DON'T SLOW ME DOWN WITH THAT CALCULATOR (MENTAL MATH METHODS)**

**CLIFF PETRAK**

Cliff will demonstrate how his speed math methods will always prove faster than the old-fashioned algorithmic methods with which we all grew up. He'll also show how these methods are often faster than with the use of a calculator! Many of these methods have long been in use in European and Asian schools, which leaves the U.S. ranking 34th in mental math and calculation abilities. Once learned, however, these methods will bring up our calculating methods and will leave your calculator-dependent friends in the dust!

# 2025 HOMESCHOOL DAY AT THE DOME

- 5K Fundraiser
- Capitol Building Tour
- Lunch on the Capitol Lawn
- Self-Guided Prayer Walk

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025**

**REGISTRATION OPENS SOON!**



**Speaker**  
**Zan Tyler**

This powerful day of faith, family, and civic engagement kicks off with a 5K fundraiser in the morning, followed by the opportunity to meet with legislators and make your voice heard. The day culminates in a stirring rally on the Capitol steps, featuring our special speaker, Zan Tyler! Don't miss this inspiring opportunity to unite with fellow homeschoolers and make a lasting impact in Lansing!

**HOSTED BY: MICHIGAN CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL NETWORK**



## FALL LEADERSHIP RETREAT

**NOVEMBER 7-8, 2025**

**REGISTRATION OPENS SOON!**

**2025 Theme - Transformational Leadership - Romans 12:2**

Whether you're an enthusiastic young homeschooler looking to start something new in your community, or a seasoned veteran whose own children have graduated while you still forge ahead ministering to the homeschool community - we see you and want to bless, support and encourage you!! Doug Bartsch will be with us to provide resources and help for the inevitable conflicts and interpersonal dynamics that arise while you lead!



**DOUG BARTSCH**

**Pastor &  
Director of Training  
at the Ministry Institute**

- Mastering Conflict
- Constructive Conflict
- Conflict Prevention
- Conquering Burnout
- Organizing Your Ministry
- Sustaining Your Ministry



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## SHOPPING AT WALMART? USE YOUR WALMART APP TO BLESS MICHN!

We are excited to have a "Spark Good" account set up through Walmart! This will allow you to easily round up to the nearest dollar and donate to MICHN!

Here is a step-by-step on how it works:

1. Click on "Account" in the bottom right corner of your Walmart app.
2. Scroll down to and click on "Giving & Impact".
3. Type in "Michigan Christian Homeschool Network".
4. Select organization for your charity of choice.
5. Turn on "Round Up to Donate" toggle.
6. Turn on "Share Your Name and Email" with the organization, if you choose to.
7. When you check out, you MUST click on the box to round up your donation EVERY TIME you order.

## FRIDAY SCHEDULE - MAY 16, 2025

Times:	8:30-9:30am	Session #1 9:45-10:45am	Session #2 11:00-12:00pm	12:00pm - 1:30pm	1:30 - 2:30pm	Session #3 2:45-3:45pm	Session #4 4:00-5:00pm	5:00-7:00pm	7:00-9:00pm
Location:									
Sanctuary	KEYNOTE - PHYLCIA MASONHEIMER	How to Keep Your Child in the Faith Israel Wayne	Modest Audacity: A Faithful Writing Life S. D. Smith	LUNCH & SHOPPING	KEYNOTE - ISRAEL WAYNE	Teaching Spiritual Truths through Natural Means Ginny Yurich	Not-So-Quiet Time: How to Prioritize Time with God Phylcia Masonheimer	DINNER & SHOPPING	FAMILY FUN NIGHT - GINNY YURICH & S D SMITH
Chapel A		Keep Showing Up Karen Ehman	How to Combat Screen Time in a Tech World Ginny Yurich			Christian Storytelling: An Escape Into Reality S. D. Smith	Good Food & Stubborn Wives Ron & Kody Hanner		
Chapel B		Candle Making & Chapstick Demo Class 1 *Hands - On* Brittani Hall	Candle Making & Chapstick Demo Class 2 *Hands-On* Brittani Hall			Car Diffuser & Tallow Sunscreen Class 1 *Hands-On* Brittani Hall	Car Diffuser & Tallow Sunscreen Class 2 *Hands-On* Brittani Hall		
Elementary Room		Homeschooling like a Homesteader Kody Hanner	Answering Kids' Theological Questions Phylcia Masonheimer			KEEP IT SHUT: What to Say, How to Say It & When to Say Nothing Karen Ehman	School Choice – Trojan Horse? Israel Wayne		
VIP Room		Teaching Preschool & Early Learners Cheri Kay Sessions	Teaching Teens w/ Special Needs Cheri Kay Sessions			Teaching Struggling Learners at Home Cheri Kay Sessions	Homeschooling Legally in Michigan Dave & Steve Kallman		
Northwest Chapel (Upstairs)		Finding CALM in Emotional Storms B.J. Meurer	Raising Kids Who Know God Starts with Dad Mike Winter			The Homeschool Family Peace Plan B.J. Meurer	Parental Anger: Navigating Your Emotions B.J. Meurer		
Classroom 1		Your Perspective is Everything Krisa Winn	Teaching Toolbelt: Strategies for Math Krisa Winn			Living Musically The Growing Roots	Teaching Toolbelt: Strategies for Reading Krisa Winn		
Classroom 2		20 Remarkable Creatures Karri Iverson	Documenting Creation: Science Lab Journal Karri Iverson			Creating a Math-Rich Home Environment Bob Hazen	Math Games Bob Hazen		
Classroom 4		Sibling Squabbles in the Classroom Kathie Morrissey	Time Management - Getting It All Done Kathie Morrissey			Nature Journaling Made Simple Sheila Carroll	Nature Study: STEM, STEAM, & Faith Sheila Carroll		
Classroom 6		Secrets to the Scholarship Search Jean Burk	Building Family Legacy Sarah Villanueva-Wilson			Build an Amazing Homeschool Transcript Jean Burk	Cultivating Gratitude Sarah Villanueva-Wilson		
Classroom 7	Simplify & Refresh Your Days Ann Troast	Home-Made Cost Cutting Kody Hanner	The Delight of Homeschooling Boys Ann Troast	Leading Like Jesus: For Fathers Mike Winter					
Event Center	Giant Cow Children’s Program 8:15am - 12:15pm				Giant Cow Children’s Program 1:15pm - 5:30pm				
Classrooms 9 & 10	TLC - Teen Leadership Corps - 7:45am - 5:00pm								
Hallways & Kidz Connect	VENDORS OPEN FOR SHOPPING - 9:30am - 7:00pm								



# SATURDAY SCHEDULE - MAY 17, 2025

Times: Location:	Session #5 8:30-9:30am	Session #6 9:45-10:45am	11:15am- 12:00pm
Sanctuary		Being Salt & Light Families <b>Israel Wayne</b>	C L O S I N G  K E Y N O T E  -  G I N N Y  Y U R I C H
Chapel	Moms & Muffins Listen, Love, Repeat <b>Karen Ehman</b>	Theology of the Holy Spirit in Your Homeschool <b>Phylcia Masonheimer</b>	
Elementary Room	Dads & Doughnuts Is Homeschooling Just for Women? <b>Israel Wayne</b>	Starting a Homestead Business <b>Kody Hanner</b>	
VIP Room		How to Ace the SAT/ACT <b>Jean Burk</b>	
Classroom 1		The Homeschooler's Roadmap to Big Emotions <b>B. J. Meurer</b>	
Classroom 2		Don't Slow Me Down with that Calculator (Mental Math Methods) <b>Cliff Petrak</b>	
Event Center	Children's Program - Giant Cow 8:15am - 12:10pm		
Classrooms 9 & 10	TLC - Teen Leadership Corps - 7:45am - 2:00pm		
Hallways & Kidz Connect	VENDORS OPEN FOR SHOPPING 8:15-11:15am		

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We're so thankful that you chose to take this time and make this investment into the spiritual development of your family! MICHN's primary purpose is to partner with God in His work of drawing people to Himself in order to conform them into the image of his only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. To accomplish this end, we have invited speakers and exhibitors to encourage and equip you in your walk with Christ and in your work of training your children to know Him so that as they grow, they won't depart from His ways. It is our hope, our prayer, and our trust, that this weekend will be a transformational time and a tremendous blessing to you and your family. May it result in your love for God and your family being increased and strengthened! May the Lord bless you as you lay a firm foundation for your family, built upon your faith in the Lord and the freedom He gives us to follow Him in the training of our children for His glory! We pray you leave refreshed and renewed in your resolve to live for Him and train your children to do the same!

MIKE WINTER - MICHN PRESIDENT