

Great Commission Conference

Saturday Breakouts

Saturday Morning (Breakouts 1 & 2)

- **Becoming a Cultural Architect – Gene Austin**

Do you think about putting on a seat belt? Putting a child in a car seat? Not much because they have become a part of our American culture. How might your ministry change if disciplines like making disciples, sharing your faith, living on mission were something that just happens in your church? Come and learn the beginning steps of becoming a Cultural Architect that shapes a Great Commission culture in your organization.

- **Discipling in Student Ministry – Jason Walters**

Our systems are perfectly designed to achieve the results we are currently getting. If that is the case, then we seriously need to scrutinize our systems in student ministry. The majority of students who are involved in church as high schoolers will drop out during their college years, and most will not return. We need to shift our student ministries from focusing on attractional models to ones that focusing on disciple-making. This breakout will talk about strategy to shift gears in student ministry so that we can more effectively pass the faith on to the next generation.

- **The Gospel & Disciple-Making – Carson Conover**

According to author Bill Hull, "The gospel you preach determines the disciples you make." In other words, faithfulness to the gospel message is foundational to our disciple-making efforts. So, what are the essential elements of the gospel? How should the gospel shape the way we make disciples? In this breakout, we'll respond to these questions to help you build a firm foundation for your personal disciple-making ministry.

- **Love Where You Live – Dave Runyon**

We will dig deeper into [The Art of Neighboring](#) as we discuss best practices and obstacles to connecting with our literal neighbors. We will cover questions such as how do you find time to do this? What if my neighbors are sketchy? Do my motives matter? What about us introverts? How do I talk about Jesus without seeming weird? And much more!

- **A Missionary Toolkit – Paul Damery**

The Great Commission task of disciple-making is for every believer, but it is not for the faint of heart! Whether you're a student or a full-time professional in the workforce, you need to develop an arsenal of tools for making disciples. In this breakout, we'll discuss several strategies for missional living, and you will learn practical tools for sharing the Gospel and making disciples wherever the Lord has placed you.

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- **Reaching Every Neighborhood in Your City – Gary Kendall**
Gary Kendall is the Catalyst for Love KC which has the vision of seeing every neighborhood in Kansas City adopted by the end of 2020 by a disciple living the prayer, care, and share lifestyle. Hear how they are already over 50% and growing rapidly seeing people live on mission every day where they live, study, work, and play.
- **Spread By Love – Bill Victor**
How did the church grow from 120 in the Upper Room to 30 million? The gospel was spread by believers who loved and served their communities even at times of great risk.
- **The Trouble with the Trinity – Rob Bowman**
Robert Bowman introduces various challenges to the doctrine of the Trinity and responds by laying out a biblical case for the truth of one true God in three persons.

Saturday Afternoon (Breakouts 3 & 4)

- **Discipleship in the Workplace – Doug Logsdon**
Discipleship in the Workplace is a glimpse into my journey for the past 20 years of loving the Lord while I was fortunate enough to work at Starbucks, Chick-Fil-A, and Aldi. We will look at what it takes to be true to our faith and honorable of our employers while we let the Word push us to be more like Jesus.
- **Emotionally Healthy Spirituality in College – Heather Murray**
Life is full of emotions, and college life is no exception. You find yourself flooded with day to day studies and activities, unsure if you're actually impacting people, anxious about what to do next that will actually make a difference, and more. This is a completely normal experience. Come and learn some strategies to help you stay or get back on track emotionally and spiritually.
- **Evangelism 101: How do I share the Gospel with my friends on campus? – Kale Uzzle**
Evangelism can be a scary word. We all know we should share our faith but we feel scared and intimidated by what could happen if we try. Join us as we pray for our curious friends and learn a few skills that can help us press through fear and awkwardness into obedience to Jesus and the joy that follows.
- **God's Call on My Life – Travis Hamm**
Answering God's call can seem to be a daunting and mysterious concept, but is it really? In this breakout we'll bring some clarity to this often-confusing notion so that you can leave confident in God's call for your life. NOTE: This breakout will discuss aspects of the Collegiate Internship & Apprenticeship for those interested.

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- **Intentional Walk – David Hendrick**

Living life on purpose is something that we read in every self-help book that we come across; but what does that look like for the Jesus follower? And for what purpose? The example of Jesus and the words and actions of the Apostle Paul give us insight into what it means to be intentional with our lives. David will talk not only about his mission experiences overseas, but how those experiences can be transferred in practical ways to live a life on mission, with purpose and a true sense of calling.

- **Maintaining Biblical Integrity While Loving the Historically Excluded – Chris Wilson**

The goal of this session is to build awareness that will result in further discussion.

- **Navigating Tragedy on the College Campus – Jon Nelson**

Pastor Jon Nelson will talk about navigating students through tragedy on your campus and/or ministry. How do we respond when students ask the question, “How could God allow this to happen?” Pastor Jon will share from his own story of personal tragedy, the multiple tragedies on his campus over the last few years, what he learned from his experience, and how that experience helped him better navigate tragedy with his students.

- **People Teams – Andrew Huesing**

People Teams ministers to refugees and internationals in Kansas City through cross-cultural youth groups, one to one or family to family friendships, and cross-cultural evangelism and discipleship. This breakout session is designed to give short tools of Bible storying as training in cross-cultural evangelism and discipleship and to cast awareness of ways to plug in to ministry among different ethnic people groups in Kansas City.

- **Prayer Nations – Ed Moncada**

We want to bring together those that have a heart for the Nations. A prayer focus to disciple the next generation world leaders. Which Nations are on your campus & community? Sharing International Student Ministry resources & a time to pray.

- **So I’m Supposed to Make Disciples? Help! – Jeff Carson**

Maybe you’re like me, and you’ve come to the realization in college that every follower of Jesus is to be making disciples. But when it comes down to it, how are you supposed to do that? How are you supposed to bring others along in following Jesus with you? How are you supposed to do something that wasn’t really modeled in your own life? Is doing a 1-on-1 Bible study the same as making disciples? If any of those questions have crossed your mind, then this breakout is for you!

- **Stop Trafficking Project: Be Alert – Stacey Lareau**

BeAlert is the awareness and prevention strategy of [The Stop Trafficking Project](#) to end domestic minor sex trafficking (DMST).