

October 31 is more than Halloween Saturday!

It is also the date that you were saving for the workshop entitled

Spooky Church Growth Methods

Pastors, church leaders, and those with a heart for church growth are invited to attend. Sponsored by Evangelism & Church Growth Commission and your Eastminster Presbytery, this customized participatory program will cover:

“Redeveloping the Congregation – A How To for Lasting Change” by M. K. Sellon, D. P. Smith, & G. F. Grossman, Alban Institute – From their own significant experience in leadership of congregations, the authors offer strong spiritual grounding and wise counsel for personal and communal transformation as they lead us through a highly effective process of congregational redevelopment.

“Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations” by Robert Schnase, Bishop of the Missouri Conference, The United Methodist Church – These five fundamental practices are critical to the success of congregations. Their presence and strength demonstrate congregational health, vitality, and fruitfulness. By repeating and improving these practices, churches fulfill their mission and grow.

“Prayer for Busy People” by Jamie Tyrrell, Vital Churches Institute – Learn the art of listening prayer, a simple guide to life-changing prayer. Learn to pray daily in our busy, pressured lives to deepen relationships, attract loyal friends in Christ, develop courage to take risks, and receive comfort in failure as well as exhilaration in success.

“Small Groups Couldn’t Be Easier!” by David Weida, CMS, PE, is President of Business Growth Concepts, Inc. a change consultancy focusing on company transformations in the secular world – learn a simple and proven method of establishing successful and sustainable small groups. Your church could (and should) have several small groups meeting at your church by December 31, 2009... but only if you want to!

Your facilitator for this educational and fun filled event is Dave Weida. Yes, the same wild and crazy guy who facilitated the Cluster Meetings! This workshop is designed to address issues and concerns garnered at those meetings. Don’t miss this *awesome opportunity* to learn and grow.

This cleverly disguised workshop will surprise you, inspire you, and perhaps catapult you into action about church growth! The workshop will begin at 8:59 am, sharp, and finish by 4:01 pm at the First Presbyterian Church of Mineral Ridge. Lunch will be provided. The value of this workshop in the secular world: \$125.00 less \$113.00 offset by Evangelism & Church Growth Commission equals your fee of *\$12.00 per person*. Make reservations by contacting Arlene at the Presbytery Office and make checks payable to Eastminster Presbytery. Deadline for reservations is October 16, 2009. You must attend in order to receive the materials!