



Annual Ministry Conference 2009
Saturday, September 12
First Baptist Church, Alexandria
9:00 a.m.—noon

Paid registrations due by September 9, 2009.
Registration Forms are available online, from the Preview Packet,
or by calling 703-941-6822.

Make registration through your church or online at
[www.NorthStarChurchNetwork.org/Upcoming Events](http://www.NorthStarChurchNetwork.org/Upcoming%20Events)

Cost: \$20.00 per person from a NorthStar congregation
\$30.00 per person from a non-NorthStar congregation

Workshops are subject to change. Sorry, no refunds.

Highlights of Adult Workshops —

Train UP Your Voice! — Experience vocal techniques to use during your weekly rehearsals for your Praise Team and Choir. Great for all singers!

From Conflict to Reconciliation: Peacemaking and Relationship Building — While often seen as negative, conflict actually offers an opportunity for learning, growing and creating stronger bonds of relationship. This workshop will provide an overview of conflict and practical skills for managing it well.

She Speaks...Stepping Up to the Mic with Confidence — Practical tips of public speaking for when you are called to share announcements, devotions, or even your personal story.

Ministering to Caregivers — Rosalynn Carter once said, "There are only four kinds of people in the world: those who have been caregivers, those who are currently caregiver, those who will be caregivers, and those who will need caregivers." Aging "Boomers" and an increasing "Sandwich Generation" need our support. What can we do?

Outreach Principles for Small Groups and Sunday School — Whether your church discipled its members through small groups or Sunday School, you need to know basic principles of outreach that will help you effectively reach new people. Without effective outreach, small groups and Sunday school classes can both stagnate, turn inward, and leave long-time members wondering why few new folks attend and why even fewer return for a second visit.

Highlights of Workshops for September 12 Ministry Conference



Youth Leaders —

Singles' Ministry Forum: Making Connections — a forum to discuss ways that singles can connect with each other when time is limited.

Youth Ministry: The Next Generation — If you've been sensing that the way we did youth ministry in the past is not working anymore, then this may just be the conference for you. We will look at adolescent development and discuss ways that youth ministry can best minister to the needs of today's and tomorrow's teenagers. We'll look at how to provide a solid and sustainable foundation for your ministry that can stand the test of time as well as adapt to the changing needs of adolescents.

Middle School Ministry — This workshop will walk leaders through the maze of ministering to Middle School students. They are awkward, complex, and incredibly moldable. We'll explore how we can "give them handles" on all that they have learned in their faith and how we can unleash them to live their life for the glory of God.

Children's Leaders —

Guiding Children to Christ from Birth — When can a child believe? How do you talk to a kid about salvation? Learn how to recognize the signs a child is "ready," learn to ask the right questions, and learn how to check their understanding.

Turn Your Sunday School into FUNday School! — This seminar will give an overview of the Workshop rotation Model for teaching Elementary Sunday School. WoRM incorporates the teaching principles of Multiple Intelligences with the repetition of major Bible stories to allow your students to develop a lasting memory and understanding of content. From Drama to Art to Games, children are engaged, active, and learning.

Using Games to Teach Bible Skills — Sunday School can be fun and exciting without using expensive high tech gadgets. Children who are engaged in class will enjoy Sunday School and learn more about God's message. Join us for an interactive session about teaching God's Word and basic bible facts in an exciting atmosphere for children.

Preschool Leaders —

Learning God's Word through Science — Preschoolers by nature love to explore. They are curious, ask questions and love exploring their world. Come and learn some simple science activities that will utilize all of your preschooler's senses. Each activity will allow your preschoolers to explore the sights, sounds, smells, tastes and textures of God's world. Suggested Bible stories and verses will accompany each activity.

It's More Than a Story — Sharing how to present the bible, from Genesis to Revelation, in the form of dramatized storytelling, by utilizing the children as Bible characters, and creating a storyline environment. Learn how to bring the stories to life visually!

Active Teaching (Learning Centers) for Preschoolers — this session will focus on how to use Learning Centers to engage children in active learning, avoid discipline problems, and make transitions smoother. We will focus on how to use the ideas in the provided Sunday School materials as well as easy, low cost ways to enhance these ideas.

Teaching the Way They Learn — Do you ever wonder why people hum all of the time? Maybe you know someone who loves animals, has a green thumb, enjoys nature? Well, there is a theory about why this is so! Let's explore Howard Gardner's Theory of Multiple Intelligences.

Special Needs—"Can You Hear Me Now?" — Ever wonder what child's behavior is telling you or why they have academic weaknesses? Have you ever asked a child, "Why did you do that?" This workshop will focus on children who don't fit the social and academic demands of the school environment. You will leave with practical ideas on how to arrange the classroom, words to use with children, class routines, and rubrics to rate behaviors.

Weekday Preschool Teachers —

Several Preschool Workshops will qualify for Continuing Education Credits at the Sept. 12 Ministry Conference and you may earn up to 3 credits.



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Complete registration form, make check payable to NorthStar Church Network, and mail to PO Box 1470, Annandale, VA 22003

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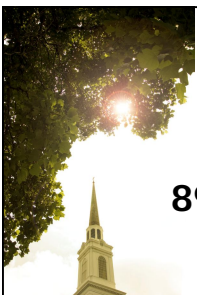
Calendar of Events

September —

- 1st — Network Council, noon, Annandale office
- 1st — Youth Workers meeting, 3-5 p.m., Crosspoint House
- 3rd — Church Staff Health Group, noon, Annandale office
- 5th — Hispanic Pastor's Fellowship
- 7th — Both NorthStar offices will be closed.
- 9th — Registration Due for Ministry Conference 2009!
- 12th — **Annual Ministry Conference 2009,
9 a.m.—noon, FBC Alexandria**
- 18th — Library Workshop, 10 a.m., Ox Hill Baptist Church
- 22nd — Ministers Fellowship, Crosspoint House
- 22nd — Network Board of Directors, 7 p.m., New Hope Church
- 25th — BMAV One Day Conference, Richmond
- 26-27th — Middle School Retreat, Shenandoah Springs
- 29th — Church Discipleship Group, 12:30 p.m.,
Annandale office

October —

- 3rd — Churches On Mission Group with Columbia Baptist
Church—"Staying Ahead", 9 a.m.—noon
- 3rd — New Member Orientation
- 3rd — Hispanic Pastors Fellowship
- 6th — Youth Workers meeting, 3-5 p.m., Crosspoint House
- 12th — Both NorthStar offices will be closed.
- 13th — Ministers Fellowship, North Fork Baptist Church
- 24th — **NorthStar's 7th Annual Meeting,
New Hope Church**



**NorthStar's
Annual Meeting
Saturday, October 24
New Hope Church
8905 Ox Road, Lorton, VA
9:00 a.m. --12:30 p.m.**