

The Discipleship Ministry of the PCA seeks to strengthen the church by connecting people to people and people to resources. One aspect of that mission is to provide onsite training and resources for the local church

## **Parenting Conference**

## "Parenting in Relationship with God" Stephen Estock and Sue Jakes

This five-part seminar is designed to explore how the gospel of God's covenant love shapes the lives of parents. Though we often feel uncertain and helpless, Christian parents are never alone. The God who gave them these "little blessings" is present in every circumstance parents face. "Perfect parenting" is impossible because children and parents are imperfect. Yet, a perfect and gracious Heavenly Father works in the midst of covenant relationships to give hope, and strength, and blessing.

## Seminar overview:

- Session 1: **Gospel-Centered Parenting** (Psalm 127; John 15:4, 9; Matthew 18:6)
- Session 2: **Parenting in the Covenant: Children and the Covenant of Grace** (Genesis 17:1-8; Luke 6:40)
- Session 3: Biblical Discipline: Give Me Grace! (Hebrews 12:3-11; Prov. 3:11-12; John 15:1-2)
- Session 4: Deuteronomy 6: A Plan with a Promise (Deut. 6:6-7; Psalm 78:1-8; Eph. 3:20-21)
- Session 5: Training Children and Families in Worship (Deut. 31:9-13; Neh. 8:1-4a; Romans 12:1-2)

**Music:** You may have someone lead an opening/closing song on Friday evening and/or Saturday morning if this works in your setting.

**Audio-Visual:** A screen and projector. We can bring our own projector if necessary. **Sunday:** If you want to extend the weekend into a Parenting emphasis for Sunday morning, Dr. Estock is available to preach on parenting during morning worship, and both Dr. Estock and Ms. Jakes might lead an adult SS class on parenting or on the church's ministry of discipleship.

## <u>Fees</u>

- CDM Ministry Partner Fee:
  - A fee of \$500 is charged to churches who are not currently giving to CDM.
  - For churches giving \$500 or more to CDM for the year, the fee for training is waived.
- Travel: Airfare, car rental and gas, or mileage (at the current IRS rate). CDM will invoice the church for the travel cost.
- Lodging (choose 1 of 3 options):
  - Hotel The church books the hotel rooms directly and pays for it.
  - $\circ~$  Hotel CDM books the hotel rooms, and CDM will invoice the church.
  - A church member may host the CDM Staff in their home. Please provide the individual(s) with a private-bedroom and bathroom.
- An honorarium to the speakers is appreciated but is not expected.

CDM would love to be a part of training, equipping, and resourcing your church in discipleship ministry! To inquire about scheduling a parenting conference at your church, please visit pcacdm.org or email Bethany Belue, <u>bbelue@pcanet.org</u>