**IMPACT ROCHESTER NY**

**Date:** February 7-8, 2014  
**Venue:** Journey Christian Church  
**Location:** Rochester, NY  
**Price:** $50 - $75 (see Rates for details)

*We invite you to join with other children's ministry leaders, parents, teachers, volunteers, and youth workers to be inspired, encouraged, and equipped for the enduring joy of the next generations!*

If you are passionate about God-centered discipleship to infants, preschoolers, elementary-aged children or youth in your home or church, this event is designed especially for you!

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**Conference Information**

**Venue**  
Journey Christian Church  
3955 Mt. Read Blvd  
Rochester, NY 14616  
585.865.5505

**Hotels**  
For your convenience, several blocks of rooms have been reserved near our conference venue at a special event rate. Please mention “Children Desiring God” to receive discounted rates.

- **MARRIOTT Rochester Airport**  
  1890 Ridge Road West  
  Rochester, NY 14615  
  585.225.6880  
  **$99**

- **RESIDENCE INN West**  
  500 Paddy Creek Circle  
  Rochester, NY 14615  
  585.865.2090  
  **$109**

- **HOMEWOOD SUITES**  
  400 Cednter Place Drive  
  Rochester, NY 14615  
  585.865.8534  
  **$119**

**Conference Rates**

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| **Individual** | $50.00  
| **Couples**    | $75.00 ($37.50 ea) 

*Note: Online registration closes one week before the event.*

Registration will open October 12th.  
For more information call 877.400.1414, Mon-Fri 9AM - 3PM (CST).

Your conference registration includes:  
- All plenary and seminar sessions, lunch on-site (Saturday), and a conference gift bag

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Register Now!  
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**Conference Schedule**

**FRIDAY, FEB 7**

- 5:00 PM  
  Check-In / Registration Opens

- 7:00 PM  
  Welcome & Worship

- 7:30 PM  
  *Part 1: A Vision for God-Centered Worship in the Next Generation*

**SATURDAY, FEB 8**

- 9:00 AM  
  Welcome & Worship

- 9:30 AM  
  *Part 2: A Vision for Biblical Literacy in the Next Generation*

- 10:45 AM  
  Break

- 11:00 AM  
  *Part 3: A Vision for Encouraging Faith in the Next Generation*

- 12:15 PM  
  Lunch Provided

- 1:00 PM  
  Seminar Session #1

- 2:15 PM  
  Break

- 2:30 PM  
  Seminar Session #2

- 3:45 PM  
  Conference ends

*Note: Final schedule may vary slightly.*
A conference for parents, children’s ministry leaders, teachers, volunteers, and youth workers to impact the next generation

Plenary Sessions

 Foundations and Distinctions for God-Centered Children’s Discipleship

What are the biblical foundations for discipling children in our homes and churches? How will we teach children and youth the “whole counsel of God”? Can we give young children a solid theological framework for faith? David and Sally Michael will answer these questions as they lay out a vision for God-centered discipleship of children and youth. Join us to explore this vision with the hope that the next generations will be biblically literate worshippers who joyfully put their confidence in God through Jesus Christ.

Session 1: A Vision for God-Centered Worship in the Next Generation

Psalm 78 provides the basis for the biblical calling to teach the next generation. By differentiating between “activity orientation” and “vision orientation” in ministry, it is clear that achieving a biblical vision requires intentionality. This session concludes with a detailed look at the teaching we are called to pass on to the next generation.

 Session 2: A Vision for Biblical Literacy in the Next Generation

David and Sally explain the principles for raising Bible-saturated children and youth. They focus on several essential aspects to achieve this: teaching the whole counsel of God, teaching true doctrine, and encouraging Scripture memorization.

 Session 3: A Vision for Encouraging Faith in the Next Generation

Teaching requires not only a transfer of knowledge, but to help children and youth make personal application of Scripture in their daily lives. Learn how to encourage and equip parents in their God-given role as spiritual shepherds to their children.

Seminar Sessions 1 (choose one)

1A— Vision-Oriented Parenting and the Discipleship of Children and Youth (David Michael)

Home and Church are the two institutions that God has established for the instruction and discipleship of children and youth. It is best when these two institutions cooperate with each other and coordinate their efforts in this endeavor to nurture faith. In this seminar David Michael will offer biblical insights and practical strategies for parents and church leaders as they pursue the joy of the next generation together.

1B—Teaching Preschoolers: How and Why? (Sally Michael)

What do you do with preschoolers in church? Can you really teach them the Bible or should you just let them play? In this seminar, Sally Michael will share a philosophy of preschool ministry that will challenge you to use these years to introduce them to spiritual truth. Sally will also walk through the elements of the Children Desiring God preschool curriculum, focusing on a practical approach to teaching the Bible and structuring preschool classroom time.

1C—Lesson Preparation and Presentation (Jill Nelson)

Teaching the Bible to children is both a privilege and a responsibility. Teaching well depends on heart preparation, studying the lesson before teaching, and an effective lesson presentation. This seminar will include ideas to organize your lesson preparation, structure your teaching time, and encourage student understanding. Both new and seasoned teachers of elementary and junior high students will benefit from this seminar.

1D—Prayer: Utter Dependence on God (Bud Burk)

We are utterly dependent upon God in every circumstance, in every relationship, and in all ministries for all good and for the ability to honor His great name. There is a necessary connection between our felt dependency upon God and our pursuit of God in prayer. This seminar is intended to cultivate your thirst for a felt dependency upon God, and to express that thirst in prayer as you meditate upon Scripture. It is also intended to cultivate creative thought in how to lead your ministry teams and children/youth in prayer in the context of the ministry program, as you corporately meditate upon Scripture.

1E—Truth-Drenched Youth Ministry (Kempton Turner)

How can we as parents and ministry workers disciple young people who set their hearts to study, live, and teach the Word (Ezra 7:10), treasure the words of His mouth more than food (Job 23:12), delight in the law of the Lord (Psalm 1:2), desire God’s Word more than gold, and have the Word of Christ richly dwelling in them (Colossians 3:16) all to the praise and glory of King Jesus? We can’t! But God can! Come find out how God graciously seeks to create this kind of Bible-saturated breeding ground in the discipleship of young people in your home and in your church, for the fame of Jesus’ name in this generation!

Seminar Sessions 2 (choose one)

2A— Vision-Oriented Parenting and the Discipleship of Children and Youth (David Michael)

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2B—Reaching the Heart: The Importance of Application (Sally Michael)

Teaching the Bible to children goes beyond imparting knowledge to leading children to “taste and see that the LORD is good!” How can we teach in such a way that children understand, respond to, and act on the Word of God? This seminar will emphasize the importance of reaching the heart when teaching children. Though only God can open blind eyes and soften hard hearts, we can be His means of grace to the children that we teach.

2C—The Importance of Bible Literacy for the Next Generation (Jill Nelson)

God has given parents and teachers both the opportunity and the calling to give our children a thorough knowledge of the Bible. This is a sober responsibility and also an exciting ministry. This seminar will focus on the importance of Bible literacy, as well as age-related goals and expectations, and practical tips for achieving these in the classroom and home.

2D—The Generations in the Worship at Home and in Church (Bud Burk)

What place do you think children are more likely to sense your fear of the LORD and your love for Jesus? What place do you think your children are more likely to see your joy, earnestness, silent attention, and tears? What spiritual impact would be kept from your children’s hearts if they did not consistently visit that place with you? This seminar is designed to cast vision and provide practical application for children and adults together in corporate worship, including all the elements in the worship service.

2E—Great Expectations: Embracing a Massive, Christ-Exalting Vision for Young People (Kempton Turner)

What radical, risky things are you expecting Almighty God to do in and through the young people in your home and church? The Living God has unimaginable plans for them! The Bible, church history, and the present day reveal that God is gloriously notorious for using young people to accomplish great things for His fame! From 8-year-old boys in the past like Josiah to 18-year-old young women in the present like Katie Davis, this has been God’s magnificent way! Come, catch this God-magnifying vision and be better prepared to impart it to the young people in your home and church for Christ’s kingdom-advancing glory!