

2015 HOW-TO CONVENTION

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2015

**Hoodview
Church of God**
WOODBURN, OREGON

DRIVING DIRECTIONS
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**JESUS IS THE
SUBJECT**
Colossians 1:16-17



SCHEDULE

8:00 am

Registration

8:30 am

General Session
with Rev. Bob Moss

9:40-10:50 am

Session 1

11 am-12:10 pm

Session 2

12:15-1:15 pm

Lunch

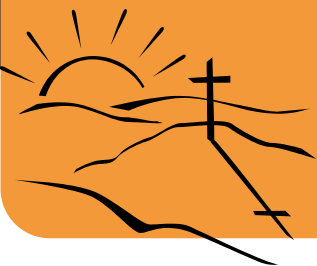
1:20-2:30 pm

Session 3

2:40-3:15 pm

Wrap Up

with Dr. Paul Maxfield



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Robert L. Moss

General Session:

How to Extend Your Reach

Do you ever wish your ministry reach could extend beyond the end of your arm? It can! Any congregation or individual can extend their ministry reach through strategic partnerships. Learn how our state and national ministries of the Church of God have a capacity to extend your reach exponentially.

The Church of God is actually a loosely affiliated group of independent congregations. We choose to be in relationship with one another knowing that we share common beliefs and traditions. Since the earliest days of the Church of God we have known that together we can accomplish so much more than any of us could do alone.

In this general session, our speaker Bob Moss will describe for us the vision for a new day in the Church of God using the acronym: R.E.A.C.H. You'll discover new possibilities for your own ministry as he describes the dawning of a new day and new vision for the Church of God.

Other Sessions by Bob:

- Session 1 (#1): How Healthy Decision-Making Will Change Your Church
- Session 3 (#15): Expanded Thoughts on Extending Your Ministry Reach

Bob is the newly appointed Chief Advancement Officer for Church of God Ministries in Anderson. Most recently he was Lead Pastor of the Salem Church of God near Dayton, Ohio. In more than 35 years of pastoral ministry, Bob has also served congregations in Washington state, Wyoming, and Michigan. He served as the Executive State Minister for the 150 congregations of the Church of God in Indiana.

He was the two-term chairman of the General Assembly of the Church of God 2006-2010, and has been on several agency boards during his ministry.

He has ministered in many settings around the world including India, Paraguay, Lebanon, Germany and Hungary. He is past chairman of the Board of Healthy Growing Churches and is on the Board of Heart for Lebanon, a ministry based in Beirut.

Bob is an alumnus of Warner Pacific College and the Anderson School of Theology. He married Renée Dorsey in 1977 and they have three married adult children and six grandchildren.



Registration is only \$25 per individual if postmarked by Jan. 22, 2015. Groups of 8 or more can register from the same church for \$150 if postmarked by Jan. 22, 2015 (more info on back). Choose your conferences from pages 2-3; then turn to page 4 to register and to get directions to Hoodview Church of God in Woodburn, Oregon.



SESSION 1

(Choose ONE conference from Session 1 and enter it on the registration form.)

1. How Healthy Decision-Making Will Change Your Church

—Bob Moss (Chief Advancement Officer for Church of God Ministries in Anderson, IN)

In his pastoral experience, Bob emphasized the relative roles of pastor, board, and laypersons in congregational decision-making. The pastor must be spiritually qualified to cast the vision for the church's future; the board must be unanimous in their support of that vision; and the laity must work in concert to realize the vision. This session will give you practical advice based on Bob's experiences in transforming church leadership roles.

2. How to Maintain Consistency in Children's Ministry

—Karen Graham (Children's Pastor at Riverside Community COG, Cottage Grove)

Come be encouraged in your calling as Children's Pastor, Director and/or Volunteer. Get and share ideas to fill your toolbox of knowledge in reaching and teaching the children in your care to get excited about learning about our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

3. How to Minister to Millennials: A Discussion and Practical Steps **→ CANCELLED 1/23/15**

—Jon Archer (Secondary Teacher at Columbia Christian Schools in Portland, Oregon)

Millennials are today's teens and young adults, and they are leaving the Church in droves. What can we do to effectively reach Millennials, and not just get them to sit in the pews, but actually become active and involved in our congregations? Come join the discussion and leave with a new hope for reaching this generation.

4. How to Address the Issue of Internet Addictions

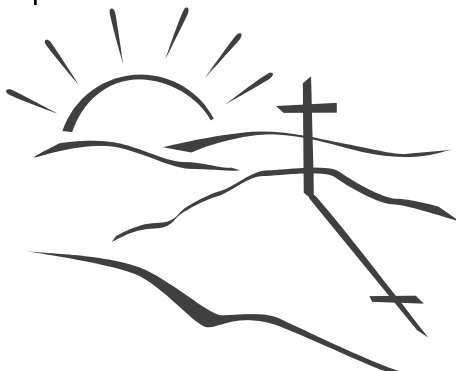
—Dennis and Georgia Miller (Northwest Regional Representatives for International Christian Ministries)

The Millers draw on their own life experience of 14 years in assisting men, women and couples recover from the broken relationships caused by this behavior. Specifically they will be addressing the issue of sexual addiction and the related trauma associated with this issue in marriage.

5. How to Address Security Concerns in a Non-Secure World

—James Homalka (Security Director, People's Church, Salem)

It is easy to think that church security issues are just for mega-churches, but the truth is that the safety of God's people should be a concern for all churches. Learn the basics of church safety and how you can begin to implement helpful and needed security guidelines for your church.



6. How to Create Strategic Budgeting for Ministry

—Nathan Dunbar, MBA (Director of Accounting Finance and Accounting Office, Warner Pacific College)

Budgeting or Planning for our ministries is a necessity. This class will look at some ways to think about how your church/ministry uses the resources that it has to expand the Kingdom of God. We will look at what is important to you in your budget and how you might think about re-allocating your resources to better accomplish the ministry vision your ministry has. If you have any specific budgeting questions your ministry might be struggling with, please bring them with you or submit them via email to Nathan Dunbar: ndunbar@warnerpacific.edu.

7. Church Unique: How to Unleash Your Church's One-of-a-Kind Potential

—Jon Nutter (Lead Pastor, Hucrest Community Church of God, Roseburg, Oregon)

Come hear and see Will Mancini's outstanding resource for discovering and implementing your church's unique vision. In this fast pace, hands-on, and interactive session you'll learn about crucial elements of vision discovery and implementation including the Vision Frame, and Vision Pathway. Participants will also have the opportunity to preview materials from the Church Unique Kit available through Group Publishing.

SESSION 2

(Choose ONE conference from Session 2 and enter it on the registration form.)

8. How to Reach Like Jesus Steps **CANCELLED 1/26/15**

—Denise Currie (Giving Closet-Vancouver)

While you recognize your need to serve you will accomplish the command to go out and reach those who are hungry, unclothed and unloved. We will explore the complexity of ethnically blending services to all who come to be served. We will identify the need for volunteers and the responsibility they play in serving others. Finally, GRACE and what the definition of it is and how HE placed His definition upon it.

9. How to Shepherd Your Family While Shepherding God's Flock

—Pastor BJ Kuykendall (Lead Pastor, Hoodview COG Woodburn, OR)

Ministry demands can be overwhelming for pastors of all ages, and can be especially tough for pastors of young children. Pastor BJ will share from his heart and his own experiences in how he is trying to keep, protect and develop his children's hearts for the Lord while he also ministers to his congregation.

10. Hear the Call of the Wild...How to Become a Church Planter

—Martin Shrou (Lead Pastor, Holladay Park Church of God)

God is calling the church to ignite a fire in some to plant churches. In this class we will discuss why church planting is so important and present the challenge to those who are willing to risk it all for the cause of Christ. Attend only if you dare!



11. How to Reach Out to Children of Promise: Rescue, Restore, Release

—Paul Maxfield (Executive Director, Children of Promise, Inc. Church of God, Anderson, Indiana)

Children of Promise, the Church of God child sponsorship ministry, provides nutrition, education, health care, and spiritual nurture to 4,600 children in 27 countries. Serving the poorest and neediest, COP works to bring hope to children living in desperate conditions. Come learn the ins and outs of the ministry, how it works, how children are helped, what accountability measures are in place, and how your congregation can become involved in this compassionate and passionate ministry to children in need. Please join us in the sanctuary at the end of the day as Dr. Maxfield shares and closes our day.

12. How to Build a Values Guided Ministry—Part 1 of 2

—Pastors Dave Wilson and Denise Douglas (Co-Lead Pastors at Mt. Scott COG, Portland)

With all the focus on vision and mission in the church, the need to have a clear set of ministry values that guide churches toward their mission gets missed. Even when values are present, there is a tendency to overlook the need to regularly assess whether the values are actually part of the life of the community and how well they are working to guide crucial conversations about mission and vision. This session will offer an overview of just what ministry values are, how they work, and practical tools to develop them in your church.

13. How to Tell a Story

—David ShROUT (District Pastor, Association of Churches of God OR/SW WA)

Story telling can improve your sermons, Sunday school class, and teaching to children or grandchildren. Come and discover this powerful communication tool that will help you in everyday life.

14. How to Share God's Love in a Strip Club

—Patty Deacon (LCOG Layperson)

—Lisa Brown (HPCOG Layperson)

Strip clubs are often a gateway for women into sex trafficking. Learn how the Church of God is ministering to women working in strip clubs.

SESSION 3

(Choose ONE conference from Session 3 and enter it on the registration form.)

15. Expanded Thoughts on Extending Your Ministry Reach

—Bob Moss (Chief Advancement Officer for Church of God Ministries in Anderson, IN)

Bob Moss will give further thoughts about how you can partner with your state and national ministries to change the world. Punctuated with stories from the front lines, you'll expand your understanding about the work of the Church of God.

16. How to Keep Young Adults Connected

—Kristen Shielee (8th Grade Math Teacher at Whitford Middle School in Beaverton)

This workshop will look at how to reach out to youth and young adults and help them stay connected to people and the church community. The focus will be on ideas and strategies of how to build a relationship with them and how important that bond is to helping keep this vital age group active within the church community.

17. How to Live Out Vision in Practical Way—Part 2 of 2

—Pastors Dave Wilson and Denise Douglas (Co-Lead Pastors at Mt. Scott COG, Portland)

Having a clear sense of vision for the church can be exciting, but the excitement will surely wane if the vision isn't supported by some kind of infrastructure to keep it God-centered and at the forefront of the congregational community's sense of calling. This session will offer some views on how to build this practical support into vision planning to empower and encourage your congregation to put hands and feet on your God-led dreams and ideas in your context.

18. How to Work with Special Needs Kids in Children's Ministry

—Brenda Winslow (Director, Better Children's Ministries)

We will discuss different types of Special Needs kids and give some practical ideas of how to work with them in the classroom. There will be a class discussion time about specific issues people may be having.

19. How to Create a Parish Ministry in the 21st Century

—Tim Irwin (Lead Pastor, Aloha COG)

An invitation to stop thinking of your congregation as the people who come to church on Sunday mornings, and start thinking of your congregation as the people in your neighborhoods for whom Christ has made you responsible. This class will present practical ways for churches to be present where they already are and connect with the people who are already in their lives.

20. How to Engage and Minister in a Diverse World

—Luis Molina (Lead Pastor, Woodburn Foursquare Church)

—Will Robertson (Lead Pastor, Soul's Harbor Church of the Nazarene, Woodburn)

A common approach to ministering to a diverse population is often to start distinct and separate "churches within a church." Two Woodburn pastors will share a different way to minister to an ever increasingly diverse ethnic population, methods born out of personal experience and passion.

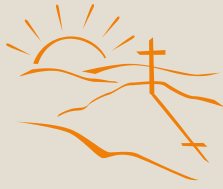
21. How to Respond and Minister During (and After) Community Emergencies

—Rick Puente (Detective, Woodburn Police Department)

—Paul Iverson (Fire Chief, Woodburn Fire District)

—Chief Scott Russell (Woodburn Police Department)

The headlines are filled with shootings, accidents and tragic events. How can the faith community respond when the "headlines hit home"? Learn from First Responders who are working on the front lines and have a unique perspective of how Christian leaders are needed in times of community emergencies and tragedies.



DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Hoodview Church of God
1530 Mt. Hood Avenue, Woodburn, Oregon
<http://www.hoodviewchurchofgod.com>

From the South:

Heading North on I-5 toward Portland, take exit 271 (OR 214 S). Turn right on OR 214. In 2 miles, Hoodview Church of God will be on the right.

From the North:

Heading South on I-5 toward Salem, take exit 271 (OR 214 S). Turn left on OR 214. In 2 miles, Hoodview Church of God will be on the right.

REGISTRATION: How-To Convention 2015

Hoodview Church of God

January 31, 2015

We appreciate your pre-registrations for food and room preparations.

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO REGISTER BY JANUARY 22.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Home Church _____ Email _____

INDIVIDUAL RATE: \$25 if postmarked by January 22
\$30 if postmarked after January 22

GROUP RATE: \$150 per church group (up to 8) postmarked by January 22*
\$175 per church group (up to 8) if postmarked after January 22*

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

Registration fee includes lunch. *FOR GROUPS: We need the total number attending in your group for an accurate lunch count. With group registrations, \$5.00 will be added to the group registration for each additional person beyond eight. (Example: Early registration for 10 people from your church would be \$160.00: \$150 registration fee for eight people plus two additional attenders at \$5 ea). Attach a separate piece of paper for conference choices for each person in your group.

SEND REGISTRATION and MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Association of the Churches of God
P.O. Box 18000
Salem, OR 97305

CONFERENCE CHOICES:

Choose **one** conference from **each session** and indicate the **conference number** below.

Session 1 (1-7): _____ Session 2 (8-14): _____ Session 3 (15-21): _____