

Men's Resource Guide

**October
2009**

**Resources to
equip you to
live for Christ**

"I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:10-14

A Building Faith— growing in your walk with God

A lot of men enjoy building things. Whether it's a backyard deck, a playground for your kids or grandkids, creating a business plan or making plans for retirement—"building" is often something that we men enjoy doing at some level.

When it comes to matters of faith, we'd like to encourage you to let God do some building in your life this year. That's why we have a new format for "Men's Gathering." We want every second Friday of every month to be a significant early morning event for you. Let's come together and open our lives to God and His Word so that He might do some construction work on our hearts. We are especially thankful that Pastor Moody is challenging us to "move beyond superficial Christianity."

We want to challenge you to think about the life of the spirit in terms of building—something that's not entirely finished quite yet. We are together in this process of letting God build something new in us. So view this as a time to come together once a month to be a witness and testimony to God working in you and us.

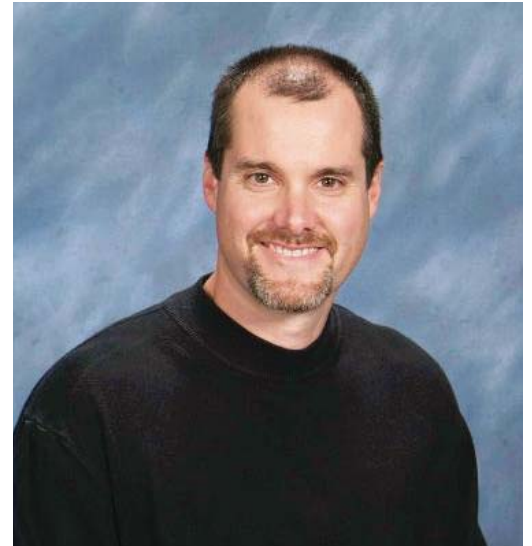
This resource guide is designed to help you explore some new resources to help you in this work of new construction. Perhaps you'd like to read a new book on prayer or theology. Maybe you'd like to find a place to start serving in the church. Or perhaps you like to have some media links or contact with other men through some partner organizations. If any of these are true, this resource guide is for you. We will be coming out with a new issue of this each month. Be sure to pick up your new copy at every month's Gathering.

So welcome to our new Men's Gathering and our all new men's ministries at College Church. We are all about engaging men who need Christ, encouraging men to pursue Christ and equipping men to live for Christ. So let the building begin!

PASTOR'S PAGE

PASTOR BRUCE WILSON:

Bruce Wilson and his wife Becky have been in pastoral and cross-cultural ministry for 20 years. Since June 2002 Bruce has served as our Missions Pastor providing leadership and direction to our four missions initiatives.



In the late 1980s, Bruce & Becky spent three years directing the junior high program at College Church before moving to South East Asia where they served with Pioneers for 11 years. Over the years, Bruce led two urban church-planting teams. He coordinated numerous short-term teams, established an educational advising center, and worked as a consultant to several indigenous Christian organizations. Bruce is a graduate of Wheaton College and has done further study at the Wheaton Graduate School and in Asia. Bruce has been a guest lecturer at Wheaton College, Wheaton Graduate School and Beeson Divinity School. He occasionally teaches classes for the Perspectives course. His travels have taken him to more than 40 countries. Bruce and his wife, Becky, have two boys.

Bruce's hobbies and interests include coaching youth soccer, basketball and lacrosse. He also enjoys running, snorkeling, scuba diving, skiing, and the diversity of ethnic restaurants in the Chicago area.

PASTOR WILSON RECOMMENDS READING:

Spirituality:

God's Big Picture, * Vaughn Roberts

Hearing God: Developing a Conversational Relationship with God, *
Dallas Willard

Christian Counter Culture: The Message of the Sermon on the Mount, *
John Stott

Management:

The Essential Drucker: The Best of Sixty Years of Peter Drucker's Essential Writings on Management, Peter Drucker

Good to Great, Jim Collins

Coaching:

The Carolina Way: Leadership Lessons from a Life in Coaching, Dean Smith

Coaching Basketball Successfully, Morgan Wootten

Biographies

A Prophet with Honor: The Billy Graham Story,* William Martin

Mountain Rain: A Biography of James O. Fraiser,* Eileen Crossman

Jungle Pilot,* Russell T. Hitt

American Caesar: Douglas MacArthur, William Manchester

Novels:

The Kite Runner, Khaled Hosseini

A Thousand Splendid Suns, Khaled Hosseini

Missions and Global Issues:

Strange Virtues: Ethics in A Multicultural World, Bernard T. Adeney

Introducing World Missions,* A. Scott Moreau

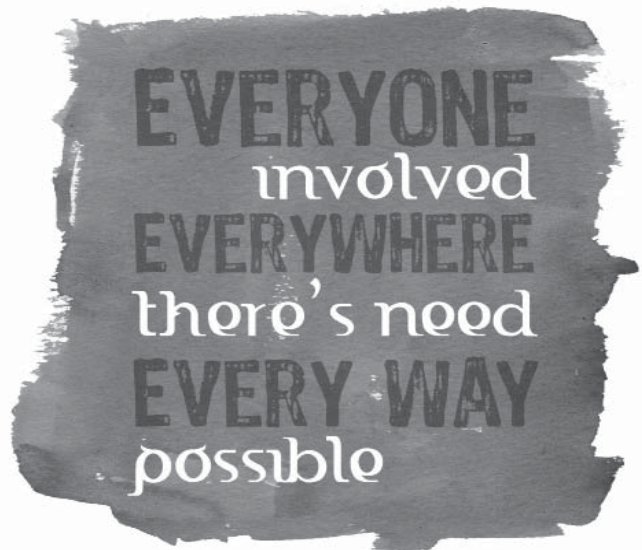
The World is Flat, Thomas Friedman

Adventure:

The White Spider: The Classic Account of the Ascent of Eiger, Heinrich Harrer

*available in the church library

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the following Fall Missions Festival Events!



Missions Festival Sunday Services October 11 at 8, 9:30 & 11 a.m.

In this never-been-done format, all attending missionaries and Missions Pastor Bruce Wilson will highlight our festival theme, "Everyone involved. Everywhere there's need. Every way possible." in the morning services. IziBongo will lead us in worship.

Evening Worship Service & Missionary Christmas Sunday, October 11 at 6 p.m.

Bring a special gift for our missionaries serving around the world as we celebrate Missionary Christmas. IziBongo will lead us in worship, and Rev. Phillip Jensen from Sydney, Australia, will preach on our festival theme. Click [here](#) to give to Missionary Christmas online.

Café Mondo: The Global Café Sunday, October 11 at 7 p.m. in Commons Hall

Interact with our missionaries and national partners while earning your way to fantastic international desserts and coffee drinks, including tiramisu, cheesecake and cappuccino. Buon appetito!

Other ways to get involved this fall:

Saturday, October 31, 2 p.m.: Global Connect

Bring your family to this fun opportunity to teach international students about pumpkin carving, Thanksgiving and other fall traditions. Bring one pumpkin for yourself and another to share with an international student.

Sunday, November 1, 4-5:30 p.m. : Short-Term Opportunities 2010

STAMP and World Impact trips for 2010, study abroad options and more! Is this the year you've been waiting for to get involved in short-term missions? Then, this meeting is for you. Join us and explore ways that God can use you.

GET INVOLVED:

Want to get involved serving in ministry at College Church? Here are a few places you can plug in and the person to contact.

NEW SECTION: MISSIONS

Outreach to Internationals—There are many easy ways you can get involved in reaching the more than 19,000 international students who are studying in Chicago. It's as simple as being friendly and hospitable. To get involved in an upcoming activity or learn more about the ministry: Contact Ryan, rskinner@college-church.org or (630) 668-0878, ext. 110

Outreach to Immigrants and Refugees—There are numerous ways you can get involved with immigrants and refugees in the DuPage County area. Become a Friendship Partner, an ESL Aide or a volunteer in the kids' summer programs. Provide for practical needs like free tax preparation, conduct a class on basic car maintenance or financial planning, hire an immigrant, meet a new family at the airport or provide local transportation. Donate services or products to World Relief's annual silent auction. The possibilities are endless.

Contact Marilyn, mpapierski@college-church.org or (630) 668-087, ext. 191.

Short Term Missions Teams (STAMP)—We are looking for men to help lead and participate in STAMP, World Impact, and Fellowship for Theological Training Teams. For more information and applications, see our website: <http://www.college-church.org/missions/STAMP.htm>
Contact Marilyn, mpapierski@college-church.org or (630) 668-087, ext. 191.

Missions Team—The Missions Team is looking for men skilled in videography, photography, graphic design, statistics, media production, and web design to assist the team in development of media publications.
Contact Ryan, rskinner@college-church.org or (630) 668-0878, ext. 110

GET INVOLVED (CONT):

Kids' Harbor—Our ministries to infant through sixth graders. There are opportunities at all hours on Sundays and also on Wednesdays. There is a crucial need for more volunteers during the 11 a.m hour.

Contact Cindy, cnickell@college-church.org or (630) 668-0878, ext. 128

Student Ministries

KMs—Our ministry to junior high students.

HYACKs—Our ministry to high school students.

Contact Jessica, jtate@college-church.org or (630) 668-0878, ext. 109

Community Dinner with Friends—Our weekly dinners for the church body. People are needed to cook, clean and serve. A great way to serve as a whole family.

Contact Beth, (630) 510-0486

Ushers—Help people find seats, take offering and offer other assistance during Sunday morning worship.

Contact Jim, (630) 653-2909

Library—As a great resource to our congregation, the Library needs help on different days at different times with many varying jobs which include running the check-out counter on Sundays, book processing and shelf straightening during the week, writing of book reviews and website updating.

Contact Lisa, lkern@college-church.org or (630) 668-0878, ext. 138

STARS—Our Disability Ministry needs volunteers on Wednesdays, Sundays, Friday, and for their Shepherd's Arms Respite Program.

Contact Dawn, dclark@college-church.org or (630) 668-0878, ext. 265.

Upward Basketball—As part of our sports ministry, Upward is an evangelistic basketball league. Upward is looking for coaches, refs, scorekeeper, and other helpers.

Contact Harper, hguerra@college-church.org or (630) 668-0878, ext. 123

RESALE SHOPS:

Twice is Nice:

Twice is Nice Resale Store is owned and operated by College Church. All proceeds are generously donated to the Outreach Community Center in Carol Stream.

The store is located at 893 East Geneva Road in Carol Stream
(in the complex on the northwest corner of Geneva and President)
Phone: (630) 260-0942

STARS Resale Shop:

A ministry outreach of College Church: the proceeds of the STARS Resale Shop support the STARS disability ministry.

The store is located at 1072 College Ave in Wheaton, right by the old College Station train station, just east of President.
Phone: (630) 682-1499

Donation needs:

Clothing—gently used winter coats, jeans, sweatshirts, sweaters, boots in all sizes

Linens and blankets

Used furniture, books, small appliances and kitchenware—No big appliances, please

Recycled garbage and shopping bags

Volunteers Needed:

Sort, price and organize donations.

Take out garbage at end of day.

BIG NEED for volunteers on Fridays and Saturdays

Please call the store if you would like to volunteer.



COMPASS MINISTRY:

Compass is a fellowship of men who remind one another of the Bible's teaching on sexuality, are available for one another as a supportive team of brothers, hold each other accountable and provide a safe, confidential place to share.

This is a meeting to model and experience both the grace and truth of Jesus Christ. The group is open only to those who want to meet for the purpose of encouraging sexual purity. Due to the nature of these issues we insist on strict confidentiality. For information and meeting days/times, send an email to compass@college-church.org, or call Jim Elwell, (630) 841.9513.

OTHER RESOURCES:

Organizations:

Men's International Missions

Short term mission trips, with a focus on construction projects in Latin America.

www.mimstmt.org

<http://mimcr2009.blogspot.com>

Wally Korol

korolwc@sbcglobal.net

B.R. Ryall YMCA

Put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

www.brriallymca.org

Brad Warren

(630) 858-0100

C12

A Community for Christian Business Owners and CEOs.

www.c12group.com

Mike Johnson

Mike.johnson@c12group.com

847-372-3432

Websites

Blueletterbible.org

Online Bible, concordance and commentaries in many translations

MenOfIntegrity.net

Online magazine for men with Bible studies, practical guides, and many links to other ministry resources.

Christianbook.com

Online Christian bookstore (Much like Amazon)

Tangle.com [Formerly GodTube.com]

Online community for Christians to share videos (Much like YouTube)

On the Air:

WJKL 94.3 FM

www.klove.com

WMBI 90.1 FM

WMBI 1110 AM

www.mbn.org

WETN 88.1 FM

Wheaton College Radio

www.wheaton.edu/wetn

WCFL 104.7 FM

WBGL 91.7 FM

www.wbgl.com

Do you have ideas to share with the other men that we can list in this resource guide? Comments, suggestions or feedback can be directed to christews@sbcglobal.net.

QUESTIONS FOR TODAY:

Moving Beyond Superficial Christianity

Session 2

Learn To Feed Yourself

"For each one should carry his own load"

(Galatians 6:5)

Questions for Small Groups:

1. Learning to read, interpret, and apply the message of the Bible
 - a. How can I develop good habits of personal Bible reading?
 - b. How can I develop a view of the whole "shape" of the Bible so that I can interpret its various parts more in line with its big picture message?
2. Learning to pray as a Christian not as a Pharisee
 - a. How can I develop good habits of personal prayer?
 - b. What models of "giants of prayer" can we think of to motivate us to be prayer warriors?
3. Learning to sieve out the dross of the Christian world
 - a. What sort of common ideas in the Christian sub-culture need to be rejected biblically?
 - b. How can I be discerning without developing a critical spirit?
4. Learning to sieve out the dross of the secular world
 - a. What sort of common ideas in the secular culture need to be rejected biblically?
 - b. How can I be 'in the world but not of the world' in terms of the secular society?
5. Learning to enjoy God as creator, redeemer, and provider
 - a. How can I develop a greater relish for God as he is revealed in the Bible?
 - b. Is my foundational relationship to God strong, weak, driven by duty or inspired by grace?

NOTES:

Each of Pastor Josh Moody's 6 sessions are being recorded.

They are available on CD upon request.

You can complete an order form at the resource table in the back of the room, or complete an Audio Request Form at the Information Table in the Narthex on any Sunday morning.

The cost for each CD is \$3

The CDs can also be mailed for an additional \$2.50.

If you would like to order all six of Josh's talks at the end, the cost is \$18.

Or purchase all six messages on one CD in MP3 format for \$3.00

MEN'S GATHERING 2009-2010 DATES

November 13

December 11

January 8

February 12

March 12

April 9

May 14

June 11

MEN'S MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TEAM

Jim Elwell

Greg Maas

Jeff Mann

Pastor Garrett Nates

Phil Passon

Randy Seager

Chris Tews (Chair)