



YOUTH PASTOR SUMMIT

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YPS Nashville 2017 Information Sheet

General Information/ Conference Tips

What to Pack: Make sure to pack a pen, notebook, snacks, and a bottle of water for you to have during the conference.

Meals: Dinner on Monday is on your own. You will want to take advantage of restaurants close to the church because traffic could get bad around the church at 5:15 PM and you will want to make it back in time for our evening sessions. Lunch will be provided on Tuesday. Make sure and stop by our sponsor tables and say thanks!

Venue & Parking Notes:

Church of the City, 828 Murfreesboro Road, Franklin, TN 37064. This church has multiple campuses in the area so make sure you go to the Franklin campus. Check-in will start at 2:30 PM (Central Time Zone) on Monday in the Lobby outside of the Auditorium.

April 25th Breakout Lab Descriptions

Make sure your group splits up and attends as many breakout sessions as possible on Day 2. It's the best way to maximize your time as a group. Attached are brief descriptions of the breakout labs on Tuesday. Regardless of which one you signed up for during registration, you are welcome to attend the lab that fits best for you.

10:20 AM Break Out Labs

Lab 1: D.A. Horton, *Chief Evangelist for Urban Youth Workers Institute*

Authentic Love: God has created us for a life of personal holiness. Every day we are invited into a world where we can create, customize, and even change our identity. We become consumers in a culture that tells us we can have whatever we want whenever we want it. Speaking directly to the hearts of guys and girls. Come to this session to hear from the author of *Authentic Love* as he helps you challenge your students to reject the self-serving influences of culture and embrace what it means to live as godly young men and women who reflect the character of Christ.

Lab 2: Josh Griffin, *Co-Founder Download Youth Ministry*

Imagine What it is Like in Their Shoes: It matter less than you think how "cool" or how relevant you are or if you even know the latest pop songs on Spotify. We'll take a trip down memory lane of your own high school experience and help you better get in touch with those feelings and experiences to help you better minister today. And what else do today's high school students need? We'll be sure to cover that too!

Lab 3: Chad Poe, *Author & Speaker*

Christ-Centered Illustrations in a Self-Centered World: Student Pastors work really hard to capture their students' attention. What do we do when we have it? From practical to powerful, we will discuss making sure the story of Jesus is central to every story we tell.

Lab 4: Steve Cherrico, *First Priority Greater Nashville*

Unity > Uniformity = A biblical view to equipping the local Church inside every secondary school in your city and across our nation

Lab 5: Denny Henderson, *Mission of Hope Haiti*

Building a Worldview for Your Student Ministry: Come to this session to learn how to build a global perspective with the next generation and get some practical tips about short term mission trips.

11:15 AM Break Out Labs

Lab 1: Sean McDowell, *Worldview Expert*

The Case for Marriage: Marriage is important to God. The Bible both begins and ends with a marriage. And yet a proper understanding of marriage, as well as its importance, continues to slip away in our culture. In this session, Sean provides both the biblical and non-biblical evidence for defending natural marriage. And he provides some practical steps for how the church can build a marriage culture.

Lab 2: John Paul Basham, *Manager at LifeWay Student Ministry Publishing*

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Lab 3: Brooklyn Lindsey, *Founder of The Justice Movement*

Break The Cycle: Helping Teenagers Help Others

Lab 4: Lance Brown, *Chaplain Vanderbilt University*

Put Me in Coach: How do you build relationships with your local coaches and their programs? Learn more about how sports ministry can impact the school, community and your church!