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Effecting Change

Lots of people have the power to stop something. Sometimes a group needs a different direction for an idea. Not every initiative is a good one. But from congress to the congregation, people frequently exercise the power to stop something out of fear, self-interest, or simple resistance to change. Unending study committees and research may mask a fear of taking action on new initiatives and replace honest collaboration. The result is a malignancy of malaise.

I am not appealing for leaders who act like lone rangers; who fail to listen and gather consensus. Nor for groups that fail to think and honestly process new initiatives. But we do need leaders and groups in the cause of Christ with the nerve to risk creative new initiatives and ideas. We need courage in our community process. The courage that with due deliberation says let's try it, let's experiment, let's create. After all, that is what it takes to change the world.

Skip Bell, Director, Doctor of Ministry Program

Two New Cohorts Launch in Florida Venue



New cohorts in Discipleship and Spiritual Formation, led by Dr. Allan Walshe and Dr. Jon Dybdahl, and Youth and Young Adult Ministry, guided by Dr. Steve Case, recently gathered from around the world for over two weeks at Celebration Health near Orlando, Florida for intensives in their first module. Dr. Bill Knott and Dr. Kenley Hall co-taught the project seminar.

Coming Soon! New Cohort for Family Ministry Concentration

The Doctor of Ministry concentration in Family Ministry prepares you for a proactive ministry of preaching, teaching, and working with groups to develop the positive family and relationship skills needed in today's culture.

The application deadline is April 30! Call or email now for more information, or see the Family Ministry web page at http://www.andrews.edu/sem/dmin/concentrations/family_ministry/index.html.

If your interest is in another subject area, start planning now for cohorts launching in 2011 for these concentrations: **Urban Ministries** (starting May 2011) and **Preaching** (starting in June).



Project Advisor Orientation Sessions

Advisor/Reader Orientations:

4:00 p.m.

May 6 4:00 p.m. May 12 11:00 a.m. May 13 1:00 p.m.

May 27

Advanced Advisor Conferences:

4:00 p.m.

May 10 4:00 p.m. May 17 11:00 a.m. May 24 4:00 p.m. May 26 11:00 a.m.

May 3

If you have questions about the sessions or the schedule, please contact Dr. Hall at 269-471-6366, Kenley@andrews.edu.

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