

Pastors Week
January 26-29, 2004

Leadership Clinics
January 30, 2004

Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary
Elkhart, Indiana

The Heart of the Matter

Effective ministerial leadership

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Pastors Week General Information

To lead a congregation effectively calls a pastor to play many different roles. Mennonite congregations use a more collaborative and less hierarchical approach to leadership than some congregations and denominations; however, the pastor must employ a unique kind of power and authority in the congregation.

During Pastors Week we will explore what we can learn about effective leadership from other models. We will look at the pastor as organizational leader, as spiritual guide and as community organizer.

While we look through these various lenses, we will recognize that the pastor must love the congregation he or she is serving. How this love fosters effective ministry will be a theme through the week.

Speakers

Plenary speakers bring experience and insights from different aspects of leadership:

Nelson Kraybill, Ph.D., president, AMBS, will provide the keynote address, "Power, Authority and the Pastoral Vocation." (*Note: This opening session is scheduled for Monday evening.*)

Arthur Paul Boers, D.Min., assistant professor of pastoral theology, AMBS, will address the role of pastor as spiritual guide for the congregation.

Lee Snyder, Ph.D., president, Bluffton College, will explore the role of pastor as organizational leader.

Martha Scott, Ph.D., superintendent for the Chicago Northwestern District of the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church, will examine the community organization aspect of congregational leadership.

Schedule

The keynote address for Pastors Week, given by Nelson Kraybill, occurs on Monday evening following a brief opening worship service. Pastors Week will conclude on Thursday afternoon, January 29.

Worship

Worship services will be led by Lois Siemens and Aveani Moeljono, AMBS students, and Arthur Paul Boers, AMBS assistant professor of pastoral theology. Preachers for the services will be Neftali Torres, Betty Kennedy Puricelli and Regina Shands Stoltzfus.

Workshops

Praying the "Daily Office," *Arthur Paul Boers*
Purpose-driven Mennos, *Tom Kauffman*

Resources for Ministry: Online Books and Journal
Articles, *Eileen Saner*

Ministry for a Lifetime: Resources from the Church
Leadership Center, *Jewel Gingerich Longenecker*

Workshops (continued)

Growing Leaders: An Introduction to !Explore,
AMBS's Theological Program for High School
Youth, *Andy Brubacher Kaethler*

Fees and registration

Registration will be limited to the first 200 paid registrants. The registration form gives costs. The registration deadline is January 5. Later registrations are welcome if spaces are available. Canadians may pay registration costs on par; other fees in U.S. funds.

Refunds: Before January 5, cancellations will be refunded, less \$25. After January 5, cancellations will be granted credit, less \$25, toward a future Pastors Week.

Continuing Education Credit

Attending Pastors Week earns 1.5 Continuing Education Units (CEUs); a Leadership Clinic, .6 CEU.

Women pastors gathering

Women pastors are invited to a luncheon on Wednesday, January 28. Tina Schlabach, 2003 AMBS graduate and pastor of care at Waterford Mennonite Church, Goshen, will facilitate. Note the fee of \$8.

Financial assistance

Scholarship: A portion of the registration fee may be waived by AMBS for those who need financial assistance. Please include with your registration form a paragraph explaining your need. Meals, housing and transportation are the responsibility of the registrant. Deadline: January 5.

Grant: MMA, Goshen, Ind., provides grants to qualified Anabaptist-related congregations in the U.S. for the pastor's continuing education opportunities. Contact your congregation's MMA advocate.

Meals

Light lunches are available in the Lambright Center. Participants must preregister; if you do not, please plan to eat off campus. Tuesday and Thursday suppers are on your own. Pastors whose congregations have students at Goshen College may arrange to eat supper with them; meal tickets will be provided. Contact GC Campus Ministries or the student(s).

Information

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Pastors Week Schedule

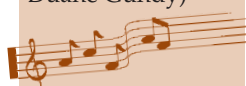
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January 26

Tuesday
January 27

Wednesday
January 28

Thursday
January 29

Friday
January 30

	8:30–8:45 Gathering music	8:30–8:45 Gathering music	8:30–8:45 Gathering music	8:30–4:30 Leadership Clinics <i>See page 6</i>
	8:45–9:45 Worship Preacher: Neftali Torres	8:45–9:45 Worship Preacher: Betty Kennedy Puricelli	8:45–9:45 Worship Preacher: Regina Shands Stoltzfus	Leading Congregations Through Change <i>Rev. Mark Fenstermacher and Rev. Toni Carmer</i>
	9:45 Break <i>Chapel Lower Level</i>	9:45 Break <i>Chapel Lower Level</i>	9:45 Break <i>Chapel Lower Level</i>	Lessons from Community Development for Pastoral Ministry <i>Phil Ebersole</i>
	10:30–11:15 Address "The Pastor as Spiritual Guide for the Congregation" Arthur Paul Boers	10:30–11:15 Address "The Pastor as Organizational Leader" Lee Snyder	10:30–11:15 Address "The Pastor as Community Developer" Martha Scott	Enhancing Ministry and Bible Study Using a Computer <i>Perry Yoder</i>
	11:15–12:00 Questions and answers with Arthur Paul Boers	11:15–12:00 Questions and answers with Lee Snyder	11:15–12:00 Questions and answers with Martha Scott	Plumbing, Papers and Pastoring: Administration as Calling <i>Dorothy Nickel Friesen</i>
	12:00–2:00 Lunch with faculty*	12:00–2:00 Lunch Women Pastors' Luncheon	12:00–2:00 Lunch with faculty**	Legal Issues Every Pastor Should Understand <i>Randall M. Jacobs</i>
	2:00–3:30 Workshops	2:00–3:00 Panel discussion with speakers	2:00–3:30 Workshops	
4:00–6:00 Out-of-town Registration <i>Lambright Center</i>	3:30 Refreshments <i>Waltner Hall Lounge</i>	3:00–3:30 Refreshments <i>Chapel Lower Level</i>	3:45–4:15 Closing Sending worship	
5:00–6:30 Pizza provided <i>Lambright Center</i>	5:00–7:00 Supper <i>(on your own)</i>	3:30–5:30 Free time	5:00–7:00 Supper <i>(on your own)</i>	*Lunch with faculty on Tuesday: <i>One or two faculty members will be seated at each table. Come prepared to share your stories of ministry. Faculty are eager to hear from you.</i>
6:15–7:00 Local Registration <i>Chapel Foyer</i>	7:30 "The Pastor as Artist" <i>Lambright Center Dining Hall</i> Share poetry, music, dance, visuals and dessert with sisters and brothers in ministry	5:30 Banquet and launch of Church Leadership Center <i>Lambright Center Dining Hall</i>	Free evening	**Lunch with faculty on Thursday: <i>During dessert, faculty will share about their current projects and research.</i>
7:00–7:30 Worship		7:30 Concert Harder 2 Dew (Tom Harder, Lois Harder, Duane Gundy)	Hesston PMP reunion at El Palenque at 6:00 p.m.	
7:30–8:30 Keynote address: "Power, Authority and the Pastoral Vocation" Nelson Kraybill				

Pastors Week and Leadership Clinics Registration Form

To complete this form online, go to
http://www.ambs.edu/pinc/clcenter/pastors_week_registration.htm

Please type or print clearly

For office use only

Date _____
 Check # _____
 Amount rec. _____
 Amount due _____
 Date entered _____

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Name _____
 Name of spouse (if registering) _____
 Mailing address _____
 City _____ State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____
 E-mail address _____
 Telephone: Home () _____ Work () _____
 Congregation _____
 District/Provincial conference _____ Denomination _____
 Check here if you want CE credit: Pastors Week Leadership Clinic

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Pastors Week registration

Canadians: Pay registration fees on par; fees for meals, lodging, childcare and transportation in US funds.

<input type="checkbox"/> Full-time	Registering before Jan. 6	After Jan. 6
Individual	\$95.00	\$115.00
Couple	\$135.00	\$155.00
College student	\$25.00	\$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Part-time: one or two days only	\$60.00	\$70.00

Pastors Week registration subtotal

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Pastors Week meals

Women Pastors Gathering (Wednesday lunch): \$8.00 _____
 Banquet tickets: Number of tickets requested _____ at \$14.00 each: _____
 Lunch tickets: **Please preregister for meals or plan to eat off-campus.**
 Circle days desired: Tues. Wed. Thurs. _____
 Adults and children over 6: Number of tickets requested _____ at \$5.00 each: _____
 Children 3-6: Number of tickets requested _____ at \$2.50 each: _____
 Children 0-2: free _____

Pastors Week meals subtotal

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Leadership Clinic registration *Canadians pay clinic registration fees at par.*

- A** – Leading Congregations Through Change: \$70.00
- B** – Lessons from Community Development for Pastoral Ministry: \$70.00
- C** – Enhancing Ministry and Bible Study Using a Computer: \$70.00
- D** – Plumbing Papers and Pastoring: Administration as Calling: \$70.00
- E** – Legal Issues Every Pastor Should Understand: \$70.00

Clinic registration subtotal

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Transportation

- I need transportation from and to South Bend airport:
 Arrive: Flight name _____ # _____ date _____ time _____ \$25.00
 Depart: Flight name _____ # _____ date _____ time _____ \$25.00
- I need transportation from and to (**circle one**): bus, United Limo, train (arriving in Niles, Elkhart, or Nappanee). Each of these has a special rate. **Provide all details of your travel schedule.**

There will be additional charges for parking fees and delays.

Transportation subtotal

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Childcare

Childcare for toddlers (ages 1-2) and preschool children (ages 3-5) may be offered mornings and afternoons at the AMBS Cooperative Daycare. Availability will depend on demand and openings available. No evening childcare will be provided. Reservations must be made by December 1.

I/We will need childcare. Names and ages of children _____

Calculate cost (please circle each day you desire childcare)

8:15 a.m.–noon: \$10.00 x number of days _____ x _____ number of children \$ _____

Circle days desired: Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.

1:30–4:45 p.m.: \$10.00 x number of days _____ x _____ number of children \$ _____

Circle days desired: Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.

Childcare subtotal

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Housing

I have made my own arrangements with: name _____
address _____ telephone _____

I need housing for nights of Sun., Jan. 25 Mon., Jan. 26 Tues., Jan. 27 Wed., Jan. 28
 Thur., Jan. 29 Fri., Jan. 30 Sat., Jan. 31

Please choose which one you would prefer and calculate cost.

AMBS campus lodging

\$21 per person per night x _____ nights \$ _____

Self-serve breakfast included. Do you wish to participate? Yes No

AMBS community homes (includes breakfast)

\$21 per person per night x _____ nights \$ _____

Motel: Make your own arrangements; information supplied upon request

I have special needs related to housing. (Please attach details.)

Housing accommodations cannot be guaranteed for requests received after January 5.

Housing subtotal

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Calculate the total cost for this entire form. Transfer the subtotals of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 to the blanks below. Add the columns for the total amount due. *Make check payable to "AMBS."*

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Pastors Week registration subtotal (2) *Canadians pay registration fee at par.* \$ _____

Pastors Week meal subtotal (3) \$ _____

Leadership Clinic registration subtotal (4) *Canadians pay registration fee at par.* \$ _____

Transportation subtotal (5) \$ _____

Childcare subtotal (6) \$ _____

Housing subtotal (7) \$ _____

Total amount due

If you are requesting a scholarship, you may send in this form without payment of the registration fee.

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Send form and payment **by January 5** to: Pastors Week
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Leadership Clinics

Friday, January 30, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Clinic Details

Registration Fee: \$70 (includes lunch)

Continuing Education Credit: .6 CEU

A Leading Congregations Through Change

Jesus talks about putting new wine into new wine-skins. The world around the church is undergoing constant change. The facilitators will talk about leading a mainline congregation through changes in worship style, study life, fellowship life and organizational life. They have served together for more than seven years as members of the pastoral staff at a 900-member congregation which **has undergone profound changes during the last seven years without major conflict.** Participants are encouraged to send questions or issues they would like addressed to docfenster@aol.com prior to Pastors Week.

Presenters: Rev. Mark Fenstermacher and Rev. Toni Carmer, elders in the United Methodist Church and pastors at Trinity United Methodist Church, Elkhart, Ind.

B Lessons from Community Development for Pastoral Ministry

Growing as pastors and leaders is a lifelong task and insights can be gleaned from different contexts. This clinic will explore what pastors can learn from the field of community development and from the business community that can be applied both to congregational life and to the church reaching out to the community. The presenter will bring input from a background of both pastoral ministry and community development, and will invite interaction from participants in pastoral ministry.

Presenter: Phil Ebersole, consultant with Mennonite Economic Development Associates, helping faith-based and community-based organizations; former pastor for 20 years with plans to return to full-time pastoral ministry; former executive director of ASSETS Toledo, a faith-based, nonprofit organization.

C Enhancing Ministry and Bible Study Using a Computer

This hands-on clinic assumes participants are "computer friendly" and want to increase their computer skills for Bible study and other ministry tasks. In this clinic you will learn new tricks for doing familiar tasks in Microsoft Word, how to organize your computer for more effective use and basic skills

needed to use Bible Works, a program that can enhance your Bible study. You will learn how to copy and comment on texts you are studying in Bible-Works. We also will discuss visual reading of the text and how the computer can aid insight into the text.

Presenter: Perry Yoder, professor of Old Testament, AMBS

Limit: 12 participants

D Plumbing, Papers and Pastoring: Administration as Calling

Want to bore someone to death? Talk about administration. Want to discourage a pastor? Bring out your palm pilot. Want to squash a budding call to ministry? Tell stories of endless meetings. Or might there be another way to talk about and practice the art of administration in congregational leadership? This clinic will be an interactive opportunity to explore how pastoring and administering are parts of God's creative work.

Presenter: Dorothy Nickel Friesen, conference minister, Western District Conference, Mennonite Church USA

E Legal Issues Every Pastor Should Understand

This clinic will deal with a variety of practical legal issues facing pastors as they work in a congregational context, including personal financial and tax issues; the pastor-church employment relationship; the legal authority, rights and privileges of ministers; clergy malpractice and other forms of legal liability; churches as legal entities; copyright laws affecting churches; and charitable giving and solicitation laws. The objective is not to turn participants into lawyers, but to raise awareness of legal matters pertaining to ministers and equip pastors to deal with them. A secondary objective is to provide forms, materials and guidance that will be useful resources.

Presenter: Randall M. Jacobs, J.D., partner in a Goshen, Ind., law firm; lawyer practicing in the areas of estate planning, trusts, charitable planning, nonprofit and exempt organizations and business and corporate law; former legal counsel and vice president for MMA; former executive director of Mennonite Foundation

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