

Registration (Free)

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Church's Name: _____

Church's Address: _____

of Participants from our church attending:

Please mail, e-mail or phone in your church's registration to the host church by Oct. 15, 2016

Cost

The "New Life for Old Churches seminar is FREE of charge and is a gift in the name of Christ to churches and their leaders. A **FREE WILL OFFERING** will be collected the day of the event to help defray costs.

A Note about the Seminar

The "New Life for Old Churches" seminar is a non-denominational event, open to churches of all backgrounds. The seminar is sponsored by the Evangelical Association of Reformed and Congregational Christian Churches. www.evangelicalassociation.org



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New Life for Old Churches



A Seminar for Pastors and Lay Leaders
who yearn for new life in their churches!

Saturday, November 5, 2016

10:00 am — 4:00 pm (CST)

Buckskin, Indiana

New Life for Old Churches

Studies show that the vast majority of churches in the United States are in a state of decline. Many older churches have members who remember the “glory days” back when there were large numbers of children in Sunday school and extra chairs set up in the sanctuary for Easter and Christmas services. Some of these same churches now have meetings during which the leaders spend most of their time discussing how to pay for repairs on an aging building and whether the church will even survive into the future.

Is there hope for the church that needs to experience a turnaround? Can a church that has started to stagnate begin to experience new life and be revitalized to meet the intense ministry demands of the 21st century?

The answer is “yes,” but such a transformation will rarely be easy. In this seminar we will consider the blessings of becoming a turnaround church while also looking carefully at the barriers that easily stop a church in its tracks from ever moving forward.

Schedule

10:00 am Seminar Begins
Noon Lunch (Provided)
12:45 pm Seminar Resumes
4:00 pm Dismissal

Our Speaker



Rev. Jim Barnes currently serves as the National Minister of the Evangelical Association of Reformed and Congregational Christian Churches, a nationwide network of congregations and pastors committed to the authority of Scripture, classic Christian orthodoxy and the advancement of the Kingdom.

Prior to his appointment, Jim was a local church pastor for 24 years during which time he led a century old German Evangelical church through a season of biblical renewal. Over a period of two decades, the church went from having less than 5% of the adults in the church involved in regular Bible study to more than 50%. Small groups were introduced into the life of the congregation and the budget of the church more than tripled while the support of missionaries multiplied tenfold. Throughout his entire ministry career, Jim has had a passion to see old churches reformed, renewed and revitalized.



“... I am making everything new!”
Revelation 21:5b

Host Church

St. John’s Church of Buckskin is delighted to be hosting this event and welcome all who would like to attend.

Pastor Doug Gorman has been the Senior Pastor of St. John’s Church of Buckskin since 2015. Rick Reed is the Council President of St. John’s Church and is also the Organizer for the event. He has served the church diligently for many years.

Our prayer is that this seminar will once again stir the passion for extending the Kingdom of God through the ministry of your church. We hope that you will be blessed and encouraged as we learn, pray, and interact with one another.