

# CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS



**2019 Eastern District Fall Pastors' Conference**  
**September 23-25, 2019**  
**Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center**  
**Angola, NY**

## **PRESENTATION ONE: PERSONAL SPIRITUALITY**

Fred Hoover, Christ Memorial, Malvern, PA

Personal spirituality is the core of discipleship that leaders need to keep as a priority.

## **PRESENTATION TWO: ENGAGING PEOPLE, ALTERNATE FORMS OF CHURCH**

Chuck Whited, First Trinity, Tonawanda, NY

Tod Bolsinger's *Canoeing the Mountains* has us understanding the changing need to do something different while keeping the essentials in place.

## **PRESENTATION THREE: PARTNERSHIPS AND OUTREACH MECHANISMS**

Chris Crume, Faith, Easton, PA

Because it is harder than ever to keep our schools open and preschools alive, what, then of ministry to children and their families?

## **PRESENTATION FOUR: CHURCH AND SOCIAL ISSUES**

Ben Bahr, Grace, Niagara Falls, NY

Church is in the world but not of the world - know when to pick your battles.

## **PRESENTATION FIVE: SUPERVISION, ACCOUNTABILITY AND SUPPORT**

Dan Hahn, St. John, Millvale, PA

There is an ever-present need for communities of accountability, in terms of words, church polity and proper church authority.

## **PRESENTATION SIX: PARISH RENEWAL**

John Pingel, Salem, Buffalo, NY

Across the country thousands of churches have closed in urban and even suburban settings. Can anything be done to turn these situations around before they become fatal? Let's think about what can be done in terms of laying the groundwork for renewal and perhaps even rebirthing of established congregations.

## **PRESENTATION SEVEN: CHRISTIAN HOPE & COURAGE IN AN AGE OF UNBELIEF**

Nate Hartke, St. John, Orchard Park, NY

Times have changed, haven't they? Many of us are watching "Christian America" pass away before our eyes. As we Christians find ourselves more and more in the minority, the promises of God are as powerful and real as they have ever been. In this session, we'll take a look at some religious trends over the past decade and remind one another that the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead and His return on Resurrection Day is still our hope...and still gives the Church courage in the face of a continual changing cultural landscape.