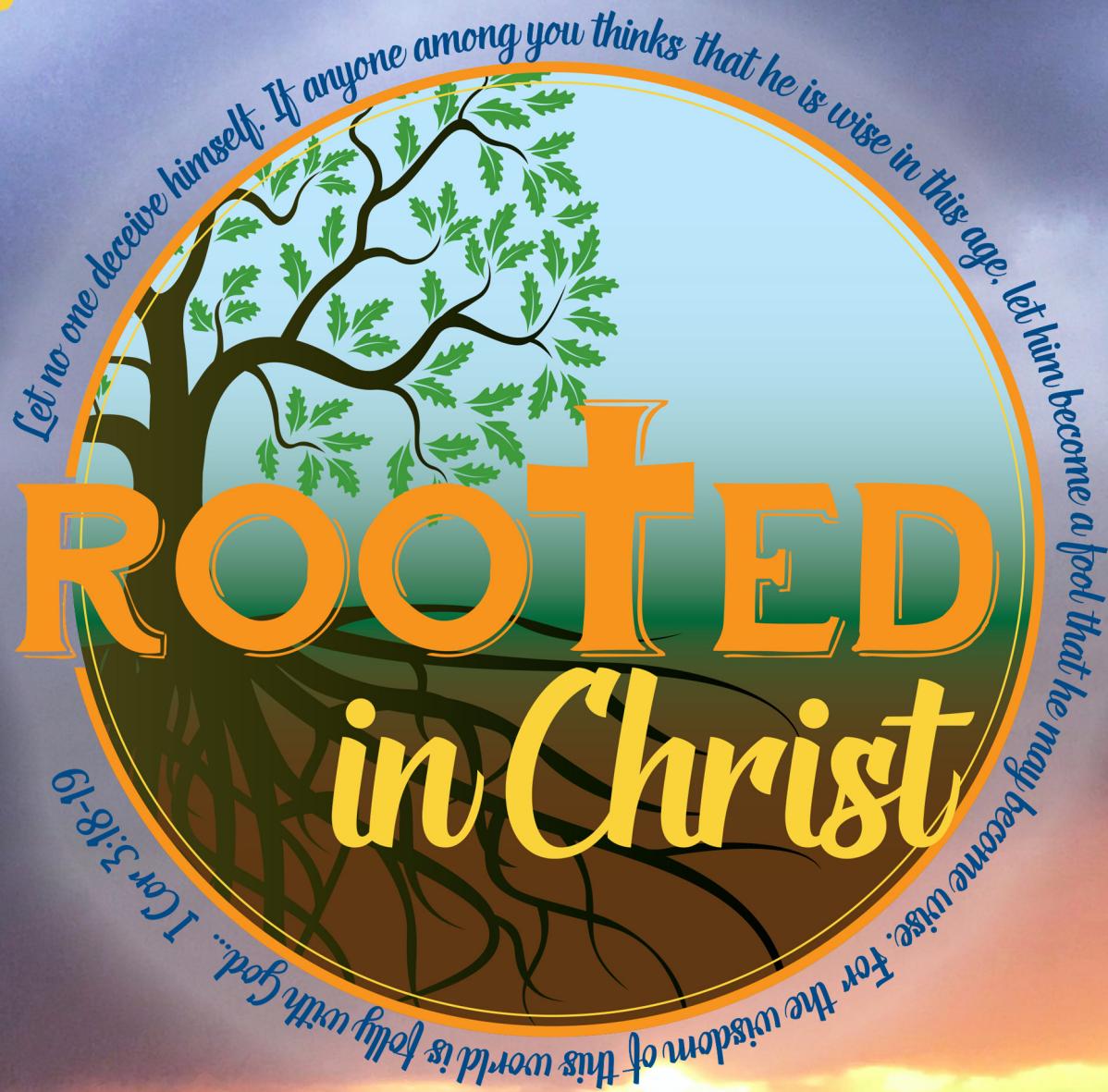




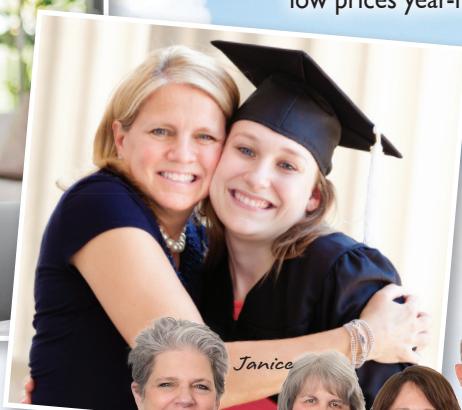
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GENERAL CONFERENCE INFO

CONFERENCE EXHIBIT HALL LOCATION

Please note that our conference exhibit hall is located in the Valley Community Center across the street from the Valley Church. Featured exhibit hall time blocks have been included in the conference schedule to facilitate your access to the exhibit hall. Exhibitor Workshops are scheduled in there as well.

WORKSHOP RECORDINGS

With so many workshops going on at the same time, it can be difficult to choose which one to attend! Good news! Workshops given at the 2019 Homeschool Iowa Conference will be recorded and available for sale at the Rhino Technologies Booths located in the Valley Church Foyer and in the Community Center Foyer. Please note: Exhibitor Workshops and Make & Take Workshops will not be recorded.

RESOURCES

Have questions? Need resources? Be sure to visit our volunteer staff at the Homeschool Iowa Booth or the Regional Reps Booth. Our veteran home educators love to answer your questions and encourage you along your homeschooling journey. We offer many resources that will assist you in understanding Iowa homeschool law, beginning homeschooling, homeschooling special needs, homeschooling through high school, and many other topics.

QUESTIONS AFTER THE CONFERENCE?

If you have questions once you get home, we are still available to help! Our team of Homeschool Iowa Regional Representatives would love to offer you assistance. These experienced homeschool parents are full of knowledge about local support groups, resources, curriculum, etc. Feel free to email them with any questions you may have! Additionally our website is a wealth of information. Visit us online at homeschooliowa.org. We also have an online community on Facebook. Go to our Facebook page @homeschooliowa, click on the "Groups" tab, then join our Homeschool Iowa Discussion Group as well as your regional group.

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Please note that Homeschool Iowa does not necessarily endorse everything found in our exhibit hall or heard in a workshop.

By virtue of being an education forum, the Homeschool Iowa Conference does not attempt to filter all of the content you may see or hear at our conference. Homeschool Iowa believes that parent educators are competent and qualified to discern and make informed decisions regarding what material is good for their family. The Homeschool Iowa Conference is designed to serve a diverse variety of homeschooled, as well as those who are considering home education. Our convention is not a place to define uniformity of belief and practice.

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SHALOM: Jehovah Reigns!

Our highly acclaimed conference children's program offers a new theme every year, effectively communicating principles found in the Word of God through songs, memory verses, activities, lesson times, and the much anticipated 8-part fully-scripted and costumed drama!

This year's theme, SHALOM: Jehovah Reigns! will teach children the names of God and how He works intentionally in their lives. The drama is based in early Christianity in Rome and will help children understand how God was working in the lives of believers then and how He is still working in the lives of believers now.

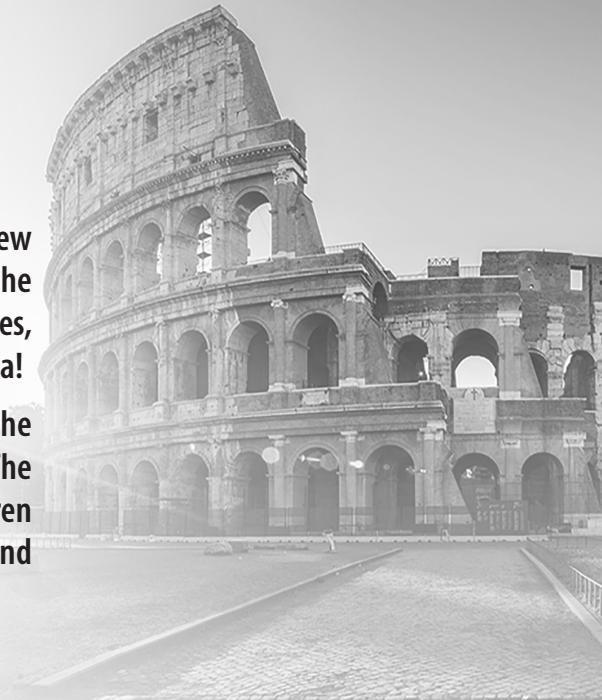
CHILD PICK-UP INFORMATION

Please promptly pick up your children.

Remember to bring your check-out information with you!

Children's Program Pick-up Time:

Friday 5:00-5:30 PM and Saturday 5:00-5:30 PM



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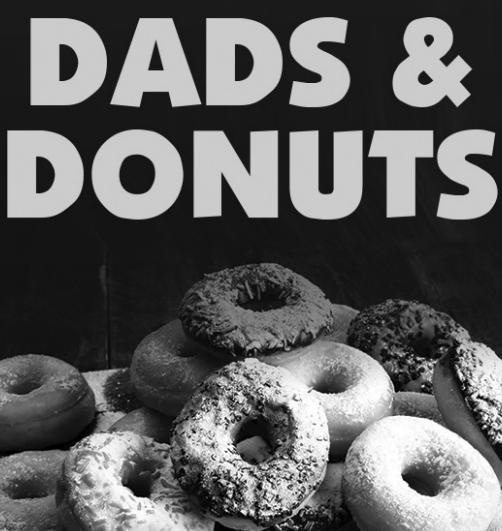


Mothers' Room & Toddler Town

For the comfort and convenience of our parents and young children, there are private rooms available for nursing, diaper changing, and other needs that arise with small children.

Located on the lower level of Valley Church in rooms C3 & C4

Hours: Friday 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM | Saturday 9:00 AM – 5:30 PM



**Worth getting
up early for!**

Saturday 8:15am

**Dads & Donuts
in the Chapel**

**Moms & Muffins
in the Student
Ministries Room**

Must be pre-registered



**Second Mile Leadership for Men
Steve Scheibner**

**Homeschooling with Simplicity &
Sincerity | Megan Scheibner**

Homeschool Iowa Conference Team



Welcome to the 2019 Homeschool Iowa Conference. We are so excited you are here! Our amazing team has been working hard over the past year to ensure you have a great experience and leave feeling refreshed.

Please take a moment to look over the schedule, review the map of the facility, and then choose whatever looks most appealing to you! If you have questions, feel free to grab one of our team members (that's us in the navy Homeschool Iowa polos!). If you have specific homeschooling questions, a prayer need, or just need a cup of coffee (or a hug), please stop by our Regional Reps booth either at the church or at the exhibit hall.

We hope you will leave the conference feeling equipped and encouraged in your homeschool journey. We pray you will be so rooted in the love of Christ that it overflows to your family and to the world.

*In Him and For Him ~
Kim Blom and Lauren Johnson, Conference Coordinators*



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and Joe & Elizabeth Bailey**

Since its inception in 1992, NICHE has been served by an amazing roster of homeschooling parents who were willing to offer their time and talents to promote and protect home education in Iowa. Our current board members are dedicated to continue and build upon those past high standards of service



Teacher Credit Course Info



Joining us for our teacher re-certification course? Here are some important details for you!

Friday, June 6th | 8:00-8:30am | Valley Church Chapel ~ Teacher Orientation | Julie Naberhaus

This course orientation workshop will provide an overview of the credit course procedures and requirements and can be applied toward the 15-hour requirement. Participants who have completed Homeschool Iowa Conference teacher credit courses in the past may forego this orientation session, but only if they are still able to meet the 15-contact-hour minimum without attending it. Check the conference schedule to determine which course completion option will allow you to complete the required 15 contact hours.

Option 1:

Log at least 15 hours of attendance in keynote or workshop sessions during the 2019 Homeschool Iowa Conference. Logged hours can also include offerings at the Thursday mini-conferences, the teacher credit course orientation, the Make & Take workshops, or the exhibitor workshops.

Option 2:

Log at least 13 hours of attendance in keynote or workshop sessions during the 2019 Homeschool Iowa Conference and up to 2 contact hours of post-conference collaboration via Google Docs. Logged hours can include offerings at the Thursday mini-conferences, the teacher credit course orientation, the Make & Take workshops, &/or the exhibitor workshops. If you need to use the post-conference Google Docs collaboration, email teachercredit@homeschooliowa.org, and instructions will be provided.

Course Materials

All course participants will be required to complete a professional development activity assignment. The assignment will include a section for logging keynotes and workshops accessed to meet the contact hour requirement for the course. Participants who select Option 2 for course completion will need to complete additional work via Google Docs and will receive a code to enter on their assignment log when completed.

The assignment will also include a section in which participants can share descriptions of the strategies, methods, insights, and/or resources about which they learned in each of the keynotes and/or workshops they accessed to meet the activity minimum requirement of 15 hours.

The professional development activity assignment can be completed using our Teacher Credit Course Online Form or the traditional print version. Because the assignment cannot be completed before the conference commences, the form will not be made available until immediately before the conference. A link to the online form and a PDF copy of the print form will be emailed to all participants who are registered on the Heartland system for this course.

Print versions of the assignment packet, which also include the link to the online version, will be available at the Friday morning orientation workshop and at the Homeschool Iowa Information Booth in the foyer near registration check-in area.

Attendance and Makeup Policies

All course participants must complete the equivalent of 15 contact hours of collaborative instruction, which can be accomplished by using either of the course completion options listed above.

Only those who complete this requirement will be eligible to receive a passing grade for the teacher renewal credit.

There is no provision for makeup due to lack of attendance.

If participants do not attend the conference or are not able to complete the requirements of at least one of the two course participation options, they will not be allowed to complete the assignment and, therefore, will not receive credit for this course.

Course Transcripts

Transcripts will be sent out at the end of the semester in which the course ends. If a transcript is needed earlier, an official transcript can be requested. Participants can view their transcript information at any time by checking the Heartland AEA website.

Please direct questions about the 2019 Homeschool Iowa Teacher Credit Course offered through Heartland AEA to: teachercredit@homeschooliowa.org.



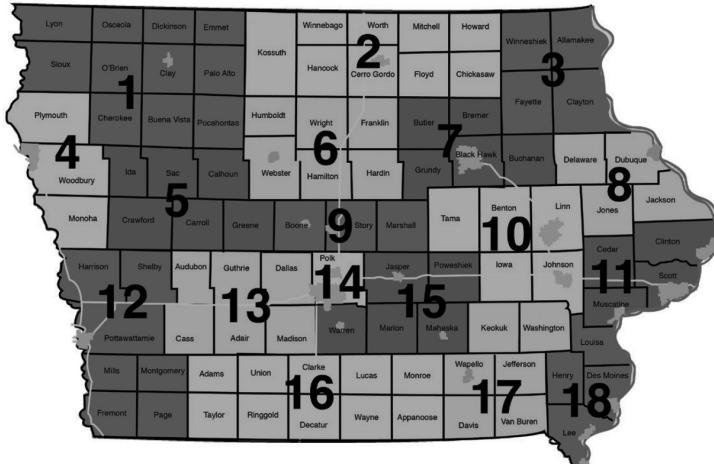
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REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Connect with Us for Encouragement, Wisdom, and Hugs!

Our Homeschool Iowa Regional Representatives, serving in 18 regions around the state, offer localized assistance. These veteran homeschooling moms have practical skills and wisdom that come from years of experience. Within their regions, Homeschool Iowa Regional Representatives:

- Counsel new home educators
- Answer questions about local issues and opportunities
- Facilitate communications with local homeschool support groups
- Identify the needs and concerns of homeschooling families in their regions
- and more!



Region 1
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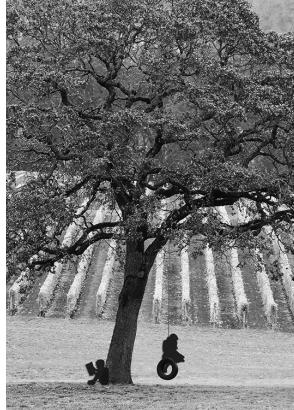


Cathy Sorensen, Regional Representative Coordinator*

Stop by our booths - we are in the Welcome Center at the church (*and we have the coffee!*)
We also have a booth in the Exhibit Hall at the Community Center. We would love to meet you!
BONUS: We've got some fun giveaways you can enter to win too!!!

The Regional Reps are most likely wearing purple Conference shirts or blue Homeschool Iowa polos. If you see us, please say "hello"!

Regional Reps with an asterisk () by their name are attending conference.



Thursday, June 6, 2019 | 1:00pm-4:30pm | Valley Church Chapel



HOMESCHOOLING 101 Mini-Conference



Notes:

1:00-2:00pm | Nancy Bjorkman

Where Do I Begin? A Workshop for New and Prospective Homeschoolers

Considering homeschooling? Not sure where to begin? This workshop will define realistic and foundational goals for homeschooling that will get new families off to a solid start. We'll cover some common roadblocks and misconceptions about "what school should look like" and many practical tips for success. There will be a time for interaction and questions.

2:15-3:15pm | Scott Woodruff

Homeschooling with Confidence: Understanding Iowa's Homeschool Law

This session covers everything you need to know about Iowa's homeschool law so you can home educate with confidence. It includes a thorough presentation of the basics with plenty of time for questions.

3:30-4:30pm | Homeschool Graduate Panel Discussion

Can Homeschooling Really Turn Out Well? Wondering if students can emerge from a homeschool education with the skills they need to function in the real world? Can home-educated students succeed? Hear the answers from the mouths of homeschool graduates.



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June 6th, 2019 | 1:30-6:30pm

Valley Church | East & West Central Station Rooms

Thursday, June 6, 2019 | 1:00pm-4:30pm | Valley Church Student Ministries Room



SPECIAL NEEDS Mini-Conference



Notes:

1:00-2:00 pm | Krisa Winn

Teaching Struggling Learners at Home: Nuts and Bolts for Success (Part 1)

This workshop offers practical resources, lists of materials, and curricula to equip you as you work with a struggling learner in your homeschool. Krisa presents ideas for designing a unique home instruction program tailored to your child's specific challenges.

2:15-3:15 pm | Parent Panel Discussion

Real-Life Stories from Parents Who Home-Educate Special Needs Students

Wouldn't it be nice to hear the stories of real-life homeschooling parents who are educating children with special needs? Now you can! We've assembled just such a panel to share their experiences and answer your questions.

3:30-4:30 pm | Krisa Winn

Teaching Struggling Learners at Home: Nuts and Bolts for Success (Part 2)

In this second half of "Nuts and Bolts for Success," Krisa addresses homeschooling and working, teaching multi-ages, scheduling the day, and practical teaching strategies you can use regardless of your curriculum program. Krisa explains multi-sensory teaching methods, direct instruction, and modeled teaching.

Special Needs ADVISORS



Adele

EXPERIENCE AREAS:

- ADHD
- Tourette's Syndrome
- Profoundly Gifted
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Anxiety/Depression
- Dysgraphia



Amy

EXPERIENCE AREAS:

- Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Speech
- Fine Motor (Writing)
- Sensory Issues
- Learning Styles
- Love Languages
- Literal Thinkers



Erin

EXPERIENCE AREAS:

- Autism
- Auditory Processing
- Nonverbal Learning Disorder
- Speech Therapy



Kim

EXPERIENCE AREAS:

- Physical Disabilities
- Intellectual Disabilities
- Cerebral Palsy
- Sensory Processing Disorder
- Auditory Processing Disorder
- ADHD
- Autism Spectrum
- Accessibility Issues
- Special Needs Adoption
- Anxiety



Laura

EXPERIENCE AREAS:

- Down Syndrome
- Dyslexia
- Dysgraphia
- Language Processing Disorder
- ADHD
- Depression/Anxiety
- Sensory Issues
- Bipolar

Meet the Speakers!



Israel Wayne

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Israel Wayne is an author and conference speaker who has a passion for defending the Christian faith and promoting a Biblical worldview. He is the author of a number of books, *including Full-Time Parenting* and *Answers for Homeschooling*. A favorite speaker and author, Israel has written numerous articles for well-known magazines, has appeared as a guest on national radio and television shows, and has traveled the country as a featured conference speaker. He and his wife, Brook, are raising their ten children in SW Michigan.



Megan Scheibner

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Megan is the homeschooling mother of four boys & four girls. She earned a B.A. in Speech Communications and uses her degree as she teaches and speaks at conferences and women's ministry functions. Megan has been married for 29 years to her college sweetheart, Steve Scheibner. Together they have co-authored *Parenting Matters*, *The Nine Practices of the Pro-Active Parent*. Megan has also written a variety of other books, her newest book is *An A-Z Guide For Character-Healthy Homeschooling*. Megan enjoys writing, cooking, feeding teenagers, reading, and everything pertaining to the Boston Red Sox.



Steve Scheibner

characterhealth.com

Steve served as a pilot in the Navy for 8 years. During that time, he married Megan, and they started their family. After retiring from active duty, he was hired as a pilot for American Airlines and remained active in the Navy Reserve. Steve earned a Doctorate of Ministry and founded Cornerstone Baptist Church in Maine. He is a highly sought after trainer and motivational speaker. More than 10,000 service members have attended his Core Values seminars. Steve spends his spare time sleeping, watching the Red Sox, and driving his children to sports practice, all while attending weekly meetings of Overachievers Anonymous.



Scott Woodruff

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Krista Winn

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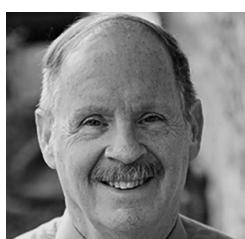
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Terrica Jones

Busy B's the Busy Box



Lori Heschke



Beth Glosser



Erin Peterman

**Have a speaker you would like to see us
bring to our next Conference?**

Email the suggestion to: speakers@homeschooliowa.org

Thank You!!!



Friday, June 7, 2019 | 8:00am-9:00pm



FRIDAY WORKSHOPS 2019 Conference



**8:00-8:30am | Valley Church Chapel
Julie Naberhaus | Teacher Orientation**

This course orientation workshop will provide an overview of the credit course procedures and requirements and can be applied toward the 15-hour requirement. Check the conference schedule to determine which course completion option will allow you to complete the required 15 contact hours.



8:30-9:45am Friday Morning Keynote | Valley Church Sanctuary Israel Wayne | Education: Does God Have an Opinion?

Is education a neutral subject? Does God have a preference for how He wants children to be educated? What does the Bible teach about schooling? Is there one correct path for education? Are public schools a viable option for Christians? These questions, and more, will be discussed in this engaging presentation.



Session 1 10:00-11:00AM



Steve and Megan Scheibner | Valley Church Sanctuary

Marriage, Communication, and Friendship

MARRIAGE, COMMUNICATION, AND PRACTICAL ADVICE

Recognizing that a healthy marriage is the basis of a healthy home, this session is a fun and fruitful way to invest in your marriage relationship. Steve and Megan teach from their book *The Eight Rules of Communication for Successful Marriages* and finish the session with a fun-loving look at marriage and F-R-I-E-N-D-S-H-I-P. Practical advice in a guilt-free environment make the teaching real and applicable to all those in attendance.



Israel Wayne | Valley Church Chapel

What Are Our Roots? The History of the Homeschooling Movement

WHAT ARE OUR ROOTS? THE HISTORY OF THE HOMESCHOOLING MOVEMENT

Over the past 6,000 years, homeschooling has been the primary form of education for nearly every culture worldwide. Compulsory government schooling has only been around in America since about 1840. But it is so pervasive, that for most parents, public schooling is all they have ever experienced. The modern-day homeschooling movement has taken America by storm, with nearly 2 million students being home-educated nationwide. Learn about the origins of the rebirth of home-based learning, and discover God's purposes and plans for the future of the homeschooling movement.



| Cindy West | Valley Church Courtyard Hall

Creative Nature Study /S Real Science

Creative Nature Study is Real Science
There is no "right" way to incorporate nature study into your homeschool, but it can be considered as real science lessons when taken seriously. This workshop will give you a wealth of practical suggestions for adding nature study in a way that suits your family's homeschool. Understand the importance of studying God's creation, feel confident (even if you're a novice), learn how to keep nature journals, and learn what to do during nature study no matter where you live.



Krisa Winn | Valley Church East Central Station

Teaching Struggling Learners at Home: Nuts and Bolts for Success

(Part 1) This workshop offers practical resources, lists of materials, and curricula to equip you as you work with a struggling learner in your homeschool. Krisa presents ideas for designing a unique home instruction program tailored to your child's specific challenges.

Session 2

2:30-3:30PM



Attend

Israel Wayne | Valley Church Sanctuary

Homeschooling from a Biblical Worldview

Purchase Recording

Are your children prepared to face the “real world”? Learn how to equip your children to stand against the flood of secularism that threatens to drown them. What is your worldview? How are you going to transfer it to your children? Will you be more effective than the media and popular culture? Discover how to teach your children to view the core subjects (and all of life) through the lens of Scripture.

Attend

Megan Scheibner | Valley Church Chapel

The Wise Wife

Purchase Recording

Although it's so easy to get caught up in our role as “MOM,” the greatest gift we can give our families is to show them how much we love fulfilling our primary role as “WIFE.” The Wise Wife session is jampacked with practical ways to focus on becoming a wife who brings glory to God, delights the heart of her husband, and models a Christian marriage for her children. Being a godly wife is serious business, but you'll get plenty of time to laugh as Megan shares some “What in the world?” differences between men and women. Come be challenged and refreshed in your most important role!

Attend

Nancy Bjorkman | Valley Church Courtyard Hall

Meal Management in an Age of Fast Food

Purchase Recording

This workshop will explore many ideas for managing the daily chore of feeding your family and will include the benefits and methods for bulk cooking, along with several strategies for meal planning and preparation. Nancy will teach about the savings seen in time, energy, money, and stress levels, as well as the increased nutrition and enjoyment in sharing hospitality with others. We will then look at practical ways to get it all done and some of the resources available to get you on your way. Once you've tried it, you'll wonder why you waited.

Attend

Krisa Winn | Valley Church East Central Station

Teaching Struggling Learners at Home: Nuts and Bolts for Success

(Part 2) In this second half of “Nuts and Bolts for Success,” Krisa addresses homeschooling and working, teaching multi-ages, scheduling the day, and practical teaching strategies you can use regardless of your curriculum program. Krisa explains multi-sensory teaching methods, direct instruction, and modeled teaching.

Attend

Connie Albers | Valley Church West Central Station

Homeschooling is a Family Affair

Purchase Recording

Not interested! Does things differently! Do you feel you're doing all the schooling alone? Do you wish your spouse would help more? Homeschooling often falls on the shoulders of one parent, which can lead to feelings of resentment or frustration. Connie will share how homeschooling her five children was a family affair. You'll learn how she asked for help, communicated her needs, and learned to let go of “her” way to allow her husband to join in the fun.

Attend

Cheri Frame | Valley Church C5/6/7

You Can Homeschool Through High School!

Purchase Recording

Homeschooling through high school might seem intimidating, but be encouraged! These can be the most enjoyable and influential years you have with your teens. This workshop takes the guesswork out of what academics you should build into your 7-12th grade plan and helps you explore electives and activities that can customize your students' high school years to meet their graduation goals. *Teens are encouraged to attend.*

Session 3

3:45-4:45PM



Megan Scheibner | Valley Church Sanctuary

The A to Z of a Character Healthy Homeschool

If we homeschool simply to achieve high academic marks, we are squandering the opportunity to influence our children for Christ. Character healthy leaders are those children who have learned to elevate virtues above feelings. If we spend our homeschooling hours simply on academics and activities, we may win the praise of man, but we risk losing the hearts of our children. In our few short years with our children, we must focus on the first things first – and character is always the first thing! In this conference, Megan, a homeschooling mother of eight, will challenge you to use every opportunity to teach your children to serve God by loving others and to love others by faithfully serving God.

Attend

Purchase Recording

Scott Woodruff | Valley Church Chapel

Keeping Your Family Safe During a Child Abuse or Neglect

Investigation: Simple Strategies that Work

You don't know when it could be you. But knowing beforehand what to do when a caseworker knocks on your door can mean the difference between quickly resolving a child abuse / neglect investigation and watching helplessly as a caseworker takes your children away and puts them in a foster home. After helping more than a thousand families in abuse and neglect investigations, Scott offers wisdom based on experience. This presentation includes an easy-to-understand explanation of the 4th Amendment, six proven strategies, and instruction that may help you keep your family together should government agents appear on your doorstep.

Attend

Purchase Recording

Cindy West | Valley Church Courtyard Hall

Homeschooling Gifted Kids – You CAN Do It Successfully

How is homeschooling a gifted child different than homeschooling other children? How do you meet the needs of your gifted child? How do you keep him challenged? What happens when he's smarter than you? How will you homeschool him and your other children at the same time? How do you keep him humble while encouraging his gifts? This workshop answers these questions and many more!

Attend

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Jan Bloom | Valley Church East Central Station

Keepers of the Books: The Vital Importance of a Home Library

Throughout history, reading and owning books has been associated with culture, learning, and wisdom. In modern times, books have yielded to electronic information systems. Jan, a vintage bookseller, believes that the older books, written true to a Christian worldview and absent many modern biases, need to be rescued from destruction, read by the students of today, and kept safe for future generations. Jan gives guidelines on choosing which books to include in a home library, which books to borrow from a public library, and which books to send to the trash. Practical suggestions on book repair, deodorizing, and organizing will also be discussed.

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Connie Albers | Valley Church West Central Station

How to Manage a Bad Day!

Can I have a do-over? Do you wish you could hit the reset button? When you have a lousy day, the last thing you want to hear is how you should enjoy every moment. You know they will grow up fast, but you just need to know how to get through today. Connie Albers understands how tough some days or weeks can be for moms. Telling you to enjoy your time might lead to more Mom guilt, causing #momfail! Connie shares practical tips she used while raising five kids and homeschooling five teenagers. You will leave knowing how to manage the bad days well.

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Cheri Frame | Valley Church C5/6/7

Transcripts and Recordkeeping

Transcripts are not just for college. Every student needs one. How to begin? What to include? Understand the essentials of recordkeeping, the five types of records to keep, how to grade, evaluating credits, and preparing a professional-looking high school transcript. *Teens are encouraged to attend.*

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Bonus Session.

EXHIBITOR Workshops: Valley Community Center Conference Room

[Attend](#) | **Harvest Bible Institute | 5:15-5:45PM**

Christian Values in a LGBT World

As a homeschool family, you know that the world has become increasingly hostile to the Christian faith. Why is the world like this and how did it get there? How do we prepare our families to engage in the secular world? How do we raise our kids to have a lifelong faith? Join us for our workshop to discuss these questions and more!

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Thrivent Financial | 6:00-6:30PM

College Planning Basics

College Planning Basics
Current and future college-bound students and their parents can learn more about how to graduate from college with less debt. Find out: the value of college and having a plan, tips and tricks to lower the cost of college, college options to help make wise choices, how admission and academics make a difference, basics of college financial aid, free tools and resources on college planning, and more!



Friday Night Keynote

Steve Scheibner

Living on Borrowed Time: *The Nine Practices of The Proactive Parent*

As a pilot for American Airlines, Steve was very close to the events of 9/11. He was originally scheduled to be the co-pilot on AA Flight 11, the first flight to be hijacked on September 11, 2001. Through a set of divine circumstances, Steve was bumped from that flight the night before by another pilot. Steve tells his deeply moving story of God's providence on that terrible day in our history. Steve feels a call of God, since that day, to teach parents how to parent with purpose and urgency. Intensely practical and Bible based, this workshop is designed to give parents both the tools they need, and the necessary hope, to build a Christ-centered and character driven home environment.

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FRIDAY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

ROOM	8:00-8:30	8:30-9:45	10:00-11:00	11:00-2:30	2:30-3:30	3:45-4:45	5:00-7:00	7:00-9:00	
Valley Church Sanctuary		KEYNOTE Israel Wayne Education: Does God Have an Opinion?	Steve & Megan Scheibner Marriage, Communication & Friendship	<i>Exhibit Hall Feature Time!</i>		Israel Wayne Homeschooling from a Biblical Worldview	Megan Scheibner The A to Z of Character Health Homeschooling	<i>Exhibit Hall Feature Time!</i>	
Valley Church Chapel	Teacher Credit Course Orientation		Israel Wayne Our Roots: The History of the Homeschooling Movement		Megan Scheibner The Wise Wife	Scott Woodruff Keeping Your Family Safe During a DHS Investigation		FREE Friday Night Event Valley Church Sanctuary Living On Borrowed Time: The Nine Practices of the Proactive Parent Presented By: Steve Scheibner	
Valley Church Courtyard Hall			Cindy West Creative Nature Study is Real Science		Nancy Bjorkman Meal Management in an age of Fast Food	Cindy West Homeschooling Gifted Kids: You CAN do it Successfully			
Valley Church East Central Station			Krisa Winn Teaching Struggling Learners at Home Part 1		Krisa Winn Teaching Struggling Learners at Home Part 2	Jan Bloom Keepers of the Books: The Vital Importance of a Home Library			
Valley Church West Central Station			Scott Woodruff Homeschooling with Confidence (Iowa Law)	MAKE & TAKE WORKSHOP Lori Heschke 11:15-12:15 Drawing Near to God Must be pre-registered	Connie Albers Homeschooling is a Family Affair	Connie Albers How to Manage a Bad Day			
Valley Church C5/6/7			Dennis Gunderson Serving with Love & Loving to Serve	MAKE & TAKE WORKSHOP Terrica Jones 1:00-2:00 Busy Bags for Toddlers Must be pre-registered	Cheri Frame You Can Homeschool Through High School	Cheri Frame Transcripts and Recordkeeping			
Community Center Meeting Room				EXHIBITOR WORKSHOPS Given Hoffman 11:15-11:45 How to Make Writing Fun BJU Press 12:15-12:45 Fun and Educational, Too! IEW 1:00-1:30 Experience Excellence in Writing Classical Conversations 1:45-2:15 Discipleship Through Education			EXHIBITOR WORKSHOPS Harvest Bible Institute 5:15-5:45 Christian Values in a LGBT World Thrivent Financial 6:00-6:30 College Planning Basics		
Community Center Exhibit Hall				Exhibit Hall Open ~ 10:00AM-7:00PM					

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SATURDAY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE							
ROOM	8:15-9:15	9:30-10:30	10:30-1:30	1:45-2:45	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:30	
Valley Church Sanctuary		Steve Scheibner Battling with Behavior	<i>Exhibit Hall Feature Time!</i>			<i>Exhibit Hall Feature Time!</i>	
Valley Church Chapel	Dads & Donuts Steve Scheibner Second Mile Leadership for Men	Israel Wayne The Difference Between Schooling and Education		Nancy Bjorkman Time and Home Management	Israel Wayne The Power of Affirmation		
Valley Church Courtyard Hall		Jan Bloom Cradle to Grade: Preparing Your Children to Love Reading		Cindy West Creative Homeschooling	Cindy West Starting Your Day Beautifully with Morning Time		
Valley Church East Central Station		Scott Woodruff Don't Judge Me! A Lesson from the Front Line of Parenting		Connie Albers Affording the Homeschool Lifestyle	Jan Bloom Tally Ho!: Hunting for the Great Books		
Valley Church West Central Station	Moms & Muffins <small>held in the Valley Church Student Ministries Room</small>	Krisa Winn Keeping Perspective on Progress	MAKE & TAKE WORKSHOP Beth Glosser 10:45-11:45 Morning Baskets <i>Must be pre-registered</i>	Dennis Gunderson Homeschooling with a Broken Spirit	Connie Albers Help for Modern Day Mompreneurs		
Valley Church C5/6/7	Megan Scheibner Homeschooling Simplicity & Sincerity	Dennis Gunderson Kindling Passion for Missions in a Child's Heart	MAKE & TAKE WORKSHOP Erin Peterman 12:30-1:30 For the Love of Lapbooking! <i>Must be pre-registered</i>	Cheri Frame Jump Start College with CLEP	Cheri Frame Career Exploration		
Community Center Meeting Room			EXHIBITOR WORKSHOPS Faith Baptist 10:45-11:15 Mentoring Like the Master Reasons to Believe 11:30-12:00 Time and Time Again Iowa Bible Quizzing 12:15-12:45 Iowa Bible Quizzing Christian Service Brigade 1:00-1:30 Show Yourself a Man				
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DADS & DONUTS | 8:15-9:15am | Valley Church Chapel

Steve Scheibner | 2ML (Second Mile Leadership for Men)

Second-mile leaders are those counterintuitive servants of God who earn the right to be heard by developing a consistent love of virtue, a disciplined approach to gratification, and a submissive love for the authority of God's Word. Male leadership is essential to the success of marriages, families, the church, and society. This session will teach men to Earn the Right to Be Heard, Prefer Proactivity, Reject Reactivity, Learn to Elevate Virtues Above Feelings, Build Moral Muscle, Seek Forgiveness, and Develop A Finisher's Attitude. Powerful! *Pre-registration required.*

Attend

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MOMS & MUFFINS | 8:15-9:15am | Valley Church Student Ministries

Megan Scheibner | Homeschooling with Simplicity and Sincerity

Homeschooling days are busy, and it's easy to get caught up in the rush of our daily activities! However, when we allow the busyness of our days to distract us, we run the risk of simply raising well-educated children; not spiritually-focused young adults. Join Megan, to discover practical ways to make sure that your homeschool days are building fruit for eternity, as she shares truths about the Trasher, the Stasher, and the Catcher! *Pre-registration required.*



Session 4 9:30-10:30AM

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Steve Scheibner | Valley Church Sanctuary

Battling with Behavior?

Want your teen to take more initiative around the house? Want to reduce the "drama" level in the family? Want to get your pre-teens, teens, and young adults excited about character healthy living? Join "America's Parenting Doctor," Dr. Steve Scheibner, as he reveals seven practical steps to raising the behavior bar in your home. Begin the process of moving your young people from ordinary to extraordinary.

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Israel Wayne | Valley Church Chapel

The Difference Between Schooling & Education

Most people think of schooling when they hear the word "education." In reality, however, the two are not intrinsically linked in any way. Learn why most people are schooled, but never truly educated, and how you can ensure your children get a great education even without schooling.

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Jan Bloom | Valley Church Courtyard Hall

Cradle to Grade: Preparing Your Children to Love Reading

Booklovers become world changers, but they are grown, not born. Jan, a booklover and veteran homeschooler, will give advice to help parents of young children develop strategies and lifestyles that will "till the soil" and prepare a child's mind for the hard, but joyful, work of learning from books. Caution: Join us if you are ready to consider giving up or considerably cutting down on television and computer time. You'll be glad you did!

Attend

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Scott Woodruff | Valley Church East Central Station

"Don't Judge Me!" A Lesson from the Front Line of Parenting

When your child gives you that look, and says, "Don't judge me!" you are at a crossroads, a moment of truth, a moment of great peril and great opportunity. This session will give you the tools you need to turn what could be an ugly situation into a transformative moment of healing and redemption. If your head sometimes swims when you try to figure out whether it's right or wrong to judge your child in a particular situation, this session will plant your feet on solid ground in ways that may surprise you.



Attend

Krisa Winn | Valley Church West Central Station

Keeping Perspective on Progress

Do you ever wonder, "Are we really on the right track?" Most likely, the answer to that question is, "Yes!" It is very possible that progress is being made, but not in the way you are hoping or expecting. In this workshop, Krisa points out the sometimes-forgotten areas of progress. She also provides teaching strategies, assessment ideas, and other resources that will help you persevere when it seems your efforts are in vain.

Attend

Dennis Gundersen | Valley Church C5/6/7

Kindling A Passion for Missions in a Child's Heart

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Dennis has led over a dozen short-term mission trips into Mexico and other nations, showing how to minister cross-culturally and even communicate in significant ways with people whose language you do not speak. Should your children or your family go on such a trip? How can you prepare them? Not everyone is meant to be a missionary, but we can all form a heart for the peoples of the world and use our gifts to serve them.



Attend

Beth Glosser | Valley Church West Central Station, 10:45-11:45AM

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Make & Take Workshop | Morning Baskets

Learn from Beth, a homeschooled mom of six, how she uses morning baskets to anchor her family with Psalms, read-alouds and more.

EXHIBITOR Workshops: Valley Community Center Conference Room

Append

Faith Baptist Bible College | 10:45-11:15AM

Mentoring Like the Master

As Christian parents, we all desire to impact the hearts and minds of our children for Christ. Yet, there are only so many hours in the day, and we have many responsibilities! Attend this workshop to learn of practical ideas for maximizing your influence by developing a biblical mentoring mindset.

Quoted

Reasons to Believe | 11:30AM-12:00PM

Reasons to Believe | Part 2

Time and Time Again

Time and Time Again
The Grand Canyon is one of our country's most amazing landmarks. This workshop will provide a fascinating review of the development of this incredible natural wonder and an interesting summary of research on the Canyon's features.

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Iowa Bible Quizzing | 12:15-12:45PM

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Bible Quizzing
Check out this fun and exciting way to engage the Bible! Students ages 7 through 20 are encouraged to memorize Scripture and compete on teams locally, regionally, and nationally! This is a great opportunity for your family to get more Bible into your home, fellowship with other Believers, and have some friendly (and sometimes intense) competition! We will show you how Bible Quizzing works and why it is great for the whole family!

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Christian Service Brigade | 1:00-1:30PM

Show Yourself a Man

FOR DADS (moms welcome too) "Be Strong and Show Yourself a Man." These were King David's final words to his son, Solomon. We'll talk about what we can learn from David's advice and how we can apply it to raising our own sons. We'll also discuss how Christian Service Brigade Ministries can help you disciple your son.



Attend

**Erin Peterman | Valley Church C5/6/7, 12:30-1:30PM
Make & Take Workshop | PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
For the Love of Lapbooking!**

Need some help learning how to incorporate lapbooks into your homeschool days? Erin's workshop will walk you through creating a lapbook and will give you tips and tricks to use to create your own for the next school year.

Session 5 1:45-2:45PM

Attend

Nancy Bjorkman | Valley Church Chapel

Time and Home Management: *Managing Life and Home While Homeschooling*

Homeschooling Time must be budgeted, just like money. We must determine the difference between the fixed (what we must do) and the discretionary (what we would like to do) and set our priorities. This workshop will be filled with practical tips and encouragement for everyday living as a homeschool family. Areas covered include understanding your calling, relationships, schooling, meals, household clutter and cleaning, and general household management. Attendees will leave with practical and applicable tips.!

Att&nd

Cindy West | Valley Church Courtyard Hall

Creative Homeschooling: Practical Ideas to Add Interest to Your Day

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After homeschooling five children, getting each one through college, and managing to build a retirement fund in the process, Connie shares her secrets. She knows homeschooling isn't cheap, but it doesn't have to break the budget. She discusses how rising costs, tough times, and financial shortfalls are typical to families. While it's true, your money doesn't seem to go as far as it once did, it is possible to afford the call to homeschool. This presentation is packed full of practical information to help you continue your homeschool journey without going broke.

Hand

Connie Albers | Valley Church East Central Station

Resilient and Resourceful: Keys to Affording the Homeschool Lifestyle

Resident and Resourceful: Keys to Arranging the Homeschool Lifestyle
In this second half of "Nuts and Bolts for Success," Krisa addresses homeschooling and working, teaching multi-ages, scheduling the day, and practical teaching strategies you can use regardless of your curriculum program. Krisa explains multi-sensory teaching methods, direct instruction, and modeled teaching.

Hand

Dennis Gundersen | Valley Church West Central Station

Homeschooling with a Broken Spirit

Homeschooling moms have a busy life! The comprehensive, multi-faceted work of it all can become overwhelming. If you, or a mother you know, have ever found yourself depressed, this is the workshop for you. As Don Francisco sang, "It ain't sin to get the blues," but it's not pleasure, either. We want it to end! Dennis has helped many a parent overcome depression and, just as importantly, find ways to still walk faithfully with God during that time of life.

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Cheri Frame | Valley Church C5/6/7

Jump Start College with CLEP

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Session 6

3:00-4:00PM

Notes:

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Israel Wayne | Valley Church Chapel

The Power of Affirmation

When you are trying to inspire and motivate children, there are two forces that are often exerted: positive and negative reinforcement. In this session, Israel explains the importance of affirmation as a way to inspire and motivate your reluctant child. Drawing from practical and Biblical examples, this session will help you keep those important relational connections as you are attempting to impart knowledge.

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Cindy West | Valley Church Courtyard Hall

Start Your Homeschool Day Beautifully with Morning Time

Implementing a family gathering time each day was one of the best decisions I ever made in homeschooling. You can learn how to successfully implement a family morning time easily. Start the school day off right with worship, learning, and beauty that everyone can enjoy together. At the same time, warm those brains up for a big day of learning ahead.

Attend

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Jan Bloom | Valley Church East Central Station

Tally Ho! Hunting for the Great Books

A show-and-tell to familiarize you with the appearance and importance of specific books, series, and authors that are worth hunting for to include in your home library. Don't overlook treasures! Jan Bloom, an experienced bookhound, will equip you to be a super shopper at library sales, thrift stores, bookstores, and on the Internet.

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Connie Albers | Valley Church West Central Station

Help for Modern Day Mompreneurs

The rise of mompreneurs in the homeschooling community requires diligence if we want to achieve a healthy balance between homeschooling, work, and family needs. As a mother of five, active volunteer, business owner, and veteran homeschooler, Connie Albers discusses how to efficiently delegate, set realistic goals, and find work that fits the homeschooling lifestyle. During this presentation, she will share with you how to manage your homeschool and evaluate your workload so that your family runs smoothly. Come and learn from a mom who has lost the balance battle many times, but her resilient spirit, desire to finish well, and not short her family, will help you in your mompreneur journey.

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Cheri Frame | Valley Church C5/6/7

Career Exploration

Career Exploration might just be one of the most important elements of your teen's high school experience. Yet, many will graduate still uncertain about what to study in college or what career to pursue. Determining a vocation starts with understanding God's design for work and how they are specially designed to fit in His plan. This seminar helps students identify how to find their best-fit career options and equips parents with the steps and resources to walk alongside and be their students' very best career coach. *Teens are encouraged to attend.*



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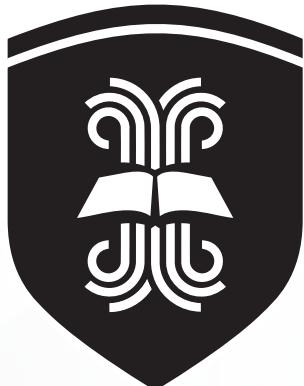


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Our Journey Westward/Cindy West*†

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Offering Charlotte Mason style homeschooling resources, nature studies, and more.

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www.rainbowresource.com

We carry a wide range of products in all subjects and for all grades. We also provide free curriculum consultations, which will be our focus for this convention.

Reasons To Believe Des Moines Chapter

www.Reasons.org

Our mission is to spread the Christian Gospel by demonstrating that sound reason and scientific research, including the very latest discoveries, consistently support, rather than erode, confidence in the truth of the Bible and faith in the personal, transcendent God revealed in both Scripture and nature.

Rod & Staff Publishing*

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Tree Bird Feeders LLC*

www.treebirdfeeders.com

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True Potential Education

www.truepotentialed.com

True Potential Education is a dyslexia-focused educational center in West Des Moines, IA. We provide diagnostic assessments, as well as Orton Gillingham remediation (tutoring in-person or virtually) and continuing education for educators.

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www.tworiversclassical.org

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*These exhibitors ARE accepting NICHE Bucks during the conference!

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Conference Center Exhibit Hall Map

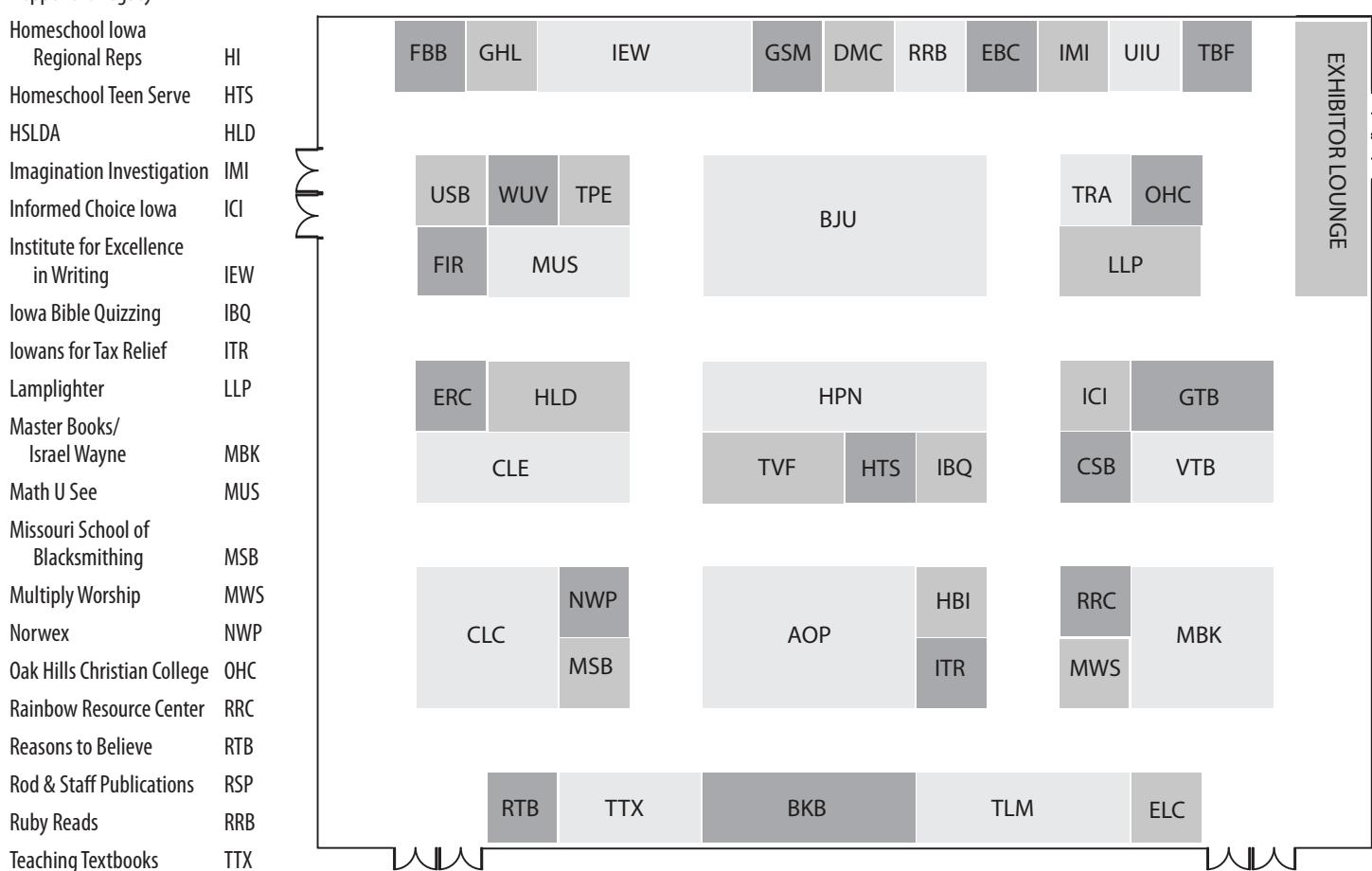
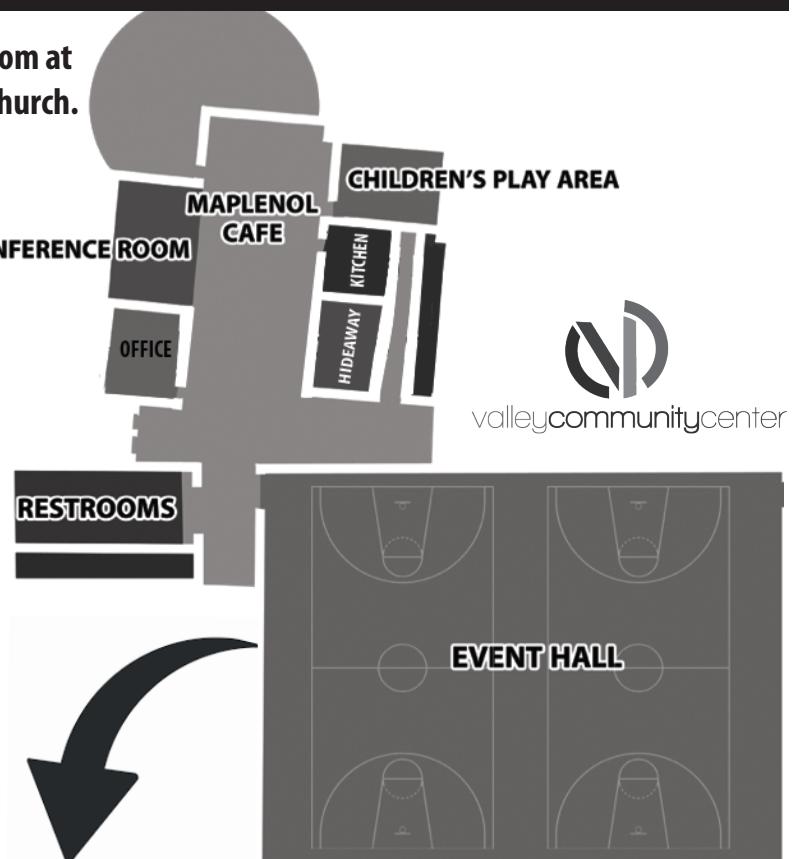
Exhibitor Workshops are held in the Conference Room at the Community Center across the street from the church.

Exhibitor Key:

Alpha Omega Publications	AOP	Thrivent Financial	TVF
BJU Press Homeschool	BJU	Tree Bird Feeders LLC	TBF
Books Bloom	BKB	True Potential Education	TPE
Christian Light Education	CLE	Two Rivers Classical Academy	TRA
Christian Service Brigade	CSB	Upper Iowa University	UIU
Classical Conversations	CLC	Usborne Books & More	USB
DMACC	DMC	Visual Theology	VTB
Educational Resources	ERC	Waldorf University	WUV
Embrace Life Chiropractic	ELC		
Emmaus Bible College	EBC		
Faith Baptist Bible College	FBB		
FIRST	FIR	Character Health - the Scheibners	
Given Hoffman LLC	GHL	Connie Albers	
Godstruck Ministries	GSM	Credits Before College - Cheri Frame	
Grace and Truth	GTB	Our Journey Westward - Cindy West	
Harvest Bible Institute	HBI		
Heppener's Legacy	HPN		

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Box lunch Pick Up Info:

You may pick your lunch up in the church foyer

FRIDAY: 11am-12:30pm | SATURDAY: 10:30am-12:00pm

Feel free to eat your lunch at the church or find a spot on
the grass outside of the church or community center.

Want a Box Lunch?

We have a limited number available for purchase!

Stop by the Homeschool Iowa Booth to purchase a ticket for a
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Snack Room

Got the munchies? We can help!

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Angie Goble ~ Usbourne Books

Rebecca B. Janni, Author

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in our pjs **Y**
take **SUNSHINE** days **Y**
R (and snow days too) **Y**
E love learning (most
VISIT days)
A are on a first-name basis
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But Most of all...
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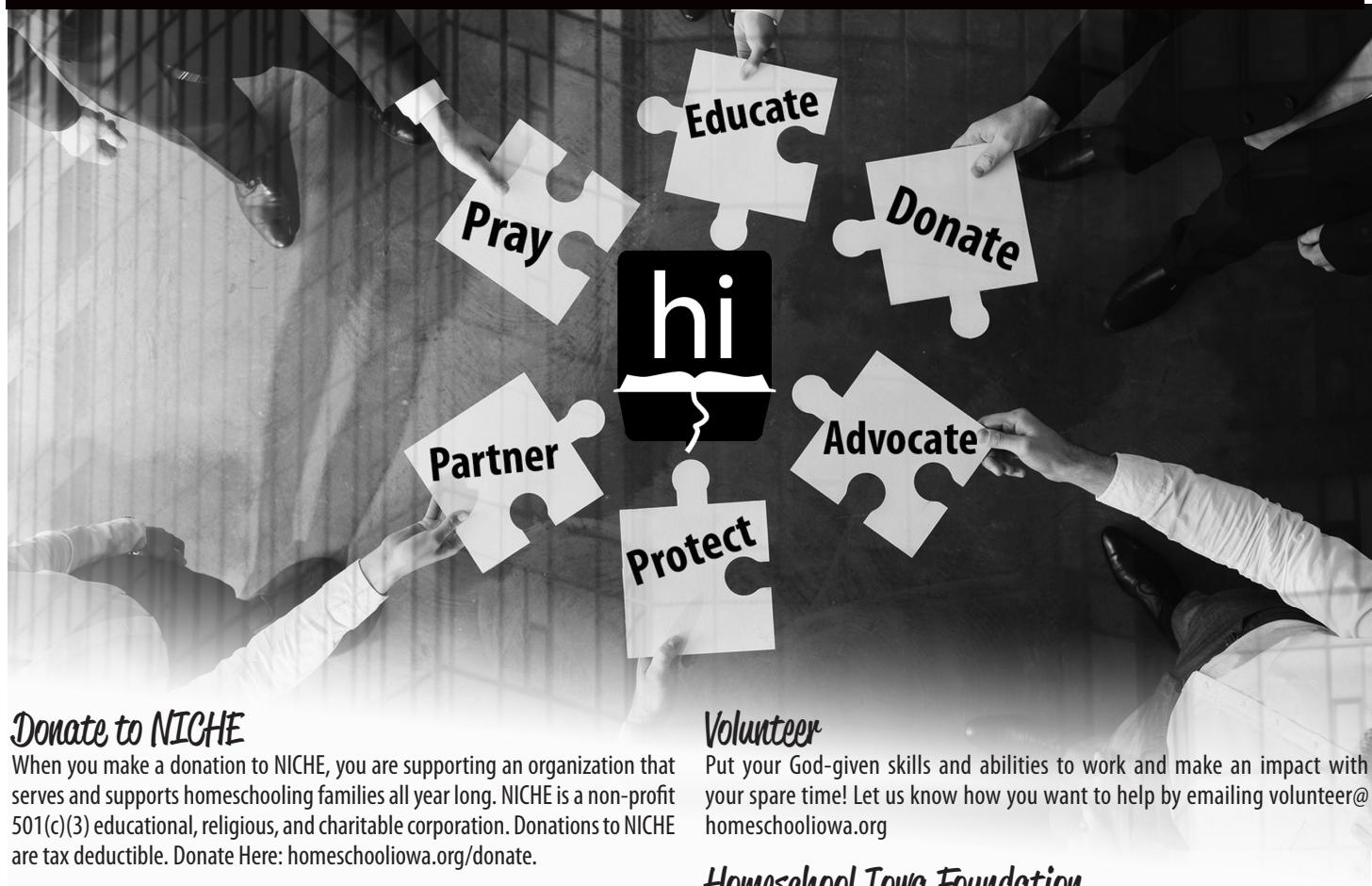


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Ask God to bless and expand our ministry reach so that more families can have access to home education and discipleship tools for his glory!

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Facility Map



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Don't miss a Workshop Session! Exhibit Hall Only Hours:

Fri: 11am-2:30pm & 5-7pm | Sat: 10:30am-1:30pm & 4-5:30pm

Keep our exhibitors coming back!

As you are able, please purchase resources you find in our exhibit hall from our exhibitors! Also, if you purchase from them at a later date, thank them for attending the Homeschool Iowa Conference. Exhibitors provide a valuable service by bringing a variety of resources for us to have a hands-on look through them. Exhibitors also have a lot of expenses. If we do not support their efforts by purchasing from them, our exhibitors will not be able to cover their expenses or even have a profit and may choose not to participate in our conference next year. So join with us in showing our gratitude by purchases from these small businesses!