



Quick Connect

September/October 2016

EMERGE - Community College Program - Has Launched!

It's happening! Emerge, a program to help Community College Students Move Out, Go to College, and Get Ahead -- is underway with nine young adults in Sacramento. This collaborative pilot experience . . . will also come to Southern California in Fall 2017.



As part of the program, students participate in Intensive Retreats. Our first retreat took us to Lake Tahoe for a weekend of learning our "Kingdom Position" through the Strengths Finders Assessment. Pastor Troy Nichols of Common Ground Covenant Church helped students understand the unique way God has created each of them, and how to live into their God-given gifts in Kingdom service. With four weeks down, we're just getting started.

Go here for more information: <http://www.emergeprograms.com/> or contact Matt.Aalseth@pswc.org.

First All-Latino Church Planting Assessment Event!

We believe God is calling us to continue to plant churches. . . and to plant 70 Latino churches in the next 10 years.



An important early step in planting a church is to find the right church planter. We do this in part, through a church planting assessment event -- where, we trust, God's leading

and the discernment of many converge.

Last week, the first Assessment Event in Covenant history was held. . . that assessed all Latino leaders. We give thanks to God for the team pictured here (and the others) who helped bring

Over 275 at the Women Ministries Retreat at Mission Springs, Sept.16 - 18.

Speaker, Cecilia Williams, was deeply appreciated as she encouraged and challenged women to live purposeful lives rooted in Christ. The women gave close to \$8000 for the missionary offering and PSWC Youth Initiative. Amazing generosity!

Parents This-This is for you! Lifelong Faith for Our Kids

While almost 1 out of 2 young people walk away from God and the church after high school, it doesn't have to be that way. In your church and home, you can build practices that help teenagers develop faith that "sticks" into adulthood. We'll take a practical look at research conducted by the Fuller Youth Institute over the past decade. Together we'll unearth toxic myths young people believe about faith, and explore how to reverse the myths and form lifelong faith. **These sessions are offered together at each Energize and Equip Event (EEE) in 2016/2017. Select "Parent Track". Please RSVP through the registration sites below or text your group count to Anita at 925.768.2068.**



Leadership Teams, Staff, Volunteers - This is for you!

Insights to Help Your Ministry Flourish

Most church leaders are aware that the American church is experiencing significant decline. What they may not know is how to discern a fruitful path forward. Included in this seminar:

- The Macro Story on American Church Decline (It is almost certain these forces are impacting your church)
- A Mini-Assessment of Your Church
- Straight Talk, Key Insights and Wise Action That Leads to Fruitfulness

Leaders: A combination of Paul Wilson, PSWC Superintendent; Jean Cheng Gorman, PSWC Director of Ministerial Health; Pat Stark, PSWC Associate Superintendent. **This session is offered at each EEE in 2016/2017. Select "Leader Track". Please RSVP through the registration sites below or text your group count to Anita at 925.768.2068.**



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