

## Church-Based Discipleship Pre-Forum Seminar

The goal of this Pre-Forum Seminar is to ignite a movement of "Life-on-Life Missional Discipleship" (LOLMD) across Europe and the wider world. Life-on-Life Missional Discipleship is defined as laboring in the lives of a few with the intention of imparting one's life, God's Word, and the Gospel in such a way as to see them become mature and equipped followers of Christ, committed to doing the same in the lives of others. LOLMD is based on how Jesus did ministry. Jesus invested his life in His disciples to develop them into mature and equipped followers, and LOLMD leaders believe as a part of the Great Commission we are commanded to do the same.

From experience Monte and Bryan have seen that LOLMD is the most effective way to develop mature and equipped followers of Christ. LOLMD consistently develops leaders who can lead themselves and their families, develop other mature and equipped followers of Christ, and have a transformational impact on the lost world. It is Perimeter Church's desire to come alongside pastors and local churches who desire to be more effective in making mature and equipped followers of Christ in and through the church so that leaders could have Kingdom influence where they live, work, and play.

Perimeter Church has been training members and other churches in Life-on-Life Missional Discipleship for over 35 years. In the last several years, they have seen a movement spread all over the world. By God's grace, Perimeter ministry leaders have had the privilege of training hundreds of churches globally in Ireland, Poland, Brazil, South Africa, China, Australia, Singapore, Philippines, and more. Domestically in the U.S. they have equipped hundreds of churches in over 25 states. They believe this is Jesus' strategy, not their own, so they desire to assist churches in giving discipleship away to their nation and continent. For example, one church in Brazil is now training 58 churches in 9 states in Brazil. They are praying God will ignite this movement and His Church will expand!

This seminar will focus on the vision, need and training process of Life on Life Missional Discipleship. As Jesus took time to equip His men, we use this same principle in how we equip local churches in LOLMD. This is why we co-labor with local churches for a couple of years in our training process.

**Monte Starkes** is the Director of Life on Life and Global Outreach at Perimeter Church and brings a passionate enthusiasm for Jesus and his message and method for transformation. He has a Doctorate in Discipleship from Talbot School of Theology, along with M.Div. and M.T.S. degrees from Beeson Divinity School. Monte has been discipling men for over 25 years and has seen men multiply and make more disciples and disciple-makers in six continents. His doctoral dissertation was on fathers discipling their sons to become godly men. He is the author of *Expedition: Fathers Discipling Their Sons*, a 28 lesson curriculum to assist fathers in discipling their sons' hearts and lives. He was a missionary in Japan, and has served on staff at three churches in the United States. He travels globally and domestically training churches, pastors and lay leaders in Life-on-Life Missional Discipleship. He is married to Amy and has four children.

**Bryan Brown** has a passion for the development of emerging leaders, life-on-life discipleship, and the nations. Currently, Bryan is the Director for Leadership Development in Global Outreach at Perimeter Church. He also coaches many ministry leaders in the US and internationally. He spent 10 years leading Campus Outreach Australia, a university ministry focused on reaching students with the gospel and building them into mature followers of Christ. He also helped in planting a church in Brisbane while he and his family lived there. Bryan graduated from Birmingham Theological Seminary, was ordained in 2005, and is a Certified Professional Life Coach. He loves adventure - from scuba diving to hang gliding. His greatest adventure has been being a husband to Jackie and a father to his three children.

### I. Jesus, the Ultimate Disciple Maker

A. Model, Method, Mandate, and Mission

**B. 3 Simple Reasons**

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**II. Biblical Foundation**

A. “WITH” and “SENT”

**III. The Definition, Goal and Assessment**

A. Definition of LOLMD

B. Goal

C. Church Assessment

#### **IV. Life on Life Philosophy of Training**

#### **V. The Whole Heart and Transformation**

A. Goal

B. Power

C. Tools

D. Context

E. Target

## **VI. Stories**

## **VII. The Process**

A. 4 E's

## B. Next Steps

## VIII. Q & A

### *Suggested Readings:*

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