

# CBMC Central PA Spring/Summer 2016 Newsletter

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## REFLECTIONS FROM THE "2016 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT CONFERENCE" By Dave Waterman

CBMC Central Pennsylvania's second annual Leadership Summit was held on Wednesday, April 27. Some 20 leaders from our Connect3 teams gathered at The Hub in Harrisburg to worship, pray, swap ideas, discuss CBMC team practices, and then be challenged and equipped to more effectively carry out our marketplace "ambassadorship" for Jesus Christ.

**CLEAR MISSION**: The summit started with our leadership men sharing their favorite missional verse that motivates them for the work as a marketplace ambassador. Then a reminder of Paul's charge to Timothy in 2 Timothy, the apostle's last letter recorded in scripture, started the training session. We were reminded of the centeredness of the Cross with these simple principles.

We don't need a new truth! Guard the ONE TRUTH!

Keep the ONE MESSAGE! This is THE GOSPEL- the GOOD NEWS



**ESSENTIAL EQUIPPING**: Next we heard from our guest presenter: "If you don't own it, you can't give it away!" Bill Geiger from Northern Virginia, and a member of our Gettysburg team, focused our attention in two presentations on the absolute necessity of investing in our own spiritual growth, if we are to be at all effective as disciples and spiritual reproducers. He first laid out the case that most churches have shifted to a "caretaker" approach to ministry, rather than really training their members in what it means to be "reproducing disciples" in their spheres of influence. This idea is complementary to the critical ministry of CBMC with its emphasis on "life-on-life" discipleship.

Then in his gracious but pointed way, he challenged us to examine our personal spiritual "routines", as a practical application of our first marketplace attribute, which is "walking daily in intimacy with Jesus Christ". Those routines should comprise 1. Seeking God early/diligently (Prov. 8:17); 2. Hearing from God through His Word (Rom. 10:17); 3. Continuing in His Word (John 8:31-32); and 4. Resting in Him (Matt. 11:28-29). These constitute what Bill calls the "essentials" of spiritual skills training, which if put into consistent and regular practice, will change our life and relationship with the Lord.

**SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP**: In a closing presentation, Dave Waterman led a brief, interactive look at some basics of being a spiritual leader. He noted that leadership flows out of relationship: first to the Lord, then to a goal or motive and ultimately to the "life mission" of service to which God has called each of us.

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR: It became obvious that the Lord amazingly

"choreographed" the whole day, as we all left with a hunger for more at our next Leadership Summit in 2017!

## What they said: Why I am part of CBMC:

Why....

When I first heard about the mission of CBMC I immediately connected it to my search for an active role in executing my responsibility as a Christian, to share my faith and be a part of the Great Commission. I had been praying about my lack of skills/talent and when I learned about the mission of CBMC, I felt that God was speaking quietly to my conscience that this was His way of answering that prayer and provided a process to learn and to execute God's call to 'Make disciples of men." Tim, State College

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## Connect3 Top Ten

Your weekly connect3 team is the heart and soul of the CBMC movement in Central Pa. Here is a list of growth principles:

- PRAYER; your men should be praying for other men during the weekly meeting both for those who are unconvinced about Faith in Christ and those who are discipleship candidates. Use your CBMC TOP TEN card to help your team to pray weekly.
- CONNECT3; what does it mean? 1) connecting men with God, 2) connecting men with each other and 3) connecting men with the mission. This is the mission of Evangelism and Discipleship and part of the CBMC DNA since 1930.
- CONNECT3 TRAINING; are your current leaders trained? Are your future leaders scheduled to take the monthly **CONNECT3** training? Please contact Missy at mwooten@cbmc.com to sign up.
- **OPERATION TIMOTHY**; are your men trained in and using OT? Keep a record of your Paul/Timothy pairings. NEW MEMBERS; have one man from your current team take a new attendee through Operation Timothy either through the whole series or as an overview to show how it works.
- **GROWTH STATEGY**; as part of your *CONNECT3* leadership, meet at least once per quarter with your core team to pray and ask God what He wants your team to do. Develop a written plan for growth including when and how you will reproduce your team within your city.
- OUTREACH EVENTS; identify a local Christian Businessman who can share his story of how God has made a difference in his life, meet with your speaker to hear his story and then schedule a mealtime event to invite your unconvinced friends (from your Top Ten list) to attend with you.
- ACCOUNTABILITY; use the CBMC weekly prayer cards (green) to share weekly prayer requests. Encourage your men to contact the prayer partner and as relationships grow, keep each other accountable.
- CONTENT; each weekly gathering should include content as part of your weekly meeting. Select content that is consistent with the two fold mission of CBMC; evangelism and discipleship. Operation Timothy, Marketplace Ambassador Ten Attributes and Monday Manna are good choices for content for your team.
- **TEAM ROLES**; any group meeting with a mission needs an organizational plan. This includes key members filling roles such as team leader, prayer leader, membership, outreach and others that will help the mission of the group move forward. As stated above, your team leaders should meet at least once per quarter.

How about your team? Are you focused on the TOP TEN list for a successful CONNECT3 team? Contact Dave Balinski or Dave Waterman to discuss the next step for your team.

#### **Upcoming Central PA CBMC Events for Summer 2016:**

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays of each month: MAI Session in York, PA; 6:30pm start, Springwood Golf Course 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays of each month: MAI Session in Lancaster PA; 7am start, Lancaster Country Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month: MAI Sessions in Harrisburg, PA; 6:30pm start, West Shore Country Club

These sessions run through October in York and Harrisburg and November in Lancaster. Contact us for more information.

### **Events sponsored by our City Teams:**

Our first event in Lewistown featuring former Penn State Football Captain, Ron Hostetler June 8: June 13: Dual CBMC Golf events, Hanover Country Club and Toftrees Country Club in State College June 17: Harrisburg Lunch, Red Lion Inn featuring former Penn State Football Captain, Ron Hostetler

July 19: York Lunch event featuring former commercial airline pilot Tom Hilterman York Lunch event featuring a panel discussion on Marketplace Ministry August 16:

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