

Vibrant Faith Congregational Training



How do we expand our understanding of church to include our homes? How do we equip our homes to be mission outposts for Jesus?

The Vibrant Faith Ministries' (VFM) **Congregational Training** events help you answer those questions and much more. As a result of our training, you'll be rewarded by seeing members of your congregation begin to implement vibrant faith practices in their own lives and at church.

Our program equips congregations with a holistic approach to faith formation and leadership development based upon the core principle:

"Faith is formed by the power of the Holy Spirit through personal, trusted relationships – often in our own homes."

Our **Congregational Training** events provide you with:

- An overriding vision for ministry within your congregation and homes
- A one-year ministry plan filled with specific strategies to take your ministry to the next level in evangelism and discipleship
- A model of ministry to help shape the faith of the entire congregation.

Call to
find out more
about hosting a
Congregational Training
for your congregation and
receive a complimentary
Leadership Assessment Tool.

Contact Jim LaDoux at
877-693-7196

Congregational Trainings can be done in a two, three, or four-day format depending upon the size of your congregation and staff.

Two-day training:

- A one-day seminar (usually held on a Saturday) leads the congregation into understanding effective faith formative practices and creates a "critical mass" of people who are ready to move the vision into action plans for themselves and the congregation.
- Sunday preaching and teaching around the theme of passing on vibrant faith reinforces the Saturday event and expands the informed "critical mass." Plus, a playful, cross-generational immersion happens during Sunday school. After the church service, the trainer(s) meet with church leadership to work on developing a ministry plan.

Three-day training:

- This program adds a day before or after the weekend event. It includes one full day of the VFM team working with the congregational staff and other key leaders to share and embed a vision of church as a partnership between home and congregation. A climate of trust, confidence and contextual listening sets the stage for the upcoming weekend training. Essential history is shared with the trainers to make recommendations more specific to the congregation.

Within a few weeks of the training, a VFM executive report is sent to the congregation based upon issues addressed during the Sunday planning session. Additional plans are also made for ongoing coaching with Vibrant Faith Ministries' to support the leaders in implementing the vision.



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Congregational training is part of a larger process that guides individuals, homes and congregations to live a Vibrant Faith and become AAA Christians. Contact Jim LaDoux at the VFM offices for details on how you can continue to grow in faith formation and leadership development.

"Vibrant Faith Congregational Training was extremely successful for our congregation. It helped us see things from a new perspective and gave fresh energy and enthusiasm to our leaders. We had an incredible turn-out for our event and everyone walked away feeling revitalized about the ministries of this congregation and their own faith journeys. It truly brought out people's creativity and imaginations as they began to wonder what doing the Four Keys would look like for their various ministries and families. It was incredibly powerful (and a great deal of fun!) to observe so many generations sharing stories and praying for each other. I am so pleased with the possibilities for the future of this congregation and its people."

*Heather Hansen
Director of Youth and Family Ministries
MacArthur Park Lutheran Church
San Antonio, TX*

"A great experience. Eye opening. Way more than I expected."

Rob Anderson, Minnesota

"A vibrant and energizing experience where I was reminded that church is a living partnership between the home and the congregation."

*Rev. Karla Mickleson
Gloria Dei Lutheran Parish*

"Vibrant Faith provides great information that's easy to implement. We gained a wealth of ideas for transforming our congregation and community and I can't wait to get started! This has been very energizing for us personally and I think it will be a game changer for our congregation."

Group from South Dakota Conference



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