

# ENDORSEMENTS

How can the church be all God intends it to be? There is no more urgent, timely, important question than that. May the power of the Spirit draw you into cooperative ministry with Him.

**JOEL BOOT— Director of Denominational Ministries  
Christian Reformed Church in North America**

Trying to become God's missionary people without learning to walk and work in step with the Holy Spirit is a bit like trying to change the world armed with only our good intentions ... an exercise that in the end is only frustrating and futile. Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit is an invitation for you to participate in a shared safe space where together we will invite the Holy Spirit to teach us how to become God's empowered missionary. I hope you will join us as we step into this adventure together.

**ADRIAN VAN GIESSEN - Regional Leader  
Eastern Canada, Christian Reformed Home Missions**

As we long for greater spiritual vitality in our churches today, we do well to develop new skills and practices that help us to listen more intently to God's voice and discern his will, which is not hidden from us, because God desires a deeper communion with us. This conference is about experiencing this communion and power with God that will enrich our personal and communal life together.

**MARTIN CONTANT—Regional Leader  
Western Canada, Christian Reformed Home Missions**

The strategy of heaven is to give the Gift of the Holy Spirit to every Christian and so multiply the saving presence of God throughout the earth. Without our dynamic cooperation with the Holy Spirit, the mission of God in the world falters and our churches decline. This conference is designed to lay foundations for a relationship with God the Holy Spirit so that we experience in our time what began in the Book of Acts. The power and intimacy of the Holy Spirit is vital in growing disciples, leaders, families, churches and movements.

**TIM VINK—Coordinator Church Multiplication  
Reformed Church of America**

How many Christians long for more in their walk with God. How many churches wish for a taste of what they read in the pages of Scripture. And yet how many of us know that the challenges we face are of a different order, requiring a power beyond ourselves. We're longing for life in the Spirit of God. Growing the church in the power of the Holy Spirit has never been more important than it is today.

**PHIL REINDERS - Senior Minister  
Knox Presbyterian Church, Toronto**

If God is the Great Evangelist, how do we “keep in step” with the Holy Spirit? Not only will you be challenged by the Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit conference, but you will also find great encouragement to join the dance.

**JUL MEDENBLIK—President  
Calvin Theological Seminary**

Congregational leadership is challenging! But to the many helpful resources that focus on our assets and our skills, Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit emphasizes the one thing needful - our participation in God's dynamic presence, power, and purpose.

**CLYDE ERVINE—Senior Minister  
Knox Presbyterian Church, St. Catharines, Ontario**

The Spirit of God is among the people of God. God's people, led by the Holy Spirit, will accomplish God's purposes on earth - both now and in the future. This conference, Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit, will help you lead your congregation into God's future. I strongly recommend it!

**MOSES CHUNG—Director  
Christian Reformed Home Missions**

While I have always believed that all ministry depends on the wisdom and guidance of the Holy Spirit, I have been intrigued sufficiently by "Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit" to support these conferences and strongly recommend that church leaders attend.

**FRED STEWART—Executive Director  
The Renewal Fellowship, Presbyterian Church in Canada**

## growing the church in the power of the holy spirit conference



### An Approach ♦ Not a Program

April 27-30, 2015  
Calvin Christian Reformed Church  
Ottawa, Ontario

June 1-4, 2015  
Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre  
Surrey, British Columbia

November 9-12, 2015  
Guelph Bible Conference Centre  
Guelph, Ontario

## Christ is

### Growing His Church

*Learn seven practical principles to stay in step with the Holy Spirit*

Grabbing onto the hottest technical trend is tempting, but God knows how He wants to work in your context. Join us and explore how God desires to grow your church in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### Make the Most of the Opportunity

This event is intended for Presbyterian and Christian Reformed Church pastors, leaders and prayer partners. Make the most of the opportunity and invite your team to come along!

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## Conference Description

Beneath the surface of churches' programs and activities lies the fundamental question: How can leaders and churches be enabled to discern and obediently cooperate with the guidance of the Holy Spirit? Since the Kingdom of God is an active expression of the Spirit's reign on earth, it is extended and realized as individuals and churches seek and submit to his will and purposes.

At this Growing the Church conference, we will explore practical ways for leaders in the Christian Reformed and Presbyterian churches to be nurtured and sustained in the process of cooperating with the Holy Spirit.

## Practical Guidance for Effective Ministry

- ◆ Large Group Teaching
- ◆ Small Group Discussion
- ◆ Worship and Prayer
- ◆ Reflection Time
- ◆ Opportunity for Ongoing Coaching

## Teachers\*



### PAUL STOKES

**LEAD TEACHER, ALL EVENTS**

Pastor, Plymstock URC Church, Plymouth, UK  
Academic Dean, Dunamis Institute  
Co-author of *Growing the Church*  
*In the Power of the Holy Spirit*

## Guelph

### NANCY MOSTERT

Pastoral Associate, St. Paul's Presbyterian, Carluke, ON  
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### RAY VANDERKOOIJ

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## Vancouver Area

### DAVE WESTRA

Pastor, Gold Street CRC, Grand Rapids, MI

## Ottawa

### KEVIN DERAUF

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### GINA DICK

Associate Pastor, Gold Street CRC, Grand Rapids, MI

\*Other teachers may be added to all sites

### Ottawa



- ◆ Lodging arranged by participants
- ◆ Commuter, lunch & dinner \$135
- ◆ Early bird date: April 13

### Vancouver Area



- ◆ Lodging & meals: from \$339 - \$369
- ◆ Commuter, lunches & dinners: \$213
- ◆ Early bird date: May 18

### Guelph



- ◆ Lodging & meals: from \$280 - \$502
- ◆ Commuter, lunches & dinners: \$196
- ◆ Early bird date: October 26

### Register and pay by early bird date to get reduced rate

Registration and more details at: [www.dunamisfellowshipcanada.org](http://www.dunamisfellowshipcanada.org)