

Extreme Makeover Church Edition

An Introduction to Church Revitalization

Saturday, February 11, 2017 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Lee Road Baptist Church, 1503 East Lee Road, Taylors SC 29687

Cost – FREE (lunch included)

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Three Rivers Baptist Association
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The challenge of church revitalization is immense. 80% of our churches are plateaued or declining. Up to 4,000 churches a year close in the US. More than 8,000 churches baptized no one last year. These same trends are true of Greenville SC. How do we begin the process of revitalizing our struggling churches?

Extreme Makeover Church Edition is a workshop designed to begin answering that question. If your church needs revitalizing, this is a place to start. If your church would like to help a struggling church come back to life, this is a good place to start as well. Join us as we introduce models of church revitalization and some of the resources available.

Register today by calling Greenville Baptist Association at 864-242-4330 or Three Rivers Baptist Association at 864-834-9635 or emailing Anna Richardson@greenvillebaptist.org DEADLINE JANUARY 3.

10:00 - Opening Session

10:00 – Vision for Revitalizing Churches Tom Capps and Al Phillips

10:15 – SCBC Vision and Resources Joe Youngblood

10:45 – Revitalization Stories Mike Kuckel, Scott Catoe, Jeff Mace

11:00 - Revitalization Models Breakout Sessions

Choose from the following

Leaving a Lasting Legacy (Legacy Church Plants) – Tom Capps and Steve Wise

Every year, up to 1000 churches close their doors. What happens when a church can't continue? Learn how your church can pass along its legacy and maintain a vital witness in the community where it lived. Tom Capps will facilitate this discussion. Steve Wise will share how Green Street Baptist Church left a lasting legacy by donating its property to First Baptist Spartanburg so a new church could be planted after Green Street closed its doors.

Better Together (Church Mergers) – James Nugent, Greg Fortune and Joe Rollins

Discover some keys to successful mergers that create vibrant and effective new churches. James Nugent has led churches in successful mergers while Greg Fortune and Joe Rollins recently completed a successful merger of their churches here in Greenville. They will share some of what they have learned along the way.

• This Old New House (Church Replants) – Al Phillips and Benny Littlejohn

Ever wished your church could reboot and start all over again. Learn how to start that conversation here. Al Phillips and Benny Littlejohn are currently working on a rebrand of Eastlan Baptist Church and will share their vision.

• Fixer Upper (Church Revitalization) - Joe Youngblood with Scott Catoe and Jeff Mace

Hear two stories of churches that made the turn from sickness to health and learn how you can begin that process too. Joe Youngblood will facilitate this discussion with Scott Catoe, who led a successful revitalization of an old mill village church in Slater-Marietta, and Jeff Mace, a lay leader who worked on another successful revitalization effort of Pebble Creek Baptist Church, will share how their churches came back from the brink of death to health.

• Renovation Nation (Churches Helping Churches) - Scott Allen, Mike Kuckel

Healthy churches can help other churches experience revitalization. Hear one story and learn how you can help. Scott Allen and Mike Kuckel will share how a larger, healthy church like Rock Springs Baptist, can partner with a struggling church like David Street Baptist, to nurse it back to health.

12:00 – Lunch/Panel Discussion – Scott Allen, Danny Burnley, Scott Catoe, Mike Kuckel, Jeff Mace, James Nugent, Joe Youngblood

During lunch (provided by SCBC), this panel will take your questions and discuss significant issues of revitalization.

1:30 - Closing Challenge - Dr. David Gallamore

Dr. Gallamore has led Rock Springs Baptist Church to nurse smaller, struggling congregations back to health. He will share his vision and challenge us to do the hard work of church revitalization.

Program Personalities

- Scott Allen Missions Minister at Rock Springs Baptist Church, Easley.
- Danny Burnley Pastor and author of Excommunicated: 11 Steps To Church Revitalization
- Tom Capps Mission Ministries Director, Three Rivers Baptist Association
- Scott Catoe Pastor Slater Baptist Church
- Greg Fortune co-pastor Sanctuary Church
- David Gallamore Pastor Rock Springs Baptist Church
- Mike Kuckel Pastor of David Street Baptist Church
- Benny Littlejohn Pastor of Eastlan Baptist Church
- Jeff Mace Lay leader at Pebble Creek Baptist Church
- James Nugent Church Planting Strategist with the SC Baptist Convention
- Al Phillips Director of Missions, Greenville Baptist Association
- Joe Rollins Co-pastor Sanctuary Church
- Steve Wise Missions Minister at First Baptist Spartanburg
- Joe Youngblood Legacy Project Coordinator, SC Baptist Convention