

OASIS 2018 SEMINARS

SATURDAY 8:45-10:00 am			
Room	Presenter(s)	Title	Description
	Michael Vlahos & Peter Moore	Sabbatical: You Can & You Should	<p>A pastor taking a sabbatical is beneficial to <u>both the pastor and congregation</u>. But people often have practical questions about the how (how can it be funded), the who (who picks up the preaching and pastoral care), and the what (what do you do on sabbatical)?</p> <p>Michael and Peter have recently returned to their congregations from sabbaticals. They will share their experiences and will answer these questions and more. This seminar is for pastors and church members. Come and learn of the benefits and the possibilities of a sabbatical.</p>
	Stephen McMullin & Others	Emerging Pastors - Barriers, Concerns and Solutions	<p>Over the past year, a diverse group of leaders have thought through the issues surrounding what we need in our next cohort/generation of leaders, particularly emerging leaders (Millennials/Gen Z). They have wrestled with the concerns and barriers that are facing us today. Take this opportunity to hear about the possible solutions that can help us all prepare to handle the leadership crisis we face in our denomination.</p>
	Andrew Glidden	Joining God in Our Neighbourhoods and Networks	<p>Quick: Name all the places you go (real & virtual) in the course of a week. Now imagine if God started using you to engage these neighbours? We imagine you overflowing with God's good news in the places you live, work, study and play. Learn how to join God in your neighbourhood and help those in your congregation do the same. Come check out our Neighbourhood Assessment Workbook as together we'll discover what we can learn from Jesus' encounter with the women at the well about joining God in our neighbourhoods.</p>
	Canadian Baptist Ministries	Barbie® Saves the World – We Can Do Better	<p>The bio for the Barbie® Savior Instagram feed reads: "It's not about me... but it kind of is." How do media portrayals of people in need do harm? We know first-hand the needs are great, but whose need is it that will really be met? Do short-term mission trips really help those whom we go to serve? Or are they actually just self-serving? In this workshop, we'll compare and contrast the good and the not-so-good. Together, we will explore how collectively we can do better. Find out more about what it means to authentically serve and learn alongside local churches in the developing world.</p>
	Garth Williams & John McNally	Mentoring: You Are Not Alone	<p>Ministry can be a lonely place, especially when you are first starting out or going through a critical time. We offer a number of mentorship opportunities for pastors, offering support in times of development and in times of challenges. Come engage in conversation with John McNally (ADC) and Garth Williams (CBAC) on the value, importance and opportunity to be a mentor or be mentored.</p>

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	Kirby Spivey	YOUR Church CAN Multiply!	<p>Multiplication is at the heart of the New Testament! It is the heart of Jesus whose call is to multiply disciples! It is the heart of the Apostle Paul who spent his entire ministry multiplying churches! We cannot be Gospel centred and not have multiplication as part of our DNA! In this essential workshop, Pastor Kirby Spivey will share his passion for multiplication and his challenge for all CBAC churches to multiply! <i>"BUT we're small! We can't multiply!"</i>, you say. Then this workshop is for you! EVERY church can multiply! Come and find out how!</p>
	Greg Jones	Being Real: Mission Edge and the Smaller Church	<p>Many smaller churches are grappling with the reality that the traditional way of doing church (not to be confused with the church itself) is dying, if not already dead. Dare we believe that our God of the Resurrection wants to do a resurrection work in the life of His churches? With a resounding 'Yes!', this workshop will explore how smaller churches can be on the forefront of discovering and unveiling the future God has for his church. We will look at topics such as: What does Mission Edge mean for the smaller church? Making God's Goodness Real; Being Authentically Real; and Fostering Community within our Neighborhoods.</p>
	Renée Embree	Growing Young	<p>Do you look around your church and see mostly grey hair? How do we value the grey-haired among us but also connect younger generations with the Good News and our faith community? Together we'll look at the Growing Young research and what it can mean for our churches in Atlantic Canada. The Growing Young research identified 259 bright spots churches that are engaging young people ages 15 to 29 and are growing spiritually, emotionally, missionally and sometimes also numerically. Together we'll apply the 6 essential strategies they identified to help young people discover and love your church right here in Atlantic Canada.</p>
	Paul Carline	Refugee Ministry: A Global Way to Join God in Your Neighbourhood	<p>Refugee ministry is changing. Find out what's new. Hear firsthand stories. Imagine what might be next for you and your church.</p>
	Peter Reid	Fresh Expressions for the Mission Edge Church	<p>What does it mean to be on Mission with Christ in my neighbourhood? Like it or not we are living in a Post-Christian culture. We will explore how things have changed in our twenty-first century world and why people don't seem to be very interested in organized religion. At the same time, Canadian Sociologist, Reg Bibby writes that over 90% of Canadians still believe in God and many are interested in spirituality. Traditional churches in rural and urban settings are starting Fresh Expressions of church in their neighbourhoods. We will see how it is being done and search New Testament scriptures to learn the practices of the early church and to see how the first Christians engaged people in a culture that was hostile to Christianity. One of the key lessons for Christians today is the skill of listening through prayer. It is possible to find spaces outside of church programs and buildings where we can be present and a presence for Christ discovering how the Holy Spirit wants to extend the Kingdom of God in the neighbourhood.</p> <p>A warning! - If you take place in this workshop you might just get excited about being a disciple of Jesus Christ in your neighbourhood! I believe you will learn the skills of listening prayer, understanding and discernment and, you will learn how to be on mission with Jesus in your neighbourhood!</p>

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	Martin Zwicker	Belonging Precedes Believing	A conversation about community partnership and inviting others to join the mission and discover Jesus along the way.
	Jody Linkletter, Tanya Yuen, Dan Pyke, Carol Anne Janzen	Rethinking Worship - Inter-Generationally	This workshop will explore what it means to worship as an inter-generational community. In this hands-on workshop we will explore a rationale for intergenerational worship, address possible misconceptions and pitfalls, and offer practical ideas of ways to incorporate the principals learned into participants' own church setting.
	Cheryl Ann Beals & Mark Harris	LeadFresh & Join God!	Joining God must flow from experiencing God's presence and power as we follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. Being fresh, living fresh and leading fresh empowers us to discover and join God in what he is doing in our lives, relationships, families, churches and communities.
	Roger Graham & Others	The Worn Path: Moving your Church to Hospitality	<p>"Praise the Lord! Israel's leaders bravely led; The people gladly followed! Yes, bless the Lord!" (Judges 5:2 TLB)</p> <p>This workshop offers the opportunity to discuss some Biblical and practical ways on how to lead your church to share the Good News of Christ through hospitality with our neighbours.</p>
	Geoff DeJong	What If It Could change? A Vision For Replanting	We'll be sharing the story of three rural churches coming together with a vision to re-plant a church in Alma through networking, peer support and technology. We will paint the picture, share the process of what we are learning together, and what we have found helps to engage our churches in ministry and mission.