

Presbytery Practicum # 1 *Evangelism Equipping* Do you desire to experience Church Growth?



Pastors and Laity including Teenagers, you are invited to H.E.L.P.E.R. *How to Equip Lay People to Evangelize Regularly*. A Practicum on Saturday, June 6, at Covenant 1st Church from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm including a breakfast and lunch. Dr. Ron Rand, a member of our Presbytery, will be the facilitator, using materials from his book: *“Won By One!”*- Regal Press

Churches that have attended this equipping time have increased members in the Kingdom of God and in their own congregations! Third Church and College Hill are excellent, specific examples in the late 70’s early 80’s!

Many Christians struggle with verbalizing their stories of faith due to

1. a fear of rejection,
2. a lack of a plan, and
3. a lack of understanding the empowering of The Holy Spirit.

Each attendee will be equipped to be a witness by both life and LIPS!! Several plans are shared that enable development of each person’s own unique story of faith. Topics include:

- ♥ How to overcome natural fear and timidity.
- ♥ How to rely upon The Holy Spirit to fulfill Acts 1:8.
- ♥ How to open and close spiritual conversations.
- ♥ How to use significant and convincing examples.
- ♥ How to disciple new believers.

Everyone will leave with the personal satisfaction of: *“I can really do this!”*

Tom Sweets, former Pastor of Madeira-Silverwood says “This Practicum provided a positive and practical approach to receiving teaching from God’s Word followed by immediate APPLICATION of it at every session. This distinguishes it from other church events!”

Please REGISTER by Monday, June 1 by emailing – Dr. Rand at ron.upbuilding@gmail.com Cost is \$20.00/person including meals and materials. Make checks payable to Covenant First Presby Ch. Pay at the door. Include names of all attending from your church including Teenagers for this Practicum in your email response. Thank you!

Presbytery Practicum # 2 Pastors' *Equipping Laity for Ministries* (18 Practical Things I did not learn in Seminary! 😊)



Presented by Dr. Ron Rand, Presbytery member. 50 years in Ministry!

- 1. AIDES** - (Assistance In Developing Edifying Sermons)
- 2. AIM** - (Adopting Inactive Members)
- 3. BANDAID** - (Bringing About New Dimensions After Inactive Decisions)
- 4. BIRTHDAY** - (Blessings In Remembering To Honor Days And Years) - Creative ways to celebrate member's special days
- 5. CHILD** - (Common Household Items Leading to Decisions) Evangelism helps for Parents and Grandparents to use in sharing the gospel message with children
- 6. FATHERS** - (Fathers Accountable To Healthy Enduring Relationships & Spirituality) A practical means of enabling men to become the fathers the Father desires. From Ron's book "*For Fathers Who Aren't In Heaven*" - Regal Press
- 5. HELPER** - (How to Equip Lay People to Evangelize Regularly) - Friendship faith sharing. From Rons book "*Won By One*" - Regal Press
- 8. HOSPITALS** - (How to Openly Serve People In Their Ailing Life's Situations)
- 9. INVITE** - (Ingratiate New Visitors In Ten (10) Examples) - Attracting new members
- 10. INVITED** - (Inter-National Visitors Invited To Eat Dinner) - Building cross cultural relationships with local international people groups without going overseas
- 11. KINDNESS** - A visitation ministry to residents in the church's neighborhood - (Knock, Introduce, Name, Depart, Note, Express, Situate, and Send)
- 12. LEADERS** - (Leaders Equipped And Dedicated to Exercise Responsible Service)
- 13. LISTENS** - (Learning Important Skills To Enhance Natural Sensitivity) - The art of learning how to listen to others with empathy
- 14. NAME** - (Name All Members Effectively) - How to memorize members' names
- 15. PILOT** - (Pastor's Informal Lunches On Tuesdays/Thursdays) - Time with people
- 16. PRAYER** - (Pray Regularly And You'll Experience Results) - Practical training that enables a church to become in reality "*a house of prayer*" - Isaiah 56:7
- 17. MISSION** - (Ministry In Short-term Spells In Other Nations) - Cross cultural times
- 18. WORSHIP** - (Ways Of Recreating Services that Harmoniously Impact Parishioners) - How to creatively design viable forms of meaningful worship

REGISTER by June 1 by emailing – Dr. Ron Rand at ron.upbuilding@gmail.com.
No Cost. Free parking. Include lay leaders. 1:30 – 3:30 pm Covenant 1st Church.
Following Practicum # 1 Evangelism 8:30 – 1:00 pm.

Dr. Ron Rand's Biography



Dr. Ron Rand is an ordained Presbyterian pastor. After receiving a BA from the University of North Dakota, he attended Hebrew Union College, and joined a month long excavation at Tel Gezer in Israel. He then attended Princeton, McCormick and United Theological Seminaries. His D Min thesis in 1974 was: *Equipping Members for Ministry and Missions!*

His first pastorate of 5 years was with a small-sized rural congregation in Mora, Minnesota which the Lord Doubled in size and enabled the building of a new sanctuary in 1969.

In 1972, God called him to serve as an Associate Pastor of Evangelism, Community, and Cross-Cultural Missions, and in 1984 as Co-Pastor with Dr. Jerry Kirk. During his 18 years the College Hill Presbyterian Church, a congregation of 2300 members in Cincinnati, Ohio, the Lord enabled a 109% decadal growth in membership through HELPER -*How to Equip Lay People to Evangelize Regularly.*

Church Growth Pioneer, Pastor, and Fuller Seminary professor Dr. Peter Wagner highly recommends churches from a variety of denominations to invite Ron to conduct HELPER Practicums at their earliest convenience.

Ron is currently the Founder and Director of Up Building Ministries™ which several lay persons helped him began in 1990. Its mission is to *“Equip men, women, youth, and teens to express their Christian faith in practical ways by both life and lips!”*

God has blessed Ron with numerous International opportunities to equip pastors and laity in HELPER Evangelism on mission fields in Brazil, Haiti, Japan, Mexico, South Africa, and Taiwan. This resulted in his authoring the book *Won By One* in 1988.

In 1981, while meditating on Malachi 4:6, Ron felt the Lord calling him to equip fathers to upbuild their family relationships. He began The FATHERS™ Team International Ministry, soon to celebrate its 45th anniversary! In 1986 he authored the book *For Fathers Who Aren't In Heaven* together with a 2-year *FATHERS Curriculum* for groups as small as 3 fathers.

God has gifted Ron with excellent health, creativity, an engaging sense of humor, and an amazing ability to simplify profound Biblical truths. His love for the Lord and people of all ages is evident in all that he does. His enthusiasm is contagious!

Ron's story-telling style of communicating as made him a popular speaker for churches of many different denominations. For 6 years, he was a regular speaker at Promise Keepers™ and for 12 years at chapel services for both MLB Baseball and NFL football teams.

1 Peter 4:10-11 reveals his goal to use the Gifts God has Graciously given him to help any church of any size that desires to equip its laity to *do the work of the Ministry and Upbuild the Body of Christ, that in everything God may be Glorified through Jesus Christ!*

Dr. Rand is married to Evie, has three sons and daughters-in-law, three grandsons, and two granddaughters. His websites are: www.upbuildingministries.org and www.myfathers.org
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