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#### Adult Discipleship cad@wels.net

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The WELS Commission on Adult Discipleship provides resources and training for adult spiritual growth ministries. See pages 52-53 of the BORAM.

#### Adult Bible study resources and training

- A one day, three session class on teaching adult Bible study has been taught in most conferences. Still available as a 5-hour, one day class for pastors.
- A two day, seven session class on writing and teaching adult Bible study for pastors, teachers and lay leaders is being developed by Tom Kock, Randy Hunter and Dan Schroeder. We are exploring an online delivery system through NPH.

### Interactive Faith Bible Study resource

- The number of groups participating in the live-streaming continues to grow.
- Archived videos of past classes are available for groups or individuals.

### WELS Marriage Enrichment resources and training

- We produce a gospel-driven practical marriage teaching resource every year. Each resource contains 5-6 unique one-hour classes. Districts who which to host a weekend teaching event should contact Randy Hunter. Resources limit us to 6-8 weekend events per year; first come-first served. We have engaged an event planner so the role of the local "host" pastor no longer includes overseeing contract and payment. Pastors and staff ministers who attend receive the resources to use in their churches.
  - We have partnered with the CYF in their School of Youth and Family Ministry to teach churches how to hold a Marriage Conversation Café. God-willing, we'll launch this as a separate ministry in 2015-2016. The goal is to gather an army of committed WELS members and identify five demonstration parishes for becoming a Marriage Building Church. For more information, contact Pastor Hunter.

# Women's Ministry Committee resources and training

• Visit www.wels.net/women to learn more about resources and training for congregational ministry.

# Small Group Ministry resources and training

- NPH has taken an active role in seeking and producing small group appropriate resources.
- If you would like to offer your small group resources to others, contact Pastor Michael Johnson at michael.s.johnson84@gmail.com.

#### **20-Something resources**

• Everyone is in favor of reaching and keeping 20-somethings connected to Christ. We are forming a group to gather and communicate resources and stories for doing so. If you'd like to help, contact us.