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REGISTRATION
IS
NOW OPEN!**

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**Saturday
November 7, 2015**

Schedule of Events

- 1:30 pm Registration**
- 2:00 pm Welcome and Keynote Presentation**
- 3:15 pm Ministry Workshops**
- 4:45 pm Refreshments
Book signing by
Mike Slaughter**
- 5:25 pm Closing Worship**

12th
ANNUAL



**PLANTING
SEEDS FOR
MINISTRY
growth**

Hopewell United Methodist Church
presents

Mike Slaughter

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Register soon! Register now! Seating is limited.

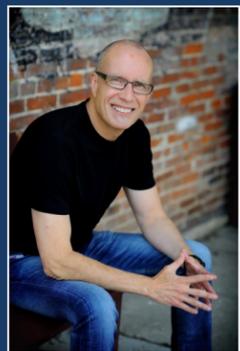
TO REGISTER: <http://www.hopewellumc.org/planting-seeds>

Ministry Workshops

Growing a Mission Movement

Led by Mike Slaughter

How do we move the Church outside the walls of the building? How do we fully deploy the mission of Jesus into the world? Learn from Pastor Mike Slaughter, whose church in rural Ohio is consistently leading mission outreach opportunities locally, nationally and globally, including investing over \$7.2 million in Darfur. Mike will use his "gift of irritation" to equip ministry leaders to maximize mission, to dare to dream God-sized dreams, and to become a force outside the fortress.



Mike Slaughter is in his fourth decade as lead pastor, chief dreamer, and spiritual entrepreneur of ministry marketplace innovations at Ginghamburg Church. When he arrived in 1979, worship attendance hovered at 90 with 118

members. Now, 5000 worship weekly on average. Mike is an ordained Elder within the United Methodist Church. *The Church Report* has listed Mike as one of the top 50 most influential Christians in America.

Teaching the Bible Through Film

Led by Dr. Rhonda Burnette-Bletsch

In an effort to reach lay people in fun and engaging ways, many church leaders turn to the use of contemporary films to help communicate messages of the Bible. Others worry that so-called Bible films do not faithfully represent the sacred text. This workshop will focus on the benefits and limitations of using films in church and offer suggestions for how films or film clips can be used to start productive theological conversations.

Dr. Rhonda Burnette-Bletsch is a Professor of Biblical Studies at Eastern University. She is the editor of the two-volume handbook, *The Bible in Motion: A Handbook of Biblical Reception in Film* due in print by November 2015. She is also a member of Otterbein UMC where her husband, John, serves as pastor.



An Advanced Course and certification training for Christ Servant Ministers with Dr. Burnette-Bletsch will be offered in partnership with the Eastern PA Conference.

Exploring Our Worship Dimension

Led by Warren Cooper

Nationally known sacred jazz composer and performer Warren Cooper will lead you through an exploration of options for worship innovation. These will include tools and tactics for enriching *the worship circle*, developing discipleship discipline, and building a community worship identity. Participants will design, coordinate, perform and present a closing worship service in coordination with Hopewell musicians and ministerial staff.

Warren Cooper ministers nationally in both the sacred and secular jazz performance idioms. As a worship specialist and vocal clinician, Warren also conducts choral workshops and worship development seminars. He has been a featured performer at the



Philadelphia Kimmel Center, the Washington National Cathedral, and the Chautauqua Institution. He is the founding host and producer of the gospel music radio program *Ovations* on Temple Public Radio Network in Philadelphia. Warren is the son of a Presbyterian pastor.

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