

# Empower

## Allegheny Region Conference Sessions

Friday May 18-Saturday May 19, 2018

Colossians 1:9-12

*...Being Strengthened with All Power...*



Mike Bobula repeated the quote, “It is easier to tend the sails than to man the oars.”

How often are we organizing, pleading, leaning on our powers of persuasion to keep the oars manned and the ship moving? Ever heard, “It’s your job?” How often have you been the one who is rowing like mad (nautically just going in circles)? We need to tend the sails, empower the crew, and let God power the ship. You were designed and have been empowered to mind the master’s course.

Our course is basic: refocusing and recovering the art of disciple making. God has empowered you to make disciples, investing deeply in a few and pouring your life into others as Christ and others have done for you. “*He desires to do more than “help out” a bit. He wants to completely transform us. He wants to take a timid heart and set it ablaze with strength and courage, so much so that people know something supernatural has taken place—life change just as miraculous as fire coming down from heaven,*” **Francis Chan**, *Forgotten God*, Supernatural Church.

Behind you is infinite power, before you is endless possibility, and around you is boundless opportunity. Mind the helm, live empowered!

**No Cost**

Because of your generosity, careful planning, and our desire to see you renewed and empowered by His Spirit, there is no cost to conference for anyone this year. We want to come together, One family, One region, One church!

**Pre-Conference Breakouts: May 18, 1-5 (For Anyone)**

Because we know it is the Spirit of God who empowers us, we are creating more opportunities to hear Him talk! We have five breakout sessions from your survey responses: Small Church, Big Deal; Conflict Management; Theological Reflections; Assessing Church and Community Needs; and Strategic Discipleship. These are not “pastor” specific and will be useful for anyone. Bring the whole church! Don’t miss this opportunity!

**Meals**

On Saturday we will provide a continental breakfast and a Lunch. There will be a light reception after the Ordination Service. Dinner on Friday will be at your discretion at the many fine-eating establishments in the Mt Pleasant, Alverton, New Stanton, or Scottdale communities.

**Worship**

Conference begins Friday, May 18 at 7:00 P.M. with a worship service. We will have a TBA speaker and the returning University of Findlay Worship Team. Conference will conclude with our 4:00 P.M. Ordination Service on Saturday, May 19.

**Babysitting**

Mt. Pleasant and the ARC are offering babysitting on Saturday from 8:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. free of charge!