



## Head to the Heart University: East Coast

Faith Stepping Stones, Bible Song, & Head to the Heart

August 3-5, 2009 at Hollowood Retreat Center, Baltimore/DC Area

- How can I bring life and spirit to my ministry?
- How can I get more parents involved in ministry with their own children?
- How can I be a more engaging and effective teacher and leader?

Answer these questions and much more as you immerse yourself in three (3) days of intensive training into the “how-to’s” of Faith Stepping Stones Parent & Family ministry, Bible Song Sunday School & Children’s Ministry, or Head to the Heart (H2H) Confirmation & Youth Ministry. Study the philosophy, techniques, job descriptions and resources supporting these parent-involved, arts-based, small group models, and look at variations, tweaks and special challenges which small churches, middle-sized churches and large churches face when planing for and using these materials.

Each specific ministry training will be run simultaneously, but we’ll have plenty of overlap to compare notes, build-skills, and share stories with each other.

### Who Should Attend?

Faith Inkubators Universities are designed for both paid staff and key volunteers from all congregations, regardless of the time you’ve already spent using a particular Faith Inkubators program.

- New members will gain and practice crucial and useful “getting started” skills
- Intermediate users will learn how to take their programs to the next level
- Faith Inkubators “veterans” will appreciate the time as a refresher and as an option to bring new team members up to speed

### Continuing Education and Fun?

Faith Inkubators is renowned for its hospitality, and we bend over backwards to make sure your stay is not only valuable but fun and relaxing. We’re partnering this year with the Hollowood Retreat & Conference Center, a beautiful site nestled in the woods in rural Frederick County, Maryland, near Sugarloaf Mountain. It is only 37 miles from downtown Washington, DC and 50 miles from downtown Baltimore. You’ll have time to work and plan, but also have time to enjoy the peace and tranquility of this beautiful retreat facility. In fact, come early and enjoy some sight seeing in the Washington DC area before the University begins. Make a working-vacation out of things!

### Tuition and What’s Included

Faith Inkubators University is all-inclusive, meaning lodging, materials, snacks, receptions, meals, and special events are included in your tuition. In fact, just get yourself to Hollowood, (i.e., pay for own your transportation), and we’ll take care of the rest. Tuition runs \$699 for the first person and \$499 for each additional person from the same church.

#### At Head to the Heart University you will:

- **Develop** skills that make you a better teacher
- **Discover** how to make parents a central part of confirmation ministry
- **Practice** skills with other ministry professionals in our learning labs
- **Collect** wisdom from Faith Inkubators ministry veterans and other participating ministry professionals
- **Enjoy** some personal time in the woods of rural Frederick County, Maryland

Here's more of what is included:

- An ministry-specific Survival Pack full of practical tools for you to use at your church. You'll receive materials on starting the system, recruiting and training volunteers, effective teaching, and more.
- Expert advice and hands-on practice with some of the most engaging and capable trainers you've ever met. This is not a sit-and-get-lectured-to type of training!
- Faith Inkubators' 100% satisfaction guarantee (If this isn't the most practical, transformational and readily applicable systems training you've ever had, we'll happily refund your money) .

### **Lodging at the University**

Hollowood Retreat Center is a unique and comfortable facility, and all lodging at Faith Inkubators Universities is based on double occupancy, so you might have a new friend as a roommate. You may choose to stay alone or with a spouse for an additional \$75 per night. Please contact Faith Inkubators right away if you need this type of occupancy. *Note: Spouses are encouraged to enjoy our included meals and will be charged according to the meals they attend.*

### **Schedule and Registration**

The event begins with introductions at 1 PM on Monday, and concludes at 1 PM on Wednesday. The registration deadline for this event is 15 days before the start date and is limited to the first 25 people. You can register online at [www.faithink.com](http://www.faithink.com) or give registrar Arlyce Melheim a call toll-free at 1.888.55FAITH.

Cancellations must be made no later than 7 days in advance of the event. You will receive a refund minus a \$100 cancellation fee. Refunds cannot be given for cancellations occurring less than 7 days in advance of the event. All requests for cancellation must be made in writing via fax or email to [amelheim@faithink.com](mailto:amelheim@faithink.com).

### **Past Reviews of Faith Inkubators Universities:**

*"It is my belief that it is not possible for someone to be unchanged after a University. Your passion is infectious, your love for Jesus is contagious, and your team is second to none."* — Amy Kippen, Fargo, ND

*"I genuinely felt that you were there for us, to empower us with a way to reach youth with the saving gospel of Jesus Christ, and do it in a way that will stick and involve the whole family. And you didn't just tell us, you showed us and allowed us to experience the system, hands-on! This was a tremendous help."*

— Dave Levy, San Rafael, CA

*"If all conferences were like a Faith Inkubators' University, I would become a workshop junkie, a phenomenal experience."*  
— Lynn Piwowarczyk, Phoenix, AZ

*"I went to your University after my church had been involved with Faith Inkubators for two years. It was an awesome faith building experience that people who are using Faith Inkubators should go through every few years."* — Ann Nizzi, Marietta, GA