

COHORTS



EMOTIONALLY HEALTHY DISCIPLESHIP

With Pete Yoshonis
Lead Pastor at All Shores Church

Are you carrying the weight of leadership and ministry? Are you juggling your personal life or finding it lost in the vortex of vocational demands? Do you have people you lead or people who know the

Bible, but seem bifurcated from their emotional and relational maturity? Do you want to help others and also grow in your own personal leadership and discipleship? This cohort is for you!

WHEN: Space is limited / Starting this Fall / 8 week cohort study via Zoom

To Learn More or sign up, reach out to Rachel at:
rachel.mcmaster@allshores.org

CONVERSION CULTURE FOR YOUR CHURCH

With Peter Yoshonis Lead Pastor at All Shores Wesleyan
and Thad Spring Assistant Pastor at All Shores Wesleyan

The Great Commission isn't just a mandate for pastors but for every believer! Imagine creating a church culture where every engaged believer is on mission to reach their friends, relatives, acquaintances, neighbors, and coworkers with the love of Jesus. This 2-year process is a monthly cohort (9 out of 12 months per year) that will help you to cultivate personal evangelistic influence as well as learn leadership & programmatic tools to aid in shifting the culture of your church in the ways you go after the lost.

WHEN: Cohort begins in January 2024 / 2 years in length / Meets monthly via Zoom

COST: \$1800 Per Year

To learn more or sign up contact John Freed at:
jfreed@thegl.org



WORSHIP LEADER COHORT

With Josh Brown

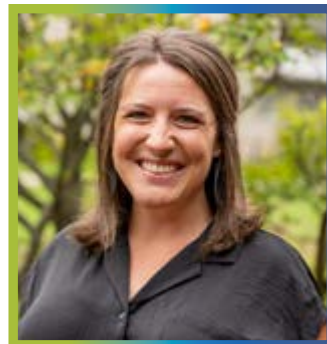
Worship Arts Pastor at Radiant Life Church

Simon Sinek said, “So goes the leader, so goes the culture. So goes the culture, so goes the company.” Though he intended this for the corporate world, it’s true for the Church as well!

If you want your church’s worship culture to change, you have to change... YOU need to become healthier Spiritually, Physically, and Emotionally. This cohort is a year-long journey designed to go through spiritual practices and disciplines with the intention to grow spiritually, physically, and emotionally as a worship pastor. The premise is simple, you cannot grow what you don’t track. Throughout the year, we will track various Spiritual, Physical, and Emotional disciplines and practices seeking growth over time. You’ll be encouraged to then take this system back to your worship team so that they can grow too.

WHEN: Cohort space is very limited and begins in October. / Meets monthly via Zoom & quarterly in person

To learn more or sign up please contact Josh Brown at: jb@theradiantlife.church



ADMIN CONNECT COHORT

With Michelle Eddy

Executive Assistant to Chris Conrad

This cohort is designed to inspire, equip and encourage the assistants of the GLR! While every administrator’s to-do list may look different, we all

have one role – to serve God with the gifts that He has given as we aim to increase the influence and ministry of those we are serving. My hope is for every admin to come to work with the mission in mind and feel supported and encouraged in the process! Join me for a time of connection, edification, soul care, and training conversations.

WHEN: Meets monthly via Zoom. First session started in July but there is still space to join!

To learn more or sign up, please contact Michelle at: meddy@thegl.org



RECONCILIATION COHORTS

With Chase Rashad Stancle

Lead Pastor at Unison Christian Church

These cohorts are designed to be a discipleship journey for church leaders focused on understanding and living by the ministry and work of reconciliation based on John 17:21.

For many of us, we have been encouraged to consider how we have personally been reconciled to our Heavenly Father through Christ but haven’t fully explored the truth that Jesus also paves the way of reconciliation amongst our brothers and sisters in Christ.

In this cohort, you will be invited to re imagine how deep the reconciling work of Christ goes, through the reconciliation between women and men, races/ethnicities, socioeconomic groups, political affiliations, lay and clergy, and different generations. Through book studies and authentic discussion time, we hope this cohort will help you to grow and process through the spiritual, emotional, and theological reconstruction of the work of reconciliation in your life and in your church setting.

JOIN THE GROUP THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU!

THE GROUND-BREAKER COHORT:

This cohort is designed for those who are new to the reconciliation conversation. They are ready to be transformed by a renewed mind. **Cohort has already started but there is still time to join!**

THE SEED-SOWER COHORT:

This cohort is perfect for those who already possess a passion for the work of reconciliation but may not be knowledgeable or confident in discipling others in a way that inspires them to pursue that same renewing. **Cohort has already started but there is still time to join!**

To learn more or sign up, please contact Chase at: chase@unisongr.com



WEST MI CHILDREN'S MINISTRY COHORT

With Amanda Alcumbrack

Children's Ministry Pastor / Frontline Church

This cohort is designed to inspire, equip and encourage Children's Ministry leaders. This will be a time to brainstorm together, share our wins and struggles with one another, and build a network of community and support in our area of Ministry.

WHEN: Meets monthly in person at the GLR Ministry Center in Grand Rapids, MI. First gathering starts on Oct 17.

To learn more or sign up, please contact Amanda at: aalcumbrack@frontlinegr.com



WORSHIP COLLECTIVE

With Joe Horness

Worship is meant to be so much more than just a programming element on a Sunday morning. It is an opportunity for every person in your

The Worship Collective is all about helping worship leaders, worship teams, and congregations take worship to the next level both spiritually and technically. The Worship Collective Cohort offers weekly sessions providing a space for community, collaboration, and accountability in your personal walk with God as well as practical training from skilled leaders like Darlene Zschech and Tommy Walker.

WHEN: Openings available starting this September / Meets Thursday mornings Via Zoom

To learn more & sign up, please contact Joe at: jhorness@gmail.com

DIRT ROADS NETWORK

TRANSFORMING RURAL & SMALL TOWNS

Dirt Roads Network (DRN) seeks to serve The Great Lakes Region as it equips leaders and churches to carry out the Great Commission. With understanding and focus on rural and small town spheres, DRN's relational networking cooperatives and cohorts provide resources and encouragement to leaders as they fulfill their call to transform their rural and small town communities.

MEET THE FACILITATORS



STEVE MCVEY

Steve McVey is the founder and Executive Director of Dirt Roads Network. This is a network of churches committed to, "Transforming rural America by planting and revitalizing life-giving churches in small towns and communities." He is a respected voice in the area of rural church revitalization and planting, and works with several Wesleyan Districts across the country. He and his wife, Samantha, have two married adult children and two adorable grandchild.



DOUG PRESTON

Doug serves as the Director Church Revitalization at DRN. God has allowed him to participate in the revitalization of two small rural churches and has given him a passion for helping other pastors in their journey to do the same.

Doug serves the Indiana South Wesleyan District. He is married to his wife & best friend, Sherri, and has two daughters, five grandkids, and one great-grandson.

OPPORTUNITIES:

1- INTRO TO RURAL AND SMALL TOWN MINISTRY

This Cooperative meets in two sessions, each for 9 consecutive weeks. This group will meet on Thursdays at 7 PM ET via Zoom. Participants will connect with like minded individuals who desire to make an eternal impact right where they are. Through leadership development and peer mentoring, participants will be challenged to recognize calling, discern prayer, understand rural/small town culture, become a missionary to their community, and much more.

COST: FREE for GLR Pastors

LAUNCH: Session One: September 14 - November 9, 2023

Session Two: January 11 - March 14, 2024

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2- DISCERNING INSTEAD OF DECIDING

**** Suggested after participating in the Intro to Rural & Small Town Ministry Cohort**

This Cooperative meets in two sessions, each for 9 consecutive weeks. This group will meet on Thursdays at 10 AM ET or 2 PM ET via Zoom. During Session 1, participants will work through the book, Pursuing God’s Will Together by Ruth Haley Barton. Session 1 will culminate with an in-person prayer retreat. In Session 2, participants will go through the book, Fan the Flame by Jim Cymbala.

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3- CHURCH REVITALIZATION COHORT

This intensive Cohort is for pastors and congregational leaders. It will require a commitment from the entire congregation to be successful. The cohort is a 19 week process, meeting for 9 sessions via zoom every other week, and meeting with your leadership team opposite weeks. This also includes 12 sessions of coaching after completion of Cohort to implement (MAP). The goal will be the development and implementation of a unique Ministry Action Plan (MAP) that fits the setting and need of your church to help the ministry enter a new season of health and harvest.

COST: \$1950 (Includes: assessment, cohort, and 12 coaching sessions) On-Site Meeting: \$300 (plus travel & lodging)

LAUNCH: Various start dates. Contact office@dirtroadsnetwork.com to learn more.

REGISTER & LEARN MORE: dougpreston@dirtroadsnetwork.com

4- CHURCH PLANTING

*Not a cooperative session. DRN is forming several Church Planting Networks throughout the Great Lakes Region. If you are interested in helping to form and participate in these CPNs, email office@dirtroadsnetwork.com



MOBILIZE THE CHURCH

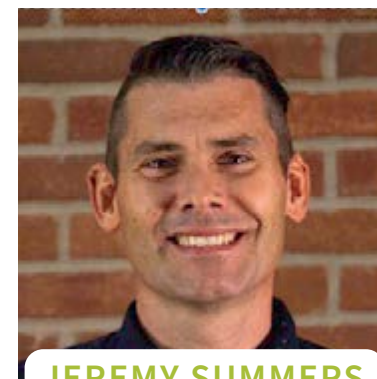
Groundswell and The Great Lakes Region are partnering to help you identify, equip, and mobilize a growing wave of disciple makers and pioneer leaders. We want to help you activate the body of Christ for ministry to reach your community and the following courses/cohorts as well as on-site events will be used to accomplish that goal.

MEET THE FACILITATORS



JON WIEST

Jon Wiest is the Executive Director of Groundswell, a global ministry mobilizing a growing wave of disciple making and pioneering leaders. He previously planted churches in Dallas, TX and Des Moines, IA and is the author of Banding Together and Pioneers. He is a rabid San Francisco 49ers fan, loves traveling, sports, and history, and currently lives in Fishers, IN with his wife and four daughters.



JEREMY SUMMERS

Jeremy Summers is the Training and Formation Director at Groundswell and has served as a professor, pastor, denominational leader, and coach for marketplace leaders. He is a graduate of Indiana Wesleyan, Asbury Seminary (M.Div.), and Fuller Seminary (D.Min.) He most often thinks and writes about discipleship, missiology, and topics of church and culture. Jeremy loves spending time with his family, traveling, hiking, watching football, and he probably drinks too much coffee.

OPPORTUNITIES:

1- MOBILIZING DISCIPLE MAKERS

This strategic, 10-session course (Zoom) will help you create a culture of disciple making and mobilization in your church. This is THE foundational course of Groundswell for identifying, equipping, and mobilizing more people for ministry.

COST: \$500 - Limited to 10 participants

LAUNCH: September 2023

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2- PIONEER TRAINING CENTER

Do you have any leaders in your church that want to launch a fresh expression, non-profit, outreach ministry, or micro church? “Pioneer Basic Training” is a 13-session, semester long virtual residency designed to train your pioneer leaders. Each pioneer will form a project blueprint and clear next steps upon graduating!

COST: \$500 - Scholarships available

LAUNCH: September, February

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3- LIVE SENT - DISCOVER YOUR CALLING

Do you want to help the people in your church discover their missional calling? This 5-session course is FREE for individuals to work through at their own pace. If your church would like to form exclusive cohorts and customize the experience, e-mail jwiest@groundswellmovement.net for a 30-minute consultation to get your church registered.

COST: FREE

LAUNCH: Anytime

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