

Students Equipped to Minister to Peers (SEMP)

As a young youth pastor, I met Dann Spader (founder of Sonlife) when he began to attend Christ Community Church shortly after I had come on staff. Dann introduced me to Sonlife's discipelmaking youth ministry philosophy, which was based on a careful study of the life of Christ and his strategy for making disciples.

Twenty-five years later, I'm still learning and applying Christ's disciplemaking principles and priorities and joyfully sharing them with other leaders around the world (Africa, Haiti, Philippines).

What a privilege to be invited to speak at Sonlife's SEMP student conference at Moody Bible Institute in downtown Chicago June 24-29. 750 high school students from across the US descended on Moody for the week. Our theme was MUVE, and that's exactly what God did!

I had first brought students to SEMP when I was a young youth pastor back in 1990. Steve French (my brother-inlaw) was part of SEMP's lead team back then and helped take SEMP to San Francisco and New York. It is amazing to see God still using this event to train and equip students to be disciples who make disciples and impact their generation for God's glory.

At SEMP, students began each morning with worship and then their personal

time in God's word. They then got 3 hours of evangelism and apologetics training every morning before going out onto the streets and into the parks of Chicago to share their faith. In the evening, we heard testimonies from the day, worshiped our great God, and were challenged and motivated by God's word to be true disciples of Jesus. It was my privilege to bring that challenge each night.

To see a glimpse of our week in Chicago, visit WeMuve.com.

To do your own study on how Christ made disciples, search for the <u>Knowing</u> Jesus app on your mobile device.







The Fourth Chair: A disciple who makes disciples!

The Four Chair Disciplemaking Training shows the progression of an individual who becomes a disciple who makes disciples. An individual moves from being LOST to becoming a BELIEVER, then from being a believer to becoming a WORKER, and then from being a worker to becoming a DISCIPLEMAKER.

For most of us, we equate spiritual maturity with either our length of time being a Christian, or our amount of biblical knowledge, or how committed we are to attending and serving at church, or even how much we give... are we a tither...

WHAT DOES JESUS EXPECT?

While all of these are important in our spiritual development, most of these areas of maturity represent things that should happen in our lives in the second chair (BELIEVER). Jesus has called us to be his disciples. Disciples live like Jesus... "Everyone who claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did." I John 2:6. They adopt Jesus' passion, priorities and practices.

Disciples Making Disciples

To sit in chair four as a DISCIPLEMAKER, we have grown to the place where we are winning the LOST to Christ, helping them to grow as a BELIEVER, and equipping them to serve as a WORKER in the harvest... and then challenging them to invest in others in the same way. Α disciplemaker is one who reproduces their life in another. And just how do you know when you have reproduced your life? When the one who you have poured your life into takes what you have invested and then pours it into another. When your disciple makes a disciple, then (and only then) do you truly know that you are sitting in chair four as a DISCIPLEMAKER.

We want to be Chair Four Jesus Followers!

Serving Christ together, Doug & Jennifer

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JIM & SUE NICODEM

JIM PLANTED AND HAS PASTORED CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH IN ST. CHARLES, IL SINCE 1984. IN 1987, FRESHLY OUT OF COLLEGE, I SERVED AT CCC AS THEIR YOUTH PASTOR. IT WAS GREAT TO CONNECT WITH JIM AND SUE ON MY RECENT TRIP BACK TO CHICAGO FOR S.E.M.P.

JULIE LARAME & PETE SUTTON

JULIE LARAME AND PETE SUTTON WERE TWO STUDENTS IN OUR FIRST YOUTH MINISTRY. JULIE NOW SERVES WITH US AS OPEN DOOR'S DIRECTOR OF MEDIA AND MARKETING, AND PETE HAS BEEN THE JR. HIGH PASTOR AT CHRIST COMMUNITY/ST. CHARLES FOR THE PAST 7 YRS.



JOEL Z & JOSH Y

JOEL ZABOROWSKI HELPS LEAD SEMP CHICAGO AND SERVES AS SONLIFE'S GREAT LAKES REGIONAL COORDINATOR. JOSH YATES WILL BE LAUNCHING SEMP IN PORTLAND NEXT SUMMER (HE'S ASKED ME TO SPEAK ON MUVE THERE) AND SERVES AS SONLIFE'S NW COORDINATOR.



DILLON & MOSES

DILLON, MY NEPHEW WHO JUST GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL, JOINED ME ON A MISSION TRIP TO HAITI IN JUNE, WHERE HE MET MOSES, ONE OF OUR SCHOOL OF YOUTH MINISTRY GRADUATES. BOTH OF THESE YOUNG MEN FEEL CALLED BY GOD TO BE PASTORS/EVANGELISTS!



MARISA & JACLYN

MARISA AND JACLYN WENT WITH OUR YOUTH MINISTRY TO FUGE CAMP AT RIDGECREST IN NC. THE GIRLS HAD AN AMAZING WEEK WITH THEIR FRIENDS AND LOTS OF FUN WITH THE CAMP ACTIVITIES, BUT WORSHIP WAS BY FAR THEIR HIGHLIGHT. RUSH OF FOOLS LED WORSHIP FOR

THE WEEK AND ROB TURNER SPOKE AND CHALLENGED THE STUDENTS TO KNOW AND FOLLOW THE REAL JESUS. OUR GIRLS CAME HOME FROM CAMP WITH A RENEWED PASSION TO LIVE FOR CHRIST!