



Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your families, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes.

NEH. 4:14

CHEA's Annual Homeschool Convention

May 9-11, 2024

at Biola University, La Mirada

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welcome

It's been more than 100 years since King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon had destroyed Jerusalem and the temple and took Israel captive. Two groups of exiled Jews have already returned. Nehemiah, part of the third and final group, has made his way back. While the temple has already been rebuilt, Jerusalem remains vulnerable to attack without a city wall to protect her.

Upon his inspection of the city wall to devise a plan to rebuild it, he says in Nehemiah 2:17 (CEV), "Jerusalem is truly in a mess! The gates have been torn down and burned, and everything is in ruins. We must rebuild the city wall so that we can again take pride in our city." It's almost as if he could be describing the world that we live in today.

As he begins to build the wall, Nehemiah faces both external and internal threats to rebuilding. The governor of Samaria, Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites, and the people from the city of Ashdod were all angry with Nehemiah (that's a lot of people to have as enemies!). They were making plans to attack Nehemiah and the Jews. Morale was also low. The people were grumbling about the work and the amount of time it was taking. Nehemiah needed to act to protect the wall and Israel.

Again, this is an accurate description of the world we live in today - Christ-following families (and homeschoolers specifically) are facing threats both external and internal. We usually only think of the external threats; overzealous legislators who think they know better than parents, professors of institutions of higher learning who aim to discredit years of research, or the media that is quick to blame homeschooling for horrific child abuse cases. There are also threats from those within the homeschool community, such as organizations of former homeschooled children who seek stricter oversight of homeschooling or grass-roots groups of parents proposing initiatives that would give the government the opportunity for greater regulations through government funding. Homeschooling is under attack.

In Nehemiah 4:13, the account tells us that Nehemiah placed the people around the half-built city wall in the areas they were most vulnerable, grouped together with their family. It's no accident that he did this. The members of our family know us best. They care for and love us the most. They encourage us and support us. What better teammates could we have in a battle?

As Nehemiah instructs the people of Israel, in preparation for attacks, he says (verse 14, ESV), "**Do not be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your brothers, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your homes.**"

While this verse tells us what Nehemiah did, it's also interesting to note what he didn't do. The challenge ahead of him was great. It was probably scary. But he didn't panic. He didn't doubt that God would lead them. He also didn't sit back and JUST trust that God would handle it. While God was and is fully capable of acting on His own to save Israel from these threats, He often uses people to carry out His work. Nehemiah was sensible and practical in his approach. And it worked. The city wall was finished (in just 52 days!) and stood strong for more than 500 years.

As we face battles of our own today, to protect our rights as parents and homeschoolers, may we remember Nehemiah's words. He puts things into perspective. The challenge ahead may be difficult. It may be scary. But do not fear. Trust God. Pray. Fight with everything that is in you to protect your family; your children and their future.

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Our weekly blog offers encouragement, practical tips, and advice for homeschool families. The "Homeschooling 101" blog series is perfect for new homeschool families, featuring articles about how to get started, curriculum, recordkeeping, socialization, and more. You can find the blog on our website at www.cheaofca.org/blog.



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Stay up-to-date by subscribing to "The CHEA Connection," where we share all the upcoming CHEA events and news, important legislative updates, and information and resources from many of our partner organizations. Just visit our website to sign up today.






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Homeschool California is for those who are homeschooling or interested in homeschooling in California. Working Homeschool Moms is an online support to moms who find themselves trying to balance the worlds of homeschooling and working.



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Webinars

Throughout the year, CHEA offers webinars on a variety of topics. Free to participate live, we cover issues relevant to private Christian homeschooling families. Each October, we host our annual Virtual PSA Filing Party where our hosts walk attendees, step-by-step, through how to file the Private School Affidavit.

chea resources

MOMS NIGHT OUT

with *Kristi & LaNissir*



Join us for a fun and uplifting evening just for moms. Kristi & LaNissir have years of experience but are also still in the midst of homeschooling, so they will minister to you with laughter and truth and encouragement. There will be fellowship and giveaways and games and maybe even some chocolate!

So we can create a true time of refreshment for all the moms, dads and kids can head to our Dads & Kids Game Night. If you're here alone with your kids, we have some dads and teens who will be available to watch your kids at the Game Night. Non-mobile nursing infants are welcome to stay with mom.

Friday, May 10

7:15 p.m.

Lehman Conference Room

We hope you enjoy this special Mother's Day gift for you.

FOOD & DRINK

CAFE BIOLA

Each meal at Cafe Biola features numerous options that will appease both choosy eaters as well as those with dietary restrictions and allergies. From pizza, to the sandwich and salad bar, to comfort food, to the grill, to soups, to the "chef's table," and the array of desserts (including the soft-serve ice cream machine that's always a hit!) and more, no one will leave hungry. Go back as many times as you want to try a little bit of everything prepared by talented and creative chefs. Drink stations include milk, juices, and a soda fountain.

HERITAGE CAFE

Juicery & Coffee Bar. The menu includes a curated selection of acai bowls, fresh squeezed juices, gourmet sandwiches, artisanal salads, and infused water. They also proudly serve your favorite Starbucks beverages.

Cafe Biola Meal Times:

Breakfast: 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Lunch: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Dinner: 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Heritage Cafe Hours:

Thursday, May 9: 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 10: 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 11: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

DADS BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP



Start your Saturday off with breakfast and time with other homeschool dads!

Grab your breakfast at Cafe Biola and then join your fellow homeschool dads in the Atrium as you fellowship and share your experiences.

Saturday, May 11

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Cafe Biola Atrium

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY



Celebrate the Class of 2024 at CHEA's High School Graduation Ceremony!

Friday, May 10

7:15 p.m.

Biola University's Calvary Chapel

General seating is available to convention attendees beginning at 7:05 p.m.

DADS & KIDS



GAME NIGHT

We invite dad to bring the kids for a fun family-friendly game night! Games and snacks provided!

Moms, if you're here solo with your kids, we have dads and teens who can help watch them so you can attend Moms Night Out.

Friday, May 10

7:15 p.m.

Talbot East (Lower Level)

Answers to your questions
Tips and Advice
Prayer for your coming year
Walk through the Exhibit Hall
Homeschool Groups in your area

CHEA'S HOMESCHOOL HELP BOOTH

Experienced homeschool parents are available to assist you, no matter what stage of the homeschool journey you may find yourself in.

in the lobby of the Exhibit Hall



Thursday, May 9, Friday, May 10, & Saturday, May 11
Ages 4-12
Talbot East (Lower Level)
\$45 (One day); \$70 (Fri & Sat); \$95 (Thurs, Fri, & Sat)

Presented by 20-year children's event production veteran, Giant Cow Ministries, your child will experience Christ-centered drama, music, interactive memorization, kid comedy, life lessons, and much more. They will also get a chance to participate and compete with their team in group games, relay races, obstacle courses, and craft & art projects.

Lunch & Snacks

No lunch is provided. Children will need to be picked up for lunch at 11:40 a.m. and returned at 12:50 p.m. If you would like your child to have any snacks during the day, you will need to sign them out.

Children's Convention Check-In and Check-Out

Children should be checked in and out of Children's Convention at Talbot East. Check-in, and Registration, if available, opens at 1:45 p.m. on Thursday and 8:10 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. Children must be picked up at the conclusion of the day (Thursday at 7:15 p.m., Friday/Saturday at 6:10 p.m.) If your children are not pre-registered for Children's Convention, please visit Children's Convention Check-in and Registration. At-the-door registration may be available as space allows, on a first-come, first-served basis.

| | Check-In | Lunch Pick-Up | Return | Pick-Up |
|------------------|-----------|---------------|------------|-----------|
| Thursday, May 9 | 1:45 p.m. | --- | --- | 7:15 p.m. |
| Friday, May 10 | 8:10 a.m. | 11:40 a.m. | 12:50 p.m. | 6:10 p.m. |
| Saturday, May 11 | 8:10 a.m. | 11:40 a.m. | 12:50 p.m. | 6:10 p.m. |



Friday, May 10 & Saturday, May 11
Ages 12-18
Moats Auditorium (Business Building)
\$75 for both days

iElect
Presented by HSLDA Generation Joshua
Sponsored by The Master's University

Students take part in a mock presidential election that gives them the chance to experience the challenges of running for the highest office in the land. They form their own political parties, develop their platforms, and select their own candidates to represent them. As winning an election takes more than just being selected as a candidate, students also lobby outside participants, convincing them to vote for the party nominee and become high-dollar donors to the campaigns (with fake money of course.) Through the iElect simulation, students learn the ins and outs of grassroots campaigns, the nomination process, and what it takes to be a leader.

Teen Convention Guidelines

Only teens (ages 12-18) registered for the Teen Convention are permitted in the teen workshops. At other times of the day, teens may attend sessions and visit the Exhibit Hall. CHEA will provide volunteer adult chaperones for the Teen Convention; however parents are responsible for their teen's safety and behavior during the Convention. We recommend that parents and teens read over the Convention materials together and arrange meeting times and locations. In consideration of all in attendance, we request teens follow these basic guidelines:

- Wear modest, casual clothing.
- Remain seated during the sessions.
- Do not loiter outside the rooms during sessions.
- Be attentive to the speaker.
- Turn cell phones to vibrate. If you need to use your phone, please step outside.

teen convention

children's convention

HOMESCHOOLING NUTS & BOLTS MINI-CON

Thursday, May 9

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Mayers Auditorium

Are you just starting out in your homeschool journey and looking for the basics on how to get started? Have you been homeschooling for a few years but wanting some help and encouragement in any of these areas? If so, this mini-con is for you! These four workshops, jam-packed with information, will equip you with all the tools you need to get off on the right foot as you begin your homeschool journey.

2:00 - 3:00 p.m

10 Steps to Start Homeschooling, *Katie Julius*

3:00 - 4:00 p.m

Mission Possible: Writing a Philosophy of Education & Mission Statement, *Betsy Pierce*

4:00 - 5:00 p.m

Lesson Planning & Record Keeping, *Katie Julius*

5:00 - 6:00 p.m

Choosing Curriculum, *Betsy Pierce*

See full workshop descriptions on pages 33-34.

INTRO TO HOMESCHOOLING MINI-CON

Thursday, May 9

4:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Main Tent / Chase Gymnasium (Exhibit Hall)

Are you considering homeschooling? Exploring your options? Feeling lost or overwhelmed? This Intro to Homeschooling Mini-Conference will provide you with information about how to legally educate your children at home in California, encouragement to make the right decision for your family, and an opportunity to speak with publishers and browse curriculum in the Exhibit Hall.

Part I - Keynote Session

4:30 - 5:30 p.m

Why I'm Glad I Was Homeschooled (and Why Your Kids Will Be Too), *Daniel Craig*

Part II - Keynote Session

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Introduction to Home Education, *Rebecca Kocis, John McGowan, and Nathan Pierce*

Part III - Exhibit Hall Preview

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

See full workshop descriptions on page 35.

Are you new to homeschooling? We're so glad you are here! Here are some suggestions for you to get the most of out of your Convention experience.

- ✓ Visit the Homeschool Help booth to talk with an experienced homeschooler to get answers to your questions, tips and advice, prayer, and help as you walk through the Exhibit Hall. You can also find out about homeschool groups located in your area.
- ✓ Visit the CHEA Store.
 1. Become a CHEA Member
 2. Purchase *The California Homeschool Manual: A guide to private home education in California* - this is the most important "getting started" book you can have as a home educator in California
- ✓ Visit the Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA) booth in the Exhibit Hall to become an HSLDA member, where CHEA members receive a discount.
- ✓ Visit the Family Protection Ministries (FPM) booth to find out more about the political climate and home education in California and how you can get involved in the legislative process.
- ✓ Attend some of the following workshops that we believe will be helpful for beginning home educators:

| Workshop | Day | Time | Location |
|---|----------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Why I'm Glad I Was Homeschooled (And Why Your Kids Will Be Too) | Thursday | 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Main Tent |
| Introduction to Home Education | Thursday | 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. | Main Tent |
| 10 Steps to Start Homeschooling | Thursday | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Mayers Auditorium |
| Mission Possible: Writing a Mission Statement & Philosophy of Education | Thursday | 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. | Mayers Auditorium |
| Lesson Planning & Record Keeping | Thursday | 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Mayers Auditorium |
| Choosing Curriculum | Thursday | 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. | Mayers Auditorium |
| What Type of Homeschooler Are You? | Friday | 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Calvary Chapel |
| Legislative Update | Saturday | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Main Tent |
| Teaching with Multiple Ages at Home | Saturday | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Mayers Auditorium |

new homeschoolers

PARA LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA DE EDUCACIÓN EN EL HOGAR

¿Quieres, o estás actualmente, educando en el hogar? Este año podemos ofrecer interpretación simultánea en español para nuestra Mini-Conferencia gratuita de introducción de Educación en el Hogar que sera el jueves por la noche. También estará disponible durante el resto de la Conferencia de Crianza y Educación en el Hogar de CHEA para las charlas impartidas por nuestras oradoras de las sesiones de apertura y algunas otras sesiones también. Tendremos tiempo en nuestra mesa de ayuda de educación en el hogar donde también podrá obtener respuestas a sus preguntas en español individualmente con padres veteranos que educan en el hogar.

Do you want to—or are you currently—homeschooling? This year we are able to offer simultaneous translation in Spanish for our Free Thursday night Intro to Homeschooling Mini-Con. We will also have it available during the rest of CHEA's Parenting and Homeschooling Conference for talks given by some of our featured speakers and some other sessions as well. We will have times in our Homeschool Help booth when you can get your questions answered in Spanish one-on-one with veteran homeschool parents as well.

Do you have a high schooler or will soon? Here are some suggestions for you to get the most out of your Convention experience.

- ✓ Visit the Homeschool Help booth in the front of the Exhibit Hall to talk with an experienced homeschooler to get answers to your questions, tips and advice, and prayer for all things high school.
- ✓ Visit the CHEA Store in the front of the Exhibit Hall
 1. Become a CHEA Member
 2. Purchase *The High School Handbook*
- ✓ Visit College Row in the Exhibit Hall
- ✓ Attend some of the following workshops that we believe will be helpful for home educators in the high school years:

| Workshop | Day | Time | Location |
|---|----------|--------------------|------------------------|
| The Sky's the Limit | Thursday | 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Crowell Hall |
| Is Your Student College Bound? | Thursday | 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. | Crowell Hall |
| No Longer Little | Friday | 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Crowell Hall |
| God & Economics | Friday | 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Lehman Conference Room |
| Homeschool High School? Why, Yes You CAN! | Friday | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Calvary Chapel |
| Boy Meets Girl, Now What?! | Friday | 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. | Main Tent |
| Recordkeeping & Organization for High School: Simplifying the Process | Saturday | 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Calvary Chapel |
| 5 Secrets for Aspiring Entrepreneurs | Saturday | 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Kim Conference Room |
| Seven Study Skills Strategies | Saturday | 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. | Kim Conference Room |

HIGH SCHOOL RESOURCES

Scan the QR code to access resources from our Thursday evening presentation for preparing for life after high school.



high school highlights

WORLDVIEW ACADEMY MINI-CON

Thursday, May 9

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Main Tent & Kim Conference Room

Worldview Academy trains Christians to think and live in accord with a biblical worldview so they are better equipped to serve Christ and engage the culture.

2:00 - 3:15 p.m

Confusing Times, Confused Neighbors, *Mike Schutt*

3:30 - 4:00 p.m

Tech Talk, *Mike Tiland*

4:15 - 5:00 p.m

Vocation, *Mike Schutt*

See full workshop descriptions on page 33.

LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL MINI-CON

Thursday, May 9

4:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Crowell Hall / Chase Gymnasium (Exhibit Hall)
Sponsored by *Institute for Excellence in Writing*

Parents and their teens are invited to attend this FREE, fun, informative evening on navigating high school and beyond. There are many different pathways open to homeschooled students after high school, and our goal is to give you an overview of several of them.

Our desire is to show parents that not only is it possible to homeschool through high school, but you can be successful and prepare your student for whatever God may have for him after graduation, including college. Teens are encouraged to come to learn more about the possibilities, the college admissions process, and attend the college fair, where representatives from colleges will be happy to meet you and answer your individual questions.

Part I - Keynote Session

4:30 - 5:30 p.m

The Sky's the Limit, *Durenda Wilson*

Part II - Keynote Session

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Is Your Student College Bound?, *Penny Ross*

Part III - College Fair

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

See full workshop descriptions on page 35.

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**KRISTI CLOVER**

*Featured Speaker
Booth #501*

Kristi Clover is a home organization and #momlife expert. She's also the author of *M.O.M. = Master*

Organizer of Mayhem and Homeschool Basics, the host of the *Simply Joyful* podcast, and a popular conference speaker. Her passion is to encourage families to find simple ways to bring more joy into their home and life. She loves to share about her adventures in motherhood and home life through a variety of media that you can find at KristiClover.com. Kristi lives in San Diego with her husband, Steve, and their five children.

Simple Meal Planning Strategies, Session #4
Moms Night Out, Fri. 7:15 p.m.
Finding Balance, Session #7

**DANIEL CRAIG**

*Featured Speaker
Booth #400*

Daniel Craig (with his wife Megan) is a host of the internationally-attended Homeschool Summits and

has spoken at homeschool conferences around the country. Daniel wrote *Kickstart* as a plan for homeschooled students to think through their life calling and launch successfully into adulthood. His passion is to encourage homeschool parents and young people to love and embrace Biblical discipleship. Daniel is a homeschool dad of 4 children.

Why I'm Glad I Was Homeschooled,
Intro Mini-Con (Thurs. 4:30 p.m.)

Boy Meets Girl, Now What?, Session #3
The Key to a Significant Life,

Commencement Address (Fri. 7:15 p.m.)

Five Secrets for Entrepreneurs, Session #5

Raising Kids to Understand and Pursue Their Calling, Sat. PM Keynote

**LANISSIR JAMES**

*Featured Speaker
Booth #806*

A homeschooling mom and leader, LaNissir has a passion to serve the home-educating community.

She provides social, spiritual, academic, and supervisory support for families in local groups in her state, and, as an HSLDA high school consultant, encourages and equips homeschool graduates to transition into colleges, careers, and vocational schools. LaNissir is wife to Lorenzo. Together they have seven homeschooled children (five girls and two boys) with ages ranging from elementary to young adult. Her hobbies include reading, traveling, photography, and kayaking.

Raising Darling Daughters, Session #3

Moms Night Out, Fri. 7:15 p.m.

High School Recordkeeping & Organization,
Session #5

**SEAN MCDOWELL**

*Featured Speaker
Booth #202*

Dr. Sean McDowell is a gifted communicator with a passion for equipping the church, and in particular

young people, to make the case for the Christian faith. Sean is an Associate Professor in the Christian Apologetics program at Talbot School of Theology, Biola University and co-host for the *Think Biblically* podcast. He is also the author, co-author, or editor of over twenty books. Sean still teaches one high school Bible class, which helps give him insight into the prevailing culture so he can impart his observations to fellow educators, pastors, and parents alike.

True for You, But Not True for Me, Session #1

Cancel Culture: Clarity for Christians, Session #2

Passing Your Faith to the Next Generation,

Sat. AM Keynote

Answering Tough Questions - Q&A, Session #5

**DURENDA WILSON**

*Featured Speaker
Booth #301*

With more than thirty years of home education experience, Durenda Wilson is a trusted voice

and resource at homeschooling conventions and on *The Durenda Wilson Podcast*. Durenda and her husband, Darryl have been married for 34 years. They have eight kids (7 graduated so far) and ten grandchildren. As an author, speaker, and podcaster, her greatest joy is reminding parents how doable and effective homeschooling is and that they are qualified for the job! Her books include *The Four Hour School Day*, *The Unhurried Homeschooler*, *Unhurried Grace for a Mom's Heart*, and *Raising Boys to Men*.

The Sky's the Limit, Life After High School
Mini-Con (Thurs. 4:30 p.m.)

Kingdom Work, Fri. AM Keynote

Nurturing Sibling Relationships, Session #2

Keeping Your Marriage Healthy, Session #6

Unhurried Homeschooling, Session #7

**HAL & MELANIE YOUNG**

*Featured Speakers
Booth #701*

Hal & Melanie Young are the award-winning, best-selling

authors of *Raising Real Men*, *No Longer Little*, and *Love, Honor, and Virtue* and the hosts of the *Making Biblical Family Life Practical* podcast. They are publishers, writers, bloggers, and popular conference speakers internationally, known for their Christ-centered focus and practical, real-life stories. They are the parents of six real boys (all grown!) and two real girls and live in noisy, messy happiness in North Carolina.

No Longer Little, Session #1

Boy-Schooling, Session #2

Parenting in Gender-Confused World, Session #4

When School is Harder, Session #5

Your Family's Communication Culture, Session #6

FEATURED SPEAKER PREVIEW

Thursday, May 9

6:17 - 7:15 a.m.

Kim Conference Room

Come get to know this year's featured speakers as they share for a few minutes (think TED Talk) about themselves, their heart, and their ministry! This is a chance to hear directly from them why they came to speak at this year's convention, a little about their experiences, and what you can look forward to them sharing about this weekend. If some of the names are new to you, this is your chance to get to know them.

6:15 - Hal & Melanie Young

6:25 - Kristi Clover

6:35 - Durenda Wilson

6:45 - Daniel Craig

6:55 - LaNissir James

7:05 - Sean McDowell

speakers

chea's summer reading challenge

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

1. Select a summer reading challenge that works best for your family or each individual child. You could set goals for a certain number of books or pages, read for a predetermined amount of time each day, read through a series or specific genre, or complete a reading "BINGO." The choice is yours!
2. Read between June 1 - July 31 to meet the challenge your family selected.
3. Between August 1 - 8, tell us your favorite book you read this summer and why it was your favorite (one per child) through an online form to be eligible for the prize drawing. Prizes will be awarded in each of three age groups: 5-8 years, 9-13 years, and 14-18 years. While anyone may participate in the summer reading challenge, only children of current CHEA members are eligible to receive prizes. Winners will be randomly selected, contacted, and announced no later than August 14.



Questions? Email us at cheainfo@cheaofca.org



MASTER'S
ATHLETICS



**DEAHDRA-LYNN
ATENCIO**

Booth #504

Deahdra-Lynn Atencio is a wife, mom, author, and has been home educating for years. She and her husband

pulled their oldest out of school after fourth grade and the rest, they say, is history. Deahdra-Lynn is passionate about helping families at all stages. She has a degree in Sign Language Studies and worked briefly at the California School for the Deaf in Fremont. She has taught natural childbirth classes, written a unique parenting book, and is active in the family ministries at her church.

Mom, Don't Make Me Think, *Session #4*



GREG BARAN

Booth #700

Greg Baran feels blessed every day by his wonderful wife, Heather, and amazing son, Nate. When teaching college and secondary

English studies, it was apparent to Greg from day one that most students struggled with writing. Due to his background in English Composition, he knew this problem was correctable, and it became his mission to help students write clearly and effectively. That work started The Baran Method, and today, it drives Greg to help every child become a successful writer.

The Value of the *Clearly Written Word*, *Session #5*



KATIE JULIUS

Katie is wife to husband John, and homeschool mom to one energetic, full-of-life,

pedal-to-the-metal, insanely creative sixth grader, Sarah. She holds degrees in Art and Education and somehow strikes the fine balance of organization, planning, and paperwork with her right-brained creativity. When she's not teaching parts of speech, practicing multiplication facts, or elbow-deep in art supplies, she also works part-time as CHEA's Communications Manager. Katie also serves on the Board and Leadership Team of her homeschool support group in the Inland Empire.

10 Steps to Start Homeschooling,
Nuts & Bolts Mini-Con (Thurs.), *Session #1*
Lesson Planning & Record Keeping,
Nuts & Bolts Mini-Con (Thurs.), *Session #3*



CAROL KERNEY

Booth #106

Carol Kerney's mom was a storyteller. From a young age, she loved a good story. Then in middle school she began to hang out in the

library after school. Staring at those long rows of books, each with a treasure inside, told her she wanted to write novels when she grew up. After teaching, motherhood, grandmotherhood, and retirement, she jumped feet-first into writing novels, authoring 26 books in just six years.

Using Novels to Teach History, *Session #4*

speakers



REBECCA KOCSIS

Rebecca Kocsis and her husband homeschooled all five of their children, graduating their youngest in 2006. They are now the proud grandparents of an ever-growing tribe of energetic boys and girls (12 to date) who are their greatest delight. Rebecca served for 15 years as a private school satellite program administrator and for several years on CHEA's Regional Advisory Board. Today, she is still passionate about private home education and helping families homeschool, serving on CHEA's board of directors.

Introduction to Home Education,
Intro Mini-Con (Thurs. 5:30 p.m.)



DAVY LIU
Booth #208

Davy Liu identifies himself as a Chinese Forrest Gump. He struggled with making straight A's, but later found his life's calling in making straight lines. His artistic talent quickly led him to work for Walt Disney on classic films such as *Beauty and the Beast*, *Aladdin*, *The Lion King*, *Mulan*, and the *Star Wars* franchise. Davy is the founder of Kendu Kids. He is an innovative creator who brings stories of faith and hope to the world.

Left vs. Right Brain, Session #2



JOHN MCGOWAN

John is an attorney with a litigation practice in Los Angeles and is also an allied attorney with Alliance Defending Freedom, the world's largest legal organization committed to protecting religious freedom and parental rights. He and his wife, Juleene, are homeschooling their two boys, ages 15 and 16. John is especially passionate about CHEA's mission to protect the God-given right of parents to direct the education and training of their children, as he serves as Vice President of CHEA's Board of Directors.

Introduction to Home Education,
Intro Mini-Con (Thurs. 5:30 p.m.)
Legislative Update, *Session #5*



BETSY PIERCE
Booth #805

Betsy is a second-generation homeschooling mom of eight children, ages 2 to 17, and considers herself blessed beyond measure to raise them. She and her husband Nathan met while at The Master's University and moved to Placer County in 2004 when Nathan began his work at Family Protection Ministries, now a calling for the whole family. She has served the homeschooling community for many years at various levels and is looking forward to the first family graduation in 2024!

Mission Possible: Writing a Philosophy of Education & Mission Statement,
Nuts & Bolts Mini-Con (Thurs.), Session #2
Choosing Curriculum,
Nuts & Bolts Mini-Con (Thurs.), Session #4
Teaching with Multiple Ages, *Session #6*



NATHAN PIERCE
Booth #805

Nathan began working at Family Protection Ministries (FPM) in 2002 to protect private homeschooling in California. He was homeschooled himself from kindergarten through high school and received a B.A. in Political Studies from The Master's University. Currently he serves as Executive Director and Legislative Liaison for FPM and on the CHEA Board of Directors. He works behind the scenes at the State Capitol, meeting with legislators to advocate on behalf of homeschoolers. He and his wife Betsy homeschool their own eight children.

Discerning Biblical Principles in Politics,
Session #4
Legislative Update, *Session #5*



DAVID & SHIRLEY QUINE
Booth #209

God has been faithful to David and Shirley for 52 years of married life. He has given them a shared life, passion, and ministry. Their passion is to equip the next generation to "stand firm" in Christ in the 21st century. Together, they created Cornerstone Curriculum, a homeschool curriculum that assists parents in the discipleship of their children. David has a Masters degree in curriculum and instruction design, and Shirley is an early childhood education specialist. The Lord has given David and Shirley the reward of nine wonderful children and sixteen grandchildren.

Teaching Art and Music, *Session #1*
More Than Math, *Session #6*



GRETCHEN ROE
Booth #102

Gretchen Roe has 21 years of home education experience with

her six children, all of whom have now graduated. With a degree in psychology and child development, she has spent the last 27 years in positions of homeschool advocacy, developing special bonds with families of children who work harder to learn. With Demme Learning since 2014, she served first as a Special Needs Placement Specialist, now as the company's Community Outreach Coordinator.

Adapting for Special Needs Students, *Session #2*
Exceptional Kids, *Session #6*



PENNY ROSS

Penny Ross taught her own three children at home from birth through high school graduation. She led a PSP at her church and now runs Tools for the Home

Educator, an independent consulting business. She offers encouragement, support, and training through consultations, coaching, webinars, and workshops. Her specialty is in helping families clarify their homeschooling goals and then assisting them in mapping a pathway to success. Penny is married to her college sweetheart, Greg, and together they delight in seven grandchildren.

Is Your Student College Bound?,
High School Mini-Con (Thurs. 5:30 p.m.)
Homeschool High School?, *Session #2*
You CAN Teach Preschool at Home, *Session #5*
You ARE the Boss!, *Session #7*

**CALEB SCHROEDER**

Caleb Schroeder is a California pastor, homeschool graduate, and speaker who holds two Master's degrees in Math Education and Biblical

Studies. He was a public educator for 18 years before becoming a Senior Pastor. As an educator, homeschool graduate, and homeschool dad of six, he has a passion for home education and discipleship. He has been a convention keynote and popular homeschool practicum speaker. He was also a cast member in the documentary, *Schoolhouse Rocked: The Homeschool Revolution*.

Affordable Homeschooling, *Session #3*
 Homeschooling Free from Fear, *Session #4*
 Integrating Dad, *Session #7*

**LEAH SCHROEDER**

Leah Schroeder is a product of a homeschool education. She went on to receive a degree in Liberal Studies-Teacher Education from The Master's University.

She has been married to Caleb for 21 years, and they have six children, one of whom is a homeschool graduate. She and her husband serve at Faith Community Church of Palmdale, where they met. She loves encouraging mothers to endure through the challenges and delights of homeschooling, to the glory of God!

Affordable Homeschooling, *Session #3*

**MIKE SCHUTT**

Booth #302

Mike Schutt is the Executive Director of Worldview Academy. He has served students as a faculty member since

2002. He was a professor at Trinity Law School and Director of the Institute for Christian Legal Studies, where he directed CLS' Law School Ministries. He also taught on the faculty of Regent Law School for 20 years. Before entering academia, Mike practiced law in Fort Worth, Texas. He is an honors graduate of the University of Texas School of Law.

Confused Times, Confused Neighbors,
Worldview Mini-Con (Thurs., 2:15 p.m.)
 Vocation, *Worldview Mini-Con (Thurs., 4:15 p.m.)*
 How to Pursue True Leisure, *Session #7*

**VICKI STORMOEN**

Vicki Stormoen has been privately homeschooling since 1994. She and her husband, Ron, have nine children, seven of whom have graduated from

Heritage Christian School, a Southern California PSP. She is still homeschooling her remaining two children through HCS, where she currently serves as the Principal. Vicki also teaches homeschool literature and writing classes and is a former Classical Conversations tutor. She is passionate about the vision of private Christian homeschooling as a means to raise a godly generation for the glory of God.

What Kind of Homeschooler?, *Session #1*
 Foundations for Elementary Years, *Session #2*

**CHRISTA SVOBODA**

Christa always dreamed of having many children who she would school at home. Now she has six, aged 1 to 14 years. A second-generation homeschooler,

Christa received her master's in elementary education and loved being a classroom teacher before beginning life with a new mission of motherhood. She recently hosted a podcast, *Seek Wholly Living*, where she had conversations with other expert moms who chose to pursue motherhood with hope, joy, and purpose!

Enjoying the Early Years, *Session #1*
 Get Outside!, *Session #3*

**MIKE TILAND**

Booth #302

Mike has been a part of the Worldview Academy team since 2006, and is currently serving as the Director of Operations, Director

of Camps, and Faculty. Mike holds a Masters of Divinity in Christian Ministry from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has a passion for the church and helping to train the next generation of leaders. Mike has taught youth and adults across the country at camps, retreats, conferences, and leadership seminars. He and his wife, Angela, live in central Texas with their three children.

Teck Talk, *Worldview Mini-Con (Thurs., 3:25 p.m.)*

**JULIE WALKER**

Booth #502

Julie Walker was a schoolteacher and homeschool leader for many years. She and

her husband home educated their three sons. After their youngest son graduated, she returned to school, completing her MBA at Biola University. In 2007 Julie began working with IEW, where she has produced, directed, and helped to write many IEW video-based programs, including the *Structure and Style®* for Students video courses. She currently hosts the Arts of Language podcast with Andrew Pudewa.

Seven Study Skills Strategies, *Session #7*

**ROGER WHELOCK**

Booth #500

Roger Wheelock is President of Greater Than I Ministries, a non-profit established to provide creative biblical worldview

teaching materials. Roger is an ordained pastor, worship leader, and songwriter with over 30 years of experience in Christian leadership. His passion is to help light a fire in Christians to lead our culture by applying the brilliance of the Word of God in every vocation and location of life; to know what we believe and to make a difference in this decaying world around us!

God & Economics, *Session #1*

speakers

THURSDAY, MAY 9

Registration: 1:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Children's Convention: 1:45 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.

Information: 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Exhibit Hall: 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Premium Member Preview: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.)

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Spring Leadership Conference

Registration/Check-In Opens

Worldview Academy Mini-Con

Homeschooling Nuts & Bolts Mini-Con

Intro to Homeschool Mini-Con: Session I

Life After High School Mini-Con: Session I

Biola Cafe Open for Dinner

Intro to Homeschool Mini-Con: Session II

Life After High School Mini-Con: Session II

Featured Speaker Preview

Children's Convention Ends

Intro to Homeschool Mini-Con: Session III
(Exhibit Hall)

Life After High School Mini-Con: Session III
(College Fair & Exhibit Hall)

FRIDAY, MAY 10

Information & Registration: 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Children's Convention: 8:10 a.m. – 6:10 p.m. (Lunch Break: 11:40 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.)

Teen Convention: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Lunch Break: 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.)

Exhibit Hall: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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Biola Cafe Open for Breakfast

Opening Keynote Session

Exhibit Hall Opens

General Workshop Sessions #1

Biola Cafe Open for Lunch

Exhibit Hall Shopping

Children's Convention Lunch Break (on own)

Teen Convention Lunch Break (on own)

Exhibitor Workshop Sessions

General Workshop Sessions #2

General Workshop Sessions #3

General Workshop Sessions #4

Biola Cafe Open for Dinner

Children's Convention Ends

Exhibit Hall Closes

Moms Night Out with Kristi Clover & LaNissir James

Dads & Kids Game Night

CHEA's High School Graduation Ceremony

(Convention attendee seating at 7:05 p.m., first come, first served)

SATURDAY, MAY 11

Information & Registration: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Children's Convention: 8:10 a.m. – 6:10 p.m. (Lunch Break: 11:40 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.)

Teen Convention: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Lunch Break: 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.)

Exhibit Hall: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

6:10 p.m.

Biola Cafe Open for Breakfast

Dads Breakfast Fellowship

Morning Keynote Session

Exhibit Hall Opens

General Workshop Sessions #5

Biola Cafe Open for Lunch

Exhibit Hall Shopping

Children's Convention Lunch Break (on own)

Teen Convention Lunch Break (on own)

Exhibitor Workshop Sessions

General Workshop Sessions #6

General Workshop Sessions #7

Exhibit Hall Closes

Closing Keynote Session

Biola Cafe Open for Dinner

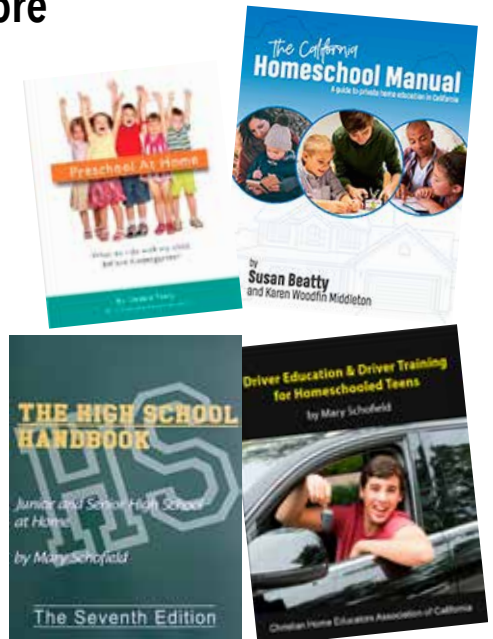
Children's Convention Ends

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thursday

| Main Tent | Crowell Hall | Mayers Auditorium | Kim Conference Room |
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| 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Confusing Times, Confused Neighbors <i>Mike Schutt</i> | | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. 10 Steps to Start Homeschooling <i>Katie Julius</i> | |
| 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Why I'm Glad I Was Homeschooled (And Why Your Kids Will Be Too) <i>Daniel Craig</i> | 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. The Sky's the Limit! <i>Durenda Wilson</i> | 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Philosophy of Education <i>Betsy Pierce</i> | 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. Tech Talk <i>Mike Tiland</i> |
| 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Introduction to Home Education <i>Nathan Pierce, John McGawan, Rebecca Kocsis</i> | 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Is Your Student College Bound? <i>Penny Ross</i> | 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Lesson Planning & Record Keeping <i>Katie Julius</i> | 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. Vocation <i>Make Schutt</i> |
| | | 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Choosing Curriculum <i>Betsy Pierce</i> | 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Featured Speakers Preview |

Friday

| Main Tent | Crowell Hall | Calvary Chapel | Mayers Auditorium | Kim Conference Room | Lehman Conference Room |
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| Opening Keynote 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. <i>Durenda Wilson</i> | | | | | |
| Workshop Session #1 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. <i>Sean McDowell</i> | No Longer Little <i>Hal & Melanie Young</i> | What Type of Homeschooler Are You? <i>Vicki Stormoen</i> | Enjoying the Preschool Years <i>Christa Svoboda</i> | Teaching Art and Music <i>David & Shirley Quine</i> | God & Economics <i>Roger Wheelock</i> |
| Exhibitor Workshops 1:00 - 1:40 p.m. | See Exhibitor Workshop Schedule | | | | |
| Workshop Session #2 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. <i>Sean McDowell</i> | Boy-Schooling <i>Hal & Melanie Young</i> | Homeschool High School? Yes You CAN! <i>Penny Ross</i> | Nurturing Sibling Relationships <i>Durenda Wilson</i> | Left vs. Right Brain, Cow vs. Cowboy <i>Mindset Davy Liu</i> | Adapting for Special Needs <i>Gretchen Roe</i> |
| Workshop Session #3 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. <i>Daniel Craig</i> | Affordable Homeschooling <i>Caleb Schroeder</i> | Foundations for Elementary Years <i>Vicki Stormoen</i> | Get Outside! <i>Christa Svoboda</i> | Raising Darling Daughters <i>LaNissir James</i> | Mom, Don't Make Me Think <i>Deahdra-Lynn Atencio</i> |
| Workshop Session #4 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. <i>Hal & Melanie Young</i> | Discerning Biblical Principles in Politics <i>Nathan Pierce</i> | | Homeschooling Free from Fear <i>Caleb Schroeder</i> | Simple Meal Planning Strategies <i>Kristi Clover</i> | Using Novels to Teach History <i>Carol Kerney</i> |
| Friday Night Special Events 7:15 - 9:00 p.m. | High School Graduation Ceremony | | | In Talbot East: Dads & Kids Game Night | Mom's Night Out <i>Kristi Clover & LaNissir James</i> |

Parenting

New to Homeschooling

Middle School/High School

saturday

| | Main Tent | Crowell Hall | Calvary Chapel | Mayers Auditorium | Kim Conference Room | Lehman Conference Room |
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| Saturday Morning Events 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. | | | | | <i>In Cafeteria Atrium: Dad's Breakfast Fellowship</i> | |
| Morning Keynote 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. | Passing Your Faith to the Next Generation <i>Sean McDowell</i> | | | | | |
| Workshop Session #5 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Answering Tough Questions - Q&A <i>Sean McDowell</i> | When School is Harder <i>Hal & Melanie Young</i> | High School Record Keeping <i>LaNissir James</i> | You CAN Teach Preschool at Home <i>Penny Ross</i> | 5 Secrets for Aspiring Entrepreneurs <i>Daniel Craig</i> | The Value of the Clearly Written Word <i>Greg Baran</i> |
| Exhibitor Workshops 1:00 - 1:40 p.m. | See Exhibitor Workshop Schedule | | | | | |
| Workshop Session #6 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Legislative Update <i>Nathan Pierce & John McGowan</i> | Your Family's Communication Culture <i>Hal & Melanie Young</i> | Keeping Your Marriage Healthy <i>Durenda & Darryl Wilson</i> | Teaching with Multiple Ages <i>Betsy Pierce</i> | More Than Math - A Way of Thinking <i>David & Shirley Quine</i> | Exceptional Kids <i>Gretchen Roe</i> |
| Workshop Session #7 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. | Integrating Dad into Homeschool <i>Caleb Schroeder</i> | You ARE the Boss <i>Penny Ross</i> | Unhurried Homeschooling (K-2) <i>Durenda Wilson</i> | Finding Balance <i>Kristi Clover</i> | Seven Study Skills Strategies <i>Julie Walker</i> | How to Pursue True Leisure <i>Mike Schutt</i> |
| Closing Keynote 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. | Raising Kids to Understand and Pursue Their Calling <i>Daniel Craig</i> | | | | | |

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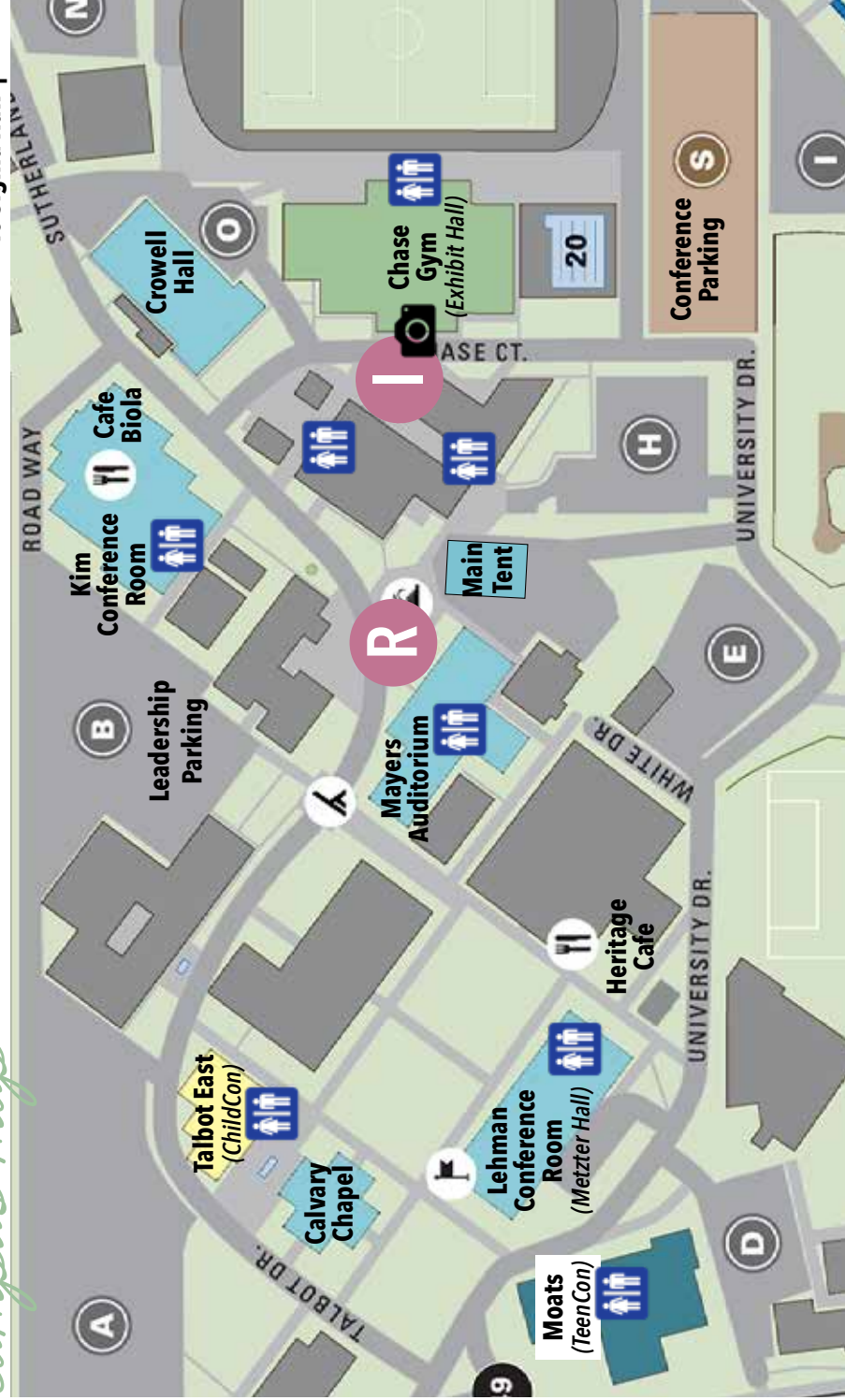
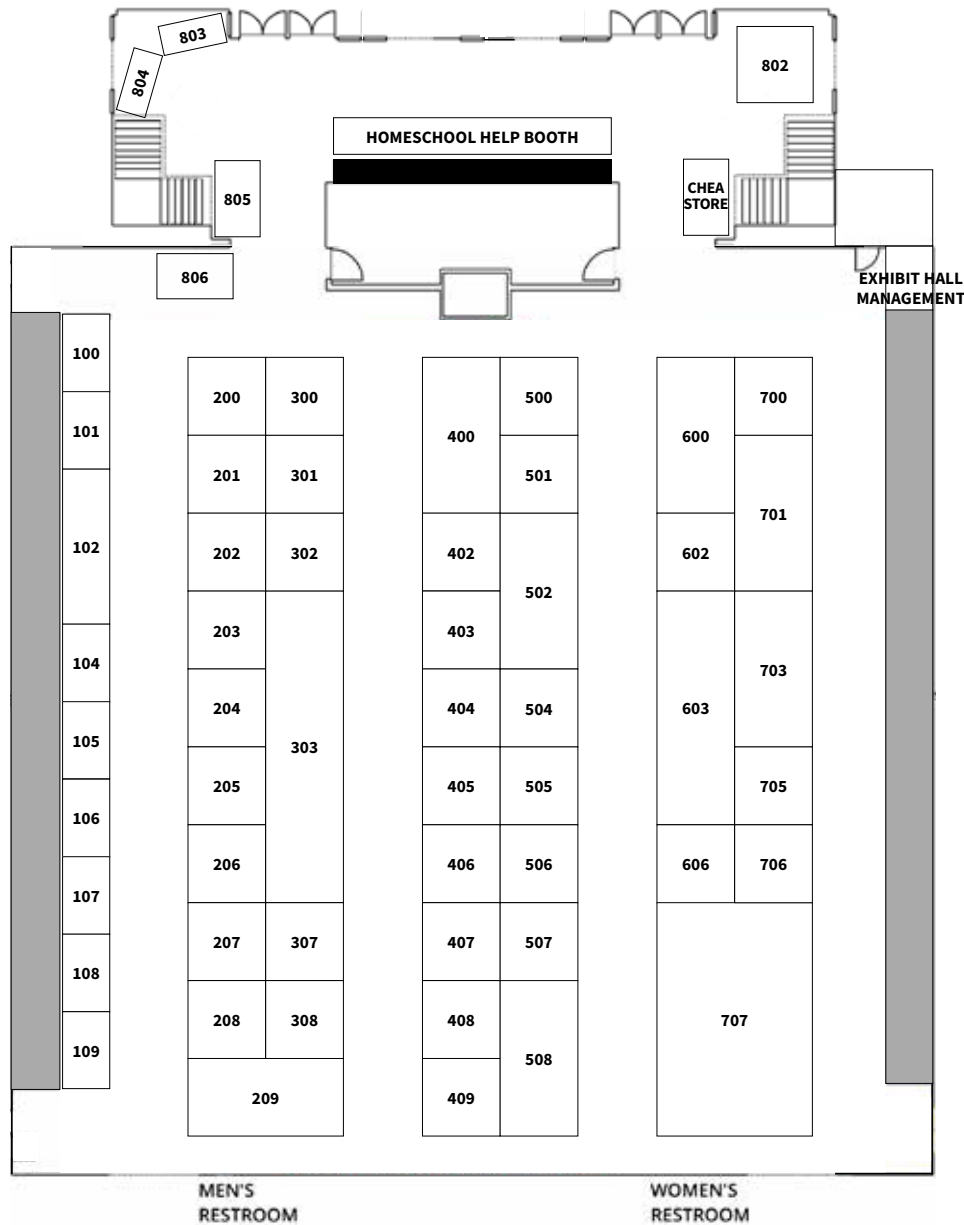


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THURSDAY, MAY 9

WORLDVIEW ACADEMY MINI-CON

2:00 - 3:15 p.m.

Confusing Times, Confused Neighbors

Mike Schutt, *Main Tent*

We can all agree that we are currently living in confusing times. Who can tell the difference these days between what is real and fake? Who is right and who is wrong? Who can we trust? People are very confused, trying to answer the big questions about what it means to live the good life, what their purpose is, and how they know what is true. This session will address some of the root causes of our confused age and suggest some ways we can help ourselves and our neighbors think more clearly about the world around us.

3:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Tech Talk

Mike Tiland, *Kim Conference Room*

Technology is a hot topic these days. How we navigate the use of that technology as Christ-followers can be a significant challenge for individuals and families. In this session we peel back the HD screens and look at what the root issues are that we need to deal with to be able to live faithfully in a world run by technological advances. The stakes are incredibly high, but technology does not have to run our lives and our families. The hope is found in the gospel and in our identity in our God, our creator.

4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Vocation

Mike Schutt, *Kim Conference Room*

This lecture presents the basics of the Christian view of "calling" in all areas of life—family, church, work, and country. What does it mean to be "called" to a job or to a role in one's family, and how does it help to think about life through the lens of calling? The discussion answers the questions "how do I know my calling?" and "are some jobs more 'Christian' than others?"

NUTS & BOLTS MINI-CON

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

10 Steps to Start Homeschooling

Katie Julius, *Mayers Auditorium*

So, you know you want to homeschool, but are feeling a bit lost on how to get started. You're not quite sure the steps to take to actually start teaching your children at home. This introductory workshop will guide you through a list of 10 easy steps of what any parent starting out on their homeschool journey should do to ensure you are setting yourself (and your kids) up for a successful homeschool experience.

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Mission Possible: Writing a Mission Statement & Philosophy of Education

Betsy Pierce, *Mayers Auditorium*

You decided you want to homeschool and got the legal part done. Now what about the teaching part? You may feel overwhelmed by all of the options or new fancy terms (like philosophy of education), or maybe know nothing except you love your children and want to do well by them. This is the talk for you! We will talk through how to decide what matters most to you as a parent and teacher and discuss how to use that to guide your decisions.

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Lesson Planning & Record Keeping

Katie Julius, *Mayers Auditorium*

It can be a bit daunting to think that you are both teacher and administrator. Not only do you need to keep records, but also create lesson plans. Have no fear! It's pretty simple in California. Katie will share which records are required and ideas for keeping these records. Then, beginning with a multi-year overview, she will take you through planning out your children's education, including tips on planning, adapting your plan, choosing field trips, communicating your plan to your kids, and more.

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5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Choosing Curriculum

Betsy Pierce, *Mayers Auditorium*

Have you ever tried to drink from a firehose? That's the feeling most new homeschoolers experience when trying to choose curriculum for their family. Betsy will help you filter through what is available as the parent educator, as you take advantage of the freedom and flexibility you have to select your resources. We will discuss how to evaluate publishers and their philosophies, learning styles, expense, prep time, and more so you can effectively match curriculum to the needs of your family.



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INTRO TO HOMESCHOOLING MINI-CON

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

PART I - Why I'm Glad I Was Homeschooled (and Why Your Kids Will Be Too)

Daniel Craig, *Main Tent*

Parents considering homeschooling often worry about whether or not their children will turn out "normal." They wonder if their children will emerge from homeschool truly prepared for success in life, or if they'll emerge socially inept and uneducated. In this session, Daniel Craig, a homeschool graduate, will share why he is glad he was homeschooled, and why your children will be too. Based on both his personal experience, and the unchanging truths of God's word, Daniel will help you understand what homeschool "success" really is, where it comes from, and the real reason it matters.

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

PART II - Intro to Home Education

Rebecca Kocsis, John McGowan, Nathan Pierce, *Main Tent*

Making the decision to educate at home is only the first of many decisions. This session reviews the options, defines them, and offers criteria for deciding which one is right for your family. This is the perfect opportunity to investigate home education with no cost or obligation.

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

PART III - Exhibit Hall Preview

Chase Gym (Exhibit Hall)

We invite you to attend either or both of the first two sessions (Keynote, Intro Session), but in order to participate in the third session (Exhibit Hall Preview), families must attend Part II - Intro to Home Education.

LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL MINI-CON

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

The Sky's the Limit

Durenda Wilson, *Crowell Hall*

These final years seem full of pressure and can feel intimidating. Every parent wonders if their kids will be prepared for college, if they missed something, or if their child will measure up. Durenda, in her 19th year of homeschooling high schoolers, will encourage parents to consider possible post-high school options that might be a better fit for their graduate. She will also share how she turned her children's interests and experiences into high school credits and how combining subjects can help keep your high schooler motivated.

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Is Your Student College Bound?

Penny Ross, *Crowell Hall*

If you think your student might be headed to college, this workshop will provide an introduction and overview to the process. We will discuss the basics of higher education including the different types of schools (community college, UC, CSU, private college, Christian college, Bible college, and vocational school), admissions guidelines for homeschoolers, and a short primer on financial aid.

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

College Fair & Exhibit Hall Preview

Chase Gym (Exhibit Hall)

After our great speaker sessions, we invite you to join us in our Exhibit Hall for our College Fair. Find the perfect match for your student, ask questions of the schools to find out what they are looking for, and enjoy the beginning of an amazing journey as your child starts to move into adulthood. Families must attend at least "Is Your Student College Bound?" to receive admission to the College Fair and Exhibit Hall.

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FRIDAY, MAY 10

OPENING KEYNOTE

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Kingdom Work: Building and Protecting Our Homes and Families

Durenda Wilson, *Main Tent*

The family was God's idea. He instituted it at the beginning of creation as one of the pillars of society. As the family goes, so goes the culture and the church. Somewhere along the way, we (society/culture and even the church) have forgotten the significance and influence of this calling. In this session, Durenda reminds parents that building and protecting their homes and families is kingdom work!

WORKSHOP SESSION #1

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

True for You, But Not True for Me

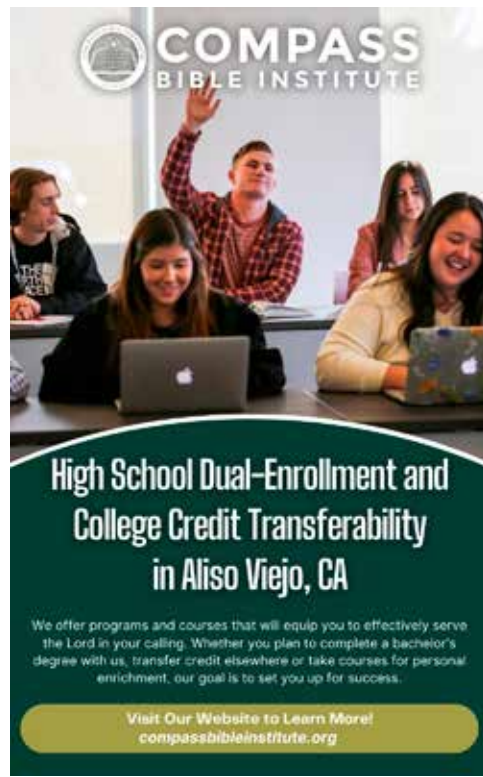
Sean McDowell, *Main Tent*

Don't we live in a "post-truth" culture that cares more about feelings than facts? People often say, "That may be your truth, but it's not mine," as if truth changes based upon what we believe about it or how we feel. In this session, we will consider why truth is vital, learn how to properly define it, examine objections against its knowability and existence, and grasp the powerful implications of truth for our daily lives.

No Longer Little

Hal & Melanie Young, *Crowell Hall*

The turmoil of the tween years between nine and thirteen usually catches parents by surprise. Diligent students become addled and distracted. Kids raised in church start questioning the existence of God. Sweet children seem to climb on an emotional rollercoaster - and then invite you to join them. Don't get a ticket for that ride! Instead, learn to resist the temptation to lose it yourself and shepherd your children through this challenging age at this funny and all-too-real workshop!



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What Kind of Homeschooler Are You?

Vicki Stormoen, *Calvary Chapel*

This session will provide a brief overview and popular curriculum choices associated with some of the more common approaches to homeschooling including the Traditional approach, Classical education, Charlotte Mason, Montessori, University Model, Unit Studies, Eclectic, and Unschooling.

Enjoying the Preschool Years

Christa Svoboda, *Mayers Auditorium*

The early years of a child's life are such a precious gift. They are years full of wonder, curiosity, joy, passion, and discoveries. Our culture can be so focused on comparing, academic achievements, and formulaic child rearing, that the gifts of these early years can be lost. Christa will encourage parents to rest in the beauty of these days and witness the miraculous growth that God is doing in the hearts and minds of the young ones in their home.

Eyes and Ears to See and Hear - Teaching Art and Music

David & Shirley Quine, *Kim Conference Room*

Living in an age filled with that which is ugly, we must be lining the hearts and minds of our children with that which is truly beautiful. Studies in music and art can do just that. This should not be considered as "extra" to our daily curriculum. Make time to enjoy the beauty and richness of music and art together with your children. It's time your children will never forget ... it's time you will cherish forever.

God & Economics

Roger Wheelock, *Lehman Conference Room*

The Bible contains 500 verses on prayer, less than 500 on faith, but more than 2,000 on money and possessions. Our children's view towards economics matters! Because we are born into a material world, the material can capture our attention, cause worry and anxiety, and distract us from pursuing what really counts. Let's talk about how we can help our children

learn to have a biblically balanced view of the material world in which we live.

WORKSHOP SESSION #2

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Cancel Culture: Clarity for Christians

Sean McDowell, *Main Tent*
What is cancel culture? And why do we find ourselves in a culture in which both Christians and non-Christians are so quick to "cancel" others? In this talk, Sean carefully defines cancel culture, discusses what societal factors contribute to its rise, and then gives practical strategies for how Christians can respond biblically.

Boy-Schooling

Hal & Melanie Young, *Crowell Hall*

Have you ever had a war break out in the middle of history or read aloud to a child sitting upside down? You may be teaching a boy! Understanding how boys learn can help preserve

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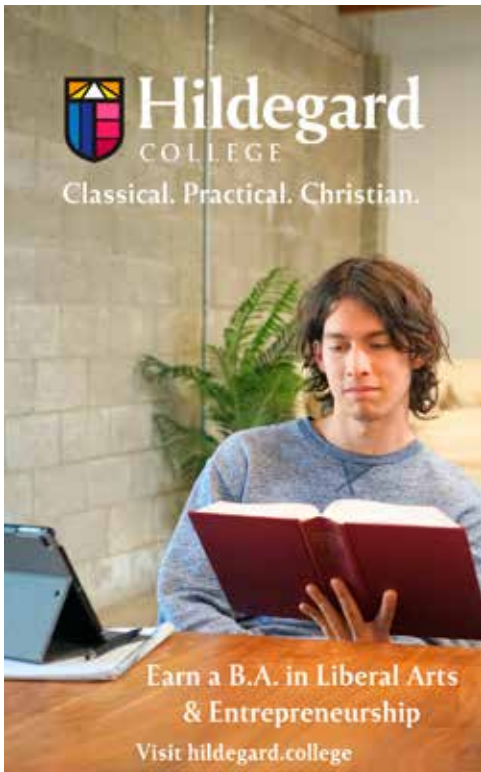
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Left vs. Right Brain, Cow vs. Cowboy Mindset

Davy Liu, *Kim Conference Room*

Davy Liu's journey with Disney started at the age of 20, despite academic struggles. Before his success, he grappled with academic pressure but found his true talent in art. The key to children's development is discovering their God-given talents early. As the founder of Kendu Kids, Davy encourages children to pursue their passions, emphasizing the importance of discovering and nurturing their unique abilities rather than merely seeking job security.

Adapting the Playbook for Special Needs Students - Don't Move the Goal. Modify the Play

Gretchen Roe, *Lehman Conference Room*

"Special needs" has become a catch-all term for children who don't fit the "norms." But what should you do when your child doesn't learn like other children? Join Gretchen Roe for some practical advice on how to modify goals and expectations and then adapt your curriculum to help your atypical learner succeed.

WORKSHOP SESSION #3

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Boy Meets Girl. What Now?!

Daniel Craig, *Main Tent*

So you kind of like this girl. Or you think he's cute. NOW WHAT? Marriage is a wonderful blessing from God, but the path to the altar often seems covered with broken glass - at least that's what the bloody feet of many couples would indicate! Getting back to God's foundational principles, Daniel shares insights and admonitions with his peers from personal experience based on his recent marriage and having grown up in the homeschool/courtship movement.

the love of learning and academic confidence of our sons, as well as make us better homeschool parents. Come hear from parents who've homeschooled six boys and graduated four so far, as they share solid research and practical advice on how to turn wiggle worms into scholars - and enjoy doing it!

Homeschool High School? Why, Yes you CAN!

Penny Ross, *Calvary Chapel*

Does the thought of teaching high school at home fill you with fear? Are you afraid of ruining your child's chances for college or career? In this workshop, we'll cover the blessings and benefits of teaching and discipling your child through to high school graduation. It's definitely doable and is probably less intimidating than you expected.

Nurturing Sibling Relationships

Durenda Wilson, *Mayers Auditorium*

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Affordable Homeschooling

Caleb & Leah Schroeder, *Crowell Hall*

Homeschooling on a single income in Southern California might sound like an impossibility. Yes, there are sacrifices that need to be made when living on a single income in a state where the cost of living is so high, but the benefits far outweigh the costs. This practical seminar will focus on some of the ins and outs of supporting a homeschool family of eight on a single income.

Foundations for Elementary Years

Vicki Stormoen, *Calvary Chapel*

How much time should I be spending "in school" with my 1st grader? What subjects do I need to include in Kindergarten? How do I get my kids to see me as the teacher? These are common questions parents wonder about in the first few years of homeschooling. We will cover these questions and much more as we discuss some foundational principles related to homeschooling early elementary-aged students.

Get Outside!

Christa Svoboda, *Mayers Auditorium*

Time outside with our children is so much greater than physical education, a picnic, nature journaling, or a break. Through time spent beyond the walls of a house, children's minds and hearts are opened in fresh new ways. Christa has lived through the high-stress moments inside with her own six children and experienced the melting away of tension by being outside. As she shares the gifts of being outdoors, you will leave excited to get outside with your children!

Joyful Mother of Children: Raising Darling Daughters

LaNissir James, *Kim Conference Room*

As a wife and a mother of five girls and two boys, LaNissir emphasizes the importance of answering the call to being a Joyful Mother of Children while nurturing each kid's relationship with the Lord. Raising godly daughters in the climate of modern times takes humility and grace. The joy of helping parents become "fascinated and less

frustrated" is LaNissir's passion. For two decades, LaNissir has coached parents and leaders as a Practitioner of the MBTI. She will share her heart and humor on Raising Darling Daughters.

Mom, Don't Make Me Think - Just Tell Me the Answer

Deahdra-Lynn Atencio, *Lehman Conference Room*

How long do you allow a child to think before you start helping them? Sometimes we need to be quiet and let them wrestle with the problem to discover the answer. Did you know children will learn better when they discover the solution? The goal is to provide a way for them to learn how to solve problems. How might you go about doing this? Come to this workshop and find out how to help your child think their way through math.

WORKSHOP SESSION #4

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Parenting in a Gender-Confused World

Hal & Melanie Young, *Main Tent*
Preteens and teens crave connection and acceptance, while media of all kinds are telling them that "identifying" differently will solve all their problems. Even kids not tempted by these things are affected by the kids and culture around them, sometimes believing their parents are hateful or unloving in their response to that culture. Learn about the influences reaching out to our kids, how to respond in a way that will preserve your relationship, and practical helps in guiding them through the clamoring voices of our society.

Discerning Biblical Principles for Christian Homeschoolers and Politics

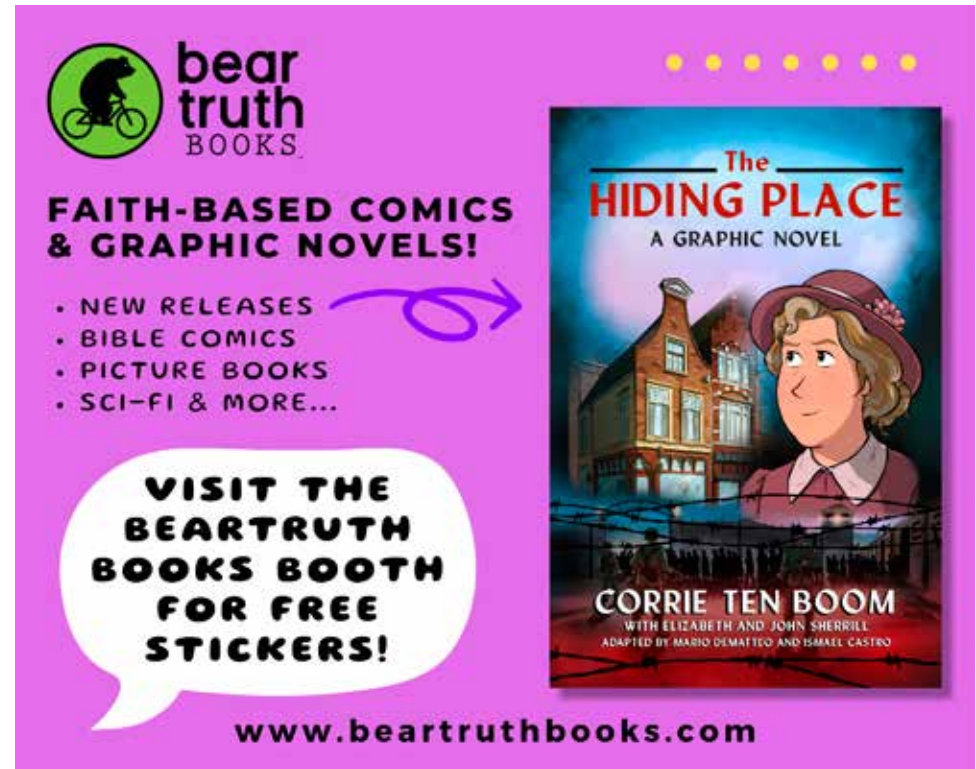
Nathan Pierce, *Crowell Hall*
Do you know why you vote the way you do? Does God's Word speak to political issues? Why should homeschool parents involve themselves in the defense of homeschool freedoms and other political issues? How can you make sure you are using sound Biblical principles in discerning Biblically based political opinions and acting on them? If you struggle to know for yourself how your political views relate to the Bible, how will you teach your children to be discerning? Join Nathan to discuss the answers!

Homeschooling Free From Fear

Caleb Schroeder, *Mayers Auditorium*

The right choice can be the wrong choice if it is based on the wrong reasons. This session will address the "right" reasons for homeschooling.

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**Simple Meal Planning Strategies to
Streamline Dinner!**

Kristi Clover, *Kim Conference Room*

"What's for dinner?" A question most moms don't enjoy getting at the end of a long day. In our busy mom lives, finding the time and inspiration to prepare nutritious meals can be a challenge. Join Kristi for an engaging workshop on mastering the art of meal planning designed to streamline your dinner routine. This workshop aims to equip you with practical, time-saving strategies to effortlessly plan and create delicious dinners without the stress.

**Using Novels to Teach History (and Help
Students Love It)**

Carol Kerney, *Lehman Conference Room*

History is not always a student's favorite subject, but many students enjoy reading novels. This workshop will evaluate a number of historical novels, summarizing them for a more in-depth analysis using study guides Carol has created, along with several historical novels she has written. These study guides will allow parents to turn any historical novel into a history lesson. An extensive annotated list of historical novels for different grade levels will also be provided.

FRIDAY EXHIBITOR WORKSHOPS

1:00 - 1:40 p.m.

| Workshop | Location |
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| <p>Experience the Classical Education Model <i>Classical Conversations</i> Experience classical education in action: grammar, dialectic, rhetoric! Using triangles as a springboard, this interactive session will demonstrate how learning progresses throughout a student's life.</p> | Main Tent |
| <p>College Bible Education at Compass Bible Institute <i>Compass Bible Institute</i> CBI offers a Gap Year Program, dual enrollment, transferability to several other Christian colleges, intentionally affordable tuition, in-person and online options.</p> | Crowell Hall |
| <p>All Together Without Mom Losing Her Mind <i>BiblioPlan</i> Learn about BiblioPlan curriculum as well as tips and tricks for teaching across multi-age levels. Learn how to organize and utilize history, Bible, and geography for the entire family.</p> | Calvary Chapel |
| <p>Overcoming Propaganda in the Battle of Ideas <i>Greater Than I Ministries</i> We're losing our children and families to radical ideas meant to deceive. Come learn how to win this battle to save our kids and culture!</p> | Mayers Auditorium |
| <p>Bible Story with Creativity and Imagination <i>Kendu Kids</i> Experience imaginative Bible storytelling through animal perspectives with a former Disney animator, as he unveils the magic behind upcoming animated films for the King of Kings</p> | Kim Conference Room |
| <p>How Do We Make Writing Easier for Our Kids? <i>The Baran Method</i> The Baran Method shows kids where to put their ideas on the page so that they can utilize an easy-to-follow structure that eliminates their confusion.</p> | Lehman Conference Room |

SATURDAY, MAY 11

MORNING KEYNOTE

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Passing Your Faith to the Next Generation Sean McDowell, *Main Tent*

How do I raise my kids in the faith? How can I parent so they will embrace Christianity? The best advice comes from the Old Testament. Deuteronomy 6:1-4 provides a roadmap for passing our faith to the next generation. This session is filled with personal examples and stories from the McDowell family that will encourage and equip you for your own. This talk is both motivational and practical for those concerned about raising kids according to the biblical model.

WORKSHOP SESSION #5

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Answering Tough Questions

Sean McDowell, *Main Tent*

Here's your chance to ask renowned apologist Sean McDowell questions about the many tough topics we are facing today and how to teach our children to be discerning and navigate through them. From science to new cultural "norms" to love and relationships, bring your questions about any and all topics you might want to tackle! (*Note: Mature topics will be discussed, so use discretion if children are attending with you.*)

When School is Harder Than It Ought to Be Hal & Melanie Young, *Crowell Hall*

What do you do when you know your child is bright, but school is way harder than it ought to be? We've been there! This encouraging session discusses how to keep hope alive in both you and your child, to adapt your homeschooling to the child in front of you, to help them through the possible social embarrassment of being a struggling learner, to know when and how to get help, and how this trial can ultimately bless your child. Get hope for the future!

Recordkeeping & Organization for High School: Simplifying the Process

LaNissir James, *Calvary Chapel*

Keeping good records doesn't have to be a time-consuming burden—it actually saves you time and effort in the long run! In this workshop, you'll learn how—and when—to track your student's progress through high school.

You CAN Teach Preschool at Home

Penny Ross, *Mayers Auditorium*

In today's world, parents of three and four year olds often feel pressured to send their children OUT to preschool. But academic readiness skills can very easily be taught within the realm of real-life experiences at home.

Five Secrets for Aspiring Entrepreneurs

Daniel Craig, *Kim Conference Room*

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initiative and ownership - are important for young people who are just beginning to make their way in life. In this session, you will learn five powerful, yet practical keys to developing as an entrepreneur as you gain an understanding of why they are essential and how you can implement them.

The Value of the Clearly Written Word

Greg Baran, *Lehman Conference Room*

The potential impact of clear communication has significant implications for every child's success, i.e. intellectual enrichment and financial return. Being able to articulate their ideas clearly and in an organized fashion effectively removes the barriers to success for our kids. Students who are able to organize and structure their written and verbal expression have opportunities that non-writers will not have. This session will focus on the opportunity, necessity, and philosophy required to help our children achieve the success they deserve.

WORKSHOP SESSION #6

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Legislative Update

Nathan Pierce & John McGowan, *Main Tent*

Fresh from the battlefield, Nathan and John will update you on major current legislative battles threatening our private home education and parental rights! You will learn how God has been working through FPM & CHEA this year and see the necessity of maintaining vigilance for battles that are on the horizon. As time permits, this perspective will broaden to the underlying worldviews and trends of our culture's war against the God-ordained family.

Your Family's Communication Culture

Hal & Melanie Young, *Crowell Hall*

"My teens are so disrespectful." "They're so ugly to each other." "I wish we could just talk." We hear these things all the time. It's easy to get into a cycle of communicating badly, but it doesn't



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have to be that way! The Word of God gives us a lot of practical advice about communicating with one another. Come learn how to turn that advice into action, change your family culture for the better, improve your other relationships, and laugh a little, too.

Keeping Your Marriage Healthy Throughout the Seasons of Homeschooling

Durenda & Darryl Wilson, *Calvary Chapel*
Homeschooling is more than just an educational choice, it's a lifestyle. Each season brings new challenges that can deeply affect the marriage relationship. Parents sometimes sacrifice a healthy marriage on the altar of homeschooling without even realizing it. Darryl and Durenda have been married 34 years and homeschooled all eight of their children. They purposed to keep their marriage strong and are now enjoying the fruit of those efforts. They will share how they made their marriage a priority through each of the seasons.

Teaching With Multiple Ages at Home

Betsy Pierce, *Mayers Auditorium*
How do you teach high school when the baby needs to eat, the toddler needs a nap, and the 8-year-old slips outside the moment your back is turned? It would be easy to teach multiplication if only you could focus for 10 minutes! As a mother of a large family, Betsy will share her experiences, successes, and failures of homeschooling multiple ages at the same time, including practical ideas for scheduling, household management, and curriculum approaches.

More than Math - A Way of Thinking

David & Shirley Quine, *Kim Conference Room*
For most of us, math was simply something we had to endure. We were told the principle, given examples, and then told to do all the even or odd problems on the page. It was drill and practice with little or no meaning and no thinking. Isn't there a better way? David will share a different

model of learning that will engage your children in a new way of thinking.

Exceptional Kids - What's a Parent to Do?

Gretchen Roe, *Lehman Conference Room*
We all think our children are unique, but are they exceptional? Exceptional could mean that they taught themselves to read at four or they are not reading independently at ten. How do you, as a parent, reach your differently-wired kid and help them succeed without losing your mind in the process? Join Gretchen Roe for an interactive conversation about how to sort learning differences and set expectations to make your child thrive.

WORKSHOP SESSION #7

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Integrating Dad Into Homeschool

Caleb Schroeder, *Main Tent*
This session will explicate the essential roles that dads can play in homeschooling. It will focus on

the essential diversity that two parents working together can bring to their child's education and encourage dads to take part and not sit back. It will offer practical advice for how a dad can insert himself effectively into the homeschool environment.

You ARE the Boss!

Penny Ross, *Crowell Hall*
Homeschooling offers the flexibility to teach your child, not the book. Yet many of us fall into the default school mode of letting curriculum be our master, instead of a tool. We'll talk about practical ways you can adapt and adjust your curriculum to better fit the needs of your family, including scheduling, learning styles, teaching to mastery, assessing developmental readiness, and more.

Unhurried Homeschooling (K-2nd Grade)

Durenda Wilson, *Calvary Chapel*
Did you know that you've been "educating" your child for 5 years already! YOU are the "expert" when it comes to YOUR child and YOU will be able to tell when he/she is ready to start. We will talk about simple ways to recognize when your child is ready to experiment with reading, writing, and basic math! Most of all you will be encouraged to RELAX and enjoy this season of early learning and quiet the voices that want to put unnecessary pressure on you and your littles!

Finding Balance: Juggling Homeschooling with Home, Business, Ministry, and Life

Kristi Clover, *Mayers Auditorium*
Whether you have a side business, work full time, help run a ministry, or are just trying to manage your home along with your homeschool, trying to "get it all done" seems impossible at times. This workshop is designed to help you organize your schedule to maximize your time. You'd be surprised just how much you can accomplish with a little bit of prioritizing. Get your pens ready as Kristi Clover shares some of her best "hacks" for juggling homeschooling with life.

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Seven Study Skills Strategies

Julie Walker, *Kim Conference Room*

You know your teens should pursue excellence in their studies. How do you keep them motivated when even some of their homeschooled peers have settled for mediocrity? Learn how you can help your students achieve success—perhaps in ways you would not expect.

How to Pursue True Leisure

Mike Schutt, *Lehman Conference Room*

An introduction to a Christian view of leisure in the classical sense: pursuing truth, goodness, and beauty for their own sakes, because we are created to pursue them. The lecture discusses habits that lead to true leisure and its relationship to our pursuit of God.

SATURDAY EXHIBITOR WORKSHOPS

1:00 - 1:40 p.m.

| Workshop | Location |
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| Get Your College Credit Online While in High School <i>Kairos One Academy/University</i> Kairos 1 Academy in cooperation with Kairos University is pleased to announce a program that will allow high school students to earn college credits for approved courses, as well as take AP courses. | Main Tent |
| Convention of States Action <i>Convention of States Action</i> A grassroots movement to call a convention under Article V of the constitution to bring power back to the states and people, where it belongs. | Crowell Hall |
| Incorporating the Gospel Into Your Every Day <i>Eternity Changers</i> Join us as we explore key gospel truths that will help your family live a purposeful life and gain confidence to boldly share their faith. | Calvary Chapel |
| Making the Bible Relevant to All of Life <i>Greater Than I Ministries</i> 80% of Christian teens reject the Faith once they leave home, saying, "the Bible isn't relevant to my life." Learn how you can prevent this! | Mayers Auditorium |
| Off Road From Your Textbook: Powerful Play for Development <i>Toys4AllKids</i> Creating an immersive learning environment isn't always easy. Gain the right tools to unlock the power of play while stepping aside from traditional text. | Kim Conference Room |
| The Cultural War on Health <i>Simple Turn</i> How the food, farming, and health industries have manipulated God's design causing a rapid increase in chronic disease. | Lehman Conference Room |

CLOSING KEYNOTE

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Raising Kids to Understand and Pursue Their Calling

Daniel Craig, *Main Tent*

No matter where we turn, we're facing an epidemic of visionless, clueless, fantasy-driven young people. Stuck in an education system which fosters this disconnect from reality, few Millennials, even Christians, are able to successfully bridge the gap into real life. From the perspective of a millennial, Daniel shares practical keys to helping your students understand their calling and engage life for the glory of God - today!

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Saturday, May 11: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.



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- Promoting private Christian home education as an outstanding educational opportunity;
- Providing information, training, and support to the homeschool community;
- Protecting the God-given right of parents to direct the education and training of their children, to the Glory of God.