

# Speakers



## Dr. Harry Reeder

Dr. Reeder is Senior Pastor of Briarwood Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, Alabama and has served the local church as a pastor/teacher for the past 35 years. One of his passions in ministry is in the area of church revitalization. His doctoral dissertation was on the subject and he has written a book, *From Embers to a Flame: How God Can Revitalize Your Church*.



## Mr. Joe Weatherly

Mr. Weatherly is Senior *Fanning the Flame* coach and owner of Weatherly Consulting, a ministry committed to increasing kingdom effectiveness in churches, non-profits and businesses. Joe has four years of pastoral experience, served our country in Vietnam and has 30 years of business experience building vision and creating strategic plans for a major financial services company.

# Seminar Schedule

## Friday, October 17

9:00-10:00	Registration
10:00-11:30	Necessity for the Ministry of Church Revitalization
11:30-12:00	Small Group Discussion around the Necessity
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Connect to the Past and Call to Repentance
2:00-2:15	Break
2:15-3:15	Gospel Driven & Christ Centered
3:15-3:30	Break
3:30-4:00	Assessment of Current Health
4:00-5:00	Personal Spiritual Formation
5:00-5:30	Reflection and Prayer
5:30-7:00	Dinner/Q&A with Harry Reeder
7:00-8:30	The Ministry of Prayer & the Word

## Saturday, October 18

8:00-8:30	Continental Breakfast
8:30-9:30	Mission and Vision
9:30-10:00	Break
10:00-12:00	The Leadership Dynamic
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Small Group and The Great Commission
2:00-2:30	Q&A with Harry Reeder

# Registration

## Who Should Attend?

We strongly encourage churches to bring as many formal and informal leaders (men and women) as possible, but there is the requirement that at least one key leader must attend with the pastor.

## Seminar Location:

Proclamation Presbyterian Church  
278 Bryn Mawr Avenue  
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010  
(610) 520-9500  
[www.proclamation.org](http://www.proclamation.org)

## Seminar Cost:

\$60 early bird by September 20  
\$70 after September 20  
Cost includes three meals, snacks and seminar manual.

## Meals included:

Friday—Lunch  
Friday—Dinner  
Saturday—Lunch

## Sponsored by:

The Philadelphia Metro West Presbytery and Briarwood Presbyterian Church.

## To Register:

1. Online—[www.emberstoafame.org](http://www.emberstoafame.org)
2. Email [embers@briarwood.org](mailto:embers@briarwood.org) to receive an electronic registration form.
3. Call 205.776.5399





There are no perfect churches.

## Every church needs strengthening.

*"And he went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches." Acts 15:41*

God's instructions to the church at Ephesus serve as a curriculum outline for church vitality and revitalization: "remember therefore from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first" (Rev. 2:5). There we find a three-fold paradigm for renewing our churches: Remember... Repent... Recover....

Church vitality or revitalization is nothing more than following God's prescription for church health. Church health naturally leads to conversions and improved personal discipleship, for our good and God's glory.

Where do your church and your church leaders turn for biblically-based help and encouragement?

*Embers to a Flame* is a two-day, affordable seminar that sets forth timeless biblical principles of church health. Registration fees include 3 meals, snacks, and a manual for the seminar.

# An Invitation to Revitalization

Church just isn't working—time for Plan B. That sentiment reflects a growing movement in the evangelical church. The Apostle Paul, however, would beg to differ. His solution to the dysfunctional church at Corinth was not to close up shop or appeal to secular business models. Paul lays out principles and practices to recover a God-designed, Christ-centered, Spirit-enabled model for the church. The God who formed His church is the God who provides for its care in the face of a spiritual enemy who stands opposed to it.

The Church Vitality Team (CVT) of Philadelphia Metro West Presbytery has been charged with providing leadership for helping our churches become or stay healthy, vital, maturing and fruitful. We could think of no more effective resource than hosting a version of the "Embers to a Flame" conference most of the CVT members have traveled far to attend.

Listen to these comments from some in our Presbytery who have attended:

- glorifying to God
- balance between theological and practical
- personally challenging
- ministry changing
- thoroughly and refreshingly biblical

These sentiments are not marketing hype. You will find "Embers to a Flame" an investment of your time and money well spent, yielding dividends immediately and for years to come. Sign up. Spread the word. Pray. Expect.



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