

# EIBCC Monthly Meeting

Swisher, IA

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## *Present:*

Buffalo Prairie: Marc Shefelton

Grace Community: Dave Kirk, Aimee Marino

Maranatha: Thad Joyce

New Covenant: Laura Pelechek

Stonebridge: Trisha Young, Elaine Brown

Wildwood: Ron May, Gary Davison

- I. Welcome and Prayer
- II. Introductions and updates
- III. Topical Discussion from Biblical Counseling Training Conference
  - a. General Impressions:
    - i. Blessing to get to see folks who were previously oppositional coming to the conference and catching the vision
    - ii. Helpful to be both affirmed and challenged in thinking about counseling
    - iii. Appreciate solid truth
    - iv. Piecing through the valid parts of psychology and the invalid parts (Psychology as a good resource for descriptions to begin translating into their Biblical counterparts, but psychology is not prescriptive)
    - v. God often uses counseling others to work on the heart of the counselor as well
  - b. What sessions were most challenging and why?
    - i. Mortification of Sin –Stuart Scott
      1. dying to patterns and habit of the old self. Tied to progressive sanctification. We have been saved from the consequence of sin, we are free from the power of sin, we will be saved from the presence of sin.
        - a. Romans 6, esp. 1-14.
    - ii. Connecting with Physicians and Health Professionals- Dr. Dan Wickert
      1. Practically helpful in helping with next steps for the counseling ministry
    - iii. Taking the Gospel to the City – Steve Viars
      1. How is your physical building serving your community?
    - iv. Foundation and application-from audio CD
      1. Without having solid foundation (in theology, hermeneutics, etc), you won't draw solid applications.
      2. Without solid application, you will be ineffective

3. You need both!
  4. This is the same with truth and grace: truth without grace leads to legalism that puts folks in bondage. Grace without truth leads to liberalism in bondage to their sin without hope to be free
- IV. Question: What are the options for more conference training now that the North Liberty Training is over?
1. Week-long conference in Lafayette, IN Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. We have booked extra hotel rooms and would love to bring folks from the EIBCC with us!
  2. ACBC has a 3-weekend conference in Des Moines in the spring (March, April, May of 2017). The first registration deadline is Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, and you can definitely register after that as well. See the schedule, topics, speakers, etc. here! <https://biblicalcounseling.com/des-moines-training-2/>
  3. ACBC has a national conference Oct 2-4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in Jacksonville, FL
  4. CCEF has a national conference Oct. 13-14<sup>th</sup> 2017 in Frisco, TX
- V. Possible future trainings for the EIBCC meetings
- a. case studies
  - b. Exegesis (draw out the meaning of scripture) and hermeneutics (The tools used to do so), and application
- VI. Closing Prayer

Join us for our next EIBCC meeting, **Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am at Kava House** in Swisher, IA