

Improving Your Serve 2026

Workshop Sessions

Clarity Assessment – Ken ‘Chopper’ Wilson



My wife Lisa and I call Winnipeg home, where we've somehow managed to raise 4 daughters who now have families of their own (we count that as a parenting win). With 3 sons-in-law and 4 grandchildren now in the mix, we're fully committed to what we consider our most important calling yet: achieving expert-level grandparenting. It's a tough job, but so far the grandkids think we're doing okay. When we're not spending time with family you'll find us hiking, embracing anything outdoors—though we draw a firm line at -20°C and below—hunting down the next great local coffee shop, sharing meals with friends, and plotting our next travel adventure.

We've been blessed to serve in various ministry roles across Canada and the United States over the years. Our journey has included serving as a missionary pilot family (yes, I actually got paid to fly planes), youth camp ministry, construction management and senior leadership at Grant Memorial Baptist Church in Winnipeg.

Most recently, for the past 6 years I have been the BGC Central District Coach and for 2 years the BGC Global Ministries Personnel Director. I find fulfillment in helping leaders establish clarity and supporting them in their calling.

What are we going to talk about & take away?

This weekend we are going to explore ‘Disciple Making Clarity’. The mandate of every follower of Jesus Christ and every church is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ, so how are we doing? According to recent surveys of evangelical churches in North America there's room for improvement. One of the significant factors seems to be the absence of a clear definition of a disciple of Jesus. It's hard to hit a target that isn't identified or one that keeps moving. We will work to recognize the importance of having a commonly held, clear definition of Jesus and take away tools to build that clarity for the ministry that God has called us to.

Disciple Making Movements – Jon Luesink



How might we evangelize, disciple and plant churches in a simple enough way that easily equips those with a reproducible way to evangelize, disciple and plant more churches who keep doing the same? Come taste and see what is working all around the world and is finally being pioneered here in the hardest soil on earth ... Canada. If you already have a holy dissatisfaction for the status quo, you'll be ready for this paradigm shift.

Jon Luesink has been in training for his current role for nearly 3 decades.

He served 12 years as a pastor in Chilliwack, 8 years as a church planting missionary in the Czech Republic, and 6 years as a missionary recruiter for Avant Ministries in Canada. All that has led to the focus of his current calling “to help reverse the disciple making crisis in Canada through the expansion of disciple making movements across this country.” He does this as a volunteer for the 24:14 network.

Exploring Disciple Making and Tools – Wendell Phillips & Team



Wendell will be joined by a couple of teams from other BCBC Churches who are actively using discipling tools Let's explore together the idea of disciple making along with some of the tools we can use and the challenges we face as we work with people in the various seasons and chapters of their lives.

Wendell Phillips lives in Langley where he attends Brookswood Baptist.

Wendell moved to BC from Alberta to serve as a pastor in Vancouver and then Burnaby before stepping into an administrative & student advisor role at Canadian Baptist Seminary. He has been part of BCBC for almost 50 years and has many friends across our family of churches.

Intentional Christian Grandparenting – Robert Dobson



Desire to have a greater impact on the spiritual lives of the next generations? So do we!

Legacy Coalition Canada seeks to advance Christian grandparenting through a variety of resources, including training, seminars and webinars. We help grandparents grow in their Biblical role so they can have a greater spiritual impact on their families. We believe Christian grandparents are uniquely positioned to spiritually influence their grandkids and have a Biblical

mandate to do so. This is a ministry that seeks to strengthen, inspire and equip grandparents to start building their spiritual legacy by intentionally discipling their grandchildren. Legacy Coalition desires to equip grandparents to be intentional in perpetuating a legacy of faith that can only be sustained through the local church.

Bob and his wife Denise are both Board Members of Legacy Coalition Canada. They married in 2012 and live in Surrey, B.C. They are a blended family and together have five married children and fourteen grandchildren. Bob grew up in Ontario, worked in administration in Toronto Board of Education before moving with his family to British Columbia. He was one of the Vice Presidents on the campus of Trinity Western University (ACTS Seminaries and Northwest College and Seminary). He pastored for a number of years at Cloverdale Baptist Church. Bob began High Power Soccer Camps, a program that uses sports to reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Christ. It has expanded to many countries in the world."

Marriage Alpha - Joyce Lim-Goh



We know that a strong society is built on strong families, and strong families and strong churches are built on strong marriages. The focus for this workshop is to help church leaders understand the course's curriculum, and how to launch and run an effective Marriage and Pre-Marriage program based on Alpha Marriage and Pre-Marriage courses. The workshop includes building a support team, creating the experience, program promotion, the course structure and setup, what to and not to do, care for people, and follow up. We will also discuss the approach of using the course as a church family program and as an extension to serve the community.

Iau and Joyce Goh have been married for over 40 years and have two adult children. They met at the University of Western Ontario and served for many years as lay leaders in Singapore while working in the IT sector. They have facilitated premarital and marriage workshops, counselled couples, mentored young adults, and participated in prison ministry and missions outreach in Indonesia and the Philippines. Both hold a Master's degree in Counselling and are certified Prepare/Enrich facilitators, with extensive experience using the Alpha Marriage program. Since moving to Canada in 2012, they have continued counselling and supporting marriage ministries at Fleetwood International Church, where Joyce is on staff and Iau is an Overseer.

Vibrant Discipling Relationships – Michelle Torres



The aim of this workshop is to bring clarity to your discipleship goals within your local context and to help you take practical steps toward building life-giving discipling relationships. In this session, we'll focus on developing discipleship methods that cultivate spiritual growth and transformation. Michelle has been in ministry for over 10 years serving in various capacities. Most recently, she began a discipleship ministry called She Rises, and continues to be passionate about walking with people in their discipleship to Jesus.

Michelle is married to AJ and they have two girls, Mirae and Kina.
