

3M Conference 2008

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Lost Valley Ranch

3M Means Having a Heart for:

- An Eternal Focus
- Obedience
- China
- Lay Ministry
- "Retail" Ministry

You are cordially invited!

Dear Friend,

You have been nominated by someone who knows both you and us to attend the 3rd "3M Conference" to be held in the Colorado Rocky Mountains, at a place called "Lost Valley Ranch." It takes place about a week after the Chinese Lunar New year begins (Feb 14-17). This conference focuses on integrating faith into your vocations, all while

developing solid relationships and partnerships that glorify God. I guarantee that the teaching and content will be challenging, insightful, deep, and moving, and that you will have many meaningful interactions with like-minded peers and mentors. I feel convinced in my heart that we "older" people can best spend our ministry efforts investing in you, the next generation to take the mantle of leadership going forward.

Why attend?

This year's conference is unique in that it draws together a very committed band of Christian brothers and sisters who are sold out for Christ. They share, or are on the path to sharing a theology that has the following components:

- 1) **An Eternal Focus** - How one lives his life on earth will make an apparent and appreciable difference for his eternity. The Bible teaches eternal accountability for all people.
- 2) **A Heart for Lay Ministry** - How does one interpret Bible passages that teach about the "Priesthood of the Ordinary Believer" (Eph 4:11-12; I Peter 2:9; II Cor 5:17-20)? We believe that the common ordinary believer has both the "right" and the "responsibility" to be a minister of the Gospel.

3) **A Heart for China** - God seems to be pouring out His Spirit on Mainland China providing spectacular reception for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is an unprecedented call for all who are Chinese to be part of this "Great Awakening" in China.

- 4) **A Heart for Obedience** - We literally believe Jesus when he poured out His heart during Upper room Discourse saying: "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments" (John 14:15, 21, 23-24).
- 5) **A Heart for "Retail" Ministry** - Most believers attribute key growth spurts in their Christian lives to someone who cared enough to mentor them in their faith. The ministry model for the world in general and China in particular seems to be more "one to one" rather than institutional.



"I came back from the conference feeling incredibly renewed, inspired, and blessed. The encouraging friendships I've formed and spiritual fruits I've internalized made the trip so worthwhile for me."
(Conference attendee 2007)





Mentors and Mentees mingling

What does 3M stand for?

We call it a 3M conference because typically, we have in the past, covered the three subject matters of Career issues (Marketplace), Missions (Ministry), and finding a soul mate (Marriage). Most practically, we believe that a decision to follow Christ should make a material difference in your conduct on the job, your focus on doing ministry as an ambassador for Christ, 24/7, and your choice of a lifelong mate.

While previous 3M conferences have focused on careers and the workplace and also on boy/girl relationships, this year's conference will be more focused on "Mentoring and Discipleship" issues. Most importantly, we think this will be unlike any conference you have ever attended because of the "like mindedness" of the conferees. It is expected that you will establish many enduring relationships as a result of being at Lost Valley Ranch with us over President's Day weekend.

Who are the speakers?

Our speakers are not your typical, big name, big tent, marquee draws. Besides my wife and me, we will have Paul Stanley, a long time Navigator, and author of the Book, Connecting, the mentoring relationships you need to succeed in life, and Dr. Jerry Bangert, one of the best lay "thinkers" and lay practitioners among professional men in the United States today. Then there are Phyllis Stanley and Bob Foster. Phyllis, the wife of our main speaker, mentored my wife nearly 25 years ago when we lived in Colorado Springs. Bob Foster, who is 85 years old and founder of Lost Valley Ranch, is one of the "Elders" of America, having devoted his life to one of Christian service.

Where is Lost Valley?

Finally, there is the spectacular setting of Lost Valley Ranch, (near Deckers, Colorado). Please go to the website link to read more details of this, one of the finest Guest ranches in America. Aside from the guided horseback riding over the spectacular trails in the area, skeet shooting and the fun filled evening of Barn Dancing, the overall amenities of this ranch (and fine food) will make it one of the best vacation weekends you have ever experienced.

Please join us!

Although the absolute deadline for registering is not for another 3 weeks, please confirm to me as soon as possible, (preferably by sending me a check) your desire to attend this year's conference. I am quietly confident that you will not regret your decision to attend. It is setting up to be something very special and unique.

Yours in the Service of Jesus Christ,

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*"I am still reeling from the mentors and speaker's message and I am sure that there is going to be a profound impact on my life."
(Conference attendee 2007)*



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