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BEST PRACTICES FOR STARTING, NURTURING, AND GROWING TRANSFORMATIVE MINISTRIES WITH YOUTH

JUNE 1-5, 2015
6:30-9:00 PM

Join us at Yale Divinity School for a weeklong course focusing on the “nuts and bolts” of effective youth ministry.

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Five Nights of Fellowship Dinners, Lectures, and Discussions for only $50

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This weeklong course is a “nuts and bolts” course designed for youth ministers, pastors, seminarians, and youth workers in congregations and para-church organizations. We will gather for evening fellowship dinners, lectures, and workshop breakouts to explore best practices for planting, nurturing, and growing transformative ministries with youth: relational youth groups that nurture the foundations of joyful, flourishing lives. Yale Divinity School’s standard charge for a Summer Study course is $350. The Youth Ministry Initiative is providing each registrant for this course with a $300 scholarship, reducing the tuition for each registrant to $50 for the entire weeklong course.

TAUGHT BY
Rev. Skip Masback, Rev. Aracelis Vazquez Haye, and Rev. Keith King

Together, we will learn with and from each other the best practices for:

- discerning your call and developing your gifts for youth ministry;
- discerning and communicating vision and mission;
- developing congregational support from senior minister to lay leaders to parents to youth;
- developing budgets and raising funds;
- developing and implementing “safe church” practices and boundaries;
- attracting and training lay volunteers;
- ministering effectively in multi-ethnic contexts;
- attracting and cultivating student leadership;
- nurturing deep relational bonds among youth ministry participants;
- scheduling, planning and leading effective weekly programming;
- leading experiential, transformative worship, Bible study, and prayer;
- facilitating transformative service days and mission trips;
- offering effective pastoral care and nurturing the development of a safe “holding space”;
- integrating youth ministry into your ministry to the wider congregation.

Aracelis Vazquez Haye is the Associate Pastor of the Church of the City a multi-ethnic congregation in New London where she has led youth ministries since 2006. She is also serving as a chaplain at Connecticut College and at the Waterford Country School and as a member of the New London Board of Education and the Board of Ignite CT Youth Fest. She holds an M.Div degree from Yale Divinity School with a special emphasis in youth and young adult ministry.

Keith King is the Senior Pastor of Christian Tabernacle Baptist Church in Hamden. He received a Juris Doctorate from Georgetown University Law Center and a Master of Theology from Andover-Newton Theological School. Rev. King served in the United States Marine Corps (JAG) before serving 20 years as an Assistant United States Attorney in New Haven. He retired from his work as a prosecutor in 2013 to focus on ministry.

Skip Masback is the Managing Director of the Yale Center for Faith and Culture where he is the founding director of the Adolescent Faith and Flourishing Program and the Youth Ministry Initiative. Before coming to Yale Divinity School, Skip led youth ministries for more than 20 years, served as a senior minister, and led more than 45 mission trips.