

### Amanda Mejias & Corrine Allen

This is Friendship: Cultivating Friendship in Ministry | Next Generation

Raise your hand if you're over surface-level friendships, one-sided conversations, or always being the one to "have it all together." You are not alone! Whether you're striving to create meaningful community within your ministry or your heart is longing for just one genuine friend, this breakout is for you. Let's explore practical ways to live out God's design for friendships that are marked by authenticity, trust, and sacrificial love.

#### Chris Adams

Echoes of Legacy | General Ministry

As women, we have an incredible privilege to walk with Christ and to share Him with other women. No matter what age we are, the next generation of women depends on us to pass down our trustworthy heritage of faith and ministry in His kingdom. There are so many needs in our world today, and women CAN make a difference.

### Adrianna Anderson

Make Us One: Conversations for Women on Racial Unity | General Ministry

The issues surrounding race in the church and culture are topics that must be discussed in a healthy Christ-like manner. God has called us to live in harmony and in unity with one another and His Word has a lot to say about this topic. This session will allow a safe place to have honest biblical conversations about issues on racial unity.

#### Adrianna Anderson

Apologetics for Women Today: How to Lovingly Defend Your Faith | Biblical Literacy

Christian women of this generation must navigate through a myriad of landmines. We live in an explosive culture where anything goes and where wrong is right and right is wrong. This mindset has permeated our society and repeatedly denies the existence of God, morality, values, family, and gender identity while

continuing to question the validity of Christianity. It's time to defend our faith! This session will look at biblical ways to lovingly and confidently apply the practical knowledge of apologetics to remove roadblocks that hinder conversations with unbelievers in the world today, and to be able to give a reason for the hope that lies within us (1 Peter 3:15).

### Tina Boesch

Cultivating Biblical Literacy through Women's Bible Study | Biblical Literacy

Biblical illiteracy is at an all-time high. Many women aren't familiar with the basic storyline of the Bible and don't know how to read these ancient texts or understand how they apply to modern life. We'll explore how to create a Bible study pathway for women that introduces them to the whole story of scripture and gives them basic tools for reading in context, interpretation, and application. And we'll consider the goal of women's Bible study: developing a lifelong practice of reading scripture, knowing God through His revealed and inspired Word, and allowing it to conform us to the image of Christ.

#### **Brenda Croston**

The Truth about Balance | Personal Equipping

We often hear about the importance of balance, but what does it truly look like in real life—especially when juggling ministry and daily responsibilities? Balance is more than a buzzword; it's foundational to living with integrity and trustworthiness. In this interactive session, Brenda invites you to dig deeper into what balance really means, how to pursue it intentionally, and whether a life of genuine balance is possible. Bring your questions, your challenges, and your hope - this coversation is for you.

## Leigh Ann Dans

Finding Your Ebenezer Stone | Personal Equipping

Have you ever wondered what an Ebenezer stone is? We're going to find out together what one is, and how important they are to us. We're even going to make one to remind us of how trustworthy and true our God is. The bible says the rocks will cry out if we keep quiet, so we will spend time discovering why Jesus is worthy of our praise and is can be called our "Stone of Help".

### **Emily Dean**

Perfectly Imperfect - How the Drive for Perfection Hinders Trust | Personal Equipping

Do you struggle with the difference between doing everything with excellence and striving for perfection? How can you do your best and trust God with the rest? In this session we'll look at motivations that drive our ministries and issues that keep us from trusting God with the outcome.

# **Courtney Doctor**

Teaching Through Mentoring, Discipleship, & Coaching | Biblical Literacy

Would you like to see more Word-based discipleship relationships in your life and church? Join us as we consider how to move past the typical coffee-shop-and-prayer-request model and grow in our ability to teach God's Word in the context of discipleship.

#### Michelle Hicks

What is Exegesis: Biblical Literacy

This breakout on exegesis and basic hermeneutics is designed to guide you through foundational methods to interpret the Bible accurately. In an interactive environment, you'll learn tools for understanding the historical context, literary genres, and original audience that shape each passage. This session will equip you with essential skills to approach God's Word with clarity and confidence as explore the depths of Scripture.

## Kandi Gallaty

More Than Words: The Practice of Prayer That Changes Your Life, Family and Ministry | Personal Equipping

Do you ever feel stuck in your prayer life? Often, we find ourselves repeating the same words and phrases but have a desire to experience a deeper walk with the Lord through prayer. Kandi will discuss practical steps, a few personal stories and the power of prayer. Prayer isn't perfect, it's practice.

## Kandi Gallaty

The Struggle is Real: Suit Up Eph 6:10-20 | Biblical Literacy

There is a war raging—in your life and all around you. Though it's unseen, it is very real and constantly present. Many of us live unaware of this spiritual battle, leaving us vulnerable. In this message, Kandi will share how to find your strength in the Lord, put on the armor of God, and stand firm with confidence and perseverance in the midst of spiritual warfare.

#### Christine Gill

Think on These Things: Biblical Wisdom for Managing Unhelpful Thoughts | Personal Equipping

Our thoughts shape our emotions, our choices, and our spiritual well-being. This session connects the biblical wisdom of Philippians 4:8 with practical tools from Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to help you evaluate your thought life, challenge what's false, and focus on what is trustworthy and life-giving. Learn how to take every thought captive in a way that's both scripturally grounded and psychologically sound.

#### Faith Grosshans

What's Your Style? | Next Generation

What's Your Style? Have you ever sat through a teaching time that left you staring at the clock instead of the person teaching? Have you, or a teacher in your ministry, ever felt like you were met with glazed eyes and listeners who were a little too eager to be dismissed from your teaching time? We know that God's Word is alive and active, but sometimes our teaching can cause a lesson to fall flat! Join us in discovering the seven learning styles and how to incorporate them into your teaching, the art of connecting and engaging with your curriculum, and the joy of communicating God's Word in a manner worthy of the gospel. This breakout isn't just for Bible teachers, but for any communicator hoping to better engage their audience!

#### Faith Grosshans

Social Media: Friend or Foe? | Next Generation

It's hard to deny it, social media has become a major part of our everyday lives. With it, we communicate, connect, dream, and share ideas. But at what cost? Join us in discovering the affects of social media and how we can equip ourselves to utilize it for good.

Michelle Hicks and Kelly D. King

Training Young Leaders | Next Generation

Equip the next generation to lead with confidence, character, and conviction. This breakout provides practical tools and biblical principles for mentoring and developing young leaders. Learn how to identify potential, cultivate spiritual maturity, and guide young women to lead with purpose.

#### Ann lorg

God is Trustworthy, so Don't Give Up! | Personal Equipping

Find the motivation in God and His Word to keep going when you want to quit.

### Ann lorg

God's Wisdom is Trustworthy, so Don't Just Survive, but Thrive in Marriage and Ministry | Personal Equipping

Learn wisdom in some key areas to make a marriage in the midst of ministry work well.

#### Marian Jordan Ellis

Truth You Can Trust: Standing Firm in a World of Deconstruction | Biblical Literacy

In a time when many are walking away from faith, questioning Scripture, and deconstructing their beliefs, the ancient words of the Apostle Peter ring with fresh urgency. In his final letter, Peter calls believers to hold fast to the truth that is trustworthy—not because it's comfortable, but because it's rooted in the eyewitness testimony of Christ and the prophetic Word of God. This message will explore the timely wisdom of 2 Peter for a generation tempted to trade revelation for relativism. We'll uncover why God's Word remains the unshakable foundation for life and godliness, how to spot destructive lies disguised as freedom, and how to lovingly help others rebuild their faith on truth. In a culture of doubt, we are invited to live anchored, discerning, and bold—because the truth of Jesus will never collapse.

## Marian Jordan Ellis

Sisters Who Stand: The Power of Authentic Biblical Community | Biblical Literacy

In a world that pulls us toward isolation, comparison, and compromise, God calls His daughters to stand firm—together. In this breakout, Marian Jordan Ellis unpacks how authentic, Biblical community strengthens our faith, refines our character, and equips us to endure until the very end. Come discover how sisterhood isn't just a blessing—it's a battle plan.

## Paige Keeton

Running on Empty: Experiencing and Responding to Burn Out | Personal Equipping

This breakout will help you recognize whether you are already burnt out or experiencing burnout in ministry or life —and show you what next steps to take if you are. It will provide tools, strategies, and guidelines to put in place to avoid becoming burnt out and find a healthy work-life balance in the midst of your responsibilities.

#### Andrea Lennon & Tina Boesch

Say Hello to Lifeway Women: What We Offer & Why You'll Love it! | General Ministry

Join us for an engaging and interactive session as we explore the heart behind Lifeway Women—our purpose, our passion, and the trusted resources that make us a valuable partner in life and ministry. You'll get a sneak peek into our upcoming publishing pipeline and learn about the events and training opportunities designed to help you—and the women you serve—flourish in faith and leadership. We're honored to offer a trustworthy space where you can gather, grow, and be equipped for what God has called you to do.

## Rachel Lovingood

Planning and Hosting Events That Have Kingdom Impact | Personal Equipping

Discover practical helps for planning g and executing events of any size that will facilitate life change in the women who attend. Learn some proven strategies that will bring the women to your event and principles to I sure that your spiritual goals are met.

### Rachel Lovingood

Speak Up: Communicate with Clarity, Confidence, and Purpose | Personal Equipping

As a leader you have opportunities to take the mic for a variety of things. Learn practical principles for developing all kinds of messages from start to finish. Whether you're sharing a devotion or teaching a main event, this session will empower you to communicate with clarity, authenticity, and purpose as you refine your voice and amplify your effectiveness as a communicator.

### Rachel Lovingood

Bridging the Gap: Overcoming Differences to Love People and Share Jesus | Personal Equipping

In this divided and uncertain world people need the trustworthy hope that we have in the Lord. Yet many Christians struggle with engaging the lost and unchurched around us. God's Word is clear that we are to reach out to those without Christ, but it can be tough and uncomfortable. Discover practical principles to be intentional about loving your neighbor for the sake of the Gospel, even when they are nothing like you.

### Becky Loyd & Cynthia Phillips

Leadership Journeys: Lessons Learned from Different Paths | General Ministry

Through shared stories and practical insights, we'll discuss essential leadership skills, how to influence from any seat at the table, and what it means to lead authentically in complex environments like ministry, the marketplace and beyond.

### Amanda Mejias

Bridge the Gap Between Youth Ministry & Women's Ministry | Next Generation

There is a generation praying to see young women connected to their local church, yet those young women are longing to know where they can belong? There is a hopeful desire to see women of every generation connected and thriving in their faith, yet let's have an open dialogue about the disconnect many churches face with young women. Where are we going wrong? Who needs to change? What has to give in order for us to see our ministry reach each generation?

#### Diane Nix

Is God Trustworthy When Life is Hard and Tragic? | Personal Equipping

Life doesn't always make sense. What does it really mean to trust the Lord when life feels uncertain, painful, or tragic? Tragedy hits, suffering lingers, and sometimes God feels silent. In these moments, the question presses: Can God still be trusted? We will explore biblical truths, like those found in Psalm 19, that remind us of God's constant presence and trustworthy character even when life feels shattered. This session also explores the heart of Proverbs 3:5-6 — learning to lean on God instead of our own understanding. Together, we'll discuss practical ways for ministry wives to stay spiritually anchored, emotionally healthy, and focused on God's calling — without becoming numb or burned out. Finally, This session will also provide insights on how to walk alongside others in their grief and suffering — not with empty platitudes, but with a heart grounded in God's Word, honest empathy, and hopeful guidance.

#### Terri Stovall

When Leading is Hard and God is Quiet | Personal Equipping

As a ministry leader there are seasons that are more difficult than others. And sometimes, in those seasons, God seems to go quiet. This session, we will be reminded that even in the times that we don't see God's hand or hear God's voice, we can be confident of His faithfulness as we lead in hard seasons.

# Ashley Veneman

Discovering His Story: 14 Eras to Help You Know and Teach God's Word | Biblical Literacy

It's possible to grow up in church or even serve as a leader in your congregation without ever understanding the overarching narrative of scripture. It's possible, but there's so much more the Lord has in store for you. When we know the full narrative of scripture and how to tell that story to those around us, we encounter God's word in a way that will change our lives. Whether you lead in the children's ministry, serve adults in your church, are faithfully pointing to Christ in your workplace, or anything in between, you are called to know God's full Biblical narrative. Learn how to tell His story through Chronological Bible Teaching— for yourself, for your kids, and for those around you who need to know that God's good plan has been in place from the beginning of time.

## Ashley Veneman

Make a Forum Friend | Personal Equipping

Did you come to Forum by yourself, or are you here with a group but asking the Lord to show you why He brought you specifically? Four years ago, Ashley walked into Forum alone asking the Lord for clear direction, and it's made all the difference! Start the next two days with a deep breath, a

slow exhale, and make a new friend as we start our time together and wait expectantly to hear from our Father!

Mary Margaret West

Built to Last: Strengthening Women's Ministry in Every Season | General Ministry

Whether you're launching a brand-new women's ministry, breathing life into one that's gone quiet, or leading through a season of growth and change, this session is for you. We'll explore foundational principles and practical strategies for building a healthy, sustainable ministry that meets women where they are and points them to Jesus. Come ready to be encouraged and equipped with tools to help you cast vision, gather a team, and take the next right step.

Mary Margaret West

Made Worthy: Discover Your Significance | Personal Equipping

To truly know our worth, we must first understand that Jesus is the only One who can make us worthy. Nothing we can do on our own will ever measure up. We don't have to earn Jesus's love to know that He loves us. In fact, because He is the One who has made us worthy, we can live boldly as an example of what true worth looks like. We can quit trying to check every box and rest in the One who made us and sees us. We will look at Scripture to see how Jesus alone makes us worthy.

#### **Delanee Williams**

Managing Change in Ministry: Real Stories, Real Solutions | Next Generation

Change is inevitable in ministry. Whether it's launching new programs, welcoming new volunteers, or navigating leadership transitions, every ministry faces seasons of change. This session offers practical strategies and real-life case studies to help ministry leaders respond to change with clarity, compassion, and confidence. Learn how to turn challenges into opportunities and lead your ministry through transition with purpose and grace.