

Faith Formation for the 21st Century Training Programs

The Vision & Practice of **21st Century Faith Formation**



Sponsored by Vibrant Faith Ministries
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Imagine the potential for churches that develop 21st century models of faith formation to respond to the spiritual and religious needs of all ages and generations. Imagine churches that provide faith formation for everyone, anytime, anywhere, 24x7x365.

The Vision and Practice of 21st Century Faith Formation is a three-day interactive educational program for pastors, faith formation leaders, and staff in all Christian congregations.

- Understand the new context of faith formation and the diverse religious and spiritual needs of all generations
- Understand the emerging vision of 21st century faith formation
- Envision faith formation in the "Age of Networks" and learn how to create a Lifelong Faith Formation Network for the 21st century
- Discover a variety of 21st century approaches and resources for faith formation in the congregation, at home, and online
- Learn how to use the new digital media and web technologies in faith formation
- Develop the skills for curating religious content and experiences for all ages and generations

Feb 28 – Mar 1
Tampa, FL

April 17-19
Houston, TX

May 15-17
Chicago/Joliet, IL

May 30-June 1
Milwaukee, WI

August 14-16
Grantsburg, WI

May 21-23, 2012
Charlotte, NC

July 10-12, 2012
Portland, OR

July 16-18, 2012
Federal Way, WA

July 24-26, 2012
Hartford, CT

July 30-Aug. 1, 2012
Saginaw, MI

Aug. 6-8, 2012
Des Moines, IA

Nov. 13-15, 2012
Washington, DC

Registration information

\$295 for the first person
\$195 for another person from the same congregation

Individual Tuition: \$295

Team Tuition (from the same church or organization):
\$295 for the first person;
\$195 for each additional person

Meals and Refreshments:
\$50 per person

Who is leading *The Vision and Practice of 21st Century Faith Formation Training Program*?

Program Leader: John Roberto

John Roberto works on the staff of Vibrant Faith Ministries as the project coordinator for the *Faith Formation for the 21st Century* and the *Faith Formation Learning Exchange* website. He also directs Lifelong Faith Associates and is editor of the journal *Lifelong Faith* and coordinator for the *Faith Formation 2020 Initiative*. John has over 40 years of experience in Christian faith formation and has authored books and program manuals in youth ministry, family ministry, intergenerational learning, and lifelong faith formation. John created the theory and practice of *Generations of Faith*—an intergenerational, lifelong approach to faith formation; and administered the five-year Lilly Endowment funded project to develop lifelong faith formation in Catholic parishes across the U.S. His latest publications include *Faith Formation 2020: Designing the Future of Faith*, *The Spirit and Culture of Youth Ministry* (co-authored), *Living Well: Christian Practices for Everyday Life*, and *Becoming a Church of Lifelong Learners*.

What's included in *The Vision and Practice of 21st Century Faith Formation Training Program*?

1. Online resources to prepare for the training program
2. A three-day interactive, hands-on training program
3. A resource kit of articles, models, and design materials to accompany the three-day training program
4. Two follow-up webinars to deepen and apply the content of the training program
5. Three C.E.U.s for your participation

Guest Presenters via Teleconference or Webinar

Dr. David W. Anderson is a presenter, coach and author at Vibrant Faith Ministries. He has been instrumental in developing an approach to Christian discipleship and evangelism, the Vibrant Faith Frame, and resources to accompany it. David is an ecumenically and internationally latest publications include *Vibrant Faith in the Congregation*, *From the Great Omission to Vibrant Faith*, *Coming of Age: Exploring the Identity and Spirituality of Younger Men* (co-authored), and *Frogs without Legs Can't Hear: Nurturing Disciples in Home and Congregation* (co-authored).

Leif Kehrwald is the VibrantFaith@Home project coordinator for Vibrant Faith Ministries. He has worked in family ministry and faith formation on the local, regional, and national levels for more than thirty years. Leif has written books and articles on family life, family ministry, marriage, and youth ministry. His latest publications include *The Catholic Faith and Family Bible* (HarperBibles), for which he served as general editor, and *Families and Faith: A Vision and Practice for Parish Leaders*. Leif has taught courses on family ministry, parish partnership and family spirituality and travels frequently throughout the country offering presentations and workshops on family faith development.

Anna Rendell is the social media project coordinator at Vibrant Faith Ministries. She brings her passion for faith development, writing and connecting with others is what brought her to the world of social media. Anna graduated from Augsburg College's Youth and Family Ministry program, and went on to work as Director of Youth Ministries at Grace Lutheran Church in Apple Valley, MN. She has also worked at several Bible camps as a counselor, high school leadership director, and year round program director. Anna is the author of *Girl with Blog* (her personal blog), has created an active community on Facebook and Twitter, and has also contributed articles to other websites and blogs.