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About AYME

Who we are?  
The Association of Youth Ministry Educators (AYME) is a Christian faith-based organization and collegial gathering of professionals committed to developing the next generation of youth ministers.

- We affirm the tenets of the Christian faith as articulated in the Apostle’s Creed, and pursue unity while honoring the broad expressions of our faith. (Col. 2:2-3; 1 Cor. 12:12; Eph. 4:15-16)

- Our membership includes teachers, scholars, researchers, and graduate students in the field of youth ministry. This includes those affiliated with institutions of higher education as well as organizations involved in non-formal education such as denominational and para-church organizations.

What do we do?  
We gather in order to further the field of youth ministry education through cooperative networking, scholarly contributions, and critical engagement with the varied practices of youth ministry and other disciplines.

What core values govern our work?  
- Service to Christ’s church
- Critical thinking and scholarship
- Collegial and collaborative relationships
- Dialogue with people from distinct backgrounds and contexts

San Diego, California  
October 24-26, 2015  
Technology and Transformation

Call For Papers  
Please submit proposals by July 1, 2015. See details under Annual Conference: Call for Papers at www.aymeducators.org or Contact Ron Belsterling (ron.belsterling@nyack.edu) or Nancy Going (ongoing@vibrantfaith.org).
Technology permeates nearly every aspect of our lives. It is gradually changing how we conduct business and how we engage in relationships with God and others. Much of this change has been subtle and embraced without sustained critical reflection.

This year’s conference topic, Technology and Transformation, will help us engage in conversation about the ways technology is shaping our collective spiritual and social lives. Dr. Craig Detweiler, author of Gods: How Technology Shapes Our Spiritual and Social Lives, and the director of the Center for Entertainment, Media, and Culture at Pepperdine University, will challenge us to consider technology through a theological lens. In what ways might technology enhance or deter from the spiritual formation journey?

Colleagues will present research to stimulate our thinking about the impact technology has on our teaching, student learning, and the practice of youth ministry. Demonstrations of best practices in technology will sharpen our professional skills and enhance our creativity and efficiency in the classroom. The conference will conclude with TEAM Talks on Technology, Education, Adolescents, and Ministry from four engaging communicators.

Sunday evening we will travel by rail for our dinner in Seaport Village on the ocean’s edge. Dr. Craig Detweiler, Technology and Transformation, will present research to stimulate our thinking about the impact technology has on our teaching, student learning, and the practice of youth ministry. Demonstrations of best practices in technology will sharpen our professional skills and enhance our creativity and efficiency in the classroom. The conference will conclude with TEAM Talks on Technology, Education, Adolescents, and Ministry from four engaging communicators.

Schedule

**Saturday, October 24**

1 p.m. Registration Opens
2 p.m. Welcome Reception and Conference Opening
3 p.m. Academic Presentations #1
5 p.m. Academic Presentations #2
6:30 p.m. Dinner and Plenary #1
Dr. Craig Detweiler, Technology and Transformation
9:15 p.m. Curriculum Conversations/Exhibits

**Sunday, October 25**

7:30 a.m. Buffet Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Business Meeting
10:30 a.m. Academic Presentations #3
12:30 p.m. Lunch and Plenary Session #2
Dr. Craig Detweiler, Technology and Transformation
3 p.m. Academic Presentations #4
4:30 p.m. Best Practices in Technology: Demonstrations
6 p.m. Depart for Dinner at Seaport Village

**Monday, October 26**

7:30 a.m. Buffet Breakfast
8 a.m. Academic Presentations #5
10 a.m. Plenary Session #3
TEAM Talks: Technology, Education, Adolescents, and Ministry
Special Monday morning drawings. You must be present for your chance to win a prize.
11:30 a.m. Conference ends

Making It Happen

1. Register online at www.aymeducators.org or send in the registration panel with a check payable to AYME.

Spouse Coming Too? There is no cost for registration. We do ask that spouses pay $30 for dinners, $20 for lunch, and $15 for breakfasts at the conference.

Refund Policy: Registrants may request a full refund of registration fees prior to September 24, 2015.

2. Make your Hotel Reservation at the DoubleTree Mission Valley San Diego, Hazard Center Drive directly through the AYME website conference page or by calling 619-287-5466. Request the AYME special rate of $129/night for single or double occupancy with the group code SAN. The cut-off date for this room price is September 30, 2015. Room price includes complimentary guestroom Internet service.

Need a Roommate? Email Brenda Snailum at: bsnaialm@yahoo.com. She will reply with the name of a possible roommate. When you call the hotel also give the name of this other person. (It is assumed that you are staying at the hotel both Saturday & Sunday nights.)

3. Airport to Hotel Transportation

Airport to Hotel Transportation SuperSuttle provides ground transportation from the San Diego airport to the DoubleTree Mission Valley, Hazard Center Drive for $24 round-trip. Book your reservation at www.supershuttle.com or call 800-258-3826.

General Conference Questions?
Contact: Mark Cannister
mark.cannister@gordon.edu

Registration

Register online (aymeducators.org) or complete and mail the form below with your payment.

Name: (include Dr., Mr., Ms., etc.) ___________________________
Institution: ________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________ ____________________________
Phone: (_____) __________________________
Email: ____________________________ ____________________________

Additional registrants from this organization included in this registration.

Register by September 15th and receive a $10 discount on your registration! Registration fee includes $90 AYME membership dues for 2016.

**# Registrations @ $250 = ____________ ($260 after Sept. 15)**

**OR** I can’t attend the conference but wish to pay for my 2016 AYME membership @ $90 = __________

Make Checks Payable to AYME
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CONFERENCE ASSISTANCE FUND:
If you need assistance toward the registration cost, limited funds are available. Applications are due by June 15, 2015. See aymeducators.org for details.