

Heart in Focus – Train the Trainer Sessions

Training Event:

These seminars are meant to train potential presenters of the Heart in Focus financial course for use in the congregation or local area. Through this event we hope to develop presenters who can understand the content well and present it effectively.



The participants will...

- *experience the Personal Finances for Called Workers presentation session by session*
- *be given pointers for presentation and the rationale for this approach*
- *be given time to add to the clarity and improve presentations with their own insights and experience*
- *discuss ways to best fold this out in their area*

Personal Financial Seminars for Called Workers:



The personal financial course, **Heart in Focus** is developed as a regular curriculum course for a congregation (or outreach). These training sessions for leaders are scheduled to equip local leaders to hold this course in their congregations.

Heart in Focus is a 6-8 session course to train individual members in the basics of wise faith-focused finances in their daily lives. It covers topics such as spending, debt, earning, giving, saving, and investing. Each session begins with helping the participants understand the forces against them and then helping them understand their identity and relationship with God in Christ. Each participant will leave with a plan of action and resource to carry it out.

The participant's workbooks are now available through Northwestern Publishing House.

For the leader a PowerPoint is available with video vignettes included for each session. Presently we are working on the leader's guide.



Potential 2-day Schedule

Day 1

Morning Session

Introduction:

- *Schedule and Housekeeping Details*
- *Introduction of Presenters and Participants*
- *Explanation of the Heart in Focus effort and its components*
- *Goals for this training session*

Session One: Fix Your Eyes on Lasting Treasure

In this session participants will review what their lasting treasure is and the cause of our present struggles. They will focus on their present financial situation and basic elements important needed to reach their goals

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Afternoon Session

Discussion of Adult Learning Approach

Session Two: Overcome Worry

In this session participants will review the relationship with God that overcomes worry. They will review their income, focus on the importance of giving, set priorities for savings and prepare for tax advantaged benefits.

Session Three: Conquer the Obstacles

In this session participants will review the challenges of debt. They will focus on removing the obstacles of excessive debt with a step by step plan to reduce or eliminate the burden of borrowing.

Day 2

Morning Session

Review of previous day's discussion

Session Four: Use His Money Wisely

In this session participants will review our relationship to the real owner by being faithful stewards with our lifestyles. They will focus on understanding choices – including housing, transportation, insurances, and personal spending.

Session Five: Shift Your Priorities

In this session participants will look at how to shift attention to what will most impact living out our real purpose here as well as ways to leave a legacy behind to impact others into the future.

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Session Six: Keeping in FOCUS – Establishing Your Spending Plan

In this session participants will focus on methods to keep true to their goals.

Discussion: Presentation Goals, Insights, Consulting and Sharing

In this session participants will review the goals of the Heart in Focus presentations, pointers on consulting with participants for a clear plan, scheduling and other discussions to improve these Seminars.

Further Discussion – if needed

- Taxes
- Investments/Retirement
- Insurance
- Wills, Trusts, Estate Plans
- Follow- up

Closing