

Craig Sider enjoys helping people, leaders, and organizations pursue more intentional lives. Craig's past experience involves over a decade as a denominational executive and developer of leaders, a church planter in Toronto, Canada, and a seminar presenter to leaders and denominations across the United States and Canada. In addition, he has served on various not-for-profit and para-church ministry boards.

Craig serves as VP and Executive Director of the *Center for Leadership Impact* at Evangelical Theological Seminary in Myerstown, PA. He also is president of *InFocus Leadership*, an organization calling leaders and organizations to cut through the distractions and focus on the primary tasks of effective leadership.

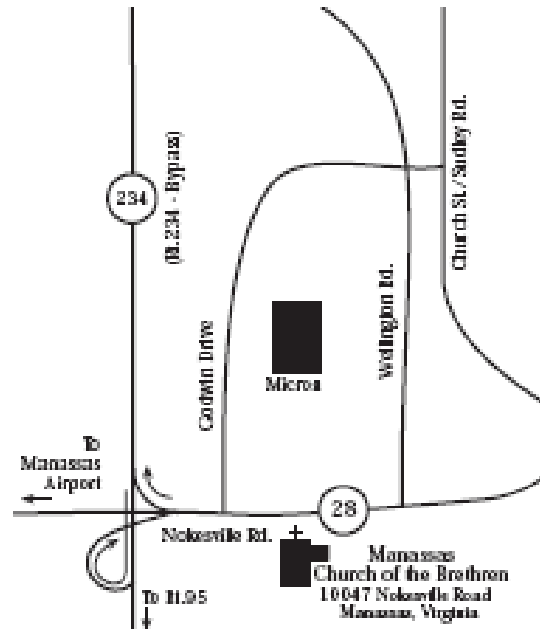
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Craig and his wife, Laura, have three children, Tori, Nick, and Matt, and make their home in Elizabethtown, PA. Craig enjoys reading, travel, sports, and chipping away at his bucket list (a 10 year pursuit).

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A Place of Welcome!*



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Mid-Atlantic District
Church of the Brethren
Continuing Education Event

October 8, 2010

For Pastors, Licensed Ministers,
And Persons in Training for Ministry
Manassas Church of the Brethren
10047 Nokesville Road,
Manassas, Virginia 20110
(703) 368-4783

10:00AM Registration

**10:30AM Session 1:
Creating a Redemptive Culture**

Christians are supposed to represent Christ to the world. But according to the latest report card, something has gone terribly wrong. Using descriptions like “hypocritical,” “insensitive,” and “judgmental,” young Americans share an impression of Christians and churches that borders on . . . unChristian. Research into the perceptions of sixteen- to twenty-nine-year-olds reveals that Christians have taken several giant steps backward in one of their most important assignments.

In this session, we will explore what it looks like for a local church to reverse this trend by creating and sustaining a redemptive culture.

12:00PM Lunch provided

**1:00 PM Session 2:
The First Ten Minutes**

Pastors spend a significant part of their week preparing for the coming Sunday’s message. Additionally, a number of individuals often invest an equal amount of time and energy in preparing other elements of the worship service...musical selection and

Session 2 (continued)

preparation, Scripture readings, drama, prayers, announcements, and weaving them all together in a meaningful way. The worship is a major time investment...and appropriately so.

But what about the guest’s *first ten minutes*...his/her experiences from the street to the pew? In this session we will discuss the significance of a visitor’s first ten minutes and the practical ways that your church can build a culture of guest readiness!

2:30PM Break

**2:45PM Session 3
What’s in Your Sheet?**

Our local church has ideals, traditions, and practices that we value and, in some cases, hold dear. In fact, some of these values and traditions keep us coming back Sunday after Sunday. In this final session we will consider how these very things may be hindering the mission to which God has called us.

*Attendance for the workshop
qualifies participants for
.4 CEU’s.*

Mid-Atlantic District Conference
Church of the Brethren
Pre-Conference
Continuing Education Event
October 8, 2010

REGISTRATION FEE:
\$45 per person
(includes lunch and CEU credit)

Registration Fee of \$60
after September 8, 2010

Checks Payable to: *Mid-Atlantic District*

Deadline for registration: October 1

Name: _____
Congregation: _____
Address: _____
Email: _____

___ Check here if you prefer a vegetarian option for lunch

SEND YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK TO:

Mid-Atlantic District
Church of the Brethren
PO Box 480
New Windsor, Maryland, 21776-0480

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