

An Invitation to Pastors & Ministers

Springs of Living Water is happy to announce that there are two academies for pastors and ministers scheduled in the coming months. We are now receiving registrations for the Fall 2015 course. Beginning *Tuesday, September 15*, from 8 to 10 am ET, the Foundations of Church Renewal course will be offered with five conference call sessions held over a twelve-week period.



Then beginning *Saturday, February 20, 2016*, from 8 to 10 am ET, the Foundations of Church Renewal course, with a bi-vocational component, will be offered in a similar twelve-week component.

In the academies, pastors participate in spiritual disciplines folders, offered from the Springs of Living Water initiative. There is scripture reading and a format for prayer, as they delve into the 12 classic spiritual disciplines explored by Richard Foster in the book *Celebration of Discipline, The Path to Spiritual Growth*. Then using a guided syllabus, pastors take a full course in a spiritually oriented, servant-led course for ongoing renewal of a church using the book *Springs of Living Water, Christ-centered Church Renewal* written by the teacher David Young. In the academies, people from the congregation walk along with the pastor, using the disciplines folder and sharing with the pastor.

Throughout the class there are regular shepherding calls by David, and assistance by Joan as the entire experience becomes one of spiritual growth and encouragement to prepare pastors to lead in church renewal. With a reflection paper, pastors receive 1.0 CEU credit.

David and Joan Young founded the Springs of Living Water Initiative in Church Renewal ten years ago in the Church of the Brethren. An interpretative DVD produced by David Sollenberger is at the top of the Springs website at www.churchrenewalservant.org. For more information you may email davidyoung@churchrenewalservant.org or call 717-615-4515.

The Mission Statement of Springs of Living Water:

**To provide and embody a spiritually centered, servant-led ministry
to assist churches to be spiritually vibrant congregations
with an urgent Christ-centered mission.**