

REBUILDERS



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Teams are essential to doing the work of God on earth. The move in our society and within the church to an increasingly individualistic mentality makes teamwork an even more vital subject for Christians to discuss. Thus this year's theme of the *Business Leadership Intensive* last month was, "Building Business Teams God's Way."

More than 150 people from the US and around the world gathered in Rohnert Park, California, for a closer look at what is needed to be on a winning team.

Team building was looked at from a sales and marketing angle by author Michael Pink, and relationally from management consultant Gerald Chester. Strategic Christian Services President Dennis Peacocke laid out the importance of teams, how they are built, and the attributes that make them successful.

"Even the unsaved worship teams," he said, naming sporting events and symphonies as examples where people flock to see those who have achieved some level of corporeity. "There is nothing more fulfilling than knowing we did something together."

Other speakers, including financial teacher Earl Pitts, media executive Linda Rios Brook and business consultant Eric Beck, added their expertise and unique revelation to the theme.

"I believe that I will be able to implement positive changes in stewarding my business for the Lord from what I have learned," said Lawrence Lehr, who owns an insurance agency in Santa Rosa, California. "I was also challenged to integrate my theology more completely into my daily experience in the marketplace."

The 3-day Intensive included six speakers, specialized workshops, and small groups organized by regions. The time concluded with a graduation ceremony for the students that completed the *Business Leadership School (BLS)*.

The Intensive serves as a launching pad for both students and facilitators who are going through the *BLS*. Prior to the Intensive, 50 of the *BLS* Course Facilitators received training for two days on how to help students understand and apply the material in the two year correspondence course.

More trained Facilitators will mean an increase in the capacity for new participants, since all students require a local trained overseer.

"One revelation I had was the definition of a Facilitator being one who is, 'facilitating the process of the Holy Spirit in other peoples lives,'" said Graeme Wilson, of New Zealand.

Graeme, who works in real estate, was one of the second year *BLS* student's who attended the Facilitator training and the Intensive.

The purpose of the *Business Leadership School* is to train business owners, executives, managers and those aspiring to leadership to engage their workplace from a biblical worldview. It is currently offered in North America, Europe, South Africa, New Zealand and Central America.

CD's of the Business Leadership School Intensive are available to order through the website: www.gostrategic.org, or by calling the office Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., PDT at 1-800-700-0605.

**Daily
team
work**



The SCS vision continues...

Around the world, SCS impacts thousands of believers by equipping their leadership through our schools, seminars, educational materials, and personal interaction. Since 1979 we have endeavored to serve those who are seeing God's Kingdom and seeking to express it in the whole of human life and culture.

SPIRIT TO SPIRIT

~ Learning to See as a Disciple ~

A disciple is someone who is working on getting their eyes clear, in order to see reality. If we are unable to see clearly, we are unable to do what God has put us here on earth to do.

What is inside us determines our vision. Matthew 7:5 says, "You hypocrites, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye." In other words, we cannot see clearly enough what is out there, until we recognize and deal with what is in us.

Sin, fear, undue speed or haste, personal ambition, false expectations, idealism—any or all of these things can cloud our vision. Our natural tendency is falleness. As disciples, we work to cut against our falleness. It sees everything right in front of our nose. Thus, we lose perspective of the broader picture of what reality is. Perspective is an essential tool that helps us see clearly.

Why do we get discouraged? Why do we fall into hate, fear, lust, or anything else? It is because we have lost perspective. When we lose perspective, we go into our flesh, our fallen nature. That is a law. Walking in the Spirit is the ability to hold our sight in the midst of action.

In order to gain perspective, we need to first separate ourselves from the systems or things that are distracting us. We see this over and over in the Scriptures. Abraham, Moses, the prophets, David, John the Baptist, and Paul – these men disengaged for a period of time so that they could see more clearly. Taking a weekly Sabbath day and spending daily time in the Word and prayer allows us to disengage and get the perspective we need.

By the grace of God, I believe it is possible to see clearly. If we do not believe it's possible, we will not get there. We have to see clearly so that we can do the work God has called us to do.

~Based on *The Discipleship Seminar*, Teaching 5, Part 2

Rebuilder's Network

If you see the value of the ministry of SCS and would like its worldview shared throughout the nations while at the same time furthering your own growth, consider participating in one of our **Rebuilder's Network** teams. Each is a reciprocal support system designed to sow vision, build relationship, and provide practical equipping tools.

Rebuilder Partners are actively committed to supporting God's prophetic work of challenging and changing the fallen culture. When you join this team, you will be equipped to know the message, share the message, and support the message. This is done as you:

1. Subscribe to our bi-monthly equipping tool, DISCERNING THE TIMES.
2. Invest a tax deductible donation of \$20 or more per month, which helps support our training and mobilization efforts around the world.
3. Receive a 30% discount on all SCS materials to make the resources more easily accessible.
4. Share what you learn as the Holy Spirit opens opportunities in your "garden" of relationships which God has given you to tend and influence for His Kingdom.

Ambassadors are those who give even greater commitments of their time, talent and treasure. If you join this team you can participate in conference calls with the Peacocks for discussion, and hear an update on the work of SCS. There is also an annual three day retreat where you are equipped, have the opportunity to give us input on the ministry, and have free time together to build and renew friendships with those of like heart.

Nations are changed one life at a time. As the SCS Rebuilder's Network grows, God's Kingdom is growing on a grass-roots level, and spiritual and cultural change becomes one step closer. We invite you to join the team as we to work to transform the present for the sake of future generations. For specific information on joining either of these teams, please contact Katherine Gallagher at kgallagher@gostrategic.org or call our offices at 707-578-7700.



PRAYER & EVENTS

CALENDAR

Please pray for the Lord's alliances in the Spirit and that the schools will be well attended.

MARCH

San Jose, Costa Rica:
BLS Intensive: 20-26

APRIL

Upper Hutt, New Zealand:
BLS Intensive: 17-23

MAY

France:
Leadership Meetings: 1-4
Ontario, Canada:
BLS Regional: 17-20
Florida:
Christian Chamber of Commerce: 21-22
Biel, Switzerland:
Jahu Family Camp: 23-31

WHERE IS YOUR CHRIST?

*IS HE ON HIS THRONE
OR
IS HE STILL ON (YOUR)
CROSS?*

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