

Under 100?

Under 100 folks in your church? (That's NOT a bad thing!)

Feeling a bit on the fringe? Weary of the focus on Size, Growth, Parking Lots and Flashy Programs?

Tired of the most irrelevant question pastors get asked: "How big is your church?"

Want to be with some people who will encourage you? Who understand what it means to serve Jesus Christ in a smaller congregation?

Have we got a deal for you!

On Friday-Saturday, 1-2 June 2012, the Naches Presbyterian Church is hosting a Small Church Conference for pastors and lay leaders from Churches Under 100. No big agenda. No programs to push. Just a time away to learn, to grow, to enjoy our Lord and meet other folks ministering in similar settings.

Our main speaker is Eugene H. Peterson. Others leading workshops or discussions are Laurie Oswalt, Bill Starr and Jeff Thompson.

We're inviting Christian congregations, under 100, of all denominations.

Here are the details:

Time & Dates: beginning at 2:00 PM on Friday, 1 June, concluding early afternoon on Saturday, 2 June.

Cost: \$25.00 per congregation.

Who may attend? Each congregation may send one pastor and two others. If your congregation has co-pastors, send 'em both, along with two others.

Logistics: All meals are provided. Members of Naches Pres can provide a bed and a warm welcome if you'd like. Hotels are available in Yakima, about 15 miles away. (See the Registration form for hotel information.) **We are unable to provide child care.**

Space is Limited: Given the size of our building pre-registration is required. When we reach capacity, registration closes. Registration forms received after 30 March, 2012, cannot be accepted.

Who are these people, anyway?

The Naches Presbyterian Church (NPC) is just off Highway 12 in Naches, on the way to Mt. Rainier (Highway 410) or Western Washington, via White Pass on Highway 12.

We want to encourage you—and be encouraged, too. Our pastor is away on a sabbatical; this is our chance to grow and learn and serve the Lord's church while he's away.

Eugene Peterson is a pastor, author and professor, currently retired from all three. Eugene will teach, challenge and encourage you with stories, Biblical teaching and his own grace-filled acceptance.

Laurie Oswalt is a hospice chaplain. She has done pastoral work in a number of churches, holding varied positions. She'll talk about how hospice works and how it can be a beneficial service to pastors and congregations.

Bill Starr is Chaplain at Sundown M Ranch, a chemical dependency treatment center. Bill will discuss how to minister to people struggling with addictions and how Twelve Step programs can provide a way for congregations to welcome folks to the faith. Bill has done pastoral work in churches and para-church organizations.

Jeff Thompson teaches psychology at Heritage University and is in private practice as a clinical psychologist. He'll be teaching on how pastors can best care for themselves—and how congregations may best care for their pastors. Jeff has experience in pastoral work, too.

Registration Form on the next page...



Yes! I want to be part of the Small Church Conference in June!

Registration (Please Print!)

My Name:

My Church:

Address:

Phone Number: Email Address:

Folks attending with me are:

☐ I'll find housing myself

☐ I'd like to stay with a member of NPC. Number needing a bed

Any couples? How many sleeping together?

Anything we should know to make your time with us better?

Please mail the completed registration form along with \$25.00 made out to the Naches Presbyterian Church at 201 East Second St., Naches WA 98937.



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Questions? Call us at 509.653.2527 or email NachesPC@gmail.com

Directions to NPC

From I-82/Yakima: Take the Highway 12 exit to Highway 410/White Pass. Stay on Hwy 12 through the Gleed traffic light. After Hwy 12 goes from four to two lanes turn right at the traffic light/Shell station. Turn right again, at the Fire Hall/Bank/blinking traffic signal. Go two blocks. NPC is on your left. Park in rear or on the street.

From Western Washington: Take Highway 12 or Highway 410 toward Yakima. When 410 meets 12, stay on 12 toward Naches. At the traffic light/Shell station turn left. Turn right at the Fire Hall/Bank/blinking traffic signal. Go two blocks. NPC is on your left. Park in rear or on the street.

Hotel Information on back

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Hotels in Yakima near Naches

Comfort Suites	3702 Fruitvale Blvd	509.249.1900	866.423.8960	<i>closest to Naches</i>
Days Inn	1504 North 1st St	509.248.3393	800.248.3360	
Clarion Hotel	1507 North 1st St	509.248.7850		
Best Western Plus	1614 North 1st St	509.453.8898	800.834.1649	
Sun Country Inn	1700 North 1st St	509.248.5650	800.559.3675	

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