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Upcoming Events

**Spring Certification (CP)
Church Solutions EXPO
Phoenix, AZ
February 11th-15th, 2008**

The NACFM Spring CP has been moved from May to February and will be held as part of the Educational Tracks of the Church Solutions EXPO. There are 17 members attending this years Spring CP. There will be updates on the web site soon.

Class Schedule on page 3.

**NACFM National Conference (NC)
San Antonio, TX
Hosted at Oak Hills Church by
Rusty Surratt, CCFM and
Jim Dye, CCFM**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Glen Smith, CCFM

Well gang, what happened to January?

January has come and gone. I found the busier we get, the quicker time flies. I also know for myself when I'm really busy I often will cut people short. I was reading my devotion the other day by Jon Walker, and he spoke about the power of a smile. His devotion titled: "Cooperating with a Smile" made me think about those days when you just want to kick the dog. Nothing is going right and no one sees it your way. This is what he says, "Your attitude should be the same that Christ had, although he was God, he did not demand and cling to his rights as God. He made himself nothing and took the humble position of a slave..."(Phil:2:5-7)

Cooperation is doing with a smile what you have to do anyway. You'll never find that sentence in the Bible, but I think its spirit is implied throughout God's Word. We are called to be obedient to God's commands, and part of that obedience is having a sensitive servant's attitude.

I learned this lesson years ago when I was working for someone, who at the time, I didn't respect. I would do whatever he asked me to do eventually – but I tended to drag my feet, complain, or point out how wrong he was. God used that relationship to teach me godly obedience. Through his word, God taught me to obey my earthly authorities. He showed me that Christ-like character required me to work with the same servant's attitude, regardless of how I felt about my work environment or my employer.

God not only changed my attitude, he led me to seek forgiveness from my boss for my disrespectful attitude. It was a major turning point in my life, as I came to understand what it meant to be a man under authority, regardless of who was in authority.

God can work through a boss who is a model of godliness, and he can work through a boss who is a tyrant. No matter who we work for, ultimately, God is our authority. So in any situation we should work as unto the Lord.

And you know what? As I responded to God's authority through my earthly employer, I developed considerable respect for my boss, and he became one of my greatest mentors and supporters. Though not a believer, he taught me, "Cooperation is doing with a smile what you have to do anyway."

WOW! How powerful was that. Even though we may be working for the church, we still run into our own tyrants; they may be our boss at times or a contractor. So many people think that working for the church is the perfect place to be, nothing bad could possibly happen. The truth of the matter is we're still working on this earth and we're still dealing with imperfect people; "myself included".

There is a saying around our house, "Do what you have to do so you can do what you want to do". We are always on the front lines and we should try our very best to do it with a smile. Have you smiled today? Thanks for being your BEST!

Glenn

Spring Certification Program and Expo

**NACFM Spring Certification
and**

**Church Solutions EXPO
Phoenix, AZ**

February 11th - 15th, 2008

We are staying at:

The Central Phoenix Inn

1100 N. Central Avenue

Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Telephone: 602-252-2100

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Monday, Feb. 11th

- 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

Electrical Rules, Regs and Calcs.

Dean Johnson, CCFM, NACFM

- 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Electrical Safety

Dean Johnson, CCFM, NACFM

- 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Lunch

- 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Energy Management

Steve Bell

Tuesday, Feb. 12th

- 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM

Surviving an OSHA Inspection

Mark Norton

- 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Leadership

Bill Couchenour

- 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Lunch (On your own)

- 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Lawn and Landscaping

Glenn Smith, CCFM, NACFM

- 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Green Church

Church Solutions EXPO

Wednesday, Feb. 13th

- 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

Advanced Church Security

Church Solutions EXPO

- 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Working w/General Contractor

Greg Barron

- 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

Lunch at Exhibit Hall

- 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Church Solution EXPO

Thursday, Feb. 14th

- 8:00 AM – 8:50 AM

Unleashing Service Excellence

Church Solutions EXPO

- 9:15 AM – 11:00 AM

Conflict Resolution

Chris Friedman

- 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Lunch (On your own)

- 12:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Exhibit Hall (EXPO)

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Snack Break on EXPO Floor

Friday, Feb. 15th

- 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM

NACFM Round Table

Discussion

NACFM National Conference (NC)

San Antonio, TX

Hosted at Oak Hills Church

by

Rusty Surratt, CCFM and

Jim Dye, CCFM

**We will be staying at the
Drury Inn and Suites San Antonio**

*(Note: All reservations will be handled by the NACFM. Please **do not** contact the hotel for reservations.)*

Conference Cost Information ONLY.

- King Room—\$125.00 X 5 nights = \$625.00
 - Additional nights (up to 3) \$125.00 per night
- Double Queen—\$125.00 X 5 nights = \$625.00
 - Additional nights (up to 3) \$125.00 per night
- King & Double Queen Suites—\$149.00 X 5 = \$745.00
 - Additional nights (up to 3) \$149.00 per night
 - Suites are not guaranteed. Please contact Bruce Fite, treasurer@nacfm.com, to confirm availability before sending check.
- Sunday Night Social
 - Adult—\$10.00 each
 - Child—\$5.00 each
- Tuesday Spouse Luncheon—\$25.00 each
 - Child Care—\$10.00 each (Includes Food)
- Thursday Night Banquet—\$25.00 per person
 - Child Care—\$10.00 each (Includes Food)

**Please remember, this is informational for
planning purposes only.**

**A Conference Cost Worksheet will be provided
on the web site. You will receive an e-mail
when this information is available to use.**

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THE “WORD” OF THE MONTH

Dear NACFM Members,
Your Board of Directors met for our January meeting in Memphis. We were hosted by Past President Danny Carver and Bellevue Baptist Church. Your Board continues to put you as their priority and is working very hard to make the NACFM synonymous with excellence.

While we were there we also met with several local Memphis churches to promote the NACFM and start a local chapter. At that meeting, I asked the Board to come up with one word that they would use to describe the NACFM.

One word. For the next several months we will be sharing our word with you in the newsletter. First to share will be Past President Danny Carver. Danny’s word is...

Information



Information is news. The more we have the more we can give out. Webster says that news is facts gathered by study and observation. It quotes its own self by saying that this book is full of information.

Information is also knowledge. Our NACFM has over 300 members and each person has information that can help others. We all face problems, have tasks, and seek solutions. The information we have access to is unbelievable. We can interact through our website forum, e-mails, phones, etc. The information each person has can better equip us to be more efficient at what we do.

Information can also help in our prayer time. When you voice your prayer request to others then they have the specific information of how to pray for those request. Information contained in God’s word gives wisdom and knowledge. The more we read and study His word the more informed we will be.

Prov. 1:7

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