CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday November 13

7:30-9:00AM Sign in / Continental Brkfast
9:00-10:00AM Kickoff (Auditorium)
10:00-11:00AM Main Speaker: Will Samson
11:00-11:30AM Q/A
11:30AM-1PM Lunch
1:00-2:00PM Main Speaker: Kelly Johnson
2:00-2:30PM Q/A
2:30-3:00PM Break
3:00-4:00PM Small Groups
4:00-5:00PM Free Time
5:00-6:30PM Dinner
6:30-7:00PM Break / Transition
7:00-8:30PM Main Speaker: Shane Claiborne
8:30- Optional Activity??? (Music/Film)

Sat. November 14

7:30-8:45AM Breakfast
8:55-9:10AM Prayer / Opening Session
9:15 -10:30AM Workshops – Session A (See Options Below)
10:30-10:45AM Break/Transition
10:45-NOON Workshops – Session B (See Options Below)
NOON-1:15PM Lunch
1:15-2:30PM Workshops – Session C (See Options Below)
2:30-3:00PM Break
3:00-3:50PM Small Group Conversations
3:50-4:00PM Break/Transition
4:00-4:30PM Closing Session

Saturday November 14 Schedule of Workshops

For Descriptions, See the YELLOW Workshop Description Sheet in Your Folder

Workshops – Session A
Saturday 9:15 AM

1) Shane Claiborne — Chapel
" Community, Creativity, and Clothing"

2) Will Samson / Scott Hutcheson — Auditorium
"Good Eating"

3) David Fitch — Room 304-306
"The Gathered Worship Service as a Commodity?"

4) Chad Abbott/Mike Mather — Parlor
"Loaves& Fishes: Multiplying Economy & Kingdom"

5) New Meadow Run — Room 302
"Running a business together as a church community"

6) Cliff Kindy — Conference Rm – 2nd Floor
"Consumerism: View from a refugee camp"

Workshops – Session B
Saturday 10:45 AM

1) Rachel Hope Anderson — Chapel
"The Business of Debt"

2) David Fitch — Room 304-306
"The Gathered Worship Service as a Commodity?"

3) R. Sutterfield / B. Aldrich / C. Smith — Parlor
"The Church as catalyst of Local Economy & Culture"

4) Jeff Romack — Room 312
"The Church and consumerism in a non-western context"

5) New Meadow Run — Room 302
"Running a business together as a church community"

6) M. Bowling/J. Bowling /D. Price — Conference Rm
"Housing and the Mission of God"

Workshops – Session C
Saturday 1:15 PM

1) Shane Claiborne — Chapel
" Community, Creativity, and Clothing"

2) Ragan Sutterfield — Parlor
"Time as a Commodity"

3) Rachel Hope Anderson — Room 302
"The Business of Debt"

4) Jeff Romack — Room 312
" Church & consumerism in a non-western context"

5) Mary Bowling & Friends — Room 304-306
"Bringing Food Production Closer to Home (& Church)"

6) Cliff Kindy — Conference Rm – 2nd Floor
"Consumerism: View from a refugee camp"

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Shane Claiborne **"A Conversation on Community, Creativity, and Clothing"**

Will Samson / Scott Hutcheson **"Good Eating"**
Bio: Scott: The author of the award-winning syndicated newspaper column "The Hungry Hoosier," Scott writes and speaks about food, family, and community for newspapers, magazines, television, and on-line media. His first book Home Grown Indiana was published by IU Press in 2008.

David Fitch **"The Gathered Worship Service as a Commodity?"**
Bio: David Fitch is the author of *The Great Giveaway*, a pastor of Life on the Vine Church and the B R Lindner Chair of Evangelical Theology at Northern Seminary.

Ragan Sutterfield **"Time as a Commodity"**
Bio: Ragan Sutterfield is a writer, and farmer living in his native Arkansas, who has written for a variety of magazines including Plenty, Paste, Gourmet and Books & Culture on issues relating to good food, sustainability, and contemporary culture.

Description: Time has become a commodity in the consumer economy -- as much a means of trade as our energy and skill. "Time is money, money is time," the saying goes, but for Christians our time bound lives are marked by the hope of eternity. This changes what it means for us to "maximize time" and "manage time." In this workshop we will seek to name the ways consumerism forms our relationship to time and look for strategies and disciplines that will help us live in the eternal Kingdom of God now.

Rachel Hope Anderson **"The Business of Debt"**
Bio: Rachel Hope Anderson is a Christian organizer and advocate. She co-founded the Boston Faith & Justice Network, a community of Christians seeking justice as an expression of their faith through personal, community and social change. She works for the Center for Responsible Lending, a non profit engaged in research and advocacy to address predatory lending.

Description: The past several decades has seen a major transition in the economics and politics of debt. From the payday loan shop down the street to the investment firms on Wall Street, debt has become an enterprise in which profits are made not when borrowers repay but when borrowers become further indebted. We'll take a look at the booming business of debt in the mortgage market and consumer credit – with particular eye to the impact of this business on low income communities and the health of the whole economy.

Jeff Romack **"The Church and consumerism in a non-western context"**
Bio: Jeff Romack, along with his wife and children, ministered in Southeast Asia for more than 28 years, living in the Philippines, Singapore, and Cambodia along the way. Now residing in Indianapolis, he presently serves as YWAM's Assistant Field Director for Pacific and Asia. He is also and elder at Trinity Church in Indy.

Description: Economic faithfulness is an issue of key importance for the Church in every cultural context. In this age of globalization consumerism is a present and growing reality throughout the non-Western and developing world. This workshop will consider the implications of this situation for the church with a specific focus on nations in Southeast Asia (Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia, Singapore, Vietnam and the Philippines). Asia is a fascinating mix of the old and the new, the traditional and the modern. In recent years Asia's economic miracle has improved the lives of many people but consumerism is on the rise. At the same time, the numerical growth of the church among many peoples has been quite significant

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Mary Bowling, et al (Englewood Christian Church) **"Bringing Food Production Closer to Home (and Church)"**
Bio: Mary Bowling helps coordinate the community gardens of Englewood Christian Church, and is a board member of the Indy Food Co-op.

Description: This workshop will explore Englewood's adventures in starting to grow/raise some of the food we eat. Weather-permitting, we will tour the Englewood Community Gardens, beehives and the "urban farm" of one of our families.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Chad Abbott / Mike Mather **"Loaves and Fishes: Multiplying Economy and Kingdom"**
Bio: Rev. Mike D. Mather is a pastor Broadway United Methodist Church in Indianapolis. The author of Sharing Stories, Shaping Community, Mike has been working in urban neighborhood churches for 25+ years in Indianapolis and South Bend. Rev. Chad R. Abbott is the executive director for the Mid North Shepherd's Center, an interfaith senior adult ministry in Indianapolis. The author of Breaking Silence: Pastoral Approaches for Creating an Ethos of Peace and essay contributor to the recent publication by Brian McClaren, The Justice Project.

Description: In this workshop, local pastors Chad R. Abbott and Mike D. Mather from Broadway UMC will be focusing on building economy, building community, and building mutual delight through the lens of Asset Based Community Development. As we live in times of economic uncertainty and yet surrounded by consumeristic loyalties, the Church can offer a more balanced model for how to deal with our current times. By building on the gifts and talents and already present people in neighborhoods, it is possible to see abundance and hope come alive just as Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes.

Ragan Sutterfield / Brent Aldrich / Chris Smith **"The Church as catalyst of Local Economy (and Local Culture)"**
Bio: Ragan: (see above) Brent Aldrich is a member of Englewood Christian Church, an artist and an adjunct professor of art at The Herron School of Art (Indianapolis). Chris Smith is a member of the Englewood Christian Church community and Editor of the Englewood Review of Books (http://www.englewoodreview.org/), a weekly print/online review of recent books related to community and mission in a post-Christian world.

Description: Drawing heavily from the works of Wendell Berry and the theologians of the Ekklesia Project (Stanley Hauerwas, Rodney Clapp, Kelly Johnson, Bill Cavanaugh, et al.), we argue that local church is called to be a local culture rooted in its particular place and bearing witness as a Body to Christ's redemptive work there.

Community Playthings / New Meadow Run **"Running a business together as a church community"**
Bio: New Meadow Run is one community within Church Communities International (CCI, formerly known as the Bruderhof). Community Playthings is the the widely-repsected manufacturer of childcare furniture run by CCI and based primarily at New Meadow Run.

Description: Our friends from New Meadow Run will talk about their experiences running a business together as a community, and how their faith and community life affects important business issues like pricing, marketing, etc.

Cliff Kindy **"Consumerism: View from a refugee camp"**
Bio: Cliff has been a reservist with Christian Peacemaker Teams since 1990, with experience in Colombia, Palestine; Chiapas, Mexico and Iraq. Organic market gardener.

Description: Likely most of us haven't spent time in refugee camps. Might the experiences of a member of Christian Peacemaker Teams working in war zones of the world offer some helpful perspectives as we struggle with the straight jacket of consumerism in a materialistic society? Come taste a bit of CPT and dig deeply into some lifestyle questions.

Mike Bowling / Joe Bowling / David Price **"Housing and the Mission of God"**
Bio: Mike Bowling is pastor of Englewood Christian Church
Joe Bowling is a member of Englewood Christian Church and a community organizer on Indy's Neareast side.
David Price is a member of Englewood Christian Church and executive director of Englewood Community Dev. Corp.