

The local church is responsible to support those who struggle financially, while also providing guidance for those in prosperity. The Deacon and Trustee Seminar is for anyone who serves in a leadership or advisory role in the church community, including bishops, ministers, deacons, trustee committees, and financial advisors. The goal of this seminar is to support the church in working redemptively with those in financial difficulty and inspiring a stewardship mindset during prosperity.

Cost: There is no charge to attend this seminar. Lunch and snack will be provided.

Registration: Please register by September 19 so we can be sure to have adequate resources. When you register, please let us know if your wife is planning to come with you.

To register, fill out the attached form and mail it to **Anabaptist Financial, 55 Whisper Creek Drive, Lewisburg, PA 17837**. Or contact us by phone: **267-368-4628** or email: **seminars@afweb.org**.

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DEACON & TRUSTEE SEMINAR

October 3, 2024 — Halsey, OR



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Helping church leaders and financial committees navigate adversity and prosperity.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2024

HALSEY MENNONITE CHURCH

910 E 1st St, Halsey, OR 97348

DEACON & TRUSTEE SEMINAR

Date: October 3, 2024

Location: Halsey Mennonite Church
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8:30 AM Welcome and Song

8:40 Devotions and Prayer

8:50 Organizational Talk

9:00 **A Proper Response to Prosperity**

by Richie Lauer; Hillsville, VA

When AF started the Deacon and Trustee Seminar years ago, our focus was on how to best help those in the church who struggle financially. Today, our churches seem awash in prosperity. How can we help our people navigate these circumstances while maintaining a balanced view of finances and stewardship?

9:45 Break & Snack

10:15 **Peacemaking in the Brotherhood**

by Wyatt Pegg; Rickreall, OR

When tensions mount and imaginations run high, peace disappears. In its place move suspicion and conflict. However, when God has one or two peacemakers in a church or family, the devil usually doesn't get his way. How could God use me to bring a peaceful outcome? Or is separation the only option when conflict is high?

11:00 **Root Causes of Financial Problems**

by Gary Miller; Caldwell, ID

When working with someone with financial problems, it is easy to pick out the surface problems. But to properly deal with these issues, we need to understand the root of the problem. This session will explore several root causes to common financial problems.

11:45 Lunch

1:00 PM **Equipping Biblical Stewardship Discussions within the Brotherhood**

by Mark Anthony Peachy; McVeytown, PA

Christian stewardship is not a destination. Rather,

it is a lifelong wrestling in our hearts through the input from Bible teaching, Holy Spirit leading, and brotherhood input. Congregations need to wrestle together with Biblical stewardship principles and how they apply to daily life. Salt & Light is a tool designed to equip church leaders to open these discussions within the congregation. We will look at how this resource can be used for its intended purpose.

1:45 **Trust: Don't Leave Without It**

by Wyatt Pegg, Rickreall, OR

Your capacity to influence those you lead breaks down if you lose one critical component—trust. How is trust lost? What happens when we lose it? How can we regain trust? We will explore the pillars of trust and some practical things you can do when trust is threatened.

2:30 Break & Snack

2:50 **Yes, I Wish to Give, but How and Where Should I Give?**

by Richie Lauer; Hillsville, VA

Sharing of our material resources is clearly taught in Scripture and generally accepted as truth by our people. But how should a Christian give? Where should a Christian give? What guidelines and priorities apply?

3:45 **Brotherhood Financial Transparency and Accountability**

by Gary Miller; Caldwell, ID

We look back and marvel at how the early church freely shared their possessions, believing that what they possessed was not even their own. Was this belief only for those first believers? Or is it possible that we should have more financial transparency and accountability in our day? Should the wealthy church member be held accountable for how he operates his business, uses his wealth, and stewards his time?

4:30 Closing Comments

4:45 Dismissal

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- Deacon Financial Advisor Minister
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