



26th Annual Arizona Home Education Convention WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Friday, July 17, 2009

9:00-10:30 AM - Keynote

VODDIE BAUCHAM

Family Discipleship – How to Pass on the Faith One Generation at a Time

ROOM: South Ballroom

Most Christian parents, if they are honest, haven't a clue as to how to disciple the children God has entrusted to them. Thankfully, the Bible gives clear instructions. Do you have a plan to disciple your children? Do you have a vision for the men and women of God they are to become? This session will challenge and encourage you to prepare your children to walk with God.

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VODDIE BAUCHAM

The Centrality of the Home in Evangelism and the Discipleship of the Next Generation

ROOM: South Ballroom

We are losing 75% to 88% of professing Christian kids by the end of their freshman year of college. In this message, Dr. Baucham explains why this trend exists and what the Bible has to say about stemming the tide.

BECKY COOKE

Homeschooling Through High School Track

Building on a Sure Foundation: Staying the Course through High School

ROOM: 164-165

As your child grows older, you may be considering high school at home – but you've got your doubts! Why is homeschooling high school a crucial decision for your teen? How is it possible? What help is available? We'll answer your questions; but more importantly, we'll encourage and challenge you to explore the steps you should take as you weigh the possibility of teaching high school at home.

JULIE HIRAMINE

Tech Support

ROOM: 166-167

The technology that is available to children today is astounding! Our kids are daily facing pressures and temptation at the push of a button – in a way that our generation never had to. The truth is that even though our children spend most of their time with us, these influences are going to bombard them. The new technology available to young people may seem insurmountable, but there are many safeguards, tips, and tricks parents can use to stay one step ahead of their children's electronic world.

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MELANIE YOUNG

Diapers, Playdough, and Microscopes: Homeschooling with Babies and Toddlers

ROOM: 156-157

Sometimes homeschooling feels like one of those plate-spinning acts and you wonder how in the world you are going to meet everyone's needs. The baby needs to be changed, the toddler is playing in the toilet, your high schooler is impatiently waiting for you to help with his biology experiment, and two other children say, "I can't do anything else without you, Mom." Melanie Young, mother of eight (ages 19 to infant), shares encouragement and ideas for how to keep all of those plates spinning at once without your life spinning out of control. Learn how to raise independent learners, how to keep the household moving, and how to make sure the little ones get enough attention. You can't get all of high school done while your baby takes a 90 minute nap. Come hear how Melanie manages it all.

JORDAN HULCY

Teaching to Your Child's Bent

ROOM 158-159

Description not yet available.

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VODDIE BAUCHAM

Education and Worldview

How Education Affects Worldview and What That Means for Your Child

ROOM: South Ballroom

What is a worldview? How are worldviews developed? Is there a correlation between worldview and education? Does it matter where and how we educate our children? Should Christians send their children to public schools? This message tackles the issue of public education head on. There is a mass exodus of young adults from the church. This message demonstrates the role worldview plays in the contemporary crisis. Whether you are a parent, or you plan to be, you need to listen to this message.

JULIE HIRAMINE

Homeschooling through High School Track

Keeping Teens on the Pathway to Purity

ROOM: 164-165

In this workshop we will equip parents on how to instruct and mentor their teens to wage the battle against the explicit content that bombards us in today's world. This workshop is excellent for parents whose teens are entering adolescence. God's call on this generation of youth is to raise a banner of purity to counter the explosive rise of inappropriate sexual content in our culture today. We will equip parents to wage the battle against sexual promiscuity that we face every day. Topics include courtship versus dating, media discernment, and enhancing communication with your teens.

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DAVID MONK

Leading Children to the Lord

ROOM 166-167

Our first goal is to raise children that know and love God. If we fail in this, what have we gained? David will present the reasons why we should emphasize Godly character, Biblical knowledge, and developing a relationship with God in our home education. He will also review practical approaches that you can incorporate in your family.

MELANIE YOUNG

Ballistic Homeschooling: Teaching and Appreciating Boys

ROOM 156-157

Melanie, a mother of six sons ranging from college freshman to first grader, will share encouragement and practical wisdom for raising godly men without going crazy. Look beyond the untied shoes and jeans he's worn all week, see through the frenetic activity and love for destruction, and envision what the Lord means for him to be. If you've ever seen a war break out in the middle of a history lesson, or tried to teach reading to someone who was obviously on another planet, join Melanie as she shares her heart and helps you not only survive homeschooling your boys, but delight in them. One father said of this workshop, "It literally sent a chill down my back. It was a moment of change of perspective, when the picture turns inside out. It got me to thinking."

SHIRLEY SOLIS

Simplicity As a Way of Life

ROOM: 158-159

With more churches than ever, higher median incomes, more books to choose from, and abounding ways of doing things faster, why do we still feel we are missing so much of what matters? In this practical but convicting talk, be prepared to find ways to simplify home, church, relationships, finances, and even homeschooling. Full of ideas, you'll be encouraged to de-clutter your life and set new goals to help you have a more meaningful life.

3:00-4:00 PM

BECKY COOKE

Homeschooling through High School Track

Developing a Plan for High School: Sample Four-Year Plans

ROOM: 164-165

How do you plan a program for your high school homeschooler? What subjects do you teach and when? Do you follow a basic high school plan, a general college prep plan, or a rigorous college prep plan? How do you evaluate credits? Determine grades for a course? What about the need for a transcript and diploma? If you are just beginning to think about homeschooling during the high school years, this seminar will help you organize your thoughts and begin laying the groundwork for a viable four-year plan.

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ADAM ANDREWS

"It's Onomatopoeia, Mom!" – Using Children's Stories to Teach Literary Devices

ROOM: 166-167

Juxtaposition, metaphor, symbolism, irony, foreshadowing – HELP! Parents often avoid the subject of literature because of the intimidating vocabulary associated with literary analysis. The truth is, you don't need a college degree in literature to understand this vocabulary; what you need is a well-written children's story. Adam takes the audience on a guided tour of literary devices, demonstrating the crucial principle of transposition and making discerning literary analysts out of each and every audience member. Doing the same with your own children couldn't be easier, but beware: soon, they will be finding onomatopoeia everywhere they look.

NANCY MANOS

Parents of Preschoolers – Preparing for the Home Education Adventure

ROOM: 156-157

This workshop is specifically geared for parents with young children who are exploring the idea of educating their children at home. Nancy will share encouragement and vision for why home education works and things you can do to get started and stay motivated throughout the years to come.

DAVID QUINE

How to Teach Math

ROOM: 158-159

If you desire your child to be more than a parrot mindlessly reciting the times tables, then learn the secret of giving understanding and meaning to your math instruction. David has been teaching parents how to teach math for more than 20 years. In this workshop he will share a three-stage lesson plan that can be used with any math textbook at any grade level. This plan is simple and will transform your teaching of math by providing the understanding that your children so desperately need. Lights will finally come on in your children's minds! David is the author of Making Math Meaningful.

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BECKY COOKE

Homeschooling through High School Track

Record Keeping for High School: Simplifying the Process

ROOM 164-165

Why is documentation of high school course work important? Keeping good records does not need to be time consuming or burdensome; it will actually save you time and effort in the long run. Learn what, when, and how to track your student's progress through high school.

DR. REBECCA W. KELLER

Essential Science

ROOM 166-167

Dr. Keller will show you how easy it is to teach your students science without being a scientist, using the basic building blocks of science that are common to all scientific disciplines. Build a solid foundation at the elementary and middle school grades in the core subjects of chemistry, biology, physics, and earth/space so that students will be more confident and upper level science will be more enjoyable.

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MITZI WISELY

Nuts and Bolts: Getting Started

ROOM 156-157

This workshop is designed to help the new homeschooler get started and the fragmented-feeling homeschooler pull it all together. Mitzi will discuss topics such as organizing your school year, weeks, and days; record keeping, curriculum selection; and teaching multiple levels and learning styles.

JORDAN HULCY

Dads: Men in the Gap

ROOM 158-159

Description not yet available.

Saturday, July 18, 2009

9:00-10:30 AM - Keynote

VODDIE BAUCHAM

Thoroughly Christian Education

ROOM: South Ballroom

Dr. Voddie Baucham shares what most parents are quick to dismiss: whoever is teaching our children is also disciplining them. He argues that Christian parents need to take the initiative in their children's education and stop turning them over to the anti-God environment of the government school. Using Scripture, statistics, and sound reasoning, Voddie powerfully makes the case that whoever controls the schools does indeed control the world.

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

DIANA WARING

Exposing the Wizard of Oz: Who Is Really Behind the Scenes in History?

ROOM: South Ballroom

This is the essential crash course for every homeschool parent. Discover insights from Diana's research behind the events of history. Share her wisdom for teaching history. Do you wonder, "Whom do I trust and what do I read to know real history?" Diana will equip you, regardless of your curriculum, to find your way through the challenges. She will lead you to a path you can follow in discovering treasures of history with your family.

BECKY COOKE

Homeschooling through High School Track

Creating a Transcript: Practical Help and Tips

ROOM: 164-165

Creating a high school transcript is easy, yet a vital part of your child's high school records. In this interactive, practical seminar you'll create a transcript that can be used as a pattern when designing your own. We'll guide you through transcript essentials, evaluation of credit, grading guidelines and scales, and calculation of grade point average (GPA). In addition, you'll receive sample transcripts depicting other formats for you to consider.

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LYNN CARAHALY

Understanding Your Child's Learning Challenge: Why Your Child Might Not Be Achieving Academic Success

ROOM: 166-167

Understanding the underlying cause behind your child's learning problem can empower you to be a more effective teacher at home. Deficits in the underlying cognitive skills that are required to achieve academic success are the likely root of the problem. These abilities include, but are not limited to, cognitive skills such as processing speed, working memory, attention, listening comprehension, visual processing, executive functioning, logic and reasoning, and integration of skills. Gain knowledge and employ effective methods to promote your child's academic success!

HAL YOUNG

The World, The Flesh, and The Young'uns - Protecting Your Wife in the Homeschooling Life

ROOM: 156-157

Studies show that nearly all of the active homeschooling task is done by the mother – which makes sense, because most fathers spend the majority of their days earning the family's living. While the teaching may be delegated to Mom, Dad needs to be aware of her critical need for more than financial and moral support. She needs protection from things that may not have occurred to either one of them. Hal Young points out where some of the hidden land mines lie, and offers suggestions for how husbands can protect their wives.

ADAM ANDREWS

Teaching the Classics from Seuss to Socrates

ROOM: 158-159

Does teaching literature seem like a mystery? This inspiring lecture demonstrates that everything you need to know about this crucial subject is present in your second grader's bedtime story. Adam reads a classic children's story out loud to begin the presentation, and then leads the audience into a discussion of eternal literary themes. Along the way, he shows how you can do the same at home by following five simple steps. Your literature curriculum – to say nothing of family story time – will come alive immediately. You'll never put the kids to bed the same way again!

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VODDIE BAUCHAM

Biblical Manhood

ROOM: South Ballroom

The Bible has much to say about manhood. Unfortunately what we learn from culture, from our families, and sometimes even from the church does not line up with what the Bible teaches. In this session we will examine key biblical texts that will help us think differently about what it means to be a man and what it means to raise them. NOTE: While the main topic is Biblical Manhood, Voddie also discusses women's roles in this workshop. Women are invited to attend with their husbands.

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JORDAN HULCY

Homeschooling through High School Track

Thanks, Mom and Dad, for Your Last Full Measure

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Description not yet available.

DIANA WARING

Not Just Your Average Genius

ROOM: 166-167

In this fast-paced, easy-to-understand workshop, you will distinguish three different grids that impact the unique way each one in your family learns: Learning Modalities (visual, auditory, kinesthetic); Learning Styles (Feeler, Thinker, Sensor, Intuitor); and Learning Intelligences (interpersonal, intrapersonal, linguistic, spatial, math-logical, bodily-kinesthetic, musical, naturalist). Discover how to honor ... not curse ... that wiggler in your midst; how to create a rich atmosphere for learning that will attract every learner; how to utilize your children's strengths to learn subjects that are hard for them; and most importantly, learn that God delights in the incredibly individualized mechanisms for learning inside each of us! With this insight, including new research on intelligences, you will be able to adapt your teaching strategies and choose your curriculum wisely.

MELANIE YOUNG

Sanity's in the Freezer: Bulk Cooking to Save Time and Money

ROOM 156-157

In this eminently practical workshop, you will learn how to have real meals on the days your science experiment eats the kitchen. Don't worry if you have tried once-a-month cooking and didn't like spending a whole day in the kitchen. Melanie didn't like that either! Find out how to feed your family well on less money and how to serve great dinners with minimal time in the kitchen. You will learn how to convert your favorite recipes to bulk cooking, how to take shortcuts in meal preparation, and how to bulk cook even if you have a house full of little ones or can't spare a single day out of your schedule. There is something in this workshop for everyone – those who love to cook and those who are clueless in the kitchen. Everyone can make their life easier.

TOM AND COLENE LEWIS

A 21st Century Look at Honorable Romance – Part I

ROOM: 158-159

You will learn simple, clear, and useful approaches to dating and courtship. In addition, parents will learn ways to discuss basic principles with their teens and young adults, including a simple test to gauge romantic relationships. You will receive encouragement to emphasize principles rather than rules and regulations, which allows a personalized approach to each individual situation. Tom and Colene have walked through three unique courtships and have come out with strong relationships with their daughters and sons-in-law.

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VODDIE BAUCHAM

Getting Your House in Order

ROOM: South Ballroom

Dr. Baucham turns his attention to the Christian home and explains what an “orderly” home should look like. Expounding on the Old Testament text of Deuteronomy 6, Voddie highlights six characteristics of a properly ordered home. Through personal testimony and biblical instruction, Voddie educates and motivates Christian parents to rise to the challenge of changing the world – one household at a time.

BECKY COOKE

Homeschooling through High School Track

Homeschooling the College Bound: Successfully Navigating the Road to Admission

ROOM: 164-165

If your child’s post-high school plans include college, you’ll want to carefully plan out their high school years. This seminar will provide you with tips and resources to help you better understand how you can prepare your high schooler for the challenges of college, as well as aid you in helping them select and apply to colleges as a homeschooled student. You’ll receive information on making the most of a college visit, interacting with college admissions officers, and gathering the information needed for the college application.

LYNN CARAHALY

Tools and Strategies to Support Children with AD/HD

ROOM: 166-167

This workshop offers parents tools and practical strategies to better support their child with AD/HD. In addition to gaining knowledge on how to apply these tools, parents will be able to better comprehend the nature of AD/HD, related underlying cognitive deficits, and how they can target and elevate those weaknesses.

HAL AND MELANIE YOUNG

Just As I Am: Homeschooling through Challenges

ROOM: 156-157

Homeschooling is a challenge at any time. Sickness, job loss, learning disabilities, business travel, and relocation are just a few of the extra stresses that can derail our best efforts to teach at home. Hal and Melanie Young have seen God’s grace in all of these situations and more. The good news is that God can enable you to teach and learn more through the hard times than you ever thought possible. Come for a frank and encouraging look at what God can do through difficulties, and why it’s so important to keep homeschooling in spite of the challenges.

TOM AND COLENE LEWIS

A 21st Century Look at Honorable Romance – Part II

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This is a continuation of “A 21st Century Look at Honorable Romance – Part I.”

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DIANA WARING

Actively Engage Learning and Actually Enjoy Learning

ROOM: South Ballroom

One of the biggest questions people ask is, "How do I get my kids to finish their school work?" The deeper question is actually, "How do I get my kids to be self-motivated?" We will examine the answers to this critical question, and look at specific ways to encourage and assist our children in developing ownership of their education. "Yagottahavagottawanna" is the attitude we want our children to catch, but we must learn the critical difference between controlling and directing, between pushing and releasing, and between coercing and facilitating. This is an interactive and practical workshop that you can put to use immediately.

BECKY COOKE

Homeschooling through High School Track

It's Off to Work We Go! Homeschooling for the Marketplace, the Home Front, or the Military

ROOM: 164-165

Preparing your teens for the marketplace, the home front, or the military is an exciting endeavor. The high school years are an important time to equip them academically. Come hear about various careers and opportunities that do not require a four-year degree.

DAN SINCLAIR

You're Different and So Am I (For parents)

ROOM: 166-167

God created only one of you. You're different and unique. Exploring the differences and understanding how your children are different can give you a tremendous advantage in communicating with them. Come laugh and have fun while learning how differences make all of us special.

MITZI WISELY

Making It Work - Panel Discussion

ROOM: 156-157

A panel of veteran homeschool moms will share their experiences in a light-hearted and open atmosphere. They will discuss their personal homeschooling styles, curriculum choices, scheduling, teaching several grade levels, and other nitty-gritty details about how they make homeschooling work in their individual circumstances. You'll be challenged and encouraged that you can do this too, as real moms who live in the real world share their joys and struggles.

SHIRLEY SOLIS

Real Life + Real Books = Real Education

ROOM: 158-159

Can it be so simple? Time and again homeschool families have given their children a great education through real life experiences and a love of reading. Find out what works and how you, too, can enjoy this journey. This is a great workshop for beginning and veteran homeschoolers alike!