

# Connection Point

September 2024

## EVENT CALENDAR

**Sept 6 - 7** – District Board Meeting / The Cause training (open to all, invite leaders)  
Fri. 9 am to 5 pm. New Hope Chapel, 2007 Cornell Ave. Yakima. Then we will all gather for dinner on Fri. night at 6pm at Xochimilco Mexican Restaurant 5110 Tieton Dr. and back to New Hope for The Cause training on Sat. morning at 9 am.

**Sept. 19 - 21** - Women's Conference - Clarkston, WA (Please Register today, so we know food quantity to purchase.)

**Sept. 26 - 29** - Men's Retreat Camp - Pierce, ID

**Oct. 25 - 27** - Marriage Conference, Cd'A, ID "A Weekend to Remember" is put on by Family Life <https://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember>

**Dec. 6 - 7** – District Board Meeting / The Cause, Hayden, ID

### 2025 Calendar

**Mar. 20 – 22** – Impact NW: District Board Meeting / The Cause, Tacoma, WA  
Keynote speaker: Joe Skiles Jr.

**June 6 -7** - District Board Meeting / The Cause

**July 14 - 18** - District Family Camp, Hayden, ID Speaker: Dr. Phil Redding

Bishop David's new email is: [dtroberts1980@gmail.com](mailto:dtroberts1980@gmail.com)

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Please contact us, if you signed up but are not getting a monthly Newsletter email. Also, please send me more contacts of ones who would like to subscribe. Thank you.



## *W*omen's Conference 2024

*Sept. 19-21*

*Celebration Church*

*1355 Elm St. Clarkston, WA*

*Guest Speaker – Lisa Bomley*

*Reg. Fee \$45 - Door \$55*

*Meals Included*

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Schedule as follows:

Thursday night service 7:00 pm, After service: Snacks, pie, desserts.

Friday Breakfast 8:00 am, Service at 10:00 am, Lunch 12:00, Dinner 5:00 pm, Service 7:00 pm

Saturday Breakfast 8:00 am, Service at 10:00 am, Lunch To Go!

**This month we are featuring our Pastors from Spokane, Kerry & Tammy Morrow.**



Kerry and Tammy Morrow have lived in and loved Spokane, Washington since 1994!

They are the Pastor's/Missionaries to Embassy Church (a Home Missions Church) located in the neighborhood of Hillyard in the heart of Spokane for the last 3 successful years. Kerry is very gifted in the Word, Teaching, and Worship. Kerry has an anointing with the ability to play multiple instruments. Tammy is the Administrator, Teacher and ministers in Deliverance prayer.



With-in the walls of Embassy Church are Sunday Morning worship services, Wednesday night Bible Study, Solomon's Porch (that ministers to the homeless, the hungry, and clothes the needy). The Morrows lead a Dinner Church on Thursday evenings. Embassy Church has yearly outreach ministries, a Hot Dog feed on October 31st, in this specific outreach we fish for souls when they walk past the church. They also have 'The HUNT' on Easter Saturday, kids collect gold coins, then turn them in for prizes. The Embassy Church monitors and leads students to a Discipleship walk in Christ. The Morrow's are passionate in all they do at Embassy Church, we are an expression of Christ to Spokane and the world.

## **Men's Retreat Campout**

**Sept. 26 – 29 \* Pierce, ID**

**Guest Speaker: Bishop Dave Roberts**

Meet at **Noon** at New Life Fellowship

**401 Stover Rd. Pierce, ID**

Remember to contact Pastor Joiner or Bishop Roberts via messenger to register.

Bring your camping gear, food & necessities.

# Dinner Church Hybrid Encounter

Saturday, December 7, 2024 / 9am-3pm PT



Hosted by:  
Family Worship Center  
697 W. Dakota Ave.  
Hayden, ID



Leaders all across the country are rediscovering Jesus' dinner table theology that dominated the Apostolic Era. The present-day Dinner Church movement is giving leaders and churches a renewed ability to reach people who would never attend their Sunday morning gatherings. A Dinner Church Encounter is a 1-day training event, beginning with the rich theological history of the dinner church vision, and progresses throughout the day toward more practical insights that would enable a leader or group to imagine hosting a Dinner Church in their own community.

## Schedule of the Day

8:30am Registration / Coffee & Refreshments  
9:00am Session #1 - "Declines & Rebirths"  
10:15am Break  
10:30am Session #2 - "The Historic Dinner Church"  
11:30am Lunch - (Box Lunch Provided)  
12:30pm Session #3 - "A Divine Invite"  
1:15pm Break  
1:30pm Session #4 - "The Front Lines of the Gospel"  
2:15pm Break  
2:30pm Concluding Session: *Table Discussion & Prayer*

**PCG family is free to this event, but you must register. We're creating a registration on our website.**



Dr. Verlon Fosner leads an innovative network of Dinner Churches in Seattle Washington. In 2008, they opened up their first Dinner Church in a sore neighborhood and immediately the room began to fill up with more never-been-churched people than they had seen in years. Soon they were opening one after another throughout Seattle neighborhoods on different nights of the week, and the results were the same as the first one. They now pour into numerous neighborhoods throughout their city each week with a simple idea – that Jesus still wants to have dinner with sinners and wants his church to set the table.



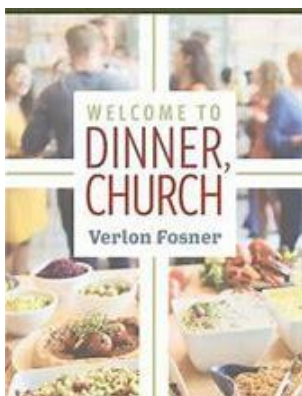
It soon became obvious that they were not the only ones who needed a new way of doing church. So in 2014, so they founded coaching network centered on Jesus' dinner table theology (check out: [DinnerChurch](#)). Presently, Verlon offers more than half of his time to help leaders throughout the country look at their cities and neighborhoods with new eyes.

In 2016, Verlon joined the [Fresh Expressions](#) leadership team and began offering training and conference events: Encounters, Launch Cohorts, and even a graduate program; [Dinner Church School of Leadership](#)

Verlon has written several books: [Dinner Church](#), [Dinner Church Handbook](#), [Welcome to Dinner, Church](#) and [Trowel & Sword](#) (with Jon Davis) which reveals prayer-practices needed for the frontlines of evangelism. Verlon has been married to Melodee for 40 years, and together they have three adult children, seven grandchildren, a variant collection of grand-foster-kids, and two grand-dogs.



My wife, Christine, and I have been married for 29 years and have been involved in ministry in some capacity that entire time. Coming out of the Covid shutdown, we transitioned our church to a Dinner Church format, and have never looked back. Since then, I have been an advocate for Dinner Church and have helped several other groups launch their own Dinner Churches. My goal is to help other leaders and pioneers discover how this ancient form of church can reach our current culture.



## *From the Bishop's Desk,*

As I just arrived home from my 1-mile PT walk my heart is filled with gratitude. It was not that long ago I tried to walk to my mailbox (which is only about 40 yards) and could only go half-way and had to turn around and limp back, and this was a good day! The Lord has blessed me in so many ways, He has answered prayer and delivered me from the mud pit of despair, fear, and hopelessness. In the middle of these past 3 months I experienced a very low spot, not near as extreme as to when Jeremiah was lowered into a mud pit and left sinking, however my experience was similar, I felt that sinking sensation, hope was waning, and fear was setting in, have I been left to die here, was a real emotion and question! I do not believe I was about to die physically or spiritually but there was a decay happening as I wrestled with the thoughts that I may never be able to do the things I once did, will I have to fully retire and stop doing the things that I love, will I ever be able to enjoy my grands as I once did riding 4 wheelers, playing basketball, wrestling on the floor, all of these thoughts were swirling in my head and hope for a future was decaying. In my despair I cried out and the Lord heard me, and just like sinking Jeremiah when God sent others to lift him out of his pit, my Deliverer sent others to lower a lifeline to me, I grabbed hold, and He lifted me from the miry clay! Since being lifted out of this pit by my faithful comrades (you who are reading this and many more) my heart position has somewhat shifted! As Jeremiah I desire to continue to hear His voice and speak the word of the Lord, but from a much greater position of gratitude. Have greater awareness and compassion for those who are suffering from pain whether it is physical, mental, or spiritual. As I walk, I consider the many things that I once took for granted, like simply walking, now as I walk my eyes usually fill with tears as I lift-up my heart before the Lord who lives and reigns, who delivers and lifts me up. I, with a renewed spirit give thanks in all things, not overlooking even the smallest of provisions. I realize this is only September and Thanksgiving is nearly three months away, however, let's just pause and breath a heartfelt thanks to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, go ahead, right now, do it! Give thanks in all things! Didn't that feel good and refreshing!

