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Please register today using the following link: <http://www.teachct.org/docs/2008ConventionBrochure.pdf>

We are so excited about you joining us for the 2008 TEACH Convention on June 13th and 14th at the First Cathedral in Bloomfield, CT! We have awesome and inspirational speakers that include Phil Downer and his son Paul, Diana Waring and Betty Statnick. Here is a sneak peak on what Phil Downer will be sharing that weekend:

***Keynote: Seeing God use Your Life to Change the World One Person at a Time***

***Building World-Changing Leaders for Christ Through Homeschooling***

Phil will address practical and biblical approaches to training our children to have the confidence to stand alone as ambassadors for Christ, to be godly leaders, and to be men and women who will be able to influence, lead, and disciple other leaders. This session focuses on the keys to building leaders.

***Dad's Irreplaceable Role***

This is a practical and biblical session on the father's role in training the homeschool family and leading the home. Dad needs to be engaged in instructing, but also in building strong character and strong relationships. He is called to be a strong leader and yet gentle and humble. He is not just a coach, but God's player-coach. And one of the most powerful secrets of how Dad can be all these things is to start by being a three letter word: fun!

***Supporting and Encouraging the Homeschool Mom***

This workshop offers encouragement for moms on the challenges of homeschool family life along with tips for how dads can be a vital support to her on issues of sibling conflict, character development, and discipline. Mom needs to take a breather from trying to do everything and find the keys to enjoying deeper relationships with her children. Here she will hear insights on how to see and seize the opportunities in the problems of homeschool family life.

***Resolving Family Conflicts in Truth and Love***

Learn the do's and don'ts of how to bring up and deal with the smoldering issues, keep difficult discussions from escalating, work through the toughest issues, and change negative patterns of interaction to positive ones. It is imperative that we not merely teach our children but work through and resolve old hurts and resentments that can undermine our efforts to grow them into godly leaders. This powerful workshop is designed to help you build relationships that are closer than ever before.

***The Homeschool Marriage—From Surviving to Thriving***

Every day, the homeschool marriage experiences high levels of stress, a frantic pace of life, and competing priorities which work to pull it apart at the seams. If all these forces are carefully dealt with, however, the result can be a marriage and family that is not only surviving, but truly *thriving*. This workshop deals with planning, communication, teamwork, and the primary obstacles that threaten to rob your marriage and family of relational harmony, peace of mind, and fruitfulness.

We welcome you to join us!

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