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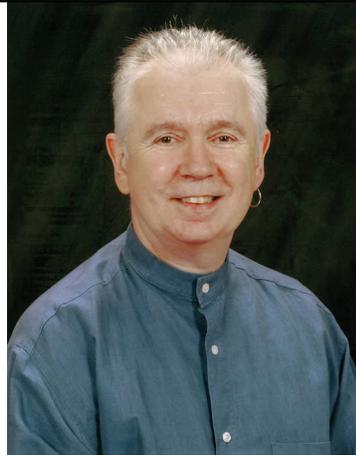
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Mission: *The CCCU Center for Research in Adult Learning will serve Christian institutions by facilitating and encouraging research, which will enhance the quality of Christ-centered adult programs.*

Stephen Brookfield Teleconference Speaker March 25

The Center for Research is pleased to announce that Dr. Stephen Brookfield has agreed to be our Spring Teleconference speaker. Dr. Brookfield will be present, "Developing Critically Reflective Teachers" on March 25 at 11:00 AM (EDT). His work in the field of adult education is well known to many of us. He has authored twelve books and received numerous awards for his work promoting adult

education. After reviewing critical theory, he will inspire us with practical teaching techniques that we can use to promote reflective thinking in our classes. This teleconference is an excellent faculty development opportunity. Each registered school will receive a copy of Dr. Brookfield's PowerPoint slides. Gather your faculty into a room with a speakerphone and enjoy this presentation for only \$99 for



CCCU members and \$129 for non-members. [Click here](#) to register.

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Research Agenda

- Learning outcomes assessment for adults
- Benchmarking
- Retention of adult students
- Spiritual transformation of adults
- Best practices in online learning
- Teaching diverse learners
- Alumni surveys

Strategic Goals

- Sponsor at least one conference per year.
- Publish at least one monograph per year.
- Provide benchmarking data on adult education.
- Assist in student learning outcomes assessment
- Serve as a resource for research in adult programs.
- Coordinate projects at the request of institutions

Annual Conference May 10-12 Cincinnati

[Register now](#) for the CCCU Center for Research in Adult Learning Annual Conference at the Indiana Wesleyan University Florence Education Center, just south of Cincinnati in Florence Kentucky. Our keynote speaker is Roger Parrott, President of Belhaven University. Sessions include topics such as curriculum design, online learning, integrating faith and learning, spiritual support for online learners, faculty development, moral reasoning, improving student writing, global leadership, service learn-

ing and more. A preconference workshop on May 10 will focus on "Best Practices in Using Technology to Enhance Learning for Adults." Accommodations at the nearby Hyatt Place include free breakfast, free internet and free shuttle to the airport. This conference is priced to be very affordable: CCCU members pay only \$100 for the conference and \$50 for the preconference. Hotel rooms are only \$99. [Click here](#) for more details and agenda. [Register now!](#)

Free Book for Conference Attendees: *Best Practices in the Integration of Faith and Learning for Adult and Online Students*

It's been one year in the making. Over twenty authors from CCCU schools have contributed to the new Center for Research in Adult Learning book: *Best Practices in the Integration of Faith and Learning for Adult and Online Students*. The book is a very practical approach, with tested teaching techniques for a variety of courses: Online, on site and hybrid. Cheryl Fleming and Cynthia Tweedell are co-editors. Our Spring Conference attendees will get the first copies of this new book when they register in Florence, Kentucky on May 10-12. General release of the book will follow shortly thereafter. Watch for details on how you can order copies for your faculty.

Curriculum Audit Tool Now Available

Dr. Rick Upchurch is making his Curriculum Audit Tool and accompanying handbook available to adult program faculty and administrators. This useful guide enables curriculum writers to rationally move from program objectives to course objectives to course assignments. It helps course writers to ensure academic rigor and focus on assessment of learning outcomes. Writers can spot problem areas right away and move to quickly address that problem. The use of this tool is a **MUST** for anyone who is writing a new course or modifying an existing one. Sample copies of this handbook will be available at the conference in May. Additional copies are available at 10 for \$80. To order, contact Jennifer.vermilion@indwes.edu.

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Other Center Activities

- Regular Teleconferences
- Book: *Best Practices in the Integration of Faith and Learning for Adult and Online Students* Coming May, 2010
 - Student Learning Outcomes Benchmarking Project
 - Spiritual Formation Project
 - Moral Reasoning Project
 - Retention Project
 - Gathering useful Information about CCCU Adult Programs
 - Bibliography on Adult Education

Consult our website for more information: www.indwes.edu/cral

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