



March 13, 2021

9 AM to Noon

22" And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the wine-skins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins."

Mark 2:22

### Conference Speaker



**Rev. Handel Smith** [bio](#)

Executive Director for US and Canada Strategy for Church of God Ministries in Anderson, Indiana

### Start Fresh Worship Leader



**Rev. Liisa Erskine** [bio](#)

Eaton First Church of God

Theme:

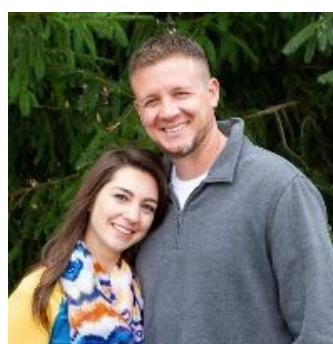
# Embracing the New Normal

*A Virtual Experience*

### Breakout Room Facilitators



Rev. Mike Harmon [bio](#)



Rev. Josh Chaffin [bio](#)



Reba Fowler [bio](#)



Rev. Liz Hultz [bio](#)



Rev. R.W. Moody [bio](#)

#### Schedule:

- 9:00 AM...Devotional Songs
- 9:10 AM...Welcome & Prayer
- 9:15 AM...Speaker - 1
- 9:41 AM...Breakout Session #1
- 10:11 AM...Summary (Breakout)
- 10:20 AM...Speaker - 2
- 10:45 AM...Breakout Session #2
- 11:15 AM...Break Time
- 11:20 AM...Song by Liisa Erskine
- 11:25 AM...Summary (Breakout)
- 11:35 AM...Breakout Session #3 (Testimonials)

#### Breakout Room Facilitators:

- Technology - Rev. Mike Harmon
- Soul Care - Rev. Josh Chaffin
- Using creativity to grow and stay connected to our Seniors - Reba Fowler
- Kids Ministry - Rev. Liz Hultz
- Student Ministry - Rev. RW Moody
- Q & A w/ Rev. Handel Smith and Rev. Esther Cottrell

## Can't wait to see you!

For several years our State Pastor and Director of Ministries has reminded us that we are indeed, "Better Together".

Now, more than ever, this last year has revealed the truth and strength of this saying! The coronavirus and recent political events have continued to stretch our unity and cloud the future of many of our local congregations.

We are at war! The enemy and challenges we face as leaders in Ohio cannot be resolved by who is in political office or if/when you receive your Covid vaccination. And though COGO Ministries certainly does not believe we have all the answers, we do believe our connectivity has and will continue to bring both emotional and spiritual support, as well as the truth — You are not alone!

This year's Start Fresh Leadership Conference will focus on "Embracing the New Normal", using Mark 2:22, the parable of wine and wineskins, as our themed verse. We are so honored to have Rev. Handel Smith, the Executive Director for US and Canada Strategy for Church of God Ministries in Anderson, Indiana as our main speaker. In addition to Handel's very full-time ministry with Church of God Ministries he also serves as the campus pastor for Celebration Church (Anderson). In the midst of this pandemic which has challenged all of our churches and leaders, his church has grown! His weekly attendance numbers are up, his small groups are multiplying, and disciples are being made through baptism and teaching.

In addition to Rev. Smith's presentation, we will also have multiple breakout rooms for discussions. In these rooms you can process what you have learned and the opportunity to hear from several leaders on how they too are thriving in ministry during this pandemic.

This conference is virtual, register today.

Rev. Demetrius Booker,  
COGO Ministries State Associate Pastor



### REGISTER HERE

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