



# LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AND GROUPS MINISTRY

August 8, 2026 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**First Baptist Church**

1333 N 3rd St, Abilene

## CONFERENCE TITLES & LEADERS

### **Pastors & Directors**

Planning a Year of Discipleship

A basic strategic framework for discipleship will be shared, as well as a simple tool to help you approach annual planning with balance and intentionality. Time for open conversation about issues related to leading discipleship in your church is also planned.

### **Leaders of Adults**

Groups That Thrive

Groups that engage in mission, discipleship, and community build the body of Christ and enjoy being together. In this breakout leaders of adult groups will gain tools for engaging their group members in the outward, upward, and inward purposes of Sunday School/open Small Groups.

### **Leaders of Middle/High School Students**

Engaging Teenagers in Small Groups

As the leader of a youth small group, preparation is more than just Bible study. You have the opportunity to help teenagers grow in their walk with Jesus and build community, but also challenge them to minister to the world around them. This session will help you formulate a plan of how to use small groups to help your students look outward, upward and inward.

### **Leaders of Preschool/Elementary Children**

To Know and to Grow: Sharing the Gospel with Children

This session will center around the spiritual formation of children—how they can know they are loved by God and how they can grow in their faith journey. As childhood ministry leaders, we are entrusted with sharing the gospel message with children during their formative years and nurturing their faith through discipleship.

### **Intercultural Childhood Ministry - Nancy Jackson (presented in English)**

Dual Language Children's Sunday School

Living in another culture and having your children raised in that culture is hard. Join us as we look at how to create a Children's Sunday School class that is a mix of your heart culture and language and American culture and language. We will talk about how this teaching method came about and how to teach these classes.

Register at [txb.org/dc](https://txb.org/dc)