

# The DOXOLOGY Difference

## Renewing Pastors and Congregations Since 2007

### What is DOXOLOGY?

- A comprehensive experience of advanced pastoral training offers new skills for pastors to provide transformational spiritual care.
- Ten days of intensive instruction and peer learning spread over three conference reereats.
- Up to five hours of individual consultation and mentoring to enrich pastors' personal and professional growth.

### How will it benefit our congregation?

- Skilled pastors are effective pastors.
- Congregations benefit as pastors are better equipped to provide care for struggling people.
- Congregations experience greater unity and an increased desire to care for one another.
- Lay leaders and pastor review together how Christ grows His Church on earth.

### How does it assist our church leaders?

- Dedicated laity are vital for a vibrant parish.
- Your lay leaders are invited to join your pastor for a weekend of instruction, conversation and problem-solving.
- DOXOLOGY deepens partnerships between leaders and pastor in service to our Lord and His church.

### How does it benefit our pastor and his wife?

- The annual DOXOLOGY "Grand Reunion" convenes clergy couples for a weekend of training, conversation and networking.
- Pastors and wives are strengthened and encouraged in their unique vocations.
- The dividends for your congregation are too numerous to mention.

**Any research about the program's benefits?**

- Analysis of data shows that pastors have never learned so much about pastoral care since their days at seminary!
- Pastors report greater joy and fulfillment in their ministry, despite greater challenges.
- Pastors report increased skills for relational ministry and greater pastoral effectiveness.

**What does the cost cover?**

- 10 days of meals/lodging and tuition for pastor
- 3 days of meals/lodging and tuition for one lay leader
- 3 days of meals/lodging and tuition for pastor's wife



The total cost of the program is \$6000

Due to generous gifts from funding partners we are able to offer each 2024 congregation a grant of \$3500. **The final cost is \$2500** (\$2400 to the congregation + \$100 to the pastor).

**Early bird registration before December 15th reduces the price by \$200!**

Recent research documents that the majority of pastors completing the program experience significant gains in: 1) joy and fulfillment in ministry; 2) establishing effective personal and pastoral boundaries; 3) good conscience *coram Deo*; 4) working relationship with congregation's leadership; 5) healthy marriage and family life; 6) personal devotional life; and 7) pastoral effectiveness.

The fee can be paid in three installments, across two fiscal years.  
**In case of special financial need, contact us to discuss additional grant funding.**

## 2024 Classic Series Venues

INDIANA		<i>2nd Classic Series = TBA</i>	
Gathering	Jan 29–Feb 1, 2024	Gathering	<i>Dates tba</i>
Encore	May 31–June 2, 2024	Encore	<i>Dates tba</i>

*Grand Reunion for Indiana will meet 8/2 – 8/4/2024 in Kansas City, KS*

*Grand Reunion for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Classic Series will meet 8/1 – 8/3/2025 at a location TBA*