



## RELEVANT PRACTICAL MINISTRY FOR MEN

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SPEAK INTO SOME LIVES....**

### MEET DAN SEABORN

Dan Seaborn, founder of the marriage and family ministry, *Winning at Home Inc.*, sometimes refers to himself as “your average Walmart shopper.” He speaks to men on their own level from his own experience, and boy, can he fire up a crowd. He’s been featured at numerous Iron Sharpens Iron events across the nation.



“I’m always glad to be invited to these events,” Seaborn says. “They do an excellent job of providing quality training, and keeping it focused on men. I hope in Terre Haute on March 4 the Lord will use me to speak into some lives. I plan to speak on growing men in the family.

“All through scripture—Ephesians is a good example—the husband is compared to Christ while the wife is compared to the church. With Christ as the example, you see that Biblically, the man takes care of his wife and family. It isn’t about male domination. The principle is to serve, to sacrifice.

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### A SOUNDBITE FROM BISHOP LARRY JACKSON

“At ISI in Springfield March 18, I’ll be discussing man’s place in this culture, as well as how he fits into the priesthood of believers. What’s going on with the culture regarding men is something we need to counteract. Don’t give in to the prevailing culture and the emasculation of men.

“We have men at home who are not at home—not doing what they need to do so their wives and children are taken care of. A lot of times we’re missing in action. I want to come in and bring a counter-narrative. Let’s awaken men to the fact they need to function where they’re told in the Bible to function.”



*Bishop Larry Jackson is the founding pastor of Bethel Outreach International Church in Charlotte, NC. He is a nationally known speaker and the author of several books including *Guilt Free Living: practical instruction on how to be free from the spirit of lust in every area of life*. Bishop Jackson and his wife, Joandra, reside in Charlotte, NC, with their daughters.*

### ISI 2017 SCHEDULE

#### TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

**March 4, 2017**

Maryland Community Church

Speakers: Michael Crawford,  
Dan Seaborn

#### SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

**March 18**

First United Methodist Church

Speakers: Ricky Jenkins,  
Bishop Larry Jackson

#### CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS

**April 8**

New Horizon United  
Methodist Church

Speakers: Crawford Loritts,  
Brodie Croyle

### OTHER EVENTS

**April 22:** Ignite Pathway training, Coal City, IL

**April 29:** Ignite Pathway training, Grace Bible Church, Florissant, MO.

**TBA June:** Bob Brady/RPM Golf Classic, Decatur, IL

**July 14-16:** Fathering Adventure, Clinton, IL

**November 4:** Ignite Pathway training, First United Methodist Church, Springfield, IL

**November 18:** Ignite Pathway training, State Line Christian Church, Paris, IL

"Most men don't understand that principle. Christ didn't say 'follow me and then I'll die for you.' It was reversed. If we can get men to identify with Christ in this way, to understand the concept of dying to self for the sake of the marriage and family, we'll change society one man at a time."

"After the conference, it doesn't matter if anyone remembers my name. The question isn't, 'Did they clap?' It's, 'What has changed?' If nothing changes, then nothing changes. But if the spirit of the Lord moves men closer to Him, then we've been successful."

*Dan Seaborn's commitment to God and family captivates and challenges listeners of all ages. Dan is a powerful and passionate speaker and radio personality. He has authored twelve books. In 1995, Dan founded Winning At Home, Inc., an organization that produces media resources and hosts special events to develop marriages and families. Currently Dan is serving as the division leader for the Marriage & Family Division of the AACC. He and his wife Jane have four children and live in West Michigan.*



Over the last ten years, five different men have discipleshiped me, and I have invested in several men myself. As I reflect on those experiences, three things stand out to me as critical to the discipleship process. The first of these is the need to help a man establish a clear vision for his life and relationship with God.

A problem I've seen in churches is that they have a hard time drawing men in and getting them to connect deeply because of that lack of vision. "What is my role here, beyond driving the van or mowing the lawn?" a man might be asking himself. It's an important question.

Now, to help someone establish a vision, you, yourself have to understand biblical manhood. You have to have spent time pursuing what it means to be a Godly man, and you need to model that.

I'll cover my other two points in a future edition.

On a personal note, dear friends, I want to share with you that Lisa and I just found out we're expecting twins in September. This is going to be quite an adventure for our family.

Praise God!

Tom Gensler



## IT IS STILL POSSIBLE TO LIVE AS GOD INTENDED

Our highlighted keynote speakers this month, Dan Seaborn and Larry Jackson, both expressed a concern that men, even in the church, have lost sight of what it means to be a Godly man. I launched RPM in 2007 with similar concerns.

Unfortunately, we live in a culture that confuses equality between men and women with sameness, and tries to force everyone into gender neutrality. The truth is, men and women were created with different strengths, different needs, and a different perspective. That's why God emphasizes that men should love their wives while wives should respect the husband—it's about what men and women respond to.

Many men in church see their role as limited to pew-sitting, maybe a Sunday school class. God called them to be leaders and fishers of men. Our primary focus at RPM is to be a resource to pastors, leaders, and men in the context of their own local church, to help make disciples.

There are two key parts of this: one is facilitating a high quality national men's conference that draws groups of men to attend and take what they learn back into churches. ISI features an explosion of resources they would never have access to within the local church. The other thing we do really well, is to consult with men in what discipleship looks like. We put emphasis on the vision of the local church, and how the men of that church can grow and fit into that.

*Thank you for your support of RPM as we enter our second decade of service. Your prayers and financial contributions make this ministry possible. Together, we are RPM!*



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