FOR MORE INFORMATION on this event, please contact **Dale Leverknight** at: 724-254-9720 or 814-541-3684, or email him at pastor@montgomerycob.com.

TO REGISTER: please send form (below) with \$10.00 (made to SVMC) to: Dale Leverknight, Montgomery Church of the Brethren 5227 Purchase Line Road, Commodore, PA 15729

Pastoral Care & Crisis Intervention II Family and Small Group Care

Message From Dale Leverknight:

Hello Pastors...

Enclosed here is information on a new series of continuing education opportunities that the Western PA District Pastor and Parish Team will be offering over the next two years. Let me tell you about them. But first, let's discuss a few things. It is all too common that what affects one person will usually affect a number of others, usually their families and close friends. How could it not? Many times, while trying to be of support to one person, the families and immediate groups of friends suffer in silence around them. Well intentioned support can often take its toll that sometimes is not seen for some time and when it does, it can leave a path of destruction in its wake.

That is why I am sending this to you and trust that you will take a moment to read this carefully. I have found over the last 27 years that many pastors and counselors truly struggle with what to say or do for people they are helping when the disaster strikes. This is why I urge you to read further and why we are offering this series of continuing education opportunities.

Over the next two years, we will offer a four-part series on Pastoral Crisis Intervention. These one-day courses will begin with the most basic of skills needed by pastors to begin to offer spiritual support and comfort to persons in their care and will build upon the previous trainings as we make our way through the series.

Pastoral Crisis Intervention II

This course will begin immediately where Intervention I ends and will be building upon those basic skills. This training will now move the pastor into utilizing those skills within the larger context of the Family or Small Group setting. This course will explore:

- -Vocabulary and Family/Group Dynamics during Crises
- -Listening Skills
- -Biblical Foundations
- -Understanding "What affects one...affects all!"
- -Group Practice

Whether you are new to Pastoral Care or would enjoy refreshing those skills with new methods and skills, please consider attending these events. We will be offering these events on two dates to accommodate persons working. **Pastoral Crisis Intervention I** is not a prerequisite.

Pastoral Crisis Intervention II Saturday, September 08, 2018

Dale Leverknight, Instructor Moxham Church of the Brethren, Johnstown, PA Registration @ 8:30 a.m. Deadline to register is August 27, 2018 Course will run from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Cost is \$10.00 <u>and includes your</u> 0.5 CEUs from SVMC (Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center), workbook, a continental breakfast and a hot lunch

and again on... Monday, September 10, 2018

Ligonier Church of the Brethren, Ligonier, PA (all other information is the same)

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Please check which event you are attending: _____ Saturday-September 8 at Moxham Church of the Brethren ____ Monday-September 10 at Ligonier Church of the Brethren Name: Congregation: Address: Phone: Email: