

ATTENTION PARENTS

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A VISION FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

A challenging, encouraging and equipping night - vital for the family's role in educating their children.

As parents we are not comfortable with the divisions and distortions that have shaped our culture, but all too often, we end up repeating, with a 'Christian flavor', the divisions and distortions that we are trying to escape from.

This evening will explore, with real examples, some ways in which Christian education often falls short, and provide some glimpses of what can be in classrooms that are animated and alive with biblical vision.

WHO IS DAVID SMITH

David I Smith completed his B.A. at Oxford University, a M.Phil.F. Degree at the Institute for Christian Studies in Toronto and a PhD in curriculum studies at the Institute of Education at the University of London. He is currently Director of the Kuyers Institute for Christian Teaching and Learning and Associate professor of German at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

He serves as Senior Editor of the journal of Education and Christian Belief and Editor of the Journal of Christianity and Foreign Languages. He has authored or edited over 10 books and over 30 book chapters and articles in the fields of language education and philosophy of education, and travels widely as a speaker at educational events and as a consultant to schools. www.calvin.edu/kuyers



WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT DAVID SMITH

"David Smith was able to hold a huge audience engaged as though he was speaking to each person individually. Backed up by great audio-visuals, he effectively demonstrated his approach to a number of important aspects of Christian education including: engaging and motivating students, building student self-confidence, using forgiveness to re-motivate students turned off by negative teacher feedback, and embedding Christian values, ethics and human relationships into the curriculum. Not only is David thoroughly entertaining and motivating but his presentations are full of tips that can be applied by anyone."

Tony Crehan Executive Director Association of Independent Schools of Tasmania

"David does not so much teach as model it "live on stage". He is one of the most gifted, passionate, insightful and challenging speakers I have witnessed - to hear him speak is simply an unmissable opportunity. Enough said."

Bruce Burgess National & NSW Director PeaceWise

WHEN & WHERE

Saturday the 18th of July 2009

7pm Foundation Christian College
Cnr of Lakes and Waldron Boulevard

Tuesday the 21st of July 2009

7pm Kingsway Christian College
157 Kingsway Darch, 6065

There is no cost for this event - tea, coffee and light supper provided

Please register at your local CEN school or @ www.cen.edu.au/events.aspx by July 6th 2009

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