NECCF2018

Our regional annual meeting will be from 9-3 on May 19, 2018 at the Congregational Church in North Chelmsford, MA. This year brings speakers Steve Witmer and Nick Granitsas, to help celebrate small town and urban ministries which lead to community revitalization.



Stephen Witmer leads "Small Town Summits" on behalf of the Gospel Coalition of New England.. He is a graduate of Wheaton College, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, and the University of Cambridge (Ph. D. in New Testament) and taught New Testament studies at the University of Cambridge and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary before becoming pastor of Pepperell Christian Fellowship in June of 2008.

His prior ministry experience includes serving as an intern under Dr. John Piper at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Stephen continues to teach New Testament at Gordon-Conwell. He has written *Eternity Changes Everything: How to live now in the light of your future, The Good Book Guide to Jonah*, and numerous articles that have appeared in publica-tions such as *Bible Study Magazine*, *Reformation 21*, & the *Gospel Coalition* website.

Please join us in Chelmsford for:

- · fellowship,
- worship
- growth in ministry skills,
- · devotion.

For more info, contact host pastor Steve Burkett at (978) 251-1261 or Stephen.Burkett@ccnc5



Rev. Nick Granitsas immediately knew that God was leading him to First Congregational - Revere when he interviewed some 44 years ago. The church's older leaders welcome the innovation in outreach Nick brought.

Nick's ministry has been characterized by supporting members of the congregation who have caught a vision to establish specialized ministries. Now there are scores of special ministries — including the popular Reach the Beach annual Gospel music festival — and a vibrant membership. First Revere, over the years, sponsored 285 refugees form Cambodia and Vietnam, and worked with other churches in the City to establish a food Pantry, which continues to serve about 1,000 families per years.

Anchored by his daily "time with the Lord and ... a strong Bible study and prayer life," Pastor Nick is a former President of the 4C's.



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