Workshop Description

“Foundations for BeFriender Ministry” is a workshop for leaders who want to implement and maintain a listening ministry of pastoral care in their church, hospital, healthcare campus, long-term care facility or other organization. The small size of this highly interactive workshop allows workshop leaders to address the specific needs and questions of participants. A certified trainer from the BeFriender Ministry National Office will be the workshop leader.

Who Attends

A team of 2-5 from your church or organization including at least one staff person such as (clergy, chaplain, deacon, faith community nurse, director of pastoral care, pastoral minister, etc.) and one or more volunteers. This team will serve as program leaders for BeFriender Ministry in your church or organization. New program leaders for existing BeFriender Ministry programs also attend the workshop.

Learning Objectives

• Receive the tools and training for implementing and maintaining a listening ministry of pastoral care.
• Understand the role of the BeFriender by experiencing the training you will provide for BeFrienders in your church or organization. The listening skills learned are transferable to family, friend and colleague relationships.
• Learn a discernment process for calling forth BeFriender Ministers.
• Learn skills for facilitating skill-building and spiritual growth for BeFrienders.
• Understand the roles of the Leadership Team: trainer, facilitator, and administrator.
• Gain insights from workshop leaders who model effective training.

Date and Time

Tuesday March 24 - Friday March 27
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day

Location

Bethel Lutheran Church
920 Third Street
Hudson, WI 54016

Workshop Details

Registrants will receive an e-mail with Foundations for BeFriender Ministry in the subject line 7-10 days before the workshop begins. The PDF attached to the email message includes details about the workshop.

Lodging Information

Provided by the Host

The Hampton Inn & Suites
2610 Pearson Drive • Hudson, WI 54016
866-238-4218 • 715-952-9959

Comfort Suites
2620 Center Drive • Hudson, WI 54016
866-676-8561 • 715-690-2500

How to Register for Foundations Workshop

• Online at: www.befrienderministry.org
• Mail your registration by downloading the form via our home page and select link to full workshop schedule.

REGISTRATION FEES

Payment on or before March 3

$799 per person

Team Discount: 3 or more registrations from the same church or organization attending the same workshop will receive $75 off the total fee.

Payment after March 3

$849 per person

Included in Fees

Fees include a full set of leader materials for each participant. Refreshments will be provided each day in addition to a light continental breakfast, morning and afternoon snacks.

More Information

Go to www.befrienderministry.org

• View “About” and “Getting Started” for additional information
• Select “Contact Us” to request a packet of information about BeFriender Ministry

Questions?

Contact the BeFriender Ministry National Office:
952-767-0244 • 1-866-468-8708
info@befrienderministry.org

The BeFriender Ministry National Office is grateful to Bethel Lutheran Church for hosting this workshop!
WHAT PARTICIPANTS SAY ABOUT FOUNDATIONS FOR BEFRIENDER MINISTRY

“When I reflect on this workshop experience, I am blessed because I haven’t been to a workshop so thoroughly helpful for a long time, maybe ever.”

“Best training I ever had!”

“This was an exceptional, refreshing, and empowering training. And I have been to a few workshops in my day!”

“This has been a joyful learning experience. I feel empowered, refreshed, and ready to help my home ministry continue its work. Pure power of God’s presence felt and loved.”

“The Foundations workshop was well organized. This is something that truly equips one for ministry.”

“Top notch!”

“When I reflect on this workshop experience, I am gratified because I feel I have found one of the highest-quality lay ministry training programs to bring back to my congregation.”

“Life changing.”

“This fantastic workshop convinced me of the superiority of the thoughtful, carefully honed program called “BeFrienders”

“Worthwhile, economical and uses principles in all areas of life.”

“This is one of the best workshops I have attended in 41 years, including those in my field of education.”

“You fulfill a great need in the church. As pastor of a church, I know my ability to do what God has called me to do is greatly enriched by BeFriender Ministry.”