



CMDA Midwest Fall Conference
Maranatha Bible Conference Center • Muskegon, Michigan

HIS BRAIN / HER BRAIN

October 23-25, 2009 • Walt (MD) & Barb Larimore
Register as soon as possible – Space is limited due to high interest

The 2009 CMDA Midwest Fall Conference, at the Maranatha Bible Conference Center, offers CMDA members and their guests the opportunity to hear outstanding inspirational speakers while enjoying the scenic eastern shores of Lake Michigan. The combination of informal didactic sessions, group discussion, and plenty of free time for family activities, creates a refreshing investment in professional and personal renewal.

2009 TOPIC & SPEAKERS

***His Brain / Her Brain* • Walt Larimore, MD & Barbara Larimore**

In a world where men and women are constantly told that they are not different, our presenters, Walt (MD) and Barbara Larimore, authors of *His Brain / Her Brain* will demonstrate what all of us instinctively know—men and women are different, and these differences, when understood, can contribute toward a more satisfying marriage, family, and professional life. Combining the latest brain research along with their experiences in over three decades of marriage, medical practice, counseling, teaching, and the study of timeless principles, Dr. Walt and Barb Larimore will explain how the unique design of each sex, particularly the unique brain and hormones of males and females, results in different habits, tendencies, and nuances of thought and action.

For the past few decades, it has been ideologically fashionable to insist that these behavioral differences are minimal and are the consequence of variations in experience during development before and after adolescence. Evidence accumulated more recently, however, suggests that the effects of sex hormones on brain organization occur so early in life that from the start the environment is acting on differently wired brains in boys and girls. Such effects make evaluating the role of experience, independent of physiological predisposition, a difficult if not dubious task. The biological bases of sex differences in brain and behavior have become much better known through increasing numbers of behavioral, neurological and endocrinological studies.

These differences are so profound that geneticist Anne Moir, PhD, and journalist David Jessel begin their book *Brain Sex: The Real Difference Between Men and Women* with this provocative assertion: "Men are different from women. They are equal only in their common membership in the same species, humankind. To maintain that they are the same in aptitude, skill or behavior is to build a society based on a biological and scientific lie." (Anne Moir and David Jessel, *Brain Sex: The Real Difference Between Men and Women* [New York: Dell, 1992], 5.)

Walt and Barb Larimore will offer guidance in how to understand the unique brain blueprint that influences the behavior of the male and female. Participants will learn how these differences affect our perception of the world, how we process information, how we communicate with one another (and how we don't!), and the differences in how men and women approach sexuality. The Larimore's will show how differences between the male brain and the female brain can complement each other toward more productive marriages and families and professional relationships. Practitioners will find this new research particularly helpful in enhancing the patient / doctor relationship and in recommendations for how to reduce relational stress in patient's families and work.

Walt Larimore, MD is one of America's best-known family physicians and is listed in the *Best Doctors in America*, *Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare*, and the *International Health Professionals of the Year*. Dr. Larimore graduated from Louisiana State University School of Medicine and did his Family Medicine residency training at Duke University. He practiced four years in the Smoky Mountains of North Carolina before moving to Central Florida to practice for 16 years. In 1996, he was named America's Outstanding Family Medicine Educator by the American Academy of Family Physicians. Dr. Larimore is now a full-time author and medical journalist and a frequent guest on a variety of television and radio programs: *The Today Show*, the *CBS Morning*

Show, several Fox News programs and CNN. Dr. Larimore has published over 600 articles in numerous medical and popular publications and written or co-written over twenty books, among them: *Why ADHD Doesn't Mean Disaster*; *God's Design for the Highly Healthy Child*; *God's Design for the Highly Healthy Teen*; and *God's Design for the Highly Healthy Person*.

Barbara Larimore taught middle school while putting Walt through medical school and residency. She then concentrated on rearing their children, Kate and Scott. Barb has been a teacher / presenter with Bible Study Fellowship for the past fourteen years and has disciplined women for over twenty years. She and Walt live near Colorado Springs with a "grand cat" named Julius.

MARANATHA INFORMATION

Maranatha Bible Conference Center, is located amid the dunes of Lake Michigan's eastern shore, near Muskegon, Michigan. Maranatha offers nearly 100 acres of family enjoyment. During our Saturday afternoon free time, you may take advantage of tennis, volleyball, the new indoor gym with exercise room, or take a leisurely hike through the woods or along the Lake Michigan beach. Two miles south of Maranatha, the Hoffmaster State Park and Gillette Nature Center offer further family adventure. **For more information, see the Maranatha website @: www.vacationwithpurpose.org**

Family Talent Night is an annual Saturday evening tradition which provides an opportunity for the members of your entire family to demonstrate their vocal, musical or comedy talents for our entertainment. Bring a musical instrument, a vocal presentation or a skit with you and we'll put you on stage! Call the Midwest Office for further details.

Accommodations will be in the Duneside Suites and Family Condos – offering hotel lodging for even large families! All CMDA sessions will be held in the Family Life Center. Adults will be in the spacious, Michigan Room, while nursery, children, and teens will meet just down the hall. Meals will be served on the lower level of Maranatha Lodge, just steps away from the Family Life Center. ***Simply an unforgettable weekend!***

REGISTRATION* INFORMATION

*Registration costs are for CMDA members. Non-members please add \$25.00

Category	Cost
Member only	\$130
Member w/Spouse	185
Retired/Missionary/Resident only	120
Retired/Missionary/Resident w/Spouse	150
Student only	50
Student w/Spouse	75
Children/Teens Program	40/child/teen
Babysitting (under 3)	40/child

Registration fees are **not refundable. Cancelled registrations will be processed as a donation to the CMDA Midwest Fall Conference. All donations to CMDA are tax deductible as charitable contributions. Fees or costs to attend a CMDA event are not donations, but may qualify as a business or educational deduction for tax purposes. Confer with your tax consultant.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Cost includes 2 nights lodging* and 5 meals

Adults: \$143/person, Double Occupancy
 \$125/person, Family Occupancy
 \$179/person, Single Occupancy

Children: Family Occupancy

12-17 \$100/person
 3-11 \$ 78/person
 2 and under Free

*Linen is provided but there is no daily maid service.

DAY GUESTS

Fees for participants commuting daily: Registration + \$32.00 (Maranatha Day Guest Fee) / Person + Meals

Day guest meal costs are:

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Adult:	\$8.10	\$9.10	\$11.80
Children:			
18+	<i>See Adult Prices</i>		
12-17	\$6.48	\$7.28	\$9.44
3-11	\$5.26	\$5.91	\$7.67
2 and under	Free		

CHILDREN / TEEN PROGRAM

A creative program for children and teens, 3–18 years, is **offered during adult sessions only**. This special program is led by **Ken and Julie Westra** and their staff. Ken and Julie have led children's and youth ministry in churches throughout Michigan and Indiana for over 20 years. **Cost is \$40 per child/teen. Babysitting (2 and under) during adult sessions is \$40/child.**

—see Registration.

SCHEDULE

Friday, October 23

Dinner in route

7:00 p.m.	Registration
7:30	Welcome / Introductions
8:00	Walt Larimore, MD / Barbara Larimore <i>Differences in Perception</i>

Saturday, October 24

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00	Conference Resumes
9:15	Walt Larimore, MD / Barbara Larimore <i>Differences in Processing</i>
10:15	Break
10:45	Walt Larimore, MD / Barbara Larimore <i>Differences in Communication</i>
12:00	Noon Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Free Time
4:30	Walt Larimore, MD / Barbara Larimore <i>Differences in Sexuality</i>
6:00	Dinner
7:15	CMDA Community
8:00	Family Talent Night
9:00	Family Fun

Sunday, October 25

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00	Walt Larimore, MD / Barbara Larimore <i>Differences in Design</i>
10:30	Break
10:45	Worship & Praise
11:15	Discussion Groups / Prayer
12:00 Noon	Lunch & Conclusion

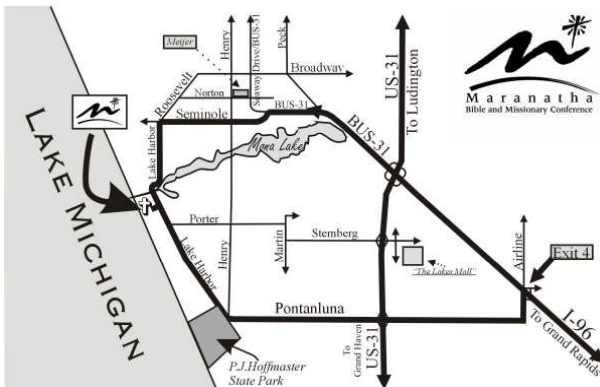
DIRECTIONS TO MARANATHA

Maranatha Bible Conference Center • 4759 Lake Harbor Rd.

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From Grand Rapids, MI: I-96 West to Exit 4 (Airline Rd at Fruitport). Take Airline Rd South to Pontaluna Rd. Turn Right (West) on Pontaluna Rd (follow signs to Hoffmaster State Park). Road curves Right (North) at Park and becomes Lake Harbor Rd. Continue North 2 miles on Lake Harbor Rd. to Maranatha Bible Conf. Ctr. on Left.

From US 31 (North or South): Exit at Pontaluna Rd. Take Pontaluna Rd West (follow signs to Hoffmaster State Park). Road curves Right (North) at Park and becomes Lake Harbor Rd. Continue North 2 miles on Lake Harbor Rd to Maranatha Bible Conf. Ctr. on Left.



YOUR CMDA HOSTS

Allan Harmer, ThM is a graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary. **As the Midwest Regional Director,** Allan's responsibilities, which comprise an 11 state area and over 4,700 members, include: supervising 20 part-time and full-time staff; leadership training among student leaders and faculty advisors on over 75 medical and dental campuses; providing continuing education events; community ministry development; writing and producing resources; organizing and leading conferences and meetings; and personal counseling among doctors and students. Allan is currently pursuing a doctoral degree with an emphasis on ethics, culture, and organizational change.

Karen Harmer, BS, assists with conference details and registration. Karen is a member of her local School Board and works part-time in a law office. Allan and Karen are currently leading a ministry to young professionals in their local church and have four children (three of whom are college graduates). They reside in a suburb of Indianapolis, IN.

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Spouse: _____
Address: _____
City/St/Zip: _____
Phone: ____/h: _____ o: _____ E-Mail: _____
Names & Ages of Children/Teens attending: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

- **Registration Fee(s)** (see Registration Information to calculate registration)
 - **Basic Registration** (CMDA non-members, please add \$25) \$ _____
 - **Child/Teen Program (& babysitting)** (\$40 per child / teen / infant) \$ _____
 - **Room & Board** (See Accommodations Information to calculate complete R&B cost)
 - **Adult (s)** \$ _____
 - **Children** \$ _____
 - ~ **Day Guest** \$ _____
(If you plan to commute: please check the box, add \$32.00 Day Guest Fee/person + your Registration cost + any meal costs —see Day Guest Information.)
 - **Donation** (Speaker travel & honorarium) \$ _____
 - **Late Registration Fee** (After October 17th, please add \$25 late fee) \$ _____
- Total Enclosed** \$ _____

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: * OCTOBER 17, 2009

*After October 17th you may still be able to register. Please call the Midwest Office and add \$25 to registration costs.

Please enclose check payable to **CMDA** with this form attached or complete the charge information below:
 Visa MasterCard American Express

Name on card: _____
Billing Address (if different than above): _____
Acct #: _____ Exp: _____
Signature: _____

Registration Options:

MAIL your registration form + check or charge card # to:

CMDA Midwest
9595 Whitley Drive, Suite 200
Indianapolis, IN 46240

E-MAIL your registration + charge card # to:

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