

## LiveAbove Event Speakers

**Fred Lynch (Founder, UrbNet)** Dynamic youth communicator with more than 18 years of inner-city ministry experience and is the founder of UrbNet a National Network of Urban Youth Workers. At the age of 18 Fred help found P.I.D. (Preachers in Disguise) one of the first gospel rap acts and went on to record 6 albums. Fred is the author of *The Epic*, an artistic translation of the Gospel of John in rap.

**Dave Rahn (Vice President/Chief Ministry Officer, Youth for Christ)** A youth ministry researcher, author, and leadership strategist, Dave guides a team whose focus is to coach, train, resource, and serve Youth for Christ men and women from all over the country who lead nearly 2,100 community-based relational outreach ministries among teenagers.

**Kara Powell (Executive Director, Fuller Youth Institute)** Kara speaks regularly at youth ministry conferences and is the author of *Deep Leadership* (2008), *Deep Justice in a Broken World* (along with Chap Clark, 2008), *Deep Ministry in a Shallow World* (along with Chap Clark, 2006), *Good Sex Youth Ministry Curriculum* (along with Jim Hancock, 2001, rev 2009), and *Help! I'm a Woman in Youth Ministry* (2004)

**Brian Raison (Youth & Cmmt. Development, Ohio State University)** Ohio State University educator, researcher and author Brian speaks on the transition to college throughout the year. Creator of CollegeFaith.org and *College 101* [a CD-ROM based, 224 page interactive-book that that includes "live on-the-street" video advice from current college students...real YouTube appeal]

**Paula Fuller (VP/Multi-Ethnic Ministries Director, InterVarsity)** She joined the staff of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in 2005, after serving as a volunteer for seven years. Paula has served in full-time vocational ministry since 1996, first as the Director of Outreach and Development at Abundant Life Christian Fellowship, a nondenominational, multiethnic ministry in Menlo Park, CA.

**Ray Bohlin (President, Probe Ministries)** Has lectured and debated on dozens of college and university campuses and addressed issues in the creation/evolution debate, environment, genetic engineering, medical ethics, and sexually transmitted diseases. Co-authored *The Natural Limits to Biological Change* and *Basic Questions on Genetics, Stem Cell Research and Cloning* and published numerous journal articles.

**John Stonestreet (Executive Director, Summit Ministries)** A popular speaker at camps, conventions, and conferences, he works annually with thousands of parents, teachers, and students on developing a biblical worldview, understanding comparative worldviews, defending the Christian faith, applying a biblical worldview to education, and engaging important cultural issues.

**Ben Burns (Director of Campus Crusade for Christ's College Prep Seminars)** has given over 90 seminars to high school students across the country about being spiritually prepared for the moral and spiritual challenges of college life. He has an MA in Exegetical Theology and is a professional improv comedian with Comedy Sportz.

**Mark Jevert (VP/Communications, Youth for Christ)** Mark has been in some form of youth ministry for 30 years "because of a sense of call and delight". For him it is "fulfilling and truly satisfying". Besides the US, he has worked in Estonia and Croatia as well.

**Nick Hall (Director, PULSE)** Nick has been involved in over 17 City-wide outreach efforts and countless other events with varying ministries and organizations. He has been the featured communicator at Luis Palau Festival' Livin It events, while also serving as a certified trainer of the Christian Life and Witness Course and speaker for Schools of Evangelism for the Billy Graham team.

**Chris Renzelman (NW Regional Coordinator, NNYM/Interl'inc)** served on staff with Campus Crusade's High School ministry in SoCal & Washington State. Did graduate work in theology/Christian ministry, was youth pastor and then NW Director for interlinc, NNYM and Youth Transition Network.

**Jeff Schadt (Founder/Executive Director, Youth Transition Network)** In 2004, Jeff founded YTN [A national coalition of over 50 ministries/denominations that provides a bridge between youth ministries and college, career, and military organizations]. Two websites (along with training sessions) now exist: [www.LiveAbove.com](http://www.LiveAbove.com), for youth to connect with post high school ministries before arriving on campus and [www.youthtransitionnetwork.org](http://www.youthtransitionnetwork.org) for parents, leaders and supporters to be connected with preparation resources.