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Dear Bill,

It is always exciting to see God at work in people's lives! For the second year in a row, I had the privilege of teaching a class to teens and adults who are seeking God's will for their lives.

On March 15, over 300 teens and adults from Ohio-area BCMN churches attended the Equip Conference—an inspiring event designed to challenge them to surrender their lives to the Lord and equip them for ministry. In today's world, that kind of commitment is rare.

The Saturday conference, held from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM, began with a powerful message on surrender, followed by back-to-back breakout sessions. These sessions covered topics such as studying the Bible, witnessing, women in ministry (for the ladies), setting the tone for worship, and, in the class I taught, preparing Bible lessons and sermons. I was encouraged to see over 100 attendees participate in the two sessions I led. The individuals in this workshop represent the next generation of pastors, missionaries, and Sunday School teachers.

When we started Abound, we had no idea all that God had in store. Thank you for praying for and giving to Abound. Your support allows us to equip the next generation with the principles needed to effectively communicate God's Word.

Lewis McClendon