

-TACKLING THE- TOUGH STUFF

Saturday, February 20, 2016

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

West Houston Chinese Church

(10638 Hammerly Blvd, Houston, TX 77043)

Lunch provided. No childcare. Earphone translation into Mandarin Chinese available.

A one-day parenting seminar tackling the tough issues of narcissism, self-injury, pornography, depression, and suicide. Presented by CPYU (Center for Parent/Youth Understanding) President Dr. Walt Mueller and CPYU Associate Staff Dr. Marv Penner. For more information, visit cpyu.org.

This seminar will equip your children and teenagers to navigate some of the most pervasive and difficult of the world's problems, regardless if you see those problems in your family. The culture throws all kinds of challenges to pull teenagers away from the life that comes with choosing to live in God's ways.

Youth specialists Walt Mueller and Marv Penner will help you unpack and respond to society's push to focus on one's self, the growing problem of self-injury, the pervasiveness of pornography, as well as depression and suicide. You will leave with practical, hope-filled strategies for equipping kids to hear and follow God's voice in the midst of a challenging world.

STATISTICS

1 out of 5 teens will experience Depression before adulthood.

20% of female teens (14% male teens) report cutting behavior.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death among teenagers.

97% of boys and 83% of girls have been exposed to internet pornography to varying degrees.

According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Asian-American teenage girls have the highest rate of depression of any other racial, ethnic or gender group.

REGISTRATION

\$25 per person; \$40 per couple by January 31.
\$30 per person; \$50 per couple by February 14.

Payment due or postmarked by February 14.
Checks payable to *West Houston Chinese Church*.

Cancellation policy: 50% refund after February 14.

Register online: whcchome.org

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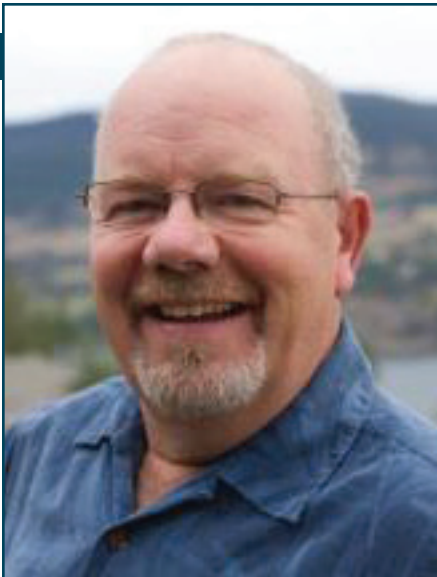


Dr. Walt Mueller is the founder and President of the Center for Parent/Youth Understanding, a non-profit organization serving schools, churches, and community organizations across the U.S., Canada, and worldwide in their efforts to strengthen families.

Walt has been working with young people and families for over 35 years. He is a recognized authority on youth culture and family issues, and has appeared on numerous media outlets, including the daily radio program *Youth Culture Today*. A regular seminar and conference speaker, he appears internationally to discuss teenagers and their world, communicating effectively with adults and teenagers alike.

He has written extensively on youth culture and family issues and is the author of the critically acclaimed Gold Medallion Award winner, *Understanding Today's Youth Culture* (Tyndale House, 1994). This book was updated and re-released in January 1999. He has also written the following books (among others): **99 Thoughts for Parents of Teenagers** (Group, 2011); *The Space Between: A Parent's Guide to Teenage Development* (Zondervan, 2009); *Youth Culture 101* (Zondervan, 2007); *Engaging The Soul of Youth Culture: Bridging Teen Worldviews to Christian Truth* (InterVarsity Press, 2006).

Walt Mueller earned his B.A. in Sociology from Geneva College and his M.Div. from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary (Summa Cum Laude), and his doctorate in postmodern generations from GCTS. Walt and his wife Lisa live in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania and have four children.



Dr. Marv Penner is an Associate Staff member of The Center for Parent/Youth Understanding. He is an internationally-known author, professor, motivational speaker, and youth ministry expert. He is currently the executive director of All About Youth and Youth Specialties Canada.

Marv is a frequent speaker at the National Youth Workers Convention. He has authored youth curriculum, and several books including *Help! My Kids Are Hurting* and *Hope and Healing for Kids Who Cut*.

In addition to his teaching, speaking and writing, Marv is a licensed marriage and family counselor specializing in parent/adolescent conflict resolution, sexual abuse recovery, eating disorders and marriage and family issues. He received his MA degree from Grace Seminary in 1985, and his D.Phil degree from Oxford Graduate School in 1993.

Marv and his wife, Lois, live in British Columbia, Canada, and have three married children.