

Empowering Believers in the Digital New World

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Assemblies of God Theological Seminary

Springfield, MO

Morning

- 8:30-9:15 Global Individuality and the Digital New World (Mark Flattery).
- 9:30-10:30 Empowering Families to Navigate the Digital New World
(Dr. Kalah Kemp and Dr. Cheri Kembell).
- 10:45-11:45 Empowering Believers Through AI and Emotional Awareness (Dan Hungerford).
- 11:45-12:30 LUNCH

Afternoon

- 12:30-1:30 Understanding the Theology of Technology (Dr. Allen Tennison)
- 1:40-2:30 Practical Uses of AI for the Church Today (Dr. Luke Flattery).
- 2:45-3:45 The Pastor's Use of Technology (Pastor Kevin Smith).
- 4:00- 5:00 Panel and Q&A (Moderator: Mark Flattery).
- Dr. Allen Tennison
 - Dan Hungerford
 - Dr. Luke Flattery
 - Dr. Kalah Kemp
 - Dr. Cheri Kembell
 - Pastor Kevin Smith

Why a Conference?

Technology is so inseparably woven into the fabric of global society that we cannot do life without it. As a result, believers are being discipled by the Internet. Interactions with screens, more than in sanctuaries, are daily influencing believers as they engage with culture, society, politics, worldviews, and matters of faith. So what can, and must be done? The Church must begin a dialogue to offer solutions, or it will lose the conversation and lose its voice.

It is time for the Church to empower believers in the digital new world. The Church must strategically stand firm in the proclamation and application of the Truth of God's Word while empowering believers to navigate life online as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Join us for this groundbreaking conference! Together, we will explore critical issues, engage in meaningful dialogue, and pray earnestly for God's wisdom. Let's empower our generation, and prepare the next generation, to live boldly for Christ in the digital new world.

Presenters

Dr. Luke Flattery

Dr. Luke Flattery is a data scientist at BAE Systems, where he drives organizational AI transformation through the strategic use of open-source technologies. He earned his PhD in Mathematics from the University of Texas at Arlington, with published research in commutative algebra. His current interests include fine-tuning vector embedding models for engineering applications and data-driven prognostic health management. In addition to his technical work, he is authoring a series of white papers exploring practical applications of AI within church communities.

Dan Hungerford

Dan Hungerford is a faith-driven entrepreneur, the founder of [EverFriends.ai](#) and a leader in AgeTech and EdTech innovation, Daniel is passionate about designing technology that impacts the world and values the human spirit. His new book, *Soulware 2.0*, explores how AI can be used for good when guided by ethics and empathy.

Dr. Cheri Kembell

Dr. Cherie Kembell is an Associate Professor of Computer Science and Consultant with 20+ years of IT industry experience and a Ph.D. in Information Technology. She has extensive leadership, management, marketing, research, and adult education experience in higher education, information technology and real estate.

Dr. Kalah Kemp

Dr. Kalah Kemp is the Associate Professor in Communication at College of the Ozarks. She teaches courses on public relations, social media, media effects, and public speaking. She is a sought-after panelist and writer. She earned a PhD in Psychology from Regent University.

Pastor Kevin Smith

Pastor Kevin Smith serves as Senior Pastor at Northland Cathedral in Kansas City, MO. His background includes working as an IT Systems Analyst and being in active fulltime ministry for fifteen years. He has an earned M.A. from the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary.

Dr. Allen Tennison

Dr. Allen Tennison serves currently as the Assemblies of God Theological Counsel and as Chairman of the Assemblies of God Commission on Doctrines and Practices. He taught at North Central University for twelve years and was Dean of the College of Church Leadership for five years. He has an earned PhD from Fuller Theological Seminary.

Dr. Mark Flattery

Dr. Mark Flattery is an AGWM missionary. He was a Missionary Kid (MK) in Belgium for seven years and has served for over thirty-four years in Tanzania, Pacific Oceania, and then with Network211. He helped develop Network211 and started The Warrior's Journey as a ministry to the military community. He earned a D.Min. from Fuller Theological Seminary.