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Welcome to Stay Sharp 2024

"...testify to the gospel" so we can make disciples among all people.

"In obedience to Christ's commission, we are to **make disciples among all people**, **always bearing witness to the gospel in word and deed**" (from the EFCA's Doctrinal Statement, #8). This dovetails with our **2024 District theme** from Acts 20:24: "But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, *to testify to the gospel of the grace of God*" (ESV). May our time equip and stimulate us to be better disciple-making churches in our unique settings.

Mon.1:30pm-5:00pmSessions 1&2 - Greg Strand (with breaks as we go)5:15pmCredentialing5:45pm-7:45pmFellowship Dinner with Kevin and Becky Kompelien

Tue.: 8:30am-12:00pm Session 3 – EFCA Updates, Q n A with President Kevin Kompelien and Greg; Session 4 – Greg

To download Greg's notes, go to: <u>https://waterdam.org/</u> Under "Resources", go to <u>Stay Sharp.</u> Waterdam will post recordings of Greg's teachings. (Use Wi-Fi Network: **Waterdam Church Guest.** The password is **transforminglives.)**

Snacks, Coffee, and important Ministry Displays are down the hall, in the Youth Room. Pickup relevant materials for various leaders in your church. Free Books!

Dinner Together Monday is downstairs in the Café. Along with a delicious meal, encouraging fellowship, and District updates, we will get to know Kevin and Becky Kompelien on a more personal level. Suggested donation of \$10.

Conference Offering: Stay Sharp is provided as a partnership of the Allegheny District, and the EFCA National Office. We suggest a donation of \$10 (\$20 if you are staying for the meal). Drop your gift in the offering box on the welcome table.

Thank You: Waterdam Church, especially Marge and her team, including Pastors Jack, Dan, and Scott. Greg Strand, Matt Mitchell and the District <u>Credentials</u> and Constitution Board. The best way to thank them is to pursue licensing or ordination, or nudge those who need to. (FYI: <u>Greg blogs</u> about theology and gospel ministry. Also, check out the <u>EFCA Theology Podcast</u>.)

I want to serve you on your mission field. Let's set up a date for a visit, a seminar, a Leaders' retreat, Sunday am, a meal...

Thankful for your part in making disciples,

Kerry

May we, as disciple makers, stay ready and willing "to testify to the gospel of God's grace" (Acts 20:24)

