

# DMC Speaker Application Guide



WEST COAST

**DISABILITY  
MINISTRY  
CONFERENCE**

SEPTEMBER 18-19, 2026  
SAN DIEGO, CA

MIRACLE 139 INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS

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## CALL FOR SPEAKERS

At DMC West Coast, we believe every child, teen, and adult with disabilities deserves the opportunity to belong, grow, and encounter Jesus in their church and community.

We're looking for breakout speakers who can equip others with practical tools, fresh perspective, and Spirit-led encouragement to an audience of new and seasoned leaders, volunteers, persons with disabilities and families.

Whether you are serving in a local church, leading a ministry, supporting families, or bringing lived experience, we look forward to learning from you!



## **INTENSIVE SESSIONS - SEPT 17, 2026**

These sessions are an add-on opportunity for attendees, designed for deeper learning and skill-building. We are looking for experienced trainers who can facilitate extended, engaging sessions with meaningful takeaways. Intensive sessions are 3 hours in length and designed to be interactive.

## **BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SEPT 18-19, 2026**

Breakout sessions should offer clear, practical insights that attendees can begin applying right away. Breakout sessions are 1 hour in length and may cover topics related to disability inclusion across the lifespan, serving both those new to inclusion and experienced leaders, volunteers, and families.



# Details

**DMC location:** Foothills Church, El Cajon, CA

**Expected attendance:** 350-400 people

**Audience make-up:** church leaders, volunteers, families, persons with disabilities, disability-related parachurch organizations

**Breakout session length:** 1 hour

**Intensive session:** 3 hours

**April 6, 2026:** Speaker Application OPENS

**May 4, 2026:** Speaker Application CLOSES

**June 1, 2026:** Decisions Emailed Out

**Honorarium:** DMC West Coast is unable to offer a speaker honorarium for breakout sessions; however, conference registration is included for all selected speakers.

# SPEAKER QUALIFICATIONS

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## CHARACTER & CALLING

We are looking for speakers who demonstrate a genuine and growing relationship with Jesus, paired with a clear passion for serving children, families, and ministry leaders. Applicants should be actively engaged in ministry—locally, online, or globally—and feel a strong sense of calling to advance disability inclusion within the Church.



## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

Speakers should bring both knowledge and practical experience in their area of teaching. This includes a demonstrated ability to apply their expertise in real ministry settings, as well as experience equipping or training others—ideally beyond their own church context, whether in-person or online.



## COMMUNICATION & INFLUENCE

We value speakers who are engaging, clear, and relatable communicators in both large group and personal settings. Applicants should also be known for their integrity and carry a positive, trusted reputation within the ministry community.

# Submissions:

TO COMPLETE THE SPEAKER APPLICATION YOU WILL NEED THE FOLLOWING:

## Personal Info

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- **NAME, ROLE**
- **BIO (max 100 words)**
- **HEADSHOT (200 x 200 pixels, recent headshot)**
- **LIST 3-4 RECENT SPEAKING or TRAINING EXPERIENCES (last 3 years)**

## Session Info

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- **TITLE**
- **DESCRIPTION (max 200 words)**
- **2-3 KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES**
- **ONE KEY TAKEAWAY**
- **IDENTIFY INTENDED AUDIENCE LEVEL**
- **IDENTIFY PRIMARY AUDIENCE FOCUS**

**Apply Now!**

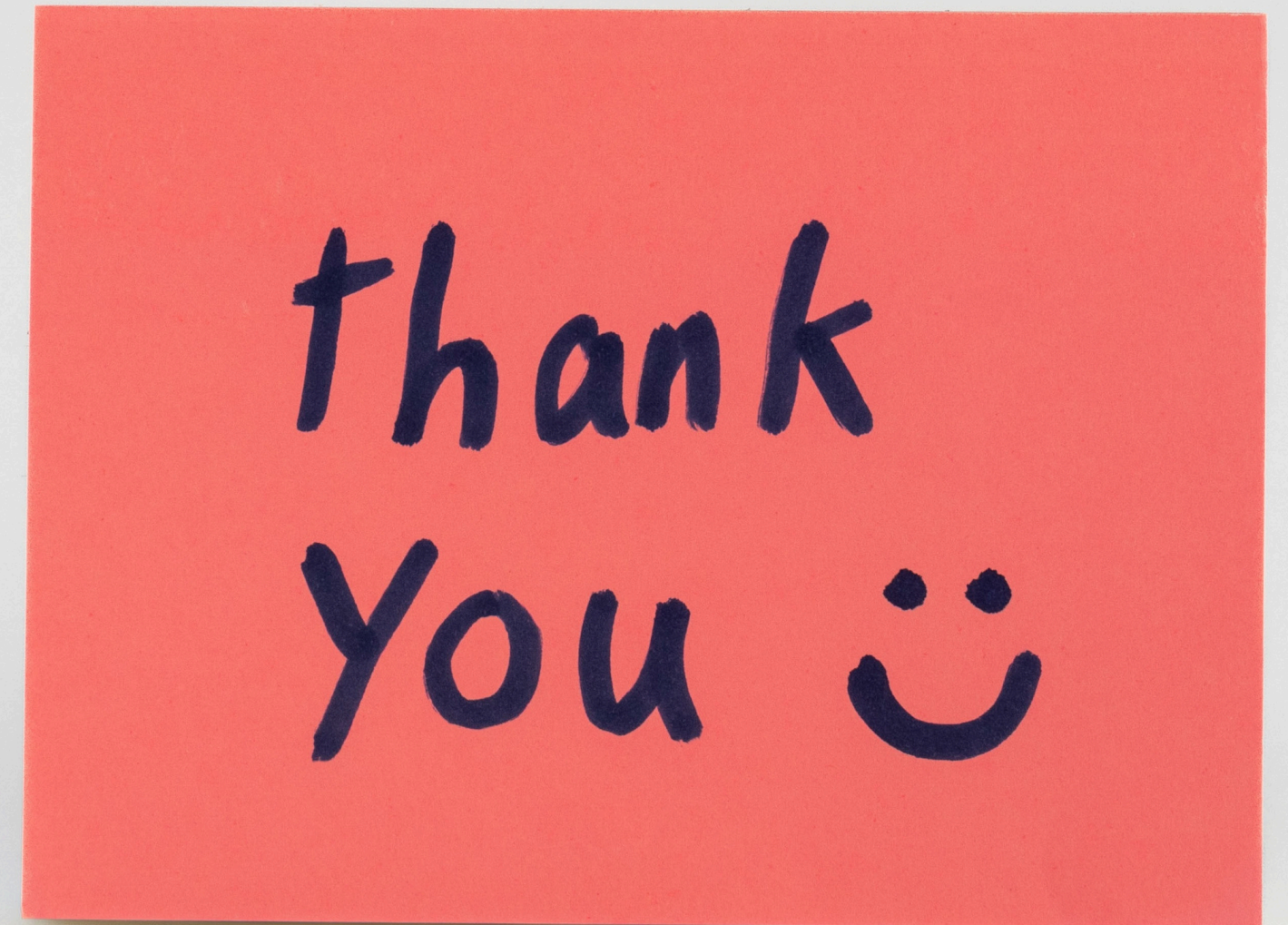
# A note from the DMC Team

You don't have to have all the answers to have something meaningful to share.

If God has taught you something through your ministry, your family, or your experience—there's a good chance it could encourage and equip someone else.

We would love to hear from you.

*Your DMC Planning Team*



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