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Chilson Hills Church helps residents survive the recession

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It's tough to know who to turn to, let alone who to trust with advice, in the ongoing global economic decline.

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That's right. Church is no longer just for praying, but for learning how to stay financially afloat, at least at Chilson Hills Baptist Church in Genoa Township.

There, the church has tapped into a wealth of mortgage- and credit-related expertise within its flock.

In January, the church, located at 4440 Brighton Road, launched "A Tool Box for Surviving and Thriving Through Michigan's Recession," to benefit the Rev. David Swink's flock.

The one-hour sessions, which began Jan. 18, cover financial management, mortgages, credit scores and resumes, among other topics, and don't carry a religious or evangelical theme.

Private consultations with presenters are available to those who attend the sessions, which are also open to the general public. Donations to the church aren't expected.

The program meets at 9:30 a.m. Sundays through Feb. 22 at the church. Attendance is open to the public at no cost.

The program was organized by the church's Sermon Institute, a group that sponsors programs intended to better parishioners' lives.

"One of the major issues is trust, so we thought we could provide an opportunity to talk with people they know and build trust. What these people are telling them is not a sales job," Swink said.

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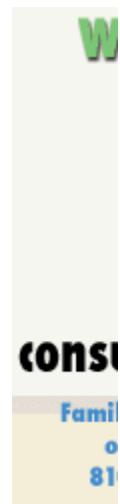
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“Here are competent people you know who can answer your questions,” he added.

When the economy went bust, the institute sought out members with expertise in mortgage- and credit-related businesses. In the process, the group found a wealth of expertise within its congregation.

Wallace Qualls III, vice president for sales for First Preferred Mortgage Co., was one of those parishioners. For his part, Qualls discussed mortgage refinancing and other common issues would-be homeowners must deal with. He’s got 14 years in the field backing him up.

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