

When Helping Hurts

When Helping Hurts combines sound theology, solid research, foundational principles, and proven strategies that prepare you for Christian transformational ministry among the poor, whether in the local community or abroad.

Good Intentions Are Not Enough

Churches and individual Christians often have faulty assumptions about the causes of poverty — assumptions that many times lead to ministry strategies that do considerable harm to poor people as well as to themselves. *When Helping Hurts* addresses these assumptions and offers several principles and strategies for poverty alleviation.

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**How to Alleviate Poverty
without Hurting the Poor
... and Yourself**

**Community Presentation
August 25, 2010**

**Presenter Dr. Brian Fikkert
Co-Author
*When Helping Hurts***



Do you ever wonder if efforts to help the poor actually do any good? Does there need to be more investigation into how you give than just good intentions? How can you truly make a difference in the lives of poor people? Which types of ministries should you fund?

Come and learn about some practical principles that are relevant for any ministry context that will help you accomplish a fundamental goal in all giving.

When: August 25, 2010

Where: Park Christian Reformed Church – 1496 32nd Street, Holland MI 49423

Speaker: Dr. Brian Fikkert, co-author of the book *When Helping Hurts*

Luncheon: 11:30 – 2:00pm

Luncheon is for pastors as well as church leadership involved with community outreach

Cost \$25.00/person (includes lunch and the book *When Helping Hurts*)

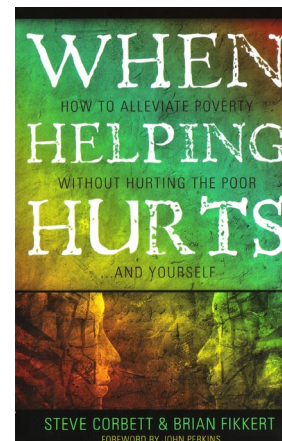
Evening Session: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Session is for people involved with community efforts – Non-profit organizations, volunteers, mission and outreach teams, small groups and church leadership.

Cost \$5.00/person

Books will be available for purchase

A freewill offering will be taken at the evening session to support the Chalmers Center for Economic Development.



Dr. Brian Fikkert is the Founder and Director of the Chalmers Center for Economic Development at Covenant College, where he also serves as an Associate Professor of Economics and Community Development. The Chalmers Center is a research and training center which equips churches around the world to help poor people to be economically self-sufficient. Brian received a Ph.D. in Economics with highest honors from Yale University, specializing in Economic Development and International Economics. Brian has been a consultant to the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the United States Agency for International Development. He has published articles in both leading academic and popular journals and has recently co-authored the book - *When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty without Hurting the Poor...and Yourself* (Moody Publishers). Prior to coming to Covenant College, Brian was a professor at the University of Maryland—College Park and a research fellow at the Center for Institutional Reform and the Informal Sector.