

# HEALING NETWORK

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# SUPPORT

»» AFTER ABORTION

BUILDING & STRENGTHENING ABORTION HEALING WORLDWIDE



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## WELCOME

Welcome to the Support After Abortion Healing Network Virtual Conference.

Support After Abortion began as a grassroots project three years ago and quickly evolved into an innovative and influential healing network. To better understand why nine out of ten people impacted by abortion do not know where to go for healing, we collected field experience and consumer research. We also spent time benchmarking with other organizations providing abortion healing services. The results were eye-opening: with hundreds of abortion healing programs available, we must unite to build and strengthen abortion healing worldwide.



We were encouraged through this unprecedented season to seek innovative alternatives to unite abortion healing efforts. When the opportunity to be mentored by a leading-edge virtual conference leader fell upon us, we knew we could make our vision the reality you are now experiencing! This virtual conference is going to be the LARGEST conversation regarding abortion healing in history.

The goal of the conference is to unite abortion healing service providers, educators, organizational leaders, and clergy to maximize abortion healing efforts, ultimately restoring the world from the impact of abortion. To this end, we have assembled more than 40 presenters, clergy, authors, curriculum leaders, and those impacted by abortion to share their wisdom, insights, and personal stories. We pray that you leave the conference equipped and empowered to build a collaborative network and discover innovative ways to serve your abortion healing community better.

We hope you enjoy the conference and continue to stay in touch for future Support After Abortion conferences.

Joining you in the conversation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janine Marrone".

Janine Marrone  
President, Support After Abortion

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Rowe".

Lisa Rowe, LCSW  
CEO, Support After Abortion



## HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THIS CONFERENCE

### 1. Ask the Holy Spirit to be Your M.C.

There's a lot of content in here and a lot of places to go. The Lord has something specific in mind for you, let Him be your guide on this journey. Say a prayer, and then browse this playbook to see what lessons you feel called to watch and partake in.

### 2. Contemplation Over Consumption

There is an abundance of content here and you may feel tempted to want to jump from talk to talk without really pondering what you have just learned. In order for this information to be transformative for you, be deliberate about slowing down to digest this material. We have discussion questions below most talks. Take a moment to ponder and pray with each question.

### 3. Be Creative with Building Community

Create virtual small groups for a more communal experience. Reach out to a friend or a group of friends, agree to watch the same talks together, take notes and then set up a conference call to discuss.

### 4. Make this a Retreat

Be deliberate with creating conditions to be present at this Virtual Conference. Carve out time, turn your phone off (unless, of course, you are watching it on your phone), make this time sacred, make it a retreat, and enter in fully.

## HOW THIS VIRTUAL CONFERENCE WORKS

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## WHEN THERE ARE MORE THAN ONE

### Jane Abbate

If abortion is traumatic, why do nearly 50% of women having an abortion have more than one? Reenactment describes how someone repeatedly exposes themselves to the same traumatic situation in the hope they will eventually overcome and cope with the experience. Jane will be sharing how she came to make peace with her multiple abortions and heal emotionally and spiritually.

### BIO

Jane Abbate knows about abortion and how it changes a life forever. Through firsthand experience with her own abortions, and through years as a Rachel's Vineyard volunteer, she has a solid reputation for helping others heal from the experience of abortion.

As the founder of Messy Miracles, Jane lives the healing process she teaches: Face the truth, mourn the losses, turn, and draw closer to God. A certified coach, speaker, and educator with a warm heart for women, Jane equips and encourages us to move beyond the past, break through self-imposed limitations, and step fully into the abundant life God has planned.

Jane is the author of: *Where Do Broken Hearts Go? Healing and Hope After Abortion*; *Learning to Follow Jesus, a Guide for Women*; and *Spiritual Coaching Toolkit, A Guide for Helping Others Follow Jesus*.

Jane is a follower of Jesus, wife to Bill Abbate and mom to their Burmese cats Bella, Luca and Tony Two. You can reach Jane through her website [www.messymiracles.com](http://www.messymiracles.com), by email to [jane@messymiracles.com](mailto:jane@messymiracles.com) or by phone/text to 412-953-9806.



Karin Barbito

## GOD IS BIGGER THAN YOUR MESS

This workshop will take you on my journey of destruction and hopelessness, revealing that God is able and that redemption, forgiveness, and healing are just an “ask” away.

## AN OPTIONS BASED APPROACH TO AFTER ABORTION SUPPORT AND HEALING

This workshop will educate and empower participants to assess their current support for those impacted by abortion. The workshop will address consumer research, uncovering how service providers can effectively engage more clients by offering a diversified approach to after-abortion support.

## BIO

Originally from Michigan, Karin spent the first 13 years of her career working in the science fields of nuclear engineering and chemistry. For the next eight years, Karin went down a very dark road of alcoholism and drug addiction, which eventually led to homelessness. Facing some pretty severe consequences due to her addiction, Karin got into substance abuse recovery where she accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior. It was only then that things began to change in Karin’s life. Working through codependency, the pain and struggle from her abortion experience at 18 years old, and other root causes that drove her unhealthy thinking and conduct, put Karin back on the right path. The freedom she experienced completely shifted Karin’s priorities and career interests, prompting her to return to school to pursue an education in social work. Today, Karin serves as the Director of Programming for Support After Abortion. She has developed a system that connects men and women impacted by abortion to the healing they need and deserve. Karin firmly believes that God doesn’t waste our pain; in fact, she believes, we find purpose out of it. Karin has found her purpose.



## ORIGINAL DESIGN

KNOW IT ~ GROW IT ~ SHOW IT

### Cynthia Brunk

Are you operating within your original design? The way God designed you to be? Cindy Brunk's ORIGINAL DESIGN presentation is a practical guide for assessing not only if you are in the right place – but also if you're doing what you should be within that place. Cindy addresses the value and importance of operating within your original design. Her presentation walks you through the steps of learning about and accepting it, nurturing its growth, and partnering with God on the amazing journey He has planned specifically for you.

## BIO

Cindy Brunk is an inspiring speaker, writer, and activist – sharing her personal journey with the aftermath of abortion. Hearing Cindy speak has encouraged many women and men to seek healing for themselves. It's also served to persuade several to choose life for their children. You may have heard her at churches, women's retreats, conferences, panel discussions, pregnancy center fundraisers, and regional right to life events. Cindy's shared at events for Save One, Oregon Right To Life, Human Life of Washington, Students for Life, 40 Days for Life, and the Silent No More Awareness Campaign. She's also taught at workshops, bible studies, staff retreats, youth groups & camps, and in Junior & Senior high class rooms. Her debut novel, Love Will was released in July 2015. Love Will was born out of a desire to give hope to those hurt by abortion, to educate them about the symptoms they may be suffering with – not yet recognizing their involvement with abortion as being the root cause. Love Will is a powerful testimony of the costly aftermath of abortion, the redeeming power of adoption, and the importance of promoting healing for those touched by it. In 2010 Cindy walked 683 miles around the state of Oregon visiting 11 memorial gardens for children lost to abortion. The 40 day Please Say my Name Tour raised awareness about the harm of abortion as well as funds for several Pregnancy Resource centers. In 2016 She joined the 40 Days For Life United Tour while traveling seven western states to speak at several events. A member of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, Cindy has joined with nearly 7000 others around the world - sharing their stories, educating, and promoting healing. She's been serving at the Hope Medical Clinic – ever since going through their after abortion healing program. She began with leading the healing program, joined the board of directors, and now serves as the Executive Director. Cindy's gifted in encouraging those promoting LIFE and equipping them with ways to discuss the issue of abortion without alienating or condemning those who've already chosen it. When she's not serving in the ministry, Cindy can be found playing outdoors or spending time with her husband and four adult children.



## OPENING THE DOOR TO HEALING

### Angela Burrin

Angela will be sharing how she was prompted to author *After Abortion: God Offers Forgiveness, Healing, and Hope*, and how this booklet has touched many lives. She will share some testimonies of those whose lives were changed after reading the booklet. Angela will also discuss her current project of writing a non-faith-based booklet for men and women after abortion, available in PDF form in September.

### BIO

Angela Burrin is the director of Pregnancy and Post-Abortion Hope Ministry and Prison Ministry, outreaches of The Word Among Us Partners. Each month, they provide free copies of the Catholic devotional, *The Word Among Us*, to men and women who are facing unplanned pregnancies, seeking post-abortion healing, or in prison.

Angela is the author of *After Abortion: God Offers Forgiveness, Healing, and Hope*, a faith-based booklet for women and men suffering the effects of an abortion. She is also the author of *God Forgives . . . Can I?* as well as numerous children's books including *Jesus Speaks to Me on My First Holy Communion*.

Prior to joining The Word Among Us, Angela spent twenty years in the field of education as a teacher, including nine years as the founding principal of Mother of God School in Maryland.

Angela was born in Kent, England and currently resides in Montgomery Village, Maryland.



## GARDEN OF LIFE

### Hope Burt

While in Israel in 2017 I was brought to a Garden of Life. This garden is dedicated to the healing and restoration of men and women who have lost unborn children. When I returned to the USA our church created a Garden of Life for the same purpose.

## BIO

Originally from Canada, Hope Burt and her husband Randy founded New Life Church in Venice, Florida 25 Years ago where they continue to pastor today.



## PRO-LIFE IS PRO-LOVING BOTH CHILDREN AND PARENTS.

### Robyn Chambers

Focus on the Family is a Christian ministry, helping families thrive in Christ. Our commitment to the sanctity of human life is a key foundation for Focus, and we have an entire department dedicated to advocating for preborn children and their parents. Robyn Chambers, the Executive Director of Focus' Advocacy for Children, gives a summary of what her team does to defend the lives of women and their children while bringing hope and healing to post-abortive parents around the world.

## BIO

Robyn Chambers is the executive director of Advocacy for Children, Focus on the Family. In this role, she oversees the following programs: Foster Care and Adoption, a program that exists to raise awareness for children in foster care needing forever families; she oversees our pro-life content and communications, Sanctity of Human Life campaign and all aspects of Option Ultrasound, which provides ultrasound machines and sonography training to qualified pro-life medical clinics in high-abortion communities.

Chambers works with a variety of other pro-life organizations that partner with Option Ultrasound, visits pregnancy resource centers and attends our Wait No More events that are designed to recruit families to begin the journey of becoming a foster parent and/or adopt from foster care. She's also a member of the Leadership Alliance for Pregnancy Care Organizations.

She has served at Focus on the Family for more than 25 years, starting in the ministry's Family Help Center taking calls from people seeking help from Focus. Subsequent to this, she worked on a team responsible for translating Focus resources into other languages and as a legal coordinator drafting book contracts to distribute Focus resources worldwide.

Chambers loves to read and can often be found reading leadership and history books with the occasional mystery novel thrown in the mix as well. She lives in Colorado Springs with her husband, and they have two adult children and three grandchildren.



## IN THE MIDST OF CHAOS, BRING HEALING

### Catherine Davis

As so many are reacting in fear to the chaos swarming America, it is more important than ever to reach women driven into abortion centers, thinking it a solution that will bring peace. It is mission critical that doors to healing for these women are opened and we will discuss why.

## BIO

Catherine Davis is the founder and president of The Restoration Project. She often partners with the National Black ProLife Coalition, the Network of Politically Active Christians, and the Frederick Douglas Institute in an ongoing effort to educate Americans about the issues that are impacting the Black community. Catherine, a public speaker and civil rights champion, is a Magna Cum Laude graduate of Tufts University who attended the University of Bridgeport School of Law. Early in 2010, she partnered with The Radiance Foundation to launch one of the most news-generating Pro-Life campaigns ever, the "Endangered Species" billboard/web campaign. Catherine was featured in numerous TV, radio and newspaper features including The NY Times, CNN, MSNBC, ABC World News, NPR and throughout the entire blogosphere. A former candidate for Congress in Georgia's fourth district, Catherine is focused on positive change through education, local/state involvement, and peaceful action.



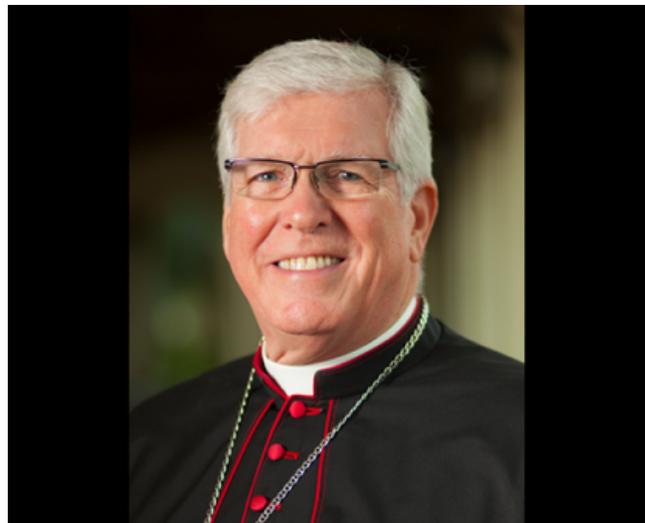
## FROM PERFECT MESS TO PERFECT LOVE

### Rhonda De La Moriniere

Rhonda de la Moriniere shares how her abortion wound kept her bound in a pattern of shame and guilt-based living until an invitation arrived through an unlikely set of circumstances that led her being healed once and for all. This is her story of how she moved from being a perfect mess to someone who knows she is perfectly loved.

## BIO

Rhonda holds in M.Ed. in counseling and is also a certified Christian counselor, as well as Trauma specialist. She is an author and popular Christian speaker, as well as a director of a pregnancy center in Dayton, Texas. She has experienced healing from her broken past which includes childhood trauma and abuse, as well as three abortions, which has led her to believe that anything is possible when a few people gather around God's Word for answers to life's deepest wounds. She has led many women through healing from abortion as well as childhood sexual abuse. As an author, speaker, counselor, and pregnancy center director she has a heart for the broken and long to see all women move past their fears which keep them from fully embracing one-another as well as God's beautiful plan of redemption from all brokenness and bondage. When she is not writing, speaking or mentoring women, she enjoys spending time with her husband, Matthew and their two teenage girls, Faith and Hope, as well as their son, Joshua and his wife, Sara, and grandbabies, Eleanor and Gideon.



## WORKSHOP TITLE COMING SOON

Reverend Bishop Frank J. Dewane

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### BIO

Most Reverend Bishop Frank J. Dewane serves as the spiritual leader of more than 227,000 Catholics in the 10-county Diocese of Venice in Florida. He was appointed by Pope Benedict XVI in 2006 as the second Bishop of the Diocese.

Bishop Frank J. Dewane was named Coadjutor Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida by Pope Benedict XVI on April 25, 2006, and on January 19, 2007, he was installed in his current role as Bishop of the Diocese.

In addition to holding a degree from the University of Wisconsin, Bishop Dewane also completed studies at The American University in Washington, D.C., as well as from Pontifical Gregorian University and Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, both in Rome.

Prior to entering the seminary, Bishop Dewane worked for the National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) in Moscow, Russia, and then for a subsidiary of PepsiCo in New York City.

Ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Green Bay in 1988, Bishop Dewane was appointed in 1991 to serve as a member of the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations in New York City, during which time he represented the Holy See at several international conferences. In 1995, he was transferred to the Pontifical Council "Cor Unum" and was later appointed Under Secretary of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace.

Bishop Dewane currently serves on several committees at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops including the Committee for Domestic Justice and Integral Human Development (past Chair), Committee for International Justice and Peace, Ad Hoc Committee against Racism, Subcommittee for the Pastoral Care of Migrants, Refugees and Travelers.

Further, Bishop Dewane is a member of the Board of Directors of the Franciscan Foundation for the Holy Land.



## ABORTION HEALING FOR MILITARY AND VETERANS

### Jody Duffy

The unintended pregnancy rate in the military is twice that of the general population. Most end in abortion. Eventually, military members transition into civilian life and carry that burden long after they leave the military and become veterans. Military family members are also significantly affected by abortion. This presentation is designed to provide information about the need and uniqueness of providing healing to our military and veterans.

### BIO

Jody Duffy RN is the former Director of the PATH: Post Abortion Treatment and Healing Ministry in the Atlanta area. She currently serves as the director of MARCH -Military Abortion Recovery Care and Healing under the PATH ministry. She has served as a Bible study leader and Rachel's Vineyard retreat leader since 2000. Like many PATH volunteers, Jody has experienced firsthand the emotional and spiritual suffering of abortion. She also serves the Silent No More Awareness Campaign as Regional Coordinator for the state of Georgia.

Jody has been dedicated to reaching out to those suffering spiritually and emotionally from the trauma of abortion. As the Director of the PATH Ministry, she coordinated all healing programs for PATH which include the SaveOne Bible study and the Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. As a Military veteran who had an abortion while on active duty, she is committed to reaching out and providing programs and information about post abortion healing programs to our military, their families and veterans.

As Regional Coordinator for the Silent no More Awareness Campaign, she has attended and given her testimony over the years at the National March for Life in Washington D.C. As a part of Silent no More, Jody is committed to speaking the truth about the negative consequences of abortion. By sharing her story, she can encourage those who need healing to seek help, she can educate the public about the harmful effects of abortion, and hopefully can help other avoid the pain of abortion.

Jody had been married to retired Army Major General Bill Duffy for 39 years. They have three adult sons and six grandchildren.



## AFTER ABORTION HELP

### Serena Dyksen

Helping the church best serve post abortive women, men and families in their healing so they know there is hope, healing forgiveness and freedom in Christ.

## BIO

At the age of thirteen years old, Serena was raped, pregnant and taken to have an abortion. Abortion was suppose to be the answer after her trauma but it instead tore her family apart and nearly destroyed her life. Terrible things happened behind the clinic doors. It was a terrible secret she buried for years that affected her marriage, how she parented her children and how she viewed God. At her lowest point of her life, her marriage almost ended and she was numbing her pain with drugs and alcohol. She had an encounter that changed everything. She is the author of *She Found His Grace*, her life story of healing and finding God's grace after abortion and sexual trauma. She has a heart for every to know that it is possible to find God's grace after abortion.



## BUILDING A CULTURE OF HEALING

### Karen Ellison

The abortion wounded are not going to come out of hiding until they see a community that is not intimidated by their pain and brokenness, but can offer them a pathway to healing within that community. Abortion wounded men and women will heal and thrive if you build a culture of healing.

## BIO

Karen is the Founder and President of Deeper Still. She has served in post-abortion healing ministry for many years and, out of those experiences, has developed the Deeper Still Retreat. Karen has had an abortion herself and knows what the healing journey entails. She has served as an executive director of a crisis pregnancy center and as a national trainer for Care Net. Karen holds a B.S. in Human Services Counseling from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, VA. She lives with her husband Arthur in Knoxville, Tennessee, and they have three adult children and two grandchildren.



## MY PERSONAL STORY

### Deanna Falchook

Hear my story and what I believe is the number one issue that causes people to choose abortion.

## BIO

Deanna Falchook is a pro-life writer and speaker focusing on culture, faith, media and mindset. As a teenager Deanna worked at Disneyworld recording the voice of Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty, and Snow White. While there Deanna had an abortion that she lived to regret. In 2018, Planned Parenthood tweeted “we need a Disney Princess who has had an abortion.” Deanna responded with a scathing response “I Was a Disney Princess, Had an Abortion and Regret it!” This went viral moving Deanna to spend her time now speaking out on the importance of pro-life content in main stream media (especially children’s entertainment). She is the author of a book called TO BE A MOTHER and the soon to be released book called THE CINDERELLA MINDSET. Deanna’s work has been featured in Charisma, Breitbart, 700Club, EWTN, Faithwire, Federalist to name a few. Deanna is the mom of 7 children (5 internationally adopted) and lives near Disneyworld in Orlando with her husband Mark.



## GEORGETTE FORNEY BIO

Georgette Forney begins her 23rd year as President of Anglicans for Life, the only global Anglican ministry dedicated to ending abortion and euthanasia through ministry, education, pastoral care, and advocacy in partnership with the Anglican Church. She is also the co-founder of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, an effort to bring awareness to the physical, spiritual and emotional harm abortion does to women and to let those who are hurting from abortion know help is available. Georgette had an abortion at age sixteen and later experienced healing, forgiveness and reconciliation after going through an abortion recovery program.

Through that she developed a greater understanding of the negative impact abortion has on women and the need to highlight the issue as an abortion survivor. She has spoken at many Pregnancy Center banquets, pro-life conferences, conventions, churches, rallies, and university and college campuses. She served as the host for the television infomercial "Tilly." In addition, she has addressed the Pro-Life Caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives concerning abortion and women and gave testimony at the Senate Commerce subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space Hearing, and at the US House Energy & Commerce Health Subcommittee, regarding the impact of abortion on women's health in February 2020. Georgette has spoken at the SPUC Annual Conference in England, Princeton University's Organization of Women Leaders Conference and in May 2005 she attended a meeting with 19 religious leaders and President Bush. She has done numerous print, radio and television interviews for local, syndicated and national shows, papers and magazines. She also serves as the facilitator for the Abortion Recovery Coalition. Deacon Forney has also authored two educational curriculums, including Embrace the Journey that addresses aging and dying issues in a culture that sees growing support for assisted suicide. As much as Georgette is committed to helping make abortion become unthinkable, she is also passionate about protecting the elderly, handicapped and most vulnerable at the end of life. Georgette lives in Sewickley, Pennsylvania, with her husband of over 39 years; their daughter Rebekah designs leather accessories in New York. Georgette was ordained in 2014 as a Permanent Vocational Deacon in the Jurisdiction of the Armed Forces and Chaplaincy of the Anglican Church in North America.

### THE VALUE OF YOUR TESTIMONY

This presentation by Georgette Forney, Co-founder of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign will feature an overview of the Campaign and the testimony guidelines they use, along with discussion about the value of our stories and the different ways they can impact others who may be considering abortion.

### CAN WE ABORT GRANDMA?

This talk will feature Georgette Forney, President of Anglicans for Life and her concern for the growing acceptance of physician assisted suicide in America. Forney will discuss how we abort the inherent dignity of the elderly because of a fear of aging and dying and she will provide practical resources that you can use to protect geriatric loved ones.



Carolyn Frandsen

## ABORTION'S IMPACT ON PARENT CHILD ATTACHMENT.

In this workshop the participants will hear about Carolyn's abortion experience and how her abortion impacted her future journey in becoming a mother.

## RELATABILITY

In this workshop the participants will hear how relatability involving an abortion experience, plays a key roll in trust building with client relationships.

## BIO

Carolyn serves as the Programming Coordinator at Support After Abortion. Carolyn specializes in leading abortion healing groups and helping others break free from the shame and guilt that once kept them in bondage. Her passion for helping others is driven by her own life experiences of trauma and pain. Carolyn faced an unexpected pregnancy in her teen years. Feeling lost and alone, she thought abortion was her only option. The shame and guilt of that decision led her down a path of self-destruction. Carolyn met her husband, who shared with her the love of Jesus and changed her life forever. She and her husband are blessed to be parents of three beautiful children. While Carolyn's life seemed to be going great, God knew there was still a hole in her heart, and she needed healing. He led her to Support After Abortion, where she was able to break free from the shame and guilt that kept her in bondage for so many years. Carolyn strives to ensure men and women experience the same freedom she has. Her heart aligns with the vision of Support After Abortion - to see the world restored from the impact of abortion.



## INVITING PARISHIONERS TO BEGIN HEALING

### Michaelene Fredenburg

Many of your parishioners have been personally impacted by abortion. However, they often remain silent and alone. Fortunately there is a way to communicate that your parish is a safe place for men and women to open up about their abortion experiences and begin healing.

*“Those who suffer reproductive loss no longer have to suffer in isolation trying to cope with shame and grief.”*

- Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone

## BIO

Michaelene Fredenburg is the President & CEO of Life Perspectives, a nonprofit that provides training, research and expertise to health professionals and other care providers to offer support after reproductive loss including miscarriage and abortion. Life Perspectives also offers a safe place for those impacted by miscarriage and abortion at [MiscarriageHurts.com](http://MiscarriageHurts.com) and [AbortionChangesYou.com](http://AbortionChangesYou.com).

Michaelene is an expert on reproductive loss and author of the book *Changed: Making Sense of Your Own or A Loved One's Abortion Experience* and the booklet *Hope After Loss (miscarriage)* as well as the editor of the book *Grief & Abortion: Creating a Safe Place to Heal*. Michaelene has written numerous articles about reproductive grief and loss and has participated in over 100 radio and television programs including several on EWTN. Michaelene also co-developed reproductive loss Continuing Education Curricula that is accredited by the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (CAMFT), the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), and the California Board of Registered Nurses (BRN).



## PERSONALIZING SELF-CARE FOR HELPER AND HELPEE

### Wendy Giancola

The restoring work of abortion recovery requires deep attention and focus that can be depleting. It is essential that both the helper and helpee practice good self-care during an abortion recovery journey to maintain progress. This workshop will explore aspects of how we care for self in light of unique individual needs to guard against exhaustion or defeat.

## BIO

Wendy Giancola has served at the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center in Washington, DC, since 2009. She is the director of Pregnancy Loss Ministry, which includes Past Abortion Transformation Healing (path) abortion recovery and path Upward aftercare program. Wendy is also the author of *Transforming Your Story: a Path to Healing after Abortion*, an abortion recovery guidebook used in various pregnancy help organizations.

Additionally, Wendy provides educational seminars in public, private and non-profit settings. Wendy holds a master's degree in family and individual studies from Kent State University and has received additional training from Stephen Ministry and the Lay Counseling Institute.

Wendy is a lover of souls and has walked with many women, individually or in groups, on their paths to healing. She marvels at how God has transformed her wounded story into a story of His grace and restoration. Wendy now seeks to inspire others to continually live a transforming story of hope.

Wendy lives in northern Virginia with her incredibly supportive husband, Nick.



## DISFRANCHISED GRIEF: HEALING INVISIBLE WOUNDS

### Yolanda Gorick

Despite legalization forty-seven years ago, abortion remains a socially unacceptable loss to acknowledge in public and private. Deprived of her right to grieve, a woman may feel compelled to hide her pain and wait years to seek healing. As the silence around abortion pain is shattered, women are discovering powerful insights for change in the safety of post-abortion support groups.

## BIO

Yolanda Gorick, M.A. Author, Speaker, Radio Host, Life Coach

After healing for an abortion in college, Yolanda founded and facilitated a post-abortion ministry at The Church On The Way in 1992 through 2005. Responding to women's need for experiential knowledge of God, she developed Beauty for Ashes, a popular retreat utilizing creative arts, small groups and inner healing prayer. As a Christian marriage and family therapist, Yolanda helped women process loss and pursue their goals. Yolanda and her husband live in Albany, Oregon. She is currently writing a memoir of her spiritual quest to meet a relational God and find true love. Her passion is mentoring young women leaders out of hiding and into their true calling.



## HOW TO SUCCEED 100% OF THE TIME AND NOT BURN OUT.

### Molly Grigg

How to Be Successful 100% of the Time and Not Burn Out, flows from Molly's passion to see pro-life ministries experience the power of God in their work.

## BIO

When Molly Grigg gave her life to God at 19, the blinders of feminism fell off. In her words: "We're killing babies and calling it freedom."

The revelation that each life is created in the image of God and has immeasurable value, became a guiding principle in Molly's life. Molly started pro-life groups at the colleges she attended, participated in activism at abortion clinics, worked at pregnancy centers and led post-abortion recovery groups. When her parents became ill, while homeschooling four children.

Molly Grigg holds a bachelors in psychology from Palm Beach Atlantic College, and two masters degrees from Regent University in Public Policy and Communications.



## THE RIPPLE EFFECT, HOW ABORTION HURTS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

### Jack Harper

The Ripple Effect happens when family members and friends deal with pain and grief after abortion. This workshop is a revealing look at the post abortion ripple effect into the families across our country and around the world. This workshop will include identifying symptoms like survivor's guilt and dissociation. We will also look at the impact of abortion recovery in our communities, and how abortion recovery is key in restoring families.

### BIO

Jack Harper is the Vice President, and Men's Director for SaveOne. He has fought in this battle for the unborn since the inception of SaveOne in 2000. Jack has supported SaveOne as a board member, a liaison to the global church, a travel partner, and through financial support. In 2018 God very clearly spoke to Jack and Sheila about coming together and Jack joining in full time ministry on the staff of SaveOne. Jack's life has not always been about ministry. For Jack, drinking as a young teen led to alcoholism as a young adult. What started as an adolescent indiscretion became 23 years of alcoholism. Then, in September of 1998 Jack was miraculously delivered from alcohol as he gave his life to Christ. From that day forward Jack has looked for every opportunity to invest in the restoration of those hurting from the pain and destruction of addiction, alcohol, and abortion. In 2003 Jack was called to full time ministry, and in 2007 became a church planter. He pastored Crossroads church for 11 years before God called him to full time ministry at SaveOne. Jack is the author of the book *Gifts from God* a book centered on the revelation of how God blesses not only us but other people through our obedience. His books can be purchased through the resources page at [saveone.org](http://saveone.org) He is currently working on two books entitled, *Ten Days in the Upper Room*, and *Eight Days of Miracles*, both set to be released in the spring of 2019. Jack can be reached at [jack@saveone.org](mailto:jack@saveone.org). Jack and Sheila agree, we will fight with every fiber of our being to see this door of death closed in men, women, and families lives in our nation and around our world.



## INTERNATIONAL ABORTION RECOVERY-YES YOU CAN TOO!

### Sheila Harper

You see the great need for abortion recovery overseas, you want to help, but where do you start? Join us for this workshop to learn the top three guidelines to follow when branching out into other countries. We, at SaveOne, have chapters in 24 countries. It's really far easier than you think!

### BIO

Sheila Harper is the Founder and President of SaveOne, an international outreach ministry for men, women, and families suffering in silence after an abortion. She holds a Master's degree in biblical counseling and is the author of 10 books.

"SaveOne-A Guide to Emotional Healing after Abortion" her first book has been translated and distributed in 20 languages.

SaveOne currently has 296 chapters in 24 countries. Sheila has traveled the world speaking on the topic of abortion recovery as well as training abortion recovery leaders.

After enduring seven years of personal anguish over choosing abortion, she found restoration and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. Sheila has two awesome sons, and now lives in Nashville, TN with her husband, Jack. You can order the books, or find a chapter near you at [www.saveone.org](http://www.saveone.org)



## IRREVERSIBILITY

### Walter Hoye

In 169 years the total Black Fertility Rate dropped 77%. At this rate, by 2050 the total Black Fertility Rate will have dropped to 1.3 or lower and face irreversibility. Want to learn more, read our press release: "In 169 Years the Total Black Fertility Rate Dropped 77% — There is such a thing as 'Too Late'."

## BIO

Walter B. Hoye II is both Founder and President of the Issues4Life Foundation, the California Civil Rights Foundation, Founder of the Frederick Douglass Foundation of California, an Executive Member of the National Black Pro-Life Coalition, a Board Member of The Morning Center, which was founded to provide free full-service maternity care for women in urban and under-served areas, a published author of the book Leadership from the IN|SIDE Out and serves as a leadership consultant. In 1984, God used the premature birth (six months, 2.1 pounds) of his son to teach him that the fetus is a person, a living, breathing human being. As a young man Walter played football (here are the stats in pdf) at Michigan State University where he graduated with a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Sociology in 1980. On Tuesday, January 12th, 1982 Walter was licensed to preach the gospel by the Calvary Baptist Church in San Diego, California, which at the time was under the leadership of Pastor Dr. S.M. Lockridge. Encouraged by his "Father in the Gospel", Dr. S.M. Lockridge, Walter graduated from the United States International University, now Alliant International University, with a Master's degree in Business Administration in 1983. On Sunday, April 23rd, 1989 Walter was ordained a Baptist preacher by the late Pastor Dr. S.M. Lockridge, then Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church. From 1984 to 1987 Walter served as Minister of Christian Education at the St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Oceanside, California under the leadership of the late T. W. Davis. From 1987 to 1991 Walter served as Assistant to the Pastor and Director of the Youth Department at the Greater Faith Baptist Church in Stockton, California under the leadership of Joseph L. Slade. From 1991 to 2010, Walter served as the Executive Elder of the Progressive Missionary Baptist Church of Berkeley under the leadership of Dr. Earl C. Stuckey, Sr. in Berkeley, California. In May of 2010, Walter resigned to work full-time in the Pro-Life movement. Walter competes in the San Francisco Marathon and catches an NFL, NBA, NHL and MLB game whenever he can.



## PREACHING THAT HELPS THEM HEAL

### Pastor Joanne Hoehne

As pastors, it's so easy to want to avoid the 'hot' topics that could cause hurt or anger from people. But the truth is that unless we talk about these issues, such as abortion, people never really have a chance to find out that Jesus wants to meet them in their pain, and ultimately heal them.

## BIO

Joanne Hoehne is lead pastor of The Source Church which her and her husband planted in 2007. Her authentic and relatable style of connecting to people through practical revelation of the Word and easy to understand life illustrations makes her a powerful preacher, teacher, author and conference speaker.

Joanne is also the founder of a movement called SHE Tour, Saved Healed Empowered. A women's conference that has literally brought radical revival to thousands of women from all walks of life. This conference holds multiple events across North America each year, with a heart to see women become fully alive in all that God has called them to be.

Originally from Winnipeg, Canada, she now lives in Florida with her husband Ralph and family. She is a mother to four boys and a grandmother to three. Connect with Joanne at [www.source.church](http://www.source.church) or [ExperienceSHE.com](http://ExperienceSHE.com).



## CREATED INTENTIONALLY FOR ABUNDANCE

### Kathy Koch

Get ready to have your understanding about the value of life refreshed. You'll be inspired to live your life fully as God intended. You'll understand in new and rich ways that God creates everyone intentionally and every person has a right to find out why they are who they are. Every person was created on purpose with purpose by an intentional God who knew what He was doing!

## BIO

Dr. Kathy is not only "Pro-Life," she is "Pro-Abundant Life."

With a passion for being an influence and for helping build strong and healthy families, Dr. Kathy writes (6 books and counting) and speaks (a lot and often) on a wide range of topics that are both timeless and current. Her humorous and easy-to-learn-from speaking style, foundational wisdom, and practical and relevant details leave her audiences empowered with strategies to navigate the challenges of raising and teaching children. She warmly speaks to young people and their adults with compassion and understanding, never shying away from tough topics in our current culture. Her messages are always beautifully woven with Biblical truth and hope.

Kathy has become a wildly popular speaker offering keynote presentations for conventions and pregnancy resource center banquets (raising big-bucks!); seminars for educators and students held at schools, churches, and conferences; and programs for parents at churches, schools, conventions, and youth and parent organizations.

She is a featured speaker for Care Net, Great Homeschool Conventions, Summit Ministries, Axis, and more. Her big-screen credit (one so far) is in Kirk Cameron's 2018 movie *Connect: Real Help for Parenting Kids in a Social Media World* where Kathy was interviewed as the technology expert (without a script!). She is a popular guest on Focus on the Family Radio where her broadcasts were in the top ten shows in 2014, 2016, and 2019.

With audiences ranging in age from 10 to 100, Kathy has a unique gift of engaging, entertaining, and teaching them all. She attributes much of her excellence to the three degrees she earned from Purdue University, including a PhD in reading and educational psychology. She also followed after her dad and brother by marching in the Purdue band. She taught second graders, coached middle schoolers, was a tenured associate professor of education at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, and finally a school board member before becoming a full-time conference and keynote speaker in 1991.

Dr. Kathy founded Celebrate Kids, Inc., in 1991 ([www.celebratekids.com](http://www.celebratekids.com)) and Ignite the Family in 2018 ([www.ignitethefamily.org](http://www.ignitethefamily.org)), with Suzanne and Lane Phillips.



## GO WHERE THE CLIENTS ARE: HOW TO REACH CLIENTS IN NEED OF HEALING

### Tammy Kocher

After abortion support is a critical part of being holistically pro-life. With more than a million abortions each year, creativity is essential when it comes to reaching those hurting from abortion. Tammy Kocher, director of one of the largest pregnancy centers in the country, will share her post-abortion ministry experiences and how her organization has learned to reach the most vulnerable clients. She will share how partnering with other organizations, going digital during COVID-19, and having a menu of options for clients to choose from expanded and blessed their post-abortion ministry.

## BIO

Tammy Kocher is the Executive Director of New Life Family Services, one of the oldest, largest and most comprehensive pregnancy centers in the country. Tammy is an active leader in the state of Minnesota, working with other pregnancy center directors to establish a strong network of support. She is passionate about cultivating excellence and empowering leaders to confidently live out their God-given calling. Tammy, her husband, and their three boys reside in Chaska, Minnesota.



## GENERATIONAL CYCLES OF ABORTION

### Jessie Lapek

This presentation will discuss a firsthand experience of how abortion permeates multiple generations. When left unhealed from their own abortions, older generations encourage younger generations to have go down the same destructive paths. This leaves families with multiple generations lost and missing from their family tree. The guilt, shame, and regret grow deeper and harder to heal from with each loss.

### BIO

Jessie Lapek serves as the Director of Expansion at Support After Abortion. A bachelor's degree in Social Sciences from the University of South Florida has equipped Jessie with a unique skill set that allows her to utilize her knowledge of human behavior to better understand and serve her clients. Jessie has dedicated her life to serving survivors of great trauma. As fate would have it, Jessie's work in serving those with stories of childhood sexual abuse, gang violence, sex trafficking, addiction, and abortion actually opened the door to her own healing. After a decade of suppressing the pain and trauma caused by her own abortion experiences, Jessie joined a Support After Abortion group which enabled her to break free from the guilt and shame she carried for so many years. Jessie's personal journey through abortion and healing has uncovered her undeniable passion and purpose for working with men and women impacted by abortion.



## ANSWERING THE HARD CALLS

### Sabrina Laycock

After-abortion support calls are some of the most difficult calls to take, even for those with extensive experience. Join this session to learn what many of these callers have in common, to hear their stories, and to learn more about how being prepared for this hard conversation can change or save a life.

### BIO

Bri Laycock is the Senior Director of Ministry Solutions at Heartbeat International, and leads Option Line, a pregnancy help hotline that has been serving women in need of pregnancy help for over 16 years. She regularly speaks at conferences around the world on topics like answering the hard questions about abortion and reaching and engaging young women through technology. She is a Google Ads Certified Professional and currently lives in Columbus, Ohio with her husband and son.



## SURRENDERING THE SECRET

Pat Layton

Healing the heartbreak of abortion

### BIO

Pat is a passionate and inspiring author, speaker and leader who has founded a variety of organizations during her 25 plus years in full time ministry including one of the nations largest pregnancy resource centers, an international post abortion recovery program, an adoption agency and a national woman's retreat and coaching ministry. She has published 6 books. Her best selling post abortion recovery bible study *Surrendering the Secret* was recently updated and re-launched by Lifeway in January 2019. Her book *Life Unstuck: Finding Peace with Your Past, Purpose in Your Present and Passion for Your Future* is a best seller and the foundation for much of her speaking and coaching.

Pat has been featured on numerous radio and TV shows including *Focus on the Family*, *Life Today*, *Janet Parshal* and *Proverbs 31 Ministries*. She and her husband Mike have been married for over 40 years and have 3 married children and 5 "G's". They enjoy traveling, doing ministry together and a sweet tea home in the North Georgia Mountains.

Visit her website at [www.patlayton.net](http://www.patlayton.net) for more information



## THE IMPORTANCE OF REPRODUCTIVE GRIEF CARE

### Tricia Lewis

One in four pregnancies ends in miscarriage and one in four women in the US will have an abortion by the age of 45. Although these losses occur very differently, the grief experience is similar and affects men, women, family members, and friends. Learn about the importance of Reproductive Grief Care Training and Certification for pregnancy centers and creating a gold standard of compassionate care.

## BIO

Tricia Lewis, Life Perspectives Certified Instructor

Tricia is based in Nashville but loves to develop on-going relationships with individuals and organizations where ever they may be. As a Life Perspectives instructor and former Pregnancy Clinic Director, it's her joy to work with organizations and help them to better serve their community in a practical and compassionate way. For Tricia, the best part of her job is offering a safe place for others to share their story.



## NO LONGER BOUND ABORTION & MISCARRIAGE RECOVERY MINISTRY

### Pastor Marc & Tegra Little

No Longer Bound Abortion | Miscarriage Recovery Ministry provides a safe place for spiritual healing and deliverance through Jesus Christ to women and men who have been emotionally wounded by abortion and/or miscarriage.

## BIO

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## ACCOMPANYING HURTING HEARTS TO THE MERCY OF GOD

Sr. Mercy Marie, SV and Sr. Gemma Grace Marie, SV

Bearing the promise of redemption in Christ, the Sisters of Life witness to His merciful love, extend His invitation to reconciliation, and seek to bring wounded hearts to rest and healing in His Divine Mercy. The Sisters will share about the courageous women they know who have sought and experienced healing. You will also learn about their sacramental approach in accompanying women as spiritual guides, spiritual mothers, and prayer guardians.

### BIO

The Sisters of Life are consecrated to protect and enhance a sense of the sacredness of human life. Immersed in contemplative Eucharistic prayer, within a vibrant community life, the Sisters act in imitation of the Blessed Mother, bringing the consoling presence of Jesus Christ, conceived beneath their hearts to every person they meet, especially those whose lives are hidden, weak, or wounded. Their missions include caring for vulnerable pregnant women and their unborn children; fostering a Culture of Life through evangelization; inviting those wounded by abortion into the healing mercy of Jesus; retreat works; and upholding the beauty of marriage and family life.

Sr. Mercy Marie and Sr. Gemma Grace Marie both currently serve in the Hope & Healing Mission in New York, journeying with both English-speaking and Spanish-speaking women seeking healing after the experience of abortion. Through our ministry of reverence and accompaniment, many come to experience the peace and healing that comes in sharing their burdens with another.

We stand with women through their suffering, help them to strengthen their relationship with God, and lead them towards reconciliation with their child and others who have been affected by the abortion(s). Many who are suffering alone begin to experience a new peace as they are able share their burdens with another. We are available to meet with women individually in-person or over the phone as they walk the journey of healing. Accompaniment usually begins with a phone call, email, or an in-person meeting. Ongoing accompaniment is suited to each woman's needs and may include Days of Prayer and Healing, monthly gathering, and weekend retreats in the Entering Canaan model.

Nothing – absolutely nothing – is beyond the love and mercy of Jesus Christ. No sin is too big for Him; no darkness is too great. Jesus, we trust in You!



## MEN HURT TOO

### Brad Mattes

Many people are aware that the mothers of aborted babies often suffer psychologically, yet men are nearly always the forgotten victims of abortion. Brad presents the reasons why men can be emotionally impacted by losing a child to abortion. He also describes the common symptoms experienced by a grieving father, and he shares the most effective ways to treat these symptoms that brings healing after an abortion loss. Brad will also share the many resources exclusively developed for men after abortion and those who want to help them. It is important to let these hurting fathers know that they are not alone and that many men feel the same way. It is a message of hope and healing.

## BIO

Brad Mattes is president of Life Issues Institute, an international pro-life educational organization, the pro-life grassroots partner of the Susan B. Anthony List Education Fund, headquartered in the Washington, DC area. Its primary objective is to globally develop and disseminate effective pro-life educational material.

For eight seasons, Brad was host and executive producer of Facing Life Head-On, a weekly pro-life TV program that was available to more than 100 million homes in the US and Canada. The program earned three Regional Emmy® awards and several other industry accolades before production ceased in 2015.

Brad also hosts Life Issues, a daily radio commentary on abortion and other life issues. Carried on nearly 1,250 radio outlets across the US, the program was recognized by National Religious Broadcasters with the 2016 Radio Impact Award.

He is president of the International Right to Life Federation and a frequent international speaker and lecturer on abortion and related life issues. He works with other countries to establish a pro-life educational and counseling presence. He also is chairman of the board of directors of the Terri Schiavo Life and Hope Network, working to protect vulnerable individuals and educate others on end-of-life issues.

Brad has done considerable anecdotal research on the effects of abortion on men, and his writings on this topic have been printed in US and international publications. He has a master's degree in Biblical Studies and Biblical Counseling from Master's International University of Divinity and has written undergraduate and post-graduate courses on men and abortion.

A veteran of the pro-life cause, Brad has more than 45 years of educational, political and humanitarian experience. Currently, he serves to protect innocent human life as: Peer-to-peer counselor to men who've lost a child to abortion. Media spokesperson for television, radio and newspapers. Speaker at pro-life banquet and educational events.



## OPTIONS COACHING: THE NEW SECRET WEAPON FOR PREGNANCY CENTERS

### Christopher McClusky

In this brief talk you will learn of a powerful new approach to working with women and couples in crisis pregnancies who are abortion-minded or abortion-vulnerable (ie: feeling pressured into abortions.) This coach approach – what we refer to as ‘Options Coaching’ – evidences truly incredible results in preventing abortions, to such a degree that the statistics are unbelievable until you understand the radical difference this approach makes.

## BIO

Christopher McCluskey is President of Professional Christian Coaching Institute (PCCI), the world’s largest Christian school aligned with the standards of the International Coaching Federation (ICF). PCCI has trained thousands of life & leadership coaches in more than 60 countries and in many of the world’s most influential ministries and businesses. Frequently cited as the ‘Father of Christian Coaching’, Chris pioneered the industry in the 1990’s and co-hosts the top-rated podcast, Professional Christian Coaching Today. He is a popular keynote speaker, thought leader, media personality, and executive coach. He and his wife, Rachel, are best-selling authors of the marriage classic, When Two Become One, and are blessed with 7 children, a wonderful son-in-law and the cutest grandson you’ve ever seen.



## PROJECT RACHEL MINISTRY: AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO HEALING

### Mary McClusky

Project Rachel Ministry is a Catholic diocesan-based ministry of healing and reconciliation open to women and men of any faith or no faith who suffer in the aftermath of abortion. This presentation will share the Catholic vision of abortion healing ministry in the U.S. and cover essential components of the integrated approach to healing (spiritual and psychological) that is the central vision for the ministry.

## BIO

Mary McClusky is the Assistant Director for Project Rachel Ministry Development at the US Conference of Catholic Bishops' Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, her third position in the Secretariat since 2002. Mary assists Catholic dioceses with developing their Project Rachel Ministry to offer an integration of spiritual and psychological healing. Her work includes pastoral assistance to pregnant women facing difficult pregnancies, and collaboration with those who focus on domestic and sexual violence, and marriage and family issues. She has spoken nationally and internationally to audiences and the media about the Church's outreach to bring hope to those suffering from participation in abortion. Mrs. McClusky earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications (Radio/TV) and a Human Life Studies Minor from Franciscan University of Steubenville and a Master of Arts degree in moral theology at Holy Apostles College & Seminary. During college, she spent summers walking across the country and working in the office for Crossroads Pro-life. She has worked at several pro-life and public interest groups in grassroots development, media, event planning, fundraising, and public education and advertising campaigns. She and her husband Tom live in Virginia.



## GOD DOES NOT WASTE ANYTHING: THE GOD OF REDEMPTION

### Toni McFadden

The path to healing from abortion is a journey. As I share my healing journey, my hope is to expose the lies of abortion while declaring the redemptive hand of God and what he can do when we surrender the dark places of our heart to him. There is a surprise ending to my story that you will not want to miss! What the enemy tried to use for evil, God turned around for good!

### BIO

Toni is a Pro-Life speaker and the Founder of the Program, Relationships Matter. Toni shares her story of regret with transparency while leaving her listeners with hope.

Toni has spoken alongside of Pro-Life advocate Stephanie Gray and Star Parker on a debate panel in Mexico. She also presented alongside Alveda King (Dr. Martin Luther King, JR's, niece) at the First National Pro-Life Summit after the 47th annual March for Life.

Toni holds a bachelor's degree from West Chester University and her master's degree in Biblical Counseling from Summit University. She was the former Relationship Educator and Director of Relationship Education Program in the greater Philadelphia area for 6 years and has shared this program internationally in Africa and Israel.

Toni has been married to her wonderful husband Kris McFadden for 11 years and they have 4 beautiful children. She loves helping people see their worth and giving them hope through her own story, being an advocate for the unborn, being a stay at home mom, and spending time with her family.



## UNRAVELED ROOTS: EXPOSING THE HIDDEN CAUSES OF DAMAGING BEHAVIORS

### Melinda Means

Based on her new co-authored book, this presentation is designed for church leaders and clergy who desire to see lasting healing and transformation in those they lead but are unsure how or why that goal seems so elusive. Melinda will explain how we often seek to treat symptoms instead of addressing the root of the pain and problems. She'll provide some simple (but not always easy) strategies to help lead others toward healing and freedom.

### BIO

Melinda Means learned the hard way as she's fought chronic illness, raised a special needs child, and grappled with past wounds. She loves walking alongside women and pointing women to Jesus so they can experience for themselves the freedom and healing power of His incredible, captivating love.

Melinda has been actively involved in leading women's church events and small groups for nearly 25 years, serving as the Women's Ministry Director at her church since 2012. She is the co-author of *Unraveled Roots: Exposing the Hidden Causes of Damaging Behaviors* (2020), *Mothering From Scratch: Finding the Best Parenting Style for You and Your Family* (Bethany House, 2015) and author of *Invisible Wounds: Hope While You're Hurting* (2016). She is a Certified Professional Life Coach and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Clinical Christian Counseling. Melinda is wife to Mike and mom to two very entertaining young adults.



## WORKSHOP TITLE COMING SOON

Angela Minter

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION COMING SOON

## BIO

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## FR. SHAWN MONAHAN OMV

### BIO

Fr. Shawn Monahan, OMV, is a native of Boston, and is an ordained priest of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. Over the past 18 plus years of ministry, he has experienced a variety of apostolic ministry ranging from parish life, hospital ministry, assisting in seminary formation as well as parish missions, and directing retreats as a certified spiritual director.

Drawing upon these compiled experiences of ministry, Fr. Shawn will present several frameworks which can serve immensely all clergy, counselors, and individuals seeking to assist those searching for a path of healing and restoration, a path that necessarily goes through our broken hearts.

### CLERGY: ADDRESSING THE GREAT IDENTITY CRISIS FACING OUR WORLD TODAY

One of the greatest crises we are facing today is profoundly an identity crisis. Often we search for our identity in the extremes of our accomplishments or our brokenness rather than in the merciful gaze of our Lord, who alone can reveal to us our true identity with inestimable value and worth. Fr. Shawn, drawing upon his experience in working with those in seminary formation, will present the 3 dynamics of formation; self knowledge, self acceptance and self gift. These dynamics are universally applicable to all and offer a basic framework for helping those desiring to live 'a more abundant life'.

### COUNSELORS: THE HOPE TO RESHAPE OUR FUTURE IS ROOTED IN RESHAPING OUR BELIEF SYSTEM

Having utilized many of the basic skills learned in pastoral counseling class while in the seminary, Fr. Shawn looked into the possibility of an advanced degree in counseling. That led him to a program of certification for spiritual direction and retreat ministry. Through his work in seminary formation and retreat ministry, he has incorporated much of the work of Dr. Bob Schuchts, founder of the John Paul II Healing Center in Tallahassee FL. His presentation will highlight how the seven identity lies attack our core identity as God's beloved, and how healing our belief system is the key to deep transformation and restoration.

### FOR THOSE SEEKING HEALING FROM THEIR ABORTION: "THE BROKEN HEART AND THE PATH TO HEALING"

Everyone has a story, a story that is unique to them, but a story that also reflects the story of salvation. We all have a fall, a loss of innocence, an experience of disorientation and disintegration. But we also have a longing for wholeness, for integration, for communion, to not just survive this life, but to thrive, to truly be alive. Fr. Shawn will highlight the sources of our desire, and very often the omissions of love, that have left voids in our hearts, that have led to choices that only caused further heart ache and brokenness. The path to healing necessarily involves going through our broken hearts, and turning those stumbling blocks into stepping stones of forgiveness and restoration.



## SIDEWALK ADVOCACY AND AFTER-ABORTION OUTREACH: HOW TO OFFER HOPE AND HEALING AT ABORTION FACILITIES

### Lauren Muzyka

Lauren Muzyka, Executive Director of Sidewalk Advocates for Life, which is the largest sidewalk advocacy organization in the world, will share how Sidewalk Advocates around the globe aim to be the first sign of God's mercy to those leaving the abortion facility and gently but effectively work to get healing information in their hands. Lauren will cover general philosophy, approach, and materials typically employed and how after-abortion outreach fits into the overall picture with other types of outreach at abortion centers and why it's so essential.

## BIO

Lauren Muzyka serves as Executive Director of Sidewalk Advocates for Life (SAFL) where she oversees the organization's vision, mission, and program.

Lauren is a licensed attorney whose passion for defending the sanctity of human life led her into the pro-life movement. For over two years, Lauren served as Campaign Strategist for the National 40 Days for Life Team, advising their 300+ campaigns in North America.

Lauren holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Spanish from Texas A&M University, as well as an Advanced Certificate in International Affairs. She is a 2009 cum laude graduate of Ave Maria School of Law (AMSOL) where she served as President of the Lex Vitae Society, Student Bar Association 3L Class Senator, and remained active in Moot Court Board and The Advocate Radio Show. In 2008, Lauren was selected as Best Oralist in the State of Michigan Moot Court Competition, where the AMSOL team also won the championship. She was also selected by her classmates to be a 2009 Student Commencement Speaker.

Lauren has interned with organizations such as Alliance Defending Freedom (Blackstone Fellowship), Americans United for Life, Liberty Institute, Texas Alliance for Life, and the Collin County District Attorney's Office.

Lauren is a trained Sidewalk Advocate of 20 years and has been interviewed on various media outlets throughout the country and world. Her greatest joy is her relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church, being married to her husband, chasing after her rescue dogs, and bringing God's people together across denominational lines in the pro-life movement.



## ABORTION IS AN ILLUSION

### Star Parker

This presentation is one that you don't want to miss! Learn about how abortion is an illusion that has tricked far too many men and women into believing that there is some escape valve from personal responsibility in life.

### BIO

Star Parker is founder and president of UrbanCure, the Center for Urban Renewal and Education.

Cure is a non-profit Policy Institute based in Washington DC that fights poverty to restore dignity through messages of faith, freedom and personal responsibility.

The vision of Cure is to preserve, promote and protect the principles of Christianity, the virtues of Capitalism and the rule of law in our Constitution to improve culture, reduce government dependency, and to build race relations.

Cure works in public policy, the public square, and in poor communities through three programs:

A Policy Program that works directly with the White House and the Congress on Welfare Reform ideas;

A Media Program that includes rapid response and a daily news site, [blackcommunitynews.com](http://blackcommunitynews.com);

And a Clergy Program that umbrellas a national network of more than 950 conservative clergy who serve in various distressed zip codes around the country.



## EXALTING CHRIST WORLD-WIDE BY EXPOSING THE DECEPTION OF ABORTION

### Jeanne Pernia

My theme is to share how society needs to understand the lies we accept as truth and how generational decisions can affect future generations around the World. In America when Christianity is well accepted, many women go silent from pews to the abortion clinic. Care-Net a nonprofit survey found that 4 in 10 women who had an abortion were churchgoers when they ended a pregnancy. It is our desire (Passionlife Ministries) to bring the Gospel of Life to the Church leaders around the

World where abortion is highly concentrated. It is in the Church where I first heard the good News that forgiveness of my abortion was available, and freedom would allow me to share to others that we can bring the truth in love and make a difference.

### BIO

Jeanne M. Pernia is certified mental health counselor, most recognized for her role as the Co-Founder of Heartbeat of Miami, a minority-led pregnancy help ministry and the founder of the Restoring the Heart Ministry, a post-abortive healing program. She is widely recognized for her role in the South Florida community, promoting the care of pregnant mothers and advocating for the lives of their unborn babies.

Since 2007 Jeanne has reached out to people around the world, sharing her testimony of grace and redemption. Jeanne's 2013 biography *Conquered* details her story - from her beginnings in the abortion business to her subsequent journey as one of South Florida's most widely recognized leaders in the Pro-Life Movement. She continues to share her passion for post-abortive healing and pregnancy counseling by leading weekend healing retreats and is now preparing for an expansive mission establishing the Sanctity of Life teachings in Cuba.

Jeanne's passionate about providing life changing education on the sanctity of life, particularly in the Latin-American community and Spanish speaking countries around the world. She and her husband, Albert, have been married for 37 years. They have three grown children, two sons-in-law, one daughter-in-law, and nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. They currently reside in Miami Lakes, FL.

Jeanne's book *Conquered* is also available in Spanish, translated as *Conquiste*. Both the English & Spanish versions are available at [www.cherisajerez.com](http://www.cherisajerez.com) or [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).



## A GOOD SAMARITAN - A PATTERN FOR CARING FOR THE WOUNDED

### Pastor Tony Plummer

Jesus was once asked what it took to inherit eternal life. The one who asked Jesus this question was not asking from a heart of integrity, truly wanting to know the answer; he was putting Jesus to the test. A part of Jesus' answer to this man was "love your neighbor as yourself." The man thought he was being shrewd when he responded to Jesus with another question – "who is my neighbor?" And it was at this point that Jesus told a story,

a parable. It may well be the most widely known parable that Jesus ever told. We call it the Parable of The Good Samaritan. It is a fascinating story but more, one that exposes the heart of those who wanted to know exactly who they have to love. But Jesus does something else with this parable. He leaves us a pattern for caring for the wounded. This pattern for caring for the wounded applies to virtually all stripes of woundedness. In this workshop Tony shares what this guide for caring for the wounded is and how it is the underpinnings for his ministry and leading a church.

## BIO

Tony is the pastor of Grace Community Bible Church (GCBC) in Venice, Florida. Tony, along with a small group of Christ-followers who shared the vision, planted GCBC 15 years ago. Since the beginning GCBC has grown - yes, in numbers, but more importantly in devotion to Christ, truth and reach in the community and around the world. Tony's passion is to preach and teach God's timeless Word to the hearts of those he ministers to each week. Caring for the souls of those in his church is a great joy and serious pursuit. His conviction for defending the unborn has consistently been evidenced in his support of and involvement with crisis pregnancy centers. And his love and compassion for women who have had abortions has always been a part of his understanding of what it means to be pro-life. Tony has been married to his wife, Lisa, for 32 years. They have two children and five grandchildren.



## MY STORY

### Lisa Robertson

Lisa shares about God's redeeming grace in her life.

## BIO

Lisa Robertson is the first Robertson daughter-in-law—married to Alan Robertson—the oldest son of Phil and Kay Robertson. Lisa was instructed in the ways of the kitchen by Miss Kay and continues to help Miss Kay with her busy schedule. Lisa co-authored, *The Women of Duck Commander*, with her sisters-in-law and Miss Kay, released in April, 2014.

Lisa and Al have been married for over 34 years and have been sharing ministry and speaking at marriage retreats and seminars for over 19 years. She speaks at Pregnancy centers and Pro-Life events all over the country. Lisa has a powerful life change story that impacts the lives of those she meets. She & Al know firsthand the devastating effects sin has on lives. She and Al have a book that released in 2015 titled *A New Season* that talks about their lives and marriage and the difficulties that couples can face. She and Al released *Duck Commander Devotional for Couples* in February of 2016. They just released a new book, *Desperate Forgiveness*, in which they partnered with Focus on the Family.

When Lisa is home in West Monroe, she loves spending time with her 6 grandchildren and helping to take care of them and going on as many trips with them as possible each year.



## LISA ROWE, LCSW BIO

Lisa Rowe has spent the last 2 decades equipping and empowering thousands of at-risk children, hurting adults and broken families find hope, healing, and restoration. Lisa's clinical experience, coupled with her organizational leadership has assisted government, nonprofit and private organizations to grow their impact, increase their sustainability, and leave a national imprint. Lisa has invested a great deal of time and leadership into helping men, women and families heal from the following adverse experiences: foster care, teen

parenting, sex trafficking, unexpected pregnancy, divorce, abortion, codependency, and addiction. Her passion for revealing the root of dysfunctional behavior and helping people find freedom from early childhood trauma is evident in her own life, the lives she helps lead, public speaking engagements, and the program model she has and continues to build to serve clients.

## EVERYTHING THEY FORGOT TO TEACH US ABOUT ABORTION HEALING

This workshop is specifically for mental health therapists, case managers, and those working closely with clients impacted by abortion. The workshop will address the gaps in education and training regarding the need for abortion healing. Participants will be encouraged to assess their current intake, interview, and treatment plan process for those who have been impacted by abortion.

## DID YOU JUST SAY, "ABORTION"?

In a world that has polarized and stigmatized the word, "Abortion," its no wonder we shy away from talking about "it" and immediately choose our side of the issue. This workshop will help participants understand their stereotypes and rhetoric around abortion and how it may be hurting those needing healing.



## JESSICA RUSSO

### BIO

Jessica Russo is the Donor Relationship Manager at Embrace Grace, Inc., a non-profit organization with the goal of inspiring and equipping the church to minister to single women facing an unplanned pregnancy and to single moms. She is also a public speaker and writer that passionately & transparently shares her journey of healing from the pain of abortion that she experienced as a teenager. After finding healing & freedom in 2011 Jessica now loves helping people to break free from their guilt and

shame and empowers them to use their story for God's glory! She resides in Ft. Worth, TX with her husband, Joe, and their four sons. To learn more about the work of Embrace Grace visit [www.embracegrace.com](http://www.embracegrace.com) To learn more about Jessica visit [www.jessicarussospeaks.com](http://www.jessicarussospeaks.com)

## LOVING & SUPPORTING WOMEN THROUGH CHOICES IN AN UNPLANNED PREGNANCY

We pray that women faced with an unplanned pregnancy are able to be brave in a choice for life. How do we have those conversations? What support should we offer if she is overcome by fear and chooses abortion? Join in on the conversation of how we Embrace these women with Grace as they wrestle with the choices they are faced with in an unplanned pregnancy.

## HOW THE CLERGY CAN SEE AND SERVE THE POST-ABORTIVE WITHIN THEIR CHURCH COMMUNITY

The Christian community is very vocal about our pro-life beliefs in the voting booths & the sidewalks of abortion clinics. It's beautiful to see the Church come together across denominational lines to educate and activate; yet sometimes in our passionate conversations and in efforts to save the unborn, we can also alienate members of our own congregations. Let's talk about how we can better see and serve the post-abortive in our churches.



## GETTING TO THE TRUTH- 2019 CONSUMER RESEARCH ON REPRODUCTIVE LOSS

### Bill Shapard/Janine Marrone/Karen Garnett

This three-part workshop will provide participants with data and information gleaned from consumer research commissioned in 2019 by Heroic Media and Shapard Research. Up until this point, research on the impact of abortion has been clinical and anecdotal. This workshop series will provide an in-depth look at the 2019 consumer research conducted and help participants understand how to provide valuable abortion healing experiences that their “consumers” (those impacted by abortion) will find useful.



#### Bill Shapard

Bill holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing from the University of Mississippi and is certified as a PRC, a professional researcher at the expert level by the Market Research Association (MRA). Bill is also an active member of the American Association of Public Opinion Research (AAPOR). Bill has lectured at Oklahoma State University on developing polling methodologies, data collection processes, and advanced likely voter sampling techniques. Bill also serves as an on-air political commentator for Oklahoma television stations and is an active member of the Oklahoma City Rotary Club.



#### Janine Marrone

Enjoying early retirement (2006) from a career in the financial services industry, Janine brings years of consumer marketing and operations experience to the world of nonprofits. For nearly a decade, Janine has operated a grassroots national Pro-Life networking luncheon that she co-founded. Insights gathered through the luncheons, lead her to co-found an abortion healing nonprofit in 2017 called Support After Abortion. Support After Abortion exists to build and strengthen abortion healing worldwide. Leveraging her passion for abortion healing and decades of business and consumer skills, Janine is using her skills to innovatively lead Support After Abortion into the future as the president of the Board of Directors. She is committed to uniting abortion healing service providers, educators, organizational leaders, and clergy to maximize abortion healing efforts, ultimately restoring the world from the impact of abortion.



#### Karen Garnett

BIO COMING SOON



## CHANGING THE NARRATIVE IN WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE - S.M.A.R.T. WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE

### Deborah Tilden

The mission of S.M.A.R.T. Women's Healthcare is to forge a science-based holistic framework of women's healthcare programs and partnerships. It is vital to create bridging dialogue relating to women's lifelong holistic health issues. By incorporating best-available worldwide science to increase our understanding, we focus on and value common sense reasoning and science to impact public policy and public education endeavors. Women deserve full informed consent about the potential risks and complications of abortion.

### BIO

Deborah is a speaker, author, advocate, coach and consultant-citizen lobbyist. LifeVictory Coaching & Consulting is a life redemption story out of her own abortion healing. She calls it "LIFE University". Deborah now equips and launches Possibilitarians by tapping into their God-given true and YOUNique identity. Her coaching practice focuses on Spirit-Soul-Body unity through Life Transformational & Wholeness Coaching, providing products with purpose & services with solutions.

Her LIFE advocacy communicates the truth in love, the injustices and harm done to women, couples, families and society based on misinformation about reproductive grief and loss, including abortion.

She envisions a Coalition of Kingdom-minded businesses, organizations, and faith-based initiatives building strategic partnerships and collaborative projects.

S.M.A.R.T. Women's Healthcare was launched in the fall of 2015. She regularly visits Washington, DC and state legislators. Deborah is developing a S.M.A.R.T. Women's Healthcare Advocacy Program to bridge the gap in the dialogue, removing labels and divisive language. Focusing on Best Available Science relating to the risks and complications of abortion.

Deborah serves on several boards. She and her husband of 37+ years live in Central Oregon. She's a mom of 4, including a U.S. Marine.



## PERRY UNDERWOOD

### BIO

Perry Underwood spent 30 years in the corporate world. Starting out as the Business Manager for a medical clinic in Colorado he eventually became Owner/President of a large real estate firm in Alaska. Perry sold his business in 2009 and in 2011 he and his wife moved to Spokane, WA to be near their grandchildren.

In 2013 Perry was hired by a Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC) in Spokane as a Business Consultant where he learned a great deal about the activities of PRCs and specifically the opportunities available to PRCs through Abortion Recovery Programs, not only in Spokane but throughout the world. In the Autumn of 2013 Perry founded Abortion Anonymous, Inc. (AbAnon).

Hearing hundreds of abortion stories and seeing a strong connection between abortion and sexual abuse/assault, in 2018 AbAnon launched Sexual Abuse Victims Anonymous (SAVAnon) as a sister organization. Today both organizations operate under the legal entity of SAVAnon, Inc where Perry serves as the Executive Director.

## THE CHURCH'S SILENCE ON ABORTION – YOU'LL NEVER GUESS WHY

In his book, Why Pro-Life, Randy Alcorn asserts that only 3% of churches ever speak about abortion from their pulpits. Why is that? How do we change it? This workshop will equip you with a fresh and effective strategy for change.

## DON'T LOOK NOW BUT YOUR STEPCHILD IS ACTUALLY CINDERELLA – PART 1

This 2-part workshop will introduce PRC leadership to “the greatest evangelistic opportunity of our generation” and it’s right there in plain view. You will never again look at Abortion Recovery the same as you do today. But the best thing of all is the transformation you get to witness in the lives of so many people within your community, both inside and outside the faith community.

## DON'T LOOK NOW BUT YOUR STEPCHILD IS ACTUALLY CINDERELLA – PART 2

This 2-part workshop will introduce Abortion Recovery and Sexual Abuse Recovery as a means to strengthen church engagement, build a broader volunteer base, significantly grow the number of financial partners, but the best part is being able to witness life transformation within your community in a way you’ve never seen before.



## LEVERAGING THE POST ABORTION PARADOX IN YOUR PRO-LIFE WORLD

### Bridget Vanmeans

This session will dive boldly and compassionately into an often overlooked phenomenon - the post abortive man and woman suffering silently in our pro-life culture. Together we will take a journey toward solutions, as we brilliantly and meaningfully bring comfort and freedom to the “silent sufferers” of post abortion syndrome in our pro-life world (churches, events, with our peer leaders and our vastly diverse target ministry niches). We will also explore the massively under utilized yet extremely powerful tool of post abortive branding In our advertising and messaging, to draw our pro-choice opposition toward us rather than away from us! This will be a challenging experience for those with a passion for thought leadership and winning over the harder targets.

## BIO

Bridget VanMeans, President and Vision Leader of the Thrive Nation phenomenon, has dynamically led the charge for an abortion free Missouri (the first “abortion free” state in the nation) and the very tip of the life-affirming spear nationally. Known universally as a planet shaking “thought leader” and strategic catalyst, she drives thrilling innovations, and a breathtakingly bold vision which delivers her favorite word...”RESULTS”. Bridget is a frequent radio and tv news contributor, (often creating the headlines of the day).She promises to deliver an exciting “NOW” edge in Kingdom settings for God’s glory- always spiked with humor and tons of passion!

Areas of specialty are advertising, messaging, FUNDRAISING and game changing strategies for outreach.



## HOW ABORTION AFFECTS MEN

### Dave Wernli

Dave covers abortion's biological, emotional, and spiritual effects on men. A man's partner's pregnancy actually has physical effects on his body. His body changes hormonally. These physical changes set him up for emotional and spiritual devastation after the abortion. Understanding this, Dave shares how to best help a post-abortive man walk through the grief he so desperately needs to acknowledge and process.

## BIO

Dave Wernli volunteers with his wife Janet at their local PRC in Fredericksburg, VA, where Janet is the director of post-abortive services. Dave leads post-abortive healing Bible studies for men, when they have any. He has also led their PRC's mentoring program for soon-to-be dads, and served on the board of directors. Dave has done talks on abortion's effects on men at Noble Warriors Christian men's conferences. Dave and Janet also serve on a Rachel's Vineyard post-abortion healing team based in Richmond, VA.

Dave and Janet's passion is to see the church set free from the pain in their lives through the healing that only Jesus brings, walking in their true identity in wholeness. Their blog on inner healing and intimacy with Jesus is [www.IdentityInWholeness.com](http://www.IdentityInWholeness.com). They also facilitate a writer's community helping writers build their online platforms at [www.BusyPlatformBuilders.com](http://www.BusyPlatformBuilders.com).



## HEALING YOUR IDENTITY

### Lisa Winchell

A healthy identity, one that brings a great sense of value, love and significance to you apart from your performance, is a very important part of healing your heart in any area. Through this presentation you will grow in God's love for you and a stronger and healthier sense of personal identity.

### BIO

Dr. Lisa Winchell, has her Doctorate in Ministry, Masters in Clinical Christian Counseling, NCCA License in Clinical Christian Counseling and is an Ordained Minister of Counseling. She had founded and operated In His Image Institute of Counseling and Training, for over 15 years, and is launching a new ministry called HisImage.me, Inc. which is a nationwide billboard campaign restoring people to their true identity in God. Lisa is passionate about restoring individuals to their true identity in Christ. She has done this through Created in God's Image Workshops, Temperament Therapy, Christ-Centered Counseling, Inner Healing and Training, and Credentialing other counselors to know how to lead their clients into an overcoming Life in Christ. Lisa has an anointed ability to bring healing to those she ministers to by unveiling how much God loves them, who God has created them to be in Christ, and who God has created them to be as a unique individual. Lisa has also taught in a prayer house, churches, conferences, and homeschool groups.

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