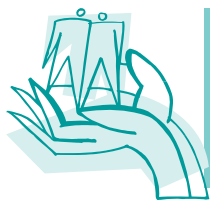


Opening Gates, Opening Hearts:

Christian responses to offender reentry



Saturday, September 10, 2011
Christian Fellowship Church
Columbia, Missouri

Registration is \$25 prior to August 22nd, after that time it is \$35
(registration includes lunch)

Attendance at this event will qualify for annual VIC in service training.

What attendees said about last year's event:

The event exceeded my expectations. Met new people, networked and touched base with old friends.

I have a lot to learn, so the diversity of information was helpful.

Gave me a lot of ideas of how our church can be involved

Word says "my people perish for lack of vision"—vision & hope was given here—peoples lives will be changed

I love this conference—I have been blessed by the resources and networking

Schedule

8:00	Displays Open	10:30	Breakout Session I
8:30	Registration	11:45	Lunch/Networking/ Displays
9:00	Opening Worship - Scott Musselman, Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Jefferson City	12:30	Breakout Session II
9:30	Ex-Offender Testimonies	1:45	Family Panel with Susan and Ron Robbins
10:15	Break	2:45	Wrap-up
		3:00	Closure

Breakout Groups

Grassroots Programs

Discussion of the establishment of two grassroots programs that help ex-offenders, among others, and their lessons learned. - The good, the bad and the ugly.

Vicki Bullock - The Redeem Project, Jefferson City

Jane Williams - LOVE, inc., Columbia

Identifying Resources

While all communities are different, we often share the frustration of trying to get offenders connected to resources to help them succeed. Presenters in this breakout will discuss their experience and strategies for connecting offenders to needed resources such as basic needs, education, transportation, housing, and medical treatment. The audience will be encouraged to share their experience as well so everyone in attendance can leave better informed.

Shannon Kimsey - Probation & Parole, Jefferson City

Misty Werkmeister - Reentry Opportunity Center [ROC], Columbia

Effective Christian Aftercare Housing and Work Programs

In the most difficult areas of post incarceration, housing and job placement, we are blessed to have two models that have been successful with Christian reentry services.

Mike Miller - ASCENT Recovery Residences, Joplin

Farris Robertson - Recovery Chapel, Springfield.

Not "Us and Them": Building a Church Family Where Everyone Connects

Pastor Jed Angell of Friendship Christian Church of Centralia and the leaders of Friendship's Celebrate Recovery ministry will discuss creating a congregational atmosphere of acceptance. Celebrate Recovery is a biblical and balanced program to help people overcome their hurts, habits and hang-ups.

Jed Angell, Friendship Christian Church, Centralia

Reentry conference planning committee:

Gary Behrns, Pastor, Christian Fellowship Church, Jefferson City
Sharon Dunn, Special Projects Coordinator, Missouri Board of Probation and Parole, Jefferson City
Dan Hanneken, Reentry Coordinator, MO Department of Corrections, Jefferson City
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Janice Webb, Center for Women's Ministries, Inc., Jefferson City, Jefferson City
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Registration Form

"Opening Gates, Opening Hearts: Christian responses to offender reentry"

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[] Address: _____ [] Work Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ [] Email: _____

[] Church/Organization: _____

[] What services does your organization provide: _____

[] Early Registration by August 22 - \$25 [] Registration after August 22 - \$35

[] I request VIC in-service training credit

[] I would like to reserve a display space (free with paid registration - **Deadline August 22**)

[] I am not able to attend, but would like to contribute to the event. My contribution is enclosed.

Please mark which breakout sessions you are most interested in attending (one for Breakout 1 and 1 for Breakout 2):

Breakout 1

[] Grassroots Programs

[] Identifying Resources

[] Effective Christian Aftercare

[] Family and Church Relationships

Breakout 2

[] Grassroots Programs

[] Identifying Resources

[] Effective Christian Aftercare

[] Family and Church Relationships

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