Faith Connections on Mental Illness: Hope & Healing Conference 2020

Celebrating our 10 year anniversary

Faithfully Practicing Community Inclusion

FRIDAY 3.13.20
8:30 am – 4:15 pm
Raleigh, NC

Faith Connections on Mental Illness works with all faith communities to advocate for and support and educate individuals and families living with mental illness.
Building an inclusive community, one in which everyone has the opportunity to lead a fulfilling life as a valued member, free from prejudice, requires a “reframing” of the methods used to relate to each other. This conference has two main purposes: to celebrate the contributions of people and organizations that have led the way in including people with mental illness who are transitioning from prison, abusive living situations, and other life conditions that often sever their ties from the community. Secondly, ways to identify and begin to eradicate prejudices and practices that marginalize and isolate people living with mental health conditions in our communities will be shared.

**Target Audience**
Mental health professionals, including psychologists, clinical social workers, licensed professional counselors, marriage and family therapists, pastoral counselors, clergy, substance abuse counselors, school counselors, teachers, and school support staff; individuals with mental health challenges; caregivers, loved ones and friends of individuals with mental health challenges; and others interested in this subject.

**Keynote Speaker**
In the face of law enforcement tactics and criminal justice policies of suppression and mass incarceration as the means to end gang violence, Father Boyle, his parish and community members adopted what was a radical approach at the time – treat gang members as human beings.

In 1988, they started what would eventually become Homeboy Industries employing and training former gang members in a range of social enterprises. The organization provides critical services to thousands of men and women who walk through its doors every year seeking a better life.

Father Greg is the author of the 2010 New York Times bestseller *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion*. His 2017 book is the Los Angeles Times bestseller *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship*. He has received the California Peace Prize and been inducted into the California Hall of Fame. In 2014, President Obama confirmed Father Boyle a Champion of Change. He received the University of Notre Dame’s 2017 Laetare Medal, the oldest honor given to American Catholics.

**Agenda At-A-Glance**

- **7:30 am**  
  Registration and Exhibits
- **8:30 am**  
  Welcome
- **8:45 am**  
  The Methodology: Love, Community and Tenderness – Father Gregory Boyle
- **10:15 am**  
  Break and Exhibits
- **10:30 am**  
  The Methodology: Love, Community and Tenderness continued  
  Father Gregory Boyle and The Homeboys
- **12:00 pm**  
  Lunch and Exhibits
- **12:45 pm**  
  Announcements
- **1:00 pm**  
  Carry On: The Baggage Students Bring Into the Classroom – J. Mike Glenn, MS
- **1:45 pm**  
  Break, Exhibits and 10 Year Celebration
- **2:15 pm**  
  Building Relationships – The Impact of Trauma in the School Community  
  Jen Taylor, MSW, LCSWA
- **2:45 pm**  
  Creating a Community of Support for Youth in Recovery – Tom McQuiston, PhD and  
  Rita Anita Linger, PhD, CMBP
- **3:15 pm**  
  Speaker Panel: Creating an Inclusive Community
- **4:15 pm**  
  Closing Remarks
**Agenda**

7:30–8:30 am  
Registration and Exhibits

8:30–8:45  
Introductions/Welcome and Prayer

8:45–10:15  
The Methodology: Love, Community and Tenderness

Father Gregory Boyle  
Founder  
Homeboy Industries, Los Angeles, CA

Father Gregory Boyle will share how in working with marginalized populations, love is the answer, community is the context and tenderness connects us there. Tenderness is the connective tissue, the solidification of the notion that there are no us and them, only us.

**OBJECTIVES**

• Identify strategies for working with marginalized populations.
• Discuss the significance of the clinical relationship and strategies to enhance this relationship.

10:15–10:30  
BREAK AND EXHIBITS

10:30–12:00 pm  
The Methodology: Love, Community and Tenderness continued

Father Gregory Boyle & The Homeboys

12:00–12:45  
LUNCH AND EXHIBITS

12:45–1:00  
Announcements  
Barbara and Gove Elder Community Service Award: 2020 Awardee and recognition of past awardees  
NAMIWalk

1:00–1:45  
Carry On: The Baggage Students Bring Into the Classroom

J. Mike Glenn, MS  
Lead Teacher  
Durham Nativity School, Durham, NC

This session will focus on the external and internal factors that affect student academic achievement and progress. Students bring emotional, mental, social, and family issues into the classroom which may hinder their academic progress and success. This presentation attempts to provide an overview of how educators, counselors, and other stakeholders work in coordination to mitigate factors which hinder student success while still attempting to education the whole child.

**OBJECTIVES**

• Explain how the Durham Nativity School educates the whole child including the students academic, mental, social, physical and emotional well-being.
• Discuss how various educational stakeholders play a pivotal role in helping students overcome internal and external factors to achieve academic success.
1:45-2:15

BREAK AND EXHIBITS

10 year Celebration Acknowledgements and Cake

Marianne Mitchell, EdD, FCMI Conference Co-chair

2:15-2:45

Building Relationships - The Impact of Trauma in the School Community

Jen Taylor, MSW, LCSWA
Program Director
Rebound Alternatives for Youth, Durham, NC

This session will review how trauma impacts the school community. It will explore how students affected by trauma respond to traditional discipline, and will recognize the importance of restorative practices while working with adolescents affected by trauma. Participants will learn evidence-based strategies and behavioral practices that can be applied within the school community.

OBJECTIVES

• Define complex trauma and its effects on development and behaviors in adolescents.
• Explore the impact of trauma on teen behavior in schools and suspensions.
• Discuss strategies for a school community to create a trauma-informed environment whose focus is on building relationships.

2:45-3:15

Creating a Community of Support for Youth in Recovery

Tom McQuiston, PhD
Founder and Senior Program Advisor
Reintegration Support Network, Chapel Hill, NC

Rita Anita Linger, PhD, CMBP
Executive Director
Recovery Communities of North Carolina, Raleigh, NC

Too often, the larger community treats adolescent mental illness, including substance use issues, as if it is acute, isolated, and solely a family responsibility. The Reintegration Support Network with its partner, Recovery Communities of North Carolina, contends that these issues are chronic, endemic and in need of an educated, caring and engaged community. We are mobilizing resources within and outside of the recovery community to create an innovative youth-focused Recovery Community Organization, work with adolescents to build self-sustaining capacities for long-term recovery and well-being, and weave a fabric of support and inclusion that is experienced by both recovering youth and the entire community.

OBJECTIVES

• Explain the need for and value of the Recovery Community Organization model for supporting our youth.
• Identify the ways in which the Reintegration Support Network, in partnership with Recovery Communities of North Carolina, is organizing community resources and a youth-focused model for this organization.
3:15- 4:15  
**Speaker Panel: Creating an Inclusive Community**
Father Gregory Boyle and Community Speakers

4:15 pm  
**Closing Remarks/Prayer and Adjournment**

**Credit**

**Wake AHEC CEU:** Wake AHEC will provide .6 CEU to participants upon completion of this activity. A participant must attend 100% of the program to receive credit. Partial credit will not be awarded.

**Category A NC Psychology Credit:** This program will provide 5.75 contact hours (Category A) of continuing education for North Carolina Psychologists. Partial credit will not be awarded.

**NBCC:** An application for co-sponsorship has been made to the National Board for Certified Counselors. Approval is pending.

**Contact Hours:** Wake AHEC will provide up to 5.75 Contact Hours to participants.

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**Registration Fee**

- **Early Registration Fee** - $45: includes Contact Hours/CEUs
- **Early Registration Fee** - $75: includes specialty credit - NBCC, NC Psychology
- **Registration Fee** (After 2/28/20) - $60: includes Contact Hours/CEUs
- **Registration Fee** (After 2/28/20) - $90: includes specialty credit - NBCC, NC Psychology

- Vouchers will be accepted.
- Fee will include online handouts/online certificate of completion.
- Breaks/lunch will be provided.
- **To assure quality programming and safety for all participants, babies and children may not attend this program.**
- **Attendance at this activity grants permission for Wake AHEC and FCMI to use any photographs, audio, video, or other images from this activity for promotional or educational purposes. Please notify an AHEC staff member if you have concerns.**
- Call 919-350-8547 for our Inclement Weather Updates.

**Cancellations and Refunds**
Registrants cancelling between February 28 and March 10, 2020 will incur a $25 cancellation fee. No refunds or credits will be given for cancellations received after March 10, 2020.

**ADA Statement**

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**Questions**
Contact Kristen Murphy at 919-350-0464 or krmurphy@wakeahec.org.
If you have not already done so, please create your MyAHEC account today!
You will need a MyAHEC account to register for Wake AHEC programs, obtain handouts, and access other materials.

- Go to https://www.wakeahec.org.
- Create an account using the link in the top black bar at the upper right of the page.
- Respond to the verification email from MyAHEC to complete the process.

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By providing your fax number, email address and telephone number, you have granted permission for us to contact you via the numbers and address indicated.

**PAYMENT OPTIONS** Payment of check, credit card or supervisor signature must accompany registration.

- Check enclosed. (Make check payable to Wake AHEC.)
- Credit Card: Contact Kristen Murphy at 919-350-0464 and provide credit card information.
- Employer will make payment. Supervisor to complete below and fax registration to 919-350-0470.

Supervisor’s Name Printed

Supervisor’s Signature Phone

By signing, I am certifying that agency payment will follow. If you have a balance due and do not attend or send a substitute, you will be invoiced for the full program fee.

Questions? Contact Kristen Murphy at 919-350-0464 or krmurphy@wakeahec.org.

Register Today!

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