

About The Presenter

Julie has worked in the field of violence against women and women's empowerment since 1989. She founded a hospital DV crisis response team, a transitional shelter, advocacy groups and training programs. She has worked with trauma survivors and addicted survivors, and was a research co-investigator, project director and trauma therapist on studies at the National Center for PTSD.

Julie trains professionals widely and has served as an expert witness in both criminal and civil domestic violence cases. She was a Site Coordinator for the Lily Endowment-funded RAVE project (Religion And Violence E-learning) during its five years of initial development. She worked extensively with the State of North Carolina which included oversight of numerous domestic violence, sexual assault and economic empowerment grant programs. Her experience and passion have led her on this incredible journey where she has the opportunity to share wisdom and change lives.

Who Should Attend

- Pastors, Ministers, and Priests
- Youth Group Leaders
- Lay Leaders
- Deacons and Leadership Boards
- Church Staff and Volunteers
- Social Workers
- LMFTs and LCSWs
- Counselors
- Educators
- Victim Service Providers
- Substance Abuse Treatment Providers
- Batterer's Intervention Facilitators

Grievances

While Marjaree Mason Center goes to great lengths to assure fair treatment for all participants, there will be occasional issues which come to the attention of Marjaree Mason Center staff which will require intervention and/or action on the part of the staff. Procedural guidelines for handling such grievances can be found by calling the Marjaree Mason Center.

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Cancellations

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Please send cancellation notifications via email to toni@mmcenter.org or via mail at:

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Marjaree Mason Center
Presents

Understanding Domestic Violence And Its Impact On The Church

featuring Julie Owens
Violence Against Women Consultant



October 20, 2017
8am-4pm

Location:

Peoples Church
7172 N. Cedar Ave, Fresno, CA 93720

Registration Fee (includes lunch):

Presale: \$35 (\$60 w/ CEUs for LMFTs & LCSWs)
At The Door: \$50 per person (\$75 w/ CEUs)

Register online at

www.dvandthechurch.eventbrite.com

For questions, contact Toni Davidson at
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Workshop Description

Domestic violence is happening all around us. It occurs in all communities, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity or socio-economic status. The physical, mental and spiritual effects of domestic violence can be devastating to families and communities. Do you feel equipped to spot the signs and act to help someone in your church or community?

Julie Owens, a pastor's daughter and a survivor of domestic violence, will lead us through an interactive lecture where we will look at the history of domestic violence and identify who is involved, who is affected, and who is vulnerable. Julie will use biblical references to help shape the discussion of how the church can educate members, support victims and hold accountable those who are inflicting harm on their partner.

By the end of the course, participants will have access to resources for responding to domestic violence as individuals, pastors and churches. It is our hope that individual religious leaders, as well as their entire faith community, will leave the workshop feeling empowered to work together to support victims of abuse in their churches and congregations.



Goals and Objectives

- Educate lay leaders, clergy, and interested persons of faith about how the dynamics of domestic violence play out in couples within their churches.
- Equip attendees with the knowledge to better understand domestic violence and how it impacts their congregations and the individuals and families within.
- Illustrate ways congregations can work on prevention.
- Educate secular workers about spiritual issues of concern to abuse victims, enabling them to provide professional services in a culturally competent manner.
- Formulate skills in having open conversations about the topic of domestic violence and its prevalence within the church community.
- Illustrate ways that faith communities can partner with secular groups to work toward the goal of bringing spiritual support and physical safety to both current and former abuse victims.



Workshop Timeline

8:00am-8:30am Registration

8:30am-12:00pm Workshop Part 1

12:00pm - 12:30pm Lunch

12:30pm-1:00pm Survivor Panel/Lunch

1:00pm-4:00pm - Workshop Part 2

4:00 Closure & Dismissal

CEUs

This course meets the qualifications for 7 hours of continuing education credit for LMFTs, LCSWs, LPCCs, and/or LEPs as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences.

Marjaree Mason Center is approved by the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists to sponsor continuing education for LMFTs and LCSWs. Marjaree Mason Center maintains responsibility for this program/course and its content. CAMFT provider #129615

Certificates will be distributed at the end of the workshop.

