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TOPICS INCLUDE

Understanding and Acknowledging Post-Abortion Syndrome

Post-Abortion Syndrome (PAS) is a form of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. Over 60% of women who have an abortion experience PAS.

Breaking Down Obstacles that Prevent Healing

Relational, emotional and spiritual problems may seem unrelated but are important to address in order to foster healing.

Transforming Condemnation into Compassion

Approach and timing are essential when addressing this sensitive subject. Realizing that 64% of women felt coerced, that it was not their choice, and that they suffer alone in silence becomes the foundation of understanding.

Recognizing Trauma, PTSD, and God's Healing Power

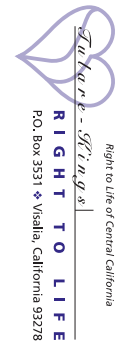
Although traumatic events could cause many forms of pain and suffering, none of them is beyond God's infinite redemptive and healing power

Ministering Healing to the Hurting

The presence of someone who is God's arms of love and who listens from the heart is the beginning of the healing journey.

"While it takes the blood of Jesus to deliver us from guilt, it takes the acceptance of others to deliver us from shame."

Nancy, *The Jericho Plan*, p.76



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Symposium

A one-day symposium designed to educate, equip, and encourage those who are in a position to break the cycle of silence and exploitation in our community and to facilitate healing for post-abortive men and women desperate for a voice.

SATURDAY

November 5, 2011

9:00am – 4:00pm
 Lunch included

\$30.00 per person

\$25.00 per person group rate (4 or more)

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SCHEDULE

Registration

Refreshments & browsing resources
9:00 – 9:30

Welcome

Testimonies & Introductions
9:30 – 9:45

Session 1

Dr. David Reardon
9:45 – 10:45

Break

Refreshments & browsing resources
10:45 – 11:00

Session 2

Dr. Hani R. Khouzam
11:00 – 12:00

Lunch

Table talk with Pastors & IRMAs
12:00 – 1:15

TBA

1:15 – 2:15

Break

Refreshments & browsing resources
2:15 – 2:30

Session 3

Dr. David Reardon
2:30 – 3:30

Cardboard Testimonies

3:30 – 3:35

Q & A

Closing & browsing resources
3:35 – 4:00

SPEAKERS



David Reardon, PhD

Dr. Reardon is a biomedical ethicist, internationally known author, speaker, and researcher on post-abortion issues. The emphasis of his work has been on promoting a “pro-woman/pro-life” approach to the abortion issue which emphasizes preventing coerced and unsafe abortions and creating a more healing environment for women, men and families hurting because of a past abortion.

He began researching abortion’s impact on women in 1983. He was propelled to center stage of the pro-life movement after the publication of his first book, *Aborted Women, Silent No More*, in 1978. This bestseller earned acclaim from numerous reviewers, including the Conservative Book Club, as “the most powerful book ever published on abortion.”

A frequent guest and speaker on Christian radio and TV talk shows, Dr. Reardon is now recognized as one of the leading experts in the field of post-abortion research, as well as for the development of outreach efforts that promote post-abortion healing.

Dr. Reardon has authored or co-authored over 20 peer-reviewed papers that have appeared in major medical journals, among them *The American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology* and *The British Medical Journal*. In addition, his scholarly articles have appeared in numerous magazines and newspapers, including *Newsweek* and *The New York Times*.

Among Dr. Reardon’s writings is his seminal work, *The Jericho Plan: Breaking Down the Walls that Prevent Post-Abortion Healing* – a resource book and sermon guide to fostering post-abortion healing within the church community. For more information visit www.afterabortion.org/churchawarenessproject and www.theunchoice.com.



Hani Raoul Khouzam, MD, MPH, FAPA

Dr. Khouzam is Interim Chief and Staff Psychiatrist and Medical Director over the Chemical Dependency Treatment Program at the Fresno VA Central California Health Care System. In addition, he is Health Science Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at UC San Francisco, Fresno, and a clinical instructor of medicine at Harvard Medical School.

He received his medical training at the Cairo University Faculty of Medicine, Egypt, and Masters of Public Health degree and an International Fellowship in Cross-Cultural Psychiatry from Tulane University, Louisiana. He completed his psychiatric residency at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine and is Board Certified in General Psychiatry and Geriatric Psychiatry.

A favorite speaker for the Central San Joaquin Chapter of CAMFT (California Association of Marriage Family Therapists), Dr. Khouzam gently communicates a deep and sensitive, multi-faceted understanding of the complex issues underlying Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), of which Post-Abortion Syndrome is one form.

Among Dr. Khouzam’s many medical articles and post-graduate books is *Handbook of Emergency Psychiatry*, published by Mosby, which he co-authored and is notable for his chapter on “Religious and Spiritual Dimensions of Psychiatric Emergencies.”

Dr. Khouzam is distinguished for his work with and championing of the healing power of God in clients with PTSD.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Senior and Youth Pastors

Women’s Ministry Leaders

Stephen Ministers

Youth Workers

Teens

Teachers

Seminary Students

Counselors and Interns

Social Workers and Associates

Licensed Nurses and Student Nurses

Law Enforcement

Attorneys and Paralegals

Concerned Family Members

All those touched by abortion

Each participant will receive a resource packet, which includes Dr. Reardon’s and Dr. Khouzam’s power-point notes, “The Lost Voices” article, hands-on and Internet resources. Resource tables and DVD presentations will be available for browsing before and after the symposium and during breaks.

Also available will be a Comfort Room for quiet and respite, and a licensed counselor for listening and confidential support.

REGISTRATION

Registration is \$30 per person, or Group Rate (4 or more) \$25 per person. Registration covers all sessions, materials and lunch. Please complete this form and mail with payment to:

Tulare-Kings Right to Life, P.O. Box 3531, Visalia, CA 93278

or Register online using PayPal by going to:

www.theIRMANetwork.org; click on AfterCHOICE

Registration is available the day of the event for individuals only. Church group rate and group registration is available until Friday, October 21st, 2011.

For more information, please contact Diane Sellers at (559) 732-5000.

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