

When Home Hurts

**Domestic Violence and Families:
The Church Responds**

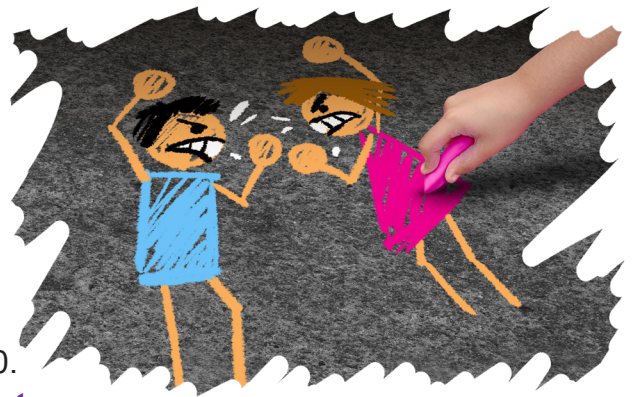
October 9-10, 2020

**Friday, 7 PM to 9 PM
and Saturday, 9 AM to 12 PM**

A Zoom video-conference event

Register online to receive access information. Cost: \$10.

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Protecting Human Life. Promoting Healthy Families.

Join the Eastern PA Conference's Domestic Violence Committee for its third annual **Domestic Violence Seminar**. Again, we will learn more about this destructive social crisis that hurts individuals, families and communities. And we will explore how churches can respond.

After examining how domestic violence (DV) impacts women and men in 2018 and 2019, this year we will focus on families, including its impact on children and youth. Learn various perspectives from our keynote speaker, professional panelists, DV survivors and attendees. All will share their wisdom and witness—that is, their expert knowledge, their diverse views and their often-painful but enlightening experiences.

Jody Anderson, who co-chairs our conference's Domestic Violence Committee, will be our keynote speaker. Her new book ***Band of Angels*** comes out in October, during **National Domestic Violence Awareness Month**.

A longtime professional and church volunteer in social work and social justice, Jody is a certified child trauma specialist. She has counseled children and youth but also directed domestic violence agencies and launched a residential program to help homeless female veterans heal from sexual assault in the military.

Also, hear **survivors' stories**, and learn from our interactive **panel discussion** on "**How Can the Church Respond Effectively?**" and afterward, from **breakout workshops**. Our experts will include:

- A marriage and family therapist and campus minister who also directs our conference's Young People's Ministries program.
- A longtime county DV services director and former shelter director.
- Several clinical counselors who work with boys and men.
- A Licensed Local Pastor involved in helping domestic violence victims.
- A researcher and author who explores the church's role in addressing domestic violence.

Don't miss this in-depth, eye-opening, mind-expanding, heart-touching journey into a topic of grave concern to churches, individuals and communities who care about protecting human life and promoting healthy families. Please register online today and encourage fellow church members to join you in attending this important event.



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