



CMCA 2021 SUMMIT WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Workshop Session IV: Saturday, May 22 1:30pm – 2:30pm Central Time

Kingdom-Sighted Restorative Justice: Looking at the Theological Basis & Goals for Effective RJ Practice in Prison

Stacey Campbell | Restorative Justice is positioned as an effective practice for addressing harm caused by crime in a way that provides hope and healing for both victims and offenders. So why isn't it widely accepted and practiced? The role of the facilitator is a key factor. This workshop looks at developing a Kingdom-sighted basis and set of achievable goals that the local church can use to organize a team to respond to the issue of crime. It is not a methodology, but rather a set of theological reflections that opens all stakeholders to a powerful and power-balanced conversation. **Stacey** is the President & Chief Executive Officer of Prison Fellowship Canada and spent 25 years in the business world where she owned and operated a mid-sized marketing company. Stacey holds a Diploma in Business Administration and Finance, a Master of Divinity degree in Missional Leadership and is currently writing her thesis at Acadia University in pursuit of a Doctorate in Restorative Justice.

Emerging Paradigm for Prison and Reentry Ministry

Reba Collins, Mike Davis | This workshop covers the emerging paradigm for prison and reentry ministry resulting from the pandemic. The new paradigm calls for restorative & racial justice to be central to ministry. The workshop will offer models and approaches to restorative ministry used to build relationships remotely inside and continuing to walk with our returning neighbors back into community. **Reba** currently serves as a consultant for the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church. She trains, equips, resources and connects local congregations with local correctional institutions, reentry professionals, and organizations walking with justice-involved individuals and families. Reba holds a B.A. in International Relations and Japanese Studies from William Jewell College and a M.Ed. in Higher Education Administration from Vanderbilt University. **Dr. Davis** serves as the Religious Services Administrator for the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction.

Finding the Right People for Your Organization

Jon Evans | People are your greatest asset but can also be one of your greatest challenges. Identifying the need, finding the right people, maximizing their skills and replacing them when necessary are CRITICAL to your operation. We are going to talk about all of these and share some best practices in the Employee Management Lifecycle. **Jon** is the President of Good News Jail & Prison Ministry. Good News has been placing chaplains in jails and prisons in the US and around the world for more than 55 years. Today Good News has over 400 chaplains in 22 states in the U.S. and 25 countries.

Teaching Youth in Ways that Transform Character

Scott Larson | Those under age 25 (average age in adult prison) learn very differently than those older. This workshop examines transformational teaching methods that are geared for this segment of society, but can work for all prisoners as well. **Scott**, Phd, is president and founder of Straight Ahead Ministries, an international faith-based organization working with juvenile offenders in more than 300 juvenile detention centers in 15 states and five countries with a myriad of re-entry programs. Scott has authored 13 books on working effectively with challenging youth.

Becoming a Correctional Staff Chaplain: An Introduction

Caterina Spinaris | This workshop evaluates reasons and motivations for wanting to be a correctional staff chaplain in light of one's own spiritual walk. It also presents areas to be explored, skills to be cultivated, and approaches to service that can be embraced in order for this noble venture to be truly fruitful--and what true fruitfulness may look like in this mission field. **Caterina**, PhD, LPC, is the founding Director of Desert Waters Correctional Outreach, which promotes the occupational, personal and family well-being of the corrections workforce through the provision of evidence-informed resources, solutions and support. Caterina conducts research and designs evidence-informed educational wellness materials for the corrections workforce and their families. Caterina authored the books, "[Staying Well: Strategies for Corrections Staff](#)," and "[More on Staying Well: More Strategies for Corrections Staff](#)." In 2014, Caterina received the Harry Tinsley Award from the Colorado Criminal Justice Association for outstanding achievement in the field of criminal justice.

Building the Bridge Between Employers and Returning Citizens

Don Williams | This interactive workshop is designed to empower it's attendees with strategies, tips and tools on how to successfully target the right employers, building long term relationships and matching the right talent with the right opportunity that will provide a foundation, stability and advancement opportunities for years to come. **Don** is one of the Co- Founders of Jumpstart and serves in the role of Employment Director. Don's heartfelt desire to help individuals tap into their "True Potential" is the driving force that pushes him to equip men and women returning from prison find viable employment and to assist them in personal and professional development skills.