

# **BLENDED** F A M I L Y Conference 2017

### November 4, 2017

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## **"WOVEN** TOGETHER **BY CHOICE**, **STRENGTHENED**

#### Colossians 3:12-14 MSG

(For this context, a blended family is defined as any family configuration containing a non-biological child.)

#### **REGISTRATION FEE:**

\$35.00 per person (20 years of age and up) (Fee covers, Saturday meals, conference materials, and activities)

#### **REGISTRATION DATES:**

Sundays Sept. 14 - Oct. 22 At Covenant UCC OR Sept. 22 - Oct. 29 At www.covucc.org

#### **CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:**

8:00 - 8:45 AM 9:00 - 10:15 AM 11:45 - 12:45 PM Lunch 1:00 - 2:00 PM 2:15 - 3:00 PM

**Registration & Continental Breakfast** Welcome & Morning Plenary 10:30 - 11:30 AM Workshops - Session 1 12:15 - 12:45 PM Intercessory Prayer Workshops - Session 2 **Closing Worship Service** (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

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#### **BLENDED FAMILY CONFERENCE 2017**

#### **GUEST PREACHER**

Rev. Dr. Essie D. Clark-George, Presiding Elder CME Church, Gary District

#### FACILITATORS

Rev. Dr. Alise Barrymore Rev. Dr. Sharon Ellis Davis Antonio C. Ellzey, Sr. Rev. Gwendolyn V. Kirkland Rev. Gloria Randolph Rev. Melody Seaton Rev. Troy Underwood Janet Wright Moore

#### PLENARY (9:15 AM – 10:15 AM)

**What's Love Got To Do With It?** – Love has everything to do with how we live our lives and maintain healthy relationships that inspire the children within our blended families.

#### WORKSHOPS (10:30 AM - 11:30 AM & 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM) (Select two)

**A. Forgiveness: Never Leave Home Without It** – Forgiving is not a sign of weakness! It is essential for setting us free to be all that we were created to be.

**B.** Boundaries *(For Women Only*) – Establishing healthy boundaries can make or break our relationships. Why do we need them and when do we use them?

**C.** Boundaries (*For Men Only*) - Establishing healthy boundaries can make or break our relationships. Why do we need them and when do we use them?

D. Can't We All Just Get Along? - Learn the pros and cons of blending a family with adult children.

**E.** Fostering Resilience in Children & Teens – How can we help our children and teens to thrive in spite of the adversity they experience?

F. Money Matters – This workshop offers tips and techniques for managing resources that benefit our blended families.

**G. No More Drama!** *(For Millennials / Young Adults)* – Is it possible to eliminate the drama resulting from blended family structures? If so, how? If not, why?

#### **CONFERENCE POLICIES**

#### **Personal Check Policy**

If your check is returned for any reason, your registration is automatically cancelled. If you chose to re-register and space is available, CASH OR MONEY ORDER will be required.

#### **Cancellation Policy**

To cancel your registration, you must call 708-333-5955 Ext. 248 no later than Sunday, Oct. 8, 2017. No refunds will be issued after Oct 8, 2017.

#### **Transfer Policy**

In the event that you are unable to attend the conference and wish to transfer your registration to another person, please call 708-333-5955 Ext. 248 with the name of the person who will take your place.