

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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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.