Dear Friends,

I pray each of you had a blessed Christmas with those you love. As this year winds down to a close, I have some important announcements and reminders to share with you.

(1) Thanks to a generous donor, we now have 10 registration scholarships available for the Hope & Healing victim's conference in Oklahoma City, March 17. If you would like to apply for this scholarship (it is for registration fee ONLY; no travel expenses), please send a 1- or 2-paragraph statement about why attending this conference is important to you, and what precipitated your financial need. Deadline is January 15 for the essay submission, and decisions will be made sometime that week and winners will be notified. Please send all essays to help@thehopeofsurvivors.com. For more details about the conference, click here.

(2) With less than a week before the end of the year, please don't forget about the $1,000,000 fundraising challenge. To date, $3,662 has come in (including regular monthly donations). It's a huge task to raise the remainder before year-end, but God is able if we are willing! If you haven't donated yet, and would like to do so, please click here. Remember, the stated goal of $1,000,000 is to purchase BOTH healing centers (US & Romania), as well as provide salaries for staff and all operating costs for 2013--for both The Hope of Survivors overall, as well as both healing centers. This also includes educational material production, convention exhibits and seminars for victims. The healing centers will provide a place of respite for victims in need and will help to strengthen their marriages and faith in God. Truly, this would be a life-saving gift to victims.

Thank you for your consideration, and may God bless you richly in the New Year!
Samantha Nelson
VP & CEO
Hope & Healing Conference Registration Form

On behalf of The Hope of Survivors, you are cordially invited to attend a special conference on hope and healing from the devastation of pastoral sexual abuse and misconduct.

Speakers include: Martin Weber, D.Min. and Jennifer Schwirzer, LPC, board members.

Topics include: What is clergy/pastoral sexual abuse? How does this happen? Is there an imbalance? Who is vulnerable? What are the vulnerabilities? Why is this not an affair? How do we prevent this? Where is God? How to start over? How should the church respond? There will be testimonies, inspiring messages and much more!

Who can attend? This conference is primarily for adult female victims/survivors and their spouses, however, those who wish to learn more about pastoral sexual abuse and prevention are also welcome.

Date: March 17, 2013 (Sunday)
Time: 9:00am-5:00pm
Place: Hampton Inn-Oklahoma City Airport
1905 South Meridian Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73108
Cost: There is a $25 per person non-refundable fee for the conference, which includes the cost of lunch and materials. You are responsible for your own lodging and transportation, if necessary. There is limited seating and the conference will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

***Thanks to a generous sponsor the fee, for this conference only, has been reduced from $50 to $25!***

Lodging: Call Hampton Inn at (405) 682-2080 to book your room at The Hope of Survivors group discounted rate of $89 per night, plus tax. Or, book online by going to: http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/O/OKCAPHX-HSS-20130317/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG
Group Name: The Hope of Survivors
Group Code: HSS
There is a free shuttle from the hotel to and from the airport. Call the hotel for more information.

Note: There are no childcare services available for this conference.

Reserve your space at the Hope & Healing Conference NOW! Space is limited, so please fill out the form below and send in your registration TODAY! Registration deadline is February 18, 2013.

Yes! I will attend the Hope & Healing Conference in Oklahoma City, OK, March 17, 2013.

First Name: 
Last Name: 
Address: 
City: 
State: 
Zip: 
Country: United States 
Phone: 
Email: 
Number Attending: 10
Enter the names of those who will be attending and include a (C) or (V) to denote whether they will be having chicken or vegetarian meals.

(Example: Samantha Nelson (V))

Register Now!

The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart... — Psalms 34:18
The Hope of Survivors is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and, as such, your contributions are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Since The Hope of Survivors does not receive any denominational subsidies, your contributions are critical to the ongoing success of our mission. Thank you for your support!

To read an encouraging letter from one of the victims we have helped, please click here.

Donate to make a difference!

Make a one-time donation: $

Contribute monthly in the amount of:$ 25.00 for 12 months.

Your donation will. . .

- Increase our ability to reach more victims through search engine advertising.
- Bring hope and healing to those devastated by pastoral sexual abuse.
- Expand the outreach of the ministry.
- Fund advertising/awareness campaigns.
- Cover travel expenses for conferences and exhibits.
- Help The Hope of Survivors provide quality educational materials pertaining to pastoral sexual abuse. Some of these are conveniently posted on our website as PDF files to download free of charge, others are available for purchase through the web site.
- And much, much more.

Current Project Needs. . .

- Search engine advertising.
- Increase counseling capacity.
- Sponsor more Clergy Sexual Abuse Awareness & Prevention Campaign events.
- Monthly operating expenses (postage, office supplies, utilities, printing, etc.), staff, educational materials and victim assistance.
- Funds for conferences, exhibits and conventions—one of the best ways to spread the word about this ministry and bring hope and healing to victims!
- Hope & Healing (victim’s) conference expenses (meeting space rental, meals, travel, materials, etc.).
- Establishing foreign divisions to provide support to victims in other countries.

Donations are the primary source of funds that make it possible for The Hope of Survivors to maintain its ministry. Since The Hope of Survivors receives no denominational subsidies, your gifts are vitally important. We need YOU!

Creative ways to help...

Short on cash? You can still support The Hope of Survivors! We will receive a penny each time you search the Internet using www.GoodSearch.com. Money from advertisers will go to The Hope of Survivors without you spending a dime!
Do you shop online a lot? Then shop through iGive.com and earn money for The Hope of Survivors each time you order online!

Are you accumulating frequent flyer miles you’ll never use? Don’t let them go to waste! Donate them to The Hope of Survivors so we can conduct more conferences with less travel expenses. Call today to find out how!

You can also donate through the American Express Giving Express donation program.

The Hope of Survivors has been added to IBM’s list of charities that U.S. employees and retirees can chose from during annual Employee/Retiree Charitable Contribution Campaigns. Employees have several contribution options—automatic deductions from every paycheck, onetime payroll deductions, IBM stock contributions, or a pledge to write their own check to the charity. If you work for IBM, please consider supporting The Hope of Survivors through IBM’s ECCC campaign. Thank you!

Did you know that you can earn money for THOS through eScrip by shopping at participating grocers, by shopping online, and even by eating out at participating restaurants in the eScrip Dining Network? Just click on the image or link and start raising funds now! Thanks for your support!

Now you can also donate by shopping through GiveBackAmerica! GiveBackAmerica is an online shopping mall that allows consumers to raise money for their favorite charity. You can raise money for The Hope of Survivors while doing your online shopping, all at no additional cost! Click here to find out more!

Did you know The Hope of Survivors is listed on the social networking site Facebook? Check it out!

Our work is totally dependent on the financial support of people like you who share our desire for helping others, from all denominations, to heal and find truth! Do you have a desire to help but find that you have more time than money? You can still be a part of this ministry, just check out our volunteer opportunities!

If you would like to learn more about this ministry or how you can help, please contact us at (866) 260-8958 or send us an email. Thank you very much!

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