

A non-denominational conference offered to  
Clergy, Pastors, Church Leaders & interested church members



**THE**

**Finding**

**Balance**

**CONFERENCE**

9am - 4pm

On Saturday 20th March 2010

Cost: \$30.00

Register by 12th March

**Ashburton Baptist Church**

8 Y St, , 3147,  
parking off Marquis St Ashburton  
200m from the Ashburton Railway Station  
East of the M1, Monash Freeway, along High St.

Health and Restoration **for** Churches, Victims & Sex-Offenders

***A day of awareness raising and education to:***

- ◆ ***Develop our churches' awareness of the issues of sex offending***
- ◆ ***Provide information to make churches safer places***
- ◆ ***Suggest strategies to assist churches to be places of healing for victims and sex—offenders***
- ◆ ***To find the balance between punitive hysteria and dangerously naïve grace***

**Hosted by the Professional Standards Network\* with  
Caring for Ex-Offenders of Alpha Australia.**

\*The network is an ecumenical group which has members including the Anglican Church in Victoria, Baptist Union of Victoria, Catholic Church, Churches of Christ, Lutheran Church, Salvation Army, Seventh Day Adventist Church and Uniting Church Synod of Victoria and Tasmania.



**CARING FOR  
EX-OFFENDERS**

reintegrating individuals  
into the community

## CONFERENCE OUTLINE

- ◆ **8.30** Registration
- ◆ **9.00** Understanding Sexual Offending and current treatments from a psychological perspective
- ◆ **11.20** The management of Sex Offenders in our Society, an enforcement and legal perspective
- ◆ **12.20** Panel discussion
- ◆ **12.40** Lunch provided
- ◆ **1.30** Justice, wholeness and healing with God in a church community
- ◆ **2.15** Making churches places of safety and healing for all
- ◆ **3.15** Assessing the risk and opportunity for ministry for your church
- ◆ **4.00** Conclusion

### **Chris O'Connor**, *A.P.M. Detective Senior Sergeant, Victoria Police*

Chris has conducted seminars around the world in the area of sexual abuse and crimes and is the author of a book alerting parents and children to the dangers of sexual predators. Since beginning as a uniformed policeman in the 70's, He has undertaken study and research in criminology, police management and education and been involved in several investigations into murder and sexual abuse. Chris' experience and expertise will inform us how sex-offenders and the justice system interact aiming to protect and keep our community safe.

**PRESENTERS!**

### **Dr Sophie Reeves**,

*Clinical Psychologist, Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health*

Sophie has majored in community, clinical and forensic psychology working in both private practice and with Forensic Care. She has years of experience in assessing and treating sex offenders.

### **Tim Dyer**, *Theologian and Psychologist,* *John Mark Ministries*

Tim has presented seminars in this area extensively and has developed risk assessment tools and strategies for churches using rings of safety.

Your registration will be acknowledged by email, if listed below

### **Registration Form: 'Finding the Balance' Conference—20th March 2010**

YOUR DETAILS: Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Position/Ministry, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT**: Cost: \$30.00 per person (includes morning & afternoon tea, lunch & participant's notes)

Cash  Cheque (payable: Baptist Union of Victoria)

Credit card:  Visa  MasterCard

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Amount to charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Authorised Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick this box to request a receipt for your payment (available at the registration desk on the day)

**TO REGISTER:** Send the above form by fax, email or mail to: FAX: 03 9880 6123,  
EMAIL: [brenda.williams@buv.com.au](mailto:brenda.williams@buv.com.au), PHONE: 03 9880 6100 MOB: 0425 752 238  
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