



Join us!
October 17-20, 2013

The 63rd Annual Convention of
the North American Association
of Christians in Social Work

—
Sheraton Atlanta Hotel
165 Courtland Street, NE
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Social
Justice:
CONTRIBUTIONS OF

**Faith &
Spirituality**

■ What?

The 63rd Annual NACSW Convention with the theme: “Social Justice: Contributions of Faith & Spirituality”

■ When?

Thursday October 17—Sunday October 20, 2013

■ Where?

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■ Why?

Learn from a rich selection of 100+ workshops and poster sessions, keynote speakers, and pre-convention training institutes—all focusing on topics of special interest to Christians in social work.

Network and worship with NACSW members from a wide variety of Christian denominations and from diverse human service settings across the United States, Canada, and beyond!

Earn up to 19 continuing education units accredited by the Association of Social Work Boards.

Get the word out about your organization, institution or business by exhibiting, advertising or sponsoring a conference event.

For up to date information about the 2013 Convention, please visit www.nacsw.org. You may also contact the NACSW office at 888-426-4712 or info@nacsw.org.

2013 Convention Schedule-at-a-Glance

■ Thursday, October 17, 2013

- 9:00am-4:30pm..... Preconvention Institutes:
Options 1 & 2 (6.0 CEUs)
- 1:00pm-5:00pm..... Preconvention Institute:
Option 3 (3.0 CEUs)
- 5:00pm-7:00pm..... Exhibits Open/Networking Time
- 7:00pm-8:30pm..... Opening Plenary Session (1.0 CEU)
• Keynote Speaker: Elisabeth Omilami
• Entertainment: Dr. Laurel Shaler
- 8:30pm-10:00pm..... Opening Reception and
Poster Presentations

■ Friday, October 18, 2013

- 8:00am-8:30am..... Worship/Devotions
- 8:45am-9:45am..... Workshops—Session A (1.0 CEU)
- 10:00am-11:00am Workshops—Session B (1.0 CEU)
- 11:00am-11:30am Coffee Break
- 11:30am-12:45pm Alan Keith-Lucas Lecture (1.0 CEU)
• Keynote Speaker: Dr. Michael Parker
- Lunch Break..... Lunch on your own
(see restaurant guide)
- 2:00pm-3:30pm..... Workshops—Session C (1.5 CEUs)
- 3:45pm-4:45pm..... Workshops—Session D (1.0 CEU)
- 5:00pm-6:00pm..... Workshops—Session E (1.0 CEU)

■ Saturday, October 19, 2013

- 8:00am-8:30am..... Worship/Devotions
- 8:45am-9:45am..... Workshops—Session F (1.0 CEU)
- 10:00am-11:00am Workshops—Session G (1.0 CEU)
- 11:00am-11:30am Coffee Break
- 11:30am-12:45pm NACSW Annual Membership Meeting
- Lunch Break..... Lunch on your own
(see restaurant guide)
- 2:00pm-3:00pm..... Workshops—Session H (1.0 CEU)
- 3:15pm-4:15pm..... Workshops—Session I (1.0 CEU)
- 4:30pm-5:30pm..... Workshops—Session J (1.0 CEU)
- 6:30pm-9:00pm..... Evening Banquet (1.0 CEU)
• Keynote Speaker: Leroy Barber
• Entertainment: Steve
“Left-Hand” Lewis

■ Sunday, October 20, 2013

- 8:30am-10:00am..... Morning Worship
• Sunday Morning Speaker:
Dr. Shebby Neely-Goodwin

Thursday Oct. 17: Preconvention Institutes

Option 1 (6.0 CEUs): Jean Rowe

*"Self-Care as a Spiritual Act:
Journaling for Better Health"*

Cultivating a practice of self-care is a spiritual one which can provide a sense of renewal, nourishment and peace. Journaling is an elegant tool for self-care to reconnect with the Divine and our faith journeys.

Ms. Rowe is the Program Manager for the Atlanta Affiliate of the Young Survival Coalition.



Thursday Oct. 17: Opening Plenary (1.0 CEU)

Elisabeth Omilami

"And What is True Religion?"

This presentation looks at how we combine our secular and spiritual freedoms through the Holy Spirit to serve people who have lost touch with their faith, their hope and their God.

Mrs. Omilami is the CEO and President of Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless.



Friday Oct. 18: Alan Keith-Lucas Lecture (1.0 CEU)

Dr. Michael Parker

*A Vision for the Aging Church:
Ministry To and From Seniors*

This topic focuses on advocating for a paradigm shift in both church and society—one in which our elders are proudly embraced and engrafted into vibrant leadership and ministry.

Dr. Parker is a Professor of Social Work and Center for Mental Health & Aging at the University of Alabama.



Option 2 (6.0 CEUs): Dr. Jon Singletary

*"Christian Roles in Social Movements
for Social Justice"*

This workshop explores how faith inspires social justice in social movements and includes several recent examples.

Dr Singletary is the Associate Dean for Baccalaureate Studies at Baylor School of Social Work



Saturday Oct. 19: Banquet Speaker (1.0 CEU)

Leroy Barber

*"Social Work: A Kingdom Tool for
Empowering Communities to Justice"*

This presentation looks at social work in the context of Community Development.

Mr. Barber is President of Mission Year, CEO of FCS Urban Ministries in Atlanta and a co-pastor.



Option 3 (3.0 CEUs):

Dr. Terry Wolfer, Dr. Mackenzi Huyser

*"Grappling with Faith: Teaching with
Decision Cases"*

This workshop, for instructors and trainers, will introduce the case method of teaching using didactic and experiential methods.

Dr. Wolfer is a Professor in the College of Social Work at the University of South Carolina.

Dr. Huyser is a Professor of Social Work and Dean for Faculty Development and Academic Programs at Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights, IL.



Sunday Oct. 20: Worship Service (No CEUs)

Dr. Shebby Neely-Goodwin

*"Examining the Lives of Jonah and
Dr. Martin Luther King: Purposeful
Journeys of Social Justice"*

The presentation looks at the biblical character, Jonah, and Dr. Martin Luther King, two exemplary leaders of social justice for oppressed people.

Dr. Neely-Goodwin is Assistant Professor of Social Work at Winthrop University.



Call for Proposals

NACSW invites you to submit a proposal for a workshop or poster presentation at the 2013 Convention in Atlanta, GA. Proposals are due by March 1, 2013. Visit www.nacsw.org/Convention/Call2013.htm to submit a proposal.

Tracks for Proposal Submission

Proposals may be submitted for the following tracks:

- **Direct Practice: Individuals, Couples, Families and Children**—Includes but not limited to: clinical social work, case management and social work non-clinical practice, private practice, school social work, new approaches to treatment, etc.
- **Human Development, Diversity, and Behavior in the Environment**—Includes but not limited to: diversity issues; cultural competence, including spiritual competence; multiculturalism; disabilities; human development across the lifespan, etc.
- **Direct Practice: Groups and Communities**—Includes but not limited to: community organizing; assets-based community development and community-oriented interventions; advocacy; international social work; group social work, etc.
- **Administration and Work with Organizations**—Includes but not limited to: leadership of organizations; organizational culture; grant writing; program development; staff issues; budgeting; staff training and development, etc.
- **Public Administration and Policy**—Includes but not limited to: social policy; government funding issues; economic issues; social justice; social change theory; church and denominational policy and politics, etc.
- **Professional Relationships, Values and Ethics**—Includes but not limited to: social work ethics; the impact of social workers' faith on their work; nurturing social workers' character formation; boundary issues; social work supervision, etc.
- **Social Work Education**—Includes but not limited to: strategies and illustrations related to integrating faith and spirituality in the social work curriculum; CSWE accreditation issues; spiritually and religiously sensitive educational policies and practices, etc.
- **Social Work Research**—Includes but not limited to: methodological issues in research on religion and spirituality in social work practice, practical reports of dilemmas in research, partnerships in conducting research, etc.
- **Technology & Social Work**—Includes but not limited to: innovative ways Christians in social work are using technology to enhance social work practice and education, the use of social networking in practice, strategies for using distance learning approaches, etc.
- **Student-Focused**—Includes but not limited to: a) presentations by BSW and MSW students reporting on research projects or conceptual papers from their social work programs; b) presentations for BSW, MSW, and PhD students, etc.
- **Christian Perspective on Social Movements**—Includes but not limited to: the Biblical challenge to Christians to promote social justice, the variety of roles Christians can perform in social movements, engaging in social justice activities in faith-based organizations and in secular settings, etc.



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