

September 21, 2013
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Conference
Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.
1:00 – 4:00 p.m. TDCJ Security Training

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PRESENTED BY:
Green Acres Baptist Church - Restorative Justice Ministry,
Texas Department of Criminal Justice Chaplaincy,
Restorative Justice Ministries Network of Texas
Special Thanks to Calvary Commission, Lindale, Texas

Green Acres Baptist Church in Tyler, Texas is hosting a one day region-wide conference on the powerful effects of faith in prison. Come hear how faith communities are making a real difference. If your church is interested in starting or being a part of a prison or re-entry ministry plan to attend the More God Less Crime Conference.

Speakers:

Pastor John Wisener, a native of North East Texas, is the pastor of Tennessee Colony Church in Tennessee Colony, Texas and has served there since March 2007. John retired from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in February 2011 following his 30 year career in corrections. As the assistant warden at the H. H. Coffield Unit in Tennessee Colony, John forged a relationship with the Restorative Justice Staff of Green Acres Baptist Church and various Kairos families resulting in the Faith Based wing being initiated at the largest prison in the state of Texas. He and his wife, Kimberly, make their home in Palestine.



Chaplain Donald R. Lacy is currently serving as Regional Chaplain, Region II for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice- Rehabilitation Programs Division. He is responsible for the oversight of the Chaplaincy operations of 21 TDCJ Units in the North Eastern Region which encompasses 29 Chaplains with 18,000 offenders and 4,500 staff members. Following his 23 year tenure as Senior Pastor at West Union Baptist Church, he entered the Chaplaincy of TDCJ serving as the Senior Chaplain at the Michael Unit, Darrington Unit and Pam Lyncher State Jail. He resides in Palestine with his wife, Paula.



Marvin Dunbar has been employed with TDCJ for over 24 years; serving as the Community Liaison for the Correctional Institutions Division, an Internal Auditor in the Internal Audit Division and also as a Correctional Officer. Currently, Marvin is the Manager for the Support Services Department of the Rehabilitation Programs Division. Marvin oversees the Chaplaincy Department, Volunteer Services, the DNA Department, the Gang Renouncement and Disassociation Process, the Serious Violent Offender Re-entry Initiative, the Administrative Segregation Pre-Release Program and serves as the TDCJ Faith and Community-Based Liaison. In addition, Marvin holds a B.B.A. in Finance from Sam Houston State University.

Agenda:

- 8:30..... Registration Opens
- 9:00..... Welcome–Chaplain Donald Lacy
RJMN–Bill Kleiber
- 9:15 – 10:30..... Dr. Bryan Johnson
More God Less Crime
- 10:30 – 10:45..... Break and Exhibits in Hall
- 10:45 – 11:00..... Testimonies from Ex–offender
and Volunteer
- 11:00 – 11:30..... Marvin Dunbar–
Value of Volunteers in Prison
- 11:30..... Pick up lunches
- 12:00..... Pastor John Wisener–
Prisons, Pews, Pulpits & Perdition
- 1:00 – 4:00..... TDCJ Training in Galliee Room

Directions to Conference:

GABC: 1607 Troup Hwy, Tyler, TX 75701

From Troup Highway (HWY 110 South),
Turn on Barbara Street beside sanctuary
Parking lot is on your right
Entrance to church is on your left
Galilee Room (Door 16), Follow signs
Map on website: www.gabcrjm.org

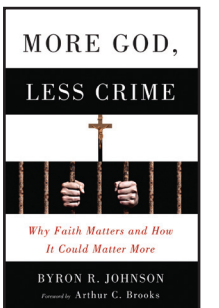
Main Speaker:

Dr. Byron R Johnson is the Distinguished Professor of the Social Sciences and Director of the Institute of Studies of Religion (ISR) as well as director of the Program on Prosocial Behavior, both at Baylor University. Before joining the faculty at Baylor University, Dr. Johnson directed research centers at Vanderbilt University and the University of Pennsylvania. He is a leading authority on the scientific study of religion, the efficacy of faith-based organizations, and criminal justice. His recent publications have examined the impact of faith-based programs on recidivism reduction and prisoner reentry. Dr. Johnson and ISR colleagues are partnering with the Gallup Organization on studies addressing religion and spirituality of the world.



About the book:

In More God, Less Crime, professor and researcher Dr. Byron Johnson proves that religion can be a powerful antidote to crime. The book describes how faith communities, congregations, and faith-based organizations are essential to forming partnerships necessary to provide human and spiritual capital to effectively address crime, offender rehabilitation, and the substance aftercare problems facing former prisoners. The book provides readers with practical insights and recommendations for a faith-based response that could do just that. *More God, Less Crime* can be purchased on Amazon and Barnes and Noble.



Texas Department of Criminal Justice Security Training

Immediately following the conference, TDCJ will provide training for anyone interested in volunteering in prison. You can fill out an application online at www.tdcj.state.tx.us before and bring the approval letter or apply in person at the training. The training is open to everyone.

**all volunteers must pass a background check before going into a prison.*