PANEL

Dr. Terry Crump is a clinical psychologist, board certified clinical hypnotherapist, and owner of Crump Wellness Services in Metro Atlanta. At present, Dr. Crump’s areas of clinical focus include health psychology, chronic disease management, grief and loss, women’s adjustment issues, and stress management. She is a published author and has been a guest blogger for Conscious Life Journal and the National Benevolent Association. She is a member of Ray of Hope Christian Church and serves as Executive Administrator of the Georgia Mental Health Initiative Team.

Rev. Tom Edmondson, Senior Pastor, First Christian Church of Atlanta in Tucker, GA, has served a number of churches as youth minister, associate minister, English minister (Korean churches), and most recently, senior pastor. He also spent 20 years as a bi-vocational pastor and full-time high school teacher. Rev. Edmondson and wife Ann have two sons, a daughter-in-law, and two granddaughters. He holds a BA from Atlanta Christian College, a MTS from Candler School of Theology, and the MA in Jewish Studies from Emory University. He is also a certified instructor in Mental Health First Aid.

Rev. Orlando C. Scott is a staff chaplain in the Gwinnett Medical Center (GMC) and the GMC site coordinator of contextual education for Candler seminarians of Emory University. Rev. Scott serves as a trustee for the National Benevolent Association and is a member of the NBA Mental Health Affinity Group. He is an ordained minister and elder at First Christian Church of Atlanta. Rev. Scott loves spending time with his two children, grounding in nature, researching Africana history, sleeping in his favorite chair, and University of Michigan football.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Georgia Mental Health Initiative Team (GAMHI) is a partnership of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Georgia and the National Benevolent Association (NBA). It prioritizes mental health and wellness in the life of the region and its local congregations through programming that:

- Cultivates welcoming, educated, and inclusive congregations by countering the stigma of mental illness and raising awareness of mental health
- Provides care and support to clergy and seminarians
- Provides resources and educational support for Disciples congregations, clergy, seminarians, and community
- Encourages collaboration, sustainability, and innovation of mental health ministries in congregations and the Georgia region

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January 26, 2019, 9:30 am – 3 pm
Camp Christian Conference Center
3735 Dennard Hardy Rd, Gordon, GA

A workshop for clergy, congregational, regional, and ministry leaders

Sponsored by the Mental Health Initiative of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Georgia
MENTAL WELLNESS

As discussions about mental health begin to emerge from the margins to the center, congregations can be part of these conversations. This timely workshop sponsored by the Christian Church in Georgia Mental Health Initiative will explore how congregations, clergy, chaplains, and clinicians support mental health and wellness. Participants will learn to recognize the signs of emotional distress, respond appropriately, and support recovery for the persons affected.

AGENDA

Saturday, January 26, 2019

9:30—Continental Breakfast

10:00-10:15—Welcome, Overview, Prayer

10:15-11:00—Keynote by Dr. Mark Poindexter

11:00-11:15—Break

11:15-12:30—Panel Discussion and Q & A led by Rev. Heather Hunnicutt

12:30-1:15—Lunch

1:15-2:00—Round Table: Your Role in the Continuum of Care

2:00-2:30—Final Questions

2:30-3:00—Closing Worship & Communion

REGISTRATION

Register at www.gadisciples.org by January 19, 2019 to be part of the conversation—and solutions.

WORKSHOP LEADERS

KEYNOTER

Dr. Mark E. Poindexter, a Disciples pastor since 1989, has served nearly three decades in congregational ministry. He also has served in the regional and general church, including camp counselor/director for twenty years, Indiana Regional moderator, and member of the General Board. He currently works with the National Benevolent Association Mental Health Initiative. Dr. Poindexter served in the United States Marine Corps from 1980-86. In addition, he has battled severe depression and is a suicide survivor. He is a published writer and blogger and a short essay of his story was published by The Christian Century.

MODERATOR

Rev. Heather Hunnicutt, MA, MTS, APC, is a counseling professional in private practice in Marietta, GA, and a doctoral student at Evangelical Seminary in Restorative Theology, working on the intersection of traumatology and theology. As a clinician and clergyperson, her passion is to help persons and organizations heal from trauma and become more fully alive. Rev. Hunnicutt is a mom to five children ages 14-6 years and enjoys yoga, strong coffee, and time with friends. She is a member of Marietta First Christian Church and serves on the Georgia Mental Health Initiative.

MENTAL ILLNESS

is nothing to be ashamed of, but stigma and bias shame us ALL.