

Christian Community Development Association

“People Empowered by God Redeeming Their Communities”

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SEPTEMBER 27TH - OCTOBER 1ST,
PHILADELPHIA, PA

Can you believe the 2006 conference is just 5 months away? September will be here before you know it. Are you planning to attend this exciting event? Our current lineup of speakers include:

Wednesday Evening

Rev., Dr. Alyn Waller, Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church, Philadelphia

Thursday Morning

Rev. Herb Lusk II, Stand for Africa and Greater Exodus Baptist Church, Philadelphia

LaVerne Stokes and Allan Tibbles, Sandtown Habitat for Humanity, Baltimore

Thursday Evening

Dr. Tony Campolo, Eastern University and Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education, Philadelphia

Friday Morning

- Shane Clyborne, The Simple Way, Philadelphia – Young Leaders Panel
- Khalilah Worley, Bethel New Life, Chicago – Young Leaders Panel
- Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove, Rutba House, Durham – Young Leaders Panel
- Juanita Irizarry, Latinos United, Chicago – Young Leaders Panel

Friday Evening

Marian Wright Edelman, Children’s Defense Fund, Washington DC

Saturday Evening

Dr. Virgilio Elizondo, Univ. Of Notre Dame, Notre Dame

POSITION AVAILABLE

CCDA SEEKS MARKETING DIRECTOR

CCDA’s mission is to inspire and train Christians who seek to bear witness to the Kingdom of God by reclaiming and restoring under-resourced communities. The Marketing Director plays a critical role in the achievement of this mission by leading our marketing and sales communication efforts to grow participation and impact, while increasing the financial self-sufficiency of the organization.

The Marketing Director’s primary responsibility is to develop and execute a marketing plan which will:

- increase conference attendance
- increase Institute attendance
- increase organizational and individual memberships

The position requires the ability to work on the entire range of marketing functions, including brand development, campaign design, as well as web-based, print-based, and interpersonal sales to leaders of grass-roots nonprofit organizations. CCDA emphasizes the diversity of its membership (including African-American, Latino, Caucasian, Asian, and Native American cultures), requiring cross-cultural competence and creativity in approach. The Marketing Director will be responsible to achieve sales goals as developed with the Executive Director and to increase the visibility of CCDA among its constituency. In addition, the Marketing Director will assist the Executive Director with fundraising and securing conference sponsorships. [Full job description.](#)

If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to Jimmy@CCDA.org

Visit us at www.cdda.org to register.

CONFERENCE PRESENTERS - HAVING PROBLEMS SUBMITTING YOUR WORKSHOP RFP?

Due to some technical problems related to our online Workshop RFP process, we are extending our submission deadline to May 15, 2006. If you continue to have problems submitting your proposal, please contact our site administrator, Maryann Bolton immediately at maryann@cdda.org. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused you, and we thank you for your patience.

Noel Castellanos, CCDA Institute Director

We're working hard for you...so plan now to attend. Go to our website at www.cdda.org to register.

YOUR CCDA RESTORER NEWSLETTER

If you have not see our most recent edition of the [Restorer newsletter](#) you should be getting it shortly. This edition is speaking to the important and timely issue of immigration. Several board members who have dealt with this issue for years have written articles. Look for it in the mail.

2006 CCDA INSTITUTE SCHEDULE

MAY

Dallas, TX May 12-13, 2006

Co-Sponsors: DFW (LINC) Lutheran Inter-city Network Coalitions & Dallas Baptist Association

Friday, May 12th, 2006 - Raising Up Leaders From Within Your Church & Community - Instructor: Dr. Wayne Gordon

Saturday, May 13th, 2006 - Eight Things Your Church Can Do To Transform Your Community - Instructor: Rev. Noel Castellanos

Registration: You can register online at www.dba.net/registration.asp

JUNE

BOOKS AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR THE MONTH

THE SAFE FAMILIES PROGRAM

The Safe Families program of TechMission is officially live. Safe Families seeks to help keeping children in at-risk and under-resourced communities safe from pornography, predators, and other dangers while online. We do this by offering **free internet filtering software** and by providing training materials to parents, pastors, and non-profits. Please check out our recently launched website (<http://safefamilies.org>) which includes:

- Free Internet Filtering Software (<http://safefamilies.org/download.php>)
- Online Safety and Media Sobriety Manual for parents and ministry leaders (a 50 page manual available at <http://safefamilies.org/manual.doc>)
- Online Safety for Parents Webcast Training (<http://safefamilies.org/parentswebcast>)
- Media Sobriety for Pastors and Church Leaders Webcast Training (<http://safefamilies.org/pastorswebcast>)

We are also committed to helping teens and adults who struggle with pornography addiction. We provide training for pastors and other church leaders on this issue and have partnered with several other ministries to provide the best possible materials and information.

We have the goal of getting our software on to the computers of thousands of urban families over the next few months. **Please forward this announcement to other e-lists, staff or others that you know.**

We will continue to expand and refine the materials available on our webpage and if you desire, keep you posted on further developments of the program. If you have any questions about our program please contact Bil Mooney-McCoy, bil@techmission.org, 617-282-9798 x104, www.safefamilies.org.

HELP FOR ABUSED WOMEN

RALEIGH, NC - June 8 - 9, 2006

CCDA Institute Co-Sponsors: Biblical Wellness Ministries, Building Together Ministries, Capital Engineering, Fairmont United Methodist Church, First Baptist Church, GOOD WORK, Inc., Greystone Baptist Church, Providence Baptist Church, Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh Mennonite Church, and VINTAGE 21

Cost: \$75.00 per class or \$100 for both classes (Includes a one-year CCDA Individual Membership)

[Register online at www.cdda.org](http://www.cdda.org)

Friday, June 8th - Reconciliation in the New Millennium: Bridging the Racial Divide - Instructors:

Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner, President, Skinner Leadership Institute & Dr. Chris Rice, Co-Director, The Center for Reconciliation, Duke Divinity School

Saturday, June 9th - Church-Based Christian Community Development - Instructor: Dr. Wayne 'Coach' Gordon

CONFERENCE AND TRAINING

TARGETING HOPE RURAL AREAS AND SMALL CITIES CONFERENCE

Targeting Hope Fourth Rural Communities & Small Cities Development Conference May 19 and 20, 2006

The Chestnut Ridge Community Center in Barbour County will be the site for Targeting Hope, the fourth Christian Community Development Conference in West Virginia . The event, which focuses on community development in rural areas and small cities, will begin May 19 and 20, 2006. Anyone involved or interested in community development efforts in these environments will benefit from the wealth of information to be provided during the conference.

For information or questions concerning registration, lodging, or the conference, please call Caron Melton t 304-457-5270, ext.60 or E-mail at cmelton@worldvision.org.

MOVE MONEY FOR CHANGE: PUTTING CAPITAL TO WORK FOR JUSTICE

There is a new service called HopeDigits that allows for abused women to keep in touch with their families while keeping their locations secret. It is a free phone service that provides a private U.S. phone number and voicemail box. You're able to make phone calls and receive messages – without disclosing your location or giving away personal information. To register go to www.hopedigits.com. You'll have you're private number in less than five minutes and you can begin using it immediately.

GREAT READS FOR THE MONTH

The Irresistible Revolution : Living as an Ordinary Radical by Shane Claiborne, our CCDA board member and founder of "The Simple Way" ministry in Philadelphia. Go to www.Amazon.com make your purchase for \$10.00.

One Reviewer said, "Shane has captured the complacency found in western Christianity. Personally I prefer deep books on theology, but this author has given us "street-wise" theology that needs to be read by every teen, collegiate, and adult. Shane has taken the essence of the message of Jesus and given a practical and pastoral theology. That does not mean it has become domesticated, not in the least. Shane Claiborne sees the phrase "Kingdom of God" and exchanged the word "Revolution" for the word "Kingdom." Does that make a difference? Not in what Jesus meant, but it greatly changes how people view the practical day to day workings of Jesus' life, ministry, teachings, and words. He freely shows how even the words of Jesus existed in the flesh through the works of Ghandi and Mother Teresa. Whether it is sleeping with the lepers or giving away everything he has to feed an empty stomach, Irresistible Revolution grabs the westernized, domesticated, once-a-week Christian and shakes them to the core with ideas and thoughts that rarely enter most church doors on a given Sunday. Does that mean I agree with it all? No. But reading a good book, like Shane's, is like eating fish...there is a lot of meat and a few bones to spit out. But in the end, I think every reader will be greatly satisfied with the meal after feasting on this book."

"America in the King Years" by Taylor Branch

Epic, seminal, authoritative, defining, engaging and many more adjectives could be used to describe the trilogy of Pulitzer prize winning books subtitled "**America in the King Years**". Taylor Branch recently completed the 25 year project with the release of *At Canaan's Edge*. Like his previous two, it is painstakingly researched and eloquently written about a remarkable time. A must read for anyone wants to understand this place called America. <http://literati.net/Branch/BranchReviews.htm> . Available at www.Amazon.com for \$23.10.

The purpose of this conference is to increase the ability of all participants to actively engage in the work of raising more investment capital for poor people and low-income communities, through community development financial institutions (CDFIs) and Micro-lenders (U.S. and abroad). For more information go to www.jubilee4justice.org.

Date: June 1-3

Location: Ramada Inn Lake Shore, 4900 South Lake Shore, Chicago IL 60615

2006 CCDA YOUTH SUMMIT

Empowering Leaders for the Next Generation - August 3-5, 2006

The CCDA Youth Conference Team is very excited to invite your CCDA ministry to participate in our upcoming Youth Summit. After years of offering a Summer Youth Conference, we have decided to make some very important and exciting changes for the following years, but we need your input and expertise to help us to bring these changes about.

Our vision for this summer's Summit, is to convene at least 25 adult leaders and 75 key youth from our core CCDA ministries nationwide. Visit us at www.cdda.org additional information.

Conference Location: New City Fellowship Church – Randy Nabors, Senior Pastor

Hosting Organization: Hope for Chattanooga – Paul A. Green, Executive Director

A LEADER SEES REALITY NOT AS IT IS, BUT HOW IT MIGHT BE

Bono, *TIME* Magazine's 2005 Person of the Year, will join Bill Hybels, James Meeks, Andy Stanley, and others for **The Leadership Summit 2006, WCA's premier leadership training event, Thursday-Saturday, August 10-12.**

For speakers, schedule and locations, visit Willowcreek or call 800-570-9812.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL WORKERS

"The New Rural Poverty" by Philip Martin, Michael Fix, and J. Edward Taylor,

A new book from the Urban Institute Press examines what lies ahead if current immigration patterns and policies aren't changed. Farm workers ready to work for poverty-level wages will continue to enter the country, and their U. S.-educated children, shunning their parents farm jobs, will continue to move to cities for better jobs, perpetuating a cycle of rural poverty.

Throughout the book, the authors address fundamental questions: Does U.S. agriculture have a long-term need for exceptions from labor and immigration laws? Would the cycle of rural poverty end if a guest-worker program required immigrants to return home after their work stints? Or should seasonal farm workers be a first step to permanent residency?

Available for \$26.50 (121 pages, ISBN 0-87766-729-2). Order online at <http://www.uipress.org>, call 202-261-5687, or dial 1-877-847-7377 toll free.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND MEMBERS IN EGYPT

A recent "Persecution & Prayer Alert" from The Voice of the Martyrs Reports, "Two Dead, Several Injured After Attacks on Coptic Churches in Egypt. Rushing into the churches, shouting Islamic slogans and stabbing the worshippers, three men armed with knives attacked four separate Coptic churches in Alexandria, Egypt on Good Friday, April 14. One culprit attacked two churches, one attacked a third church and another was foiled in his attempt on a fourth congregation." Many of you remember our friend and brother Father Bishoy El Antony who is a Coptic Priest in Egypt . Let us pray for those persecuted for the cause of Christ.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Among Dietrich Bonhoeffer's (Teacher, Martyr) quotes are these words, *"It is the fellowship of the Cross to experience the burden of the other. If one does not experience it, the fellowship he belongs to is not Christian. If any member refuses to bear that burden, he denies the law of Christ."*

NACSW's Convention 2006 is scheduled for October 26-29, 2006 in Philadelphia , PA – "Returning to our Roots: Social Work, Faith-Based & Community Services, and Beyond!" To find out more about NACSW's 56 th annual conference, we invite you to check out our convention website at: http://www.nacsw.org/conv_head_text.html and download a preliminary convention brochure at: <http://www.nacsw.org/Convention/Prelim2006.pdf>

GOT NEWS... ?

Contact Cheryl Cornelius at CCDA and send information on resources, training and even praise reports to cheryl@ccda.org.