

CLERGY CARE WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

YES, I am interested in attending the "Clergy Care" workshop in Nashville TN.

Name: _____

Church: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

My check for \$35 is enclosed.
(Make check payable to CMAC)

I have reserved my room at the Sheraton.

I will be staying elsewhere.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: We have reserved a block of rooms (2 double beds) at a reduced rate of \$115 a night for Workshop attendees.

Please contact the Sheraton directly to reserve your room for the workshop:

Downtown Sheraton Hotel
623 Union Street
Nashville TN 37219
P (615) 259-2000

Ask for the "Hall of Fame" Discount to qualify for the reduced room rate.

Send completed forms to:

Christian Martial Arts Council
PO Box 640
Russellville AR 72811
P 479-968-1708

www.ChristianMartialArtsCouncil.com

About the Instructor

Rev. Randy Knipe (M.Div., Th.M., First Degree Black Belt and Elder in the UMC) is an Author, Conference Speaker and United Methodist Pastor. He has conducted "Clergy Care" workshops at a number of venues, and is a highly sought after conference speaker.

Rev. Kanipe was inducted into the United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame as the 2008 Martial Artist of the Year and uses the medium of the martial arts to help share practical tips to mitigating confrontation in his workshops.

"Randy Kanipe is a multi-talented pastor, consultant & instructor who is uniquely prepared to consult with & teach religious leaders about the destructive contemporary conflicts in congregations. He is especially experienced & gifted in dealing with "The Clergy Killer Phenomenon," that spiritual epidemic of abusing pastors that is now afflicting half of our congregations.

Kanipe is especially competent in dealing with the spiritual warfare that can engulf pastors & congregations which are unprepared to understand & subdue such maliciousness.

Perhaps best of all, he is skilled in teaching pastors how to care for themselves, teach lay leaders spiritual fortitude & guidance skills, & aid congregations in growth in grace & mission.

His nationally recognized expertise in using & teaching karate adds remarkable insights & stimulation to his presentations. And his love of open sea sailing inspires a freshening of spiritual adventure," even in the midst of storms.

Dr. G. Lloyd Rediger

NOTE: This workshop, co-sponsored by the Christian Martial Arts Council and the International Martial Arts Council, will run concurrently with the United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame National Training Camp and 2009 Induction Ceremony.

ENDING ABUSIVE CONGREGATIONAL CONFLICT & CLERGY SELF-CARE

Presented by:

**The Association for
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In Association With:

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Of Connectional Ministries**

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This Professional Development Seminar is designed with the pastor in mind. Whether you are a part time pastor, part time local pastor, full time local pastor, student pastor, Deacon, Elder or provisional member; this workshop is for you. If you serve in any capacity as a spiritual leader, in any denomination, then you do not want to miss this opportunity! Practical, reasonable and workable solutions that help bring an end to abusive conflict in the congregation, that is aimed at the Pastor.

Stop putting up with the insults, the backstabbing, the gossip and the undermining of your ministry. In this workshop, you will:

- Earn 1.0 C.E.U. credits
- Learn Biblical principles of dealing with abusive conflict in healthy and faithful ways.
- Learn how to implement and use a standardized 'Grievance Policy' in your congregation.
- Gain insight into pragmatic principles of clergy self defense, The stuff Jesus used; (Tactical, *Not physical or violent*)
- Learn the importance of caring for yourself, in an increasingly hostile ministry environment.
- Adopt new principles for clergy self care.
- Develop a network of support, for facing difficult situations.

Workshop dates are July 30 through August 1, 2009. Sessions run from 8 am – 5 pm Thursday and Friday, and from 8 am – 11 am on Saturday.

Workbook includes all notes from the seminar along with Pre-prepared forms for use in your own congregational setting.

Clergy Are Under Attack!

As Edwin Freidman pointed out in "Failure of Nerve," we indeed live in a leadership toxic society, where any and all leaders are the targets of anxiety driven attacks, as led by a few 'disgruntled personalities.' And the hostilities are only increasing!

Pastors and Spiritual Leaders are often the first targets of such societal illnesses, and most victimized by this modern trend. Leaders today, whether in business, in the family or in the church – face a daily onslaught of challenges from disgruntled personalities, who seem more determined than ever before to wreak havoc on the church.

Some conflict is normal, even in the church, but Lloyd Rediger argues that there are some conflicts which are not normal, and are in fact abusive. Some churches have "clergy killer" congregations, energized by evil and mentally ill personalities in their midst.

Even the clergy may become "killer clergy" if their status or interactions encourage them to act abusively toward church staff, or to be exempt from justice. "Clergy Killers," the national bestseller by Dr. Lloyd Rediger, presents case studies and credible research to substantiate the alarming escalation of abused and fired clergy in our nation.

How is the church to respond to this increasing problem? So far, it is having a devastating moral and spiritual impact on clergy and their families. The attrition rate among clergy in the US and abroad, is now higher than among any other trade or profession. Rates of divorce, alcoholism, depression, suicide and heart disease are higher among clergy than among any other profession groups – including military and police officers.

So How Should Clergy Respond?

Is there a solution to this problem? Is there a solution to your potential problem – other than a complete bail out? Sure.

Clergy can lead our society beyond the reactionary, anxiety driven hostile responses – into a healthy dialogue. But we have to take care of ourselves first in order to do that.

Rev. Randy Kanipe, (M.Div., Th.M., First Degree Black Belt and Elder in the UMC) will be presenting two workshops geared toward helping clergy and congregations find healthier ways of handling anxiety, change and conflict within the local congregation, as well as develop new habits for a healthier lifestyle.

This seminar will provide helpful information, guidance and feedback – from the author who first coined the phrase "Clergy Killer."

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Thursday, July 30 - Saturday, August 1, 2009
Downtown Sheraton Hotel
Nashville Tennessee

Cost: \$35.00 (incl. Workbook with forms, plans, etc.)

Special room rates at the Downtown Sheraton if reservations made by July 10, 2009.