

Safe Sanctuaries: Reducing the Risk of Child Abuse in the Church

**A three-hour seminar presented by
Attorney Joy Thornburg Melton**

**Learn how to prevent child
sexual abuse and clergy sexual
misconduct within your ministry.**

**Friday, December 9, 2005
9:00 a.m. to Noon
(Registration opens at 8:15 a.m.)**

**Paradigm Conference Center
3009 SE Chestnut Street, Milwaukie, Oregon**



Advance registration requested

Listening. | Learning. | Leading.

Topics include

- Clergy sexual misconduct and child abuse claims - costs and consequences.
- What happens when an admitted offender wants to join your church.
- Designing ministries that eliminate opportunities for abuse.
- How much "screening" is enough when recruiting clergy and lay workers.
- Would you recognize a sex offender if you met one?
- And more.

Our presenter will provide case histories and offer practical tips to make your facility and activities safer.

Who should attend this seminar?

Denominational executives, pastors, board members, teachers, day care supervisors, maintenance staff and others involved in setting policies or safety parameters for their religious organization will benefit.

What does it cost?

This three-hour seminar, with refreshment break included, costs just \$24 per person.

This fee is reduced to \$14 per person for current customers of Church Mutual Insurance Company and for members of co-sponsoring organizations.

Money-back guarantee

We're confident that you'll learn important sexual abuse risk management techniques at this seminar. However, if you attend this seminar and feel it was not worth your time and registration fee, we will refund your registration fee. (Tell us at the conclusion and we will mail a refund check to you.)

When and where is the seminar?

The seminar is Friday, December 9, 2005, at the Paradigm Conference Center, 3009 SE Chestnut, Milwaukie, Oregon.

Registration opens at 8:15 a.m. and the seminar begins sharply at 9:00 a.m. and runs until about noon. There were be a 20-minute refreshment break at the approximate midpoint.



About your presenter



Joy Thornburg Melton

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Joy Thornburg Melton is a United Methodist clergy person and an attorney. She is the author of *Safe Sanctuaries: Reducing the Risk of Child Abuse in the Church* and *Safe Sanctuaries for Youth: Reducing the Risk of Abuse in Youth Ministries*. The Reverend Melton has worked with hundreds of congregations to help them develop comprehensive abuse prevention policies and procedures for implementation of ministries with children, youth, and adults.

The Reverend Melton holds a bachelor's degree in Christian education from Pfeiffer College in North Carolina; a master of arts degree from Scarritt College in Nashville; and a law degree from Emory University in Atlanta.

She is a partner in the Atlanta law firm of Hinds & Melton, LLC.

Location of seminar hotel



Paradigm Conference Center
3009 SE Chestnut Street, Milwaukie, Oregon

Church Mutual Risk Management Seminar Registration Form

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