

Shoemaker at Calvary Conference Workshop Leader Bios

The Very Rev. Ward B. Ewing

In April 2009, The Very Rev. Ward Ewing, D.D., dean and president of the General Theological Seminary in New York City, became chairperson of A.A.'s General Service Board. He is one of seven non-alcoholics from a variety of professional backgrounds who serve the General Service Board. Rev. Ewing has been involved in the A.A. service structure since his selection in 2004 as a Class A (nonalcoholic) trustee, and replaces outgoing chairperson Leonard Blumenthal, LLD (nonalcoholic).

"First I became aware of alcoholism as a disease, then I began attending seminars on alcoholism and took a full semester course on alcoholism." Combined with the awareness of A.A. that he was gaining on a first-hand basis from members of his parish who were recovering alcoholics, Ward developed a support group where persons in recovery could meet on a weekly basis to talk about religious and spiritual issues in their lives. "Consequently," he says, "I began to incorporate the Twelve Steps into my own life and my own spirituality in a real way." Ward says, "I recognize the life and death nature of alcoholism and am comfortable with the diversity of understandings of God we have in the Fellowship."

Duke Cain of the Diocese of Mississippi, is president of Recovery Ministries an independent, nationwide network of Episcopal laity and clergy, dioceses and parishes, schools, agencies, and other institutions—all with a common commitment to address the use and misuse of alcohol and other drugs in relation to the church's mission.

The Recovery Ministries network serves as a voice of conscience to Episcopalians throughout the United States, building awareness of pastoral and spiritual dimensions of alcohol and drug usage. The original concept for Recovery Ministries' mission dates from the landmark 1979 General Convention resolution on alcohol.

The Rev. Dr. Stuart Hoke is a priest of the Episcopal Church who recently retired as Staff Chaplain at Trinity Church Wall Street in New York City. He also served as Missioner to St. Paul's Chapel at Ground Zero, where he personally ministered to the heroic emergency workers of 9/11. Stuart Hoke, Ph.D., is a frequent retreat and quiet day conductor throughout the Episcopal Church. He also is an Adjunct Professor at the [General Theological Seminary](#) in New York City where he teaches pastoral theology.

Keith Miller, born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, served in the Navy at the end of World War II. In 1950, Keith graduated with a degree in Finance from Oklahoma

University with honor. After graduation, he married and began a fifteen-year period working in the Oil Exploration business in Texas and Oklahoma. Keith and his wife had three daughters, Leslie Williams, Kristin Huffman, and Mary-Keith Dickinson. Keith studied theology at Berkeley Divinity School, an Episcopal Theological school now merged with Yale Divinity School in New Haven, CT. Keith went on to receive a Master's degree in Psychological counseling from the University of Texas in Austin.

In 1965, Keith's first book, *The Taste of New Wine*, was published. He has been a full time writer and lecturer since that time. To date, more than two million copies of this book have been sold. Keith has written or co-authored 24 books on subjects including 1) Christian living, 2) addictions and codependence, 3) the process of spiritual transformation, 4) discovering and achieving one's vocational and bucket-list dreams, 5) devotions, and 6) business—related to the entrepreneurial process.

Keith is the first recipient of the annual Samuel Shoemaker Award. He corresponded with Sam Shoemaker when he was at theology school. Keith lives in Austin TX, and has been married for more than 30 years to Andrea. He and his wife Andrea, married for more than 30 years, live in Austin, Texas. They speak and consult in Christian churches, seminaries, and in treatment centers and 12-step groups in many countries around the world.

Jim Lane is Managing Partner of Devonwood Capital Partners and Chairman of NanoHoldings,LLC. He is founded New Canaan Society, a non-profit organization, in 1995. Previously, Jim was Chairman and CEO of SG Capital Partners, the private equity business affiliated with Societe Generale and SG Cowen Securities. Prior to establishing SG Capital Partners, Jim's career spanned nearly 20 years at Goldman Sachs & Co. where he was a General Partner and a founding member of the Firm's global private equity business.

Jim has a Bachelor of Arts from Wheaton College and an MBA from Columbia University. He has served on several charitable boards including the Yale Center for Faith and Culture, The Trinity Forum, and the Wilberforce Forum (Prison Fellowship Ministries).

William Nemeth, MD, FAADEP

Orthopaedic Surgery, Pain Clinic, Austin TX

Board of Directors, AADEP, Former Work Comp State Medical Director

Fellow, American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, Fellow, American Academy of Disability Evaluating Physicians

As an orthopaedic surgeon, William Nemeth became interested in chronic pain and the addictive behavior tendencies and protocols to modify, minimize, or eliminate ineffective, inappropriate and costly chronic drug and pain management treatment. He also presents on the "Prescription Drug Abuse

Epidemic: New Solutions for Chronic Pain and Addiction." Nemeth speaks on the epidemic of prescription drug abuse in the US, mistreatment of chronic pain problems, and highlights solutions to the co-morbid condition of pain and addiction.

Gail Paige- Bowman LCSW, CASAC, MDIV and David Bowman

Gail Paige-Bowman has been in private practice in New York City and Norwalk, CT since 1987. A psychotherapist specializing in recovery from abuse, addictions, codependency, life crisis, she offers individual, group, couples and family treatment. She attended Wurzweiler School of Social Work, and combines clinical skills and experience with pastoral ministry. She and her husband David are experienced workshop leaders of 12-Step Bible study.

Joanna J. Seibert, MD, is a pediatric radiologist at Arkansas Children's Hospital and the University of Arkansas Medical Sciences who has been an ordained deacon in the Diocese of Arkansas for five years. Her books include meditations on the Eucharistic readings, *Surrounded by a Cloud of Witnesses*, has been a writer for *Forward, Day by Day*, and is a frequent contributor to the *Living Church*. She is on the board of the National Recovery Ministries of the Episcopal Church. She is former president and chair of the board of the Society for Pediatric Radiology. She and her husband Robert have three grown children, and have lived in Little Rock for more than 30 years.

Fr Bill Wigmore is CEO of Austin Recovery. Bill Wigmore's story and service of recovery illustrates the nexus of faith and science through the thousands of individuals and families he has touched in his journey. Wigmore's reach to the last, the lost, and the least is an example to all who believe service is the key to lasting recovery and peace. He found his true calling, helping others heal through the power of both faith and science. Bringing the skills and gifts of an Episcopal priest, counselor, caring administrator and fellow pilgrim, he helps his flock experience healing and recovery, offering to the recovering community a weekly communion service, "The Fellowship of the Prodigal."

Caroline Pratt lives in Austin, TX with her husband Tom. She is experienced leader in working with women in recovery and leading workshops for women in recovery relationships.