

Dear Member Churches of the CRCNA,

The Office of Safe Church Ministry is inviting each Christian Reformed Church to send members of their safe church committees or teams to be equipped at the [Safe Church Bi-National Conference](#), called [#Equipped in our #MeToo world](#) that is happening September 21-22, 2018 in Grand Rapids, MI.

As the #MeToo movement continues to affect each of our congregations. Churches have unique resources that can't be found anywhere else, it's time to be equipped to take our place in this movement. ***Imagine with us...*** churches offering safe spaces, where those who have suffered abuse share their stories, find understanding and support, and experience the powerful healing love of our Lord together with his people; and where each of us are equipped to prevent abuse from happening in our churches, communities or homes.

Featured presenters and topics include:

- [Jared Brock](#), author of several books, and co-director of the documentary "[Over 18](#)", which has been shown in many CRC congregations.
- Hillary Scarsella with be with us, a theologian who began a website called "[Our Stories Untold](#)" where people were invited to share their stories of abuse within a church context; it's grown into a beautiful ministry.
- Come learn more about [Circle of Grace](#), [Restorative Practices](#), and a biblical and very accessible [Trauma Healing](#) program.
- See a full schedule including all the presenters at [this link](#)!

Don't believe that attending a conference can make a real difference? [Read about how attending a Safe Church conference impacted ministry!](#)

This is the time! September will be here before we know it. Please feel free to contact [Safe Church Ministry](#) with any questions. [Register by clicking this link](#) today. We are also excited to share that its free for CRC members! In addition, there are scholarships are available to assist in costs for travel.

Blessings,
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