

MARRIAGE & FAMILY FORUM

November 5th 2021, 9 am to 1pm EST time

(1 pm GMT / 6 am PDT / 3 pm CEST / 4 pm EAT)

AGENDA

9:00 am Open & Prayer Rev Desmond Austin

9:15 am (2:15pm CET) Gabriel Kuby – The Gender Revolution & Q and A

9:55 am Dr Pat Fagan - Healthy Marriage and family Formation & Q and A

10:40 am Dr. Charmaine Yoest– Marriage as a Public Good and Q and A

11:25 am Dr Nancy Nason-Clarke – The Church: Hope for preventing and ending abuse in marriage & family

12:15pm (9:15 am GMT) – Katy Faust – Them before Us, putting children’s needs above adult desires

1:00 pm CLOSE Rev Desmond Austin

EXTRACTS OF SPEAKER BIOS

Gabriele Kuby

Gabriele Kuby is a book author and international speaker. She is the mother of three children.

She studied sociology at the Freie Universität in Berlin and Konstanz and completed her master's degree. She published her first critical analysis of gender ideology in 2006. Her book *The Global Sexual Revolution – Destruction of Freedom in the Name of Freedom* has so far been translated into eleven languages.

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Gabriele is seen as "a brave fighter against the ideologies that ultimately amount to the destruction of man." In 2020 Gabriele Kuby won her lawsuit after a radio station repeats forged quotes from a play that depicted her as a pro-fascist zombie. She explained that she was carrying out the lawsuit "because freedom of speech is at stake, a basic democratic right. Democracy thrives on free open discourse. This discourse cannot be sacrificed to political correctness. Whoever does not comply will be ostracized, bullied, and punished with public smear campaigns. We should not allow this." <https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/pro-family-activist-wins-defamation-lawsuit-after-play-depicts-her-as-hate-monger-zombie/>

"As a sociologist, I observe the development tendencies of society; As a mother of three, I am committed to the future of the next generation;

"....Even if we are not successful in our lifetime, we will have used our lives to fight for the right cause. As Christians, our basic hope cannot be destroyed, and that is our hope in Jesus Christ. We believe that He will come back, and as long as we are truly grounded in that hope we have our roots in truth and in eternity, and we cannot be wiped away. We can die, yes, but we know that the ultimate victory is ours. And from that hope, we have to work."

Dr Pat Fagan

Dr. Pat Fagan, born, raised and educated in Dublin, Ireland, began his career as a grade-school teacher in Cork city, before studying to become a clinical psychologist specializing in child, family and marital therapy. His first clinical work was in Canada, ending on the clinical teaching staff of McGill University's affiliate, The Herzl Family Practice Center, at The Jewish General Hospital, Montreal.

Later, after doctoral studies in Washington, out of concern about government actions that were undermining marriage and family, he entered the public policy field, first at The Free Congress Foundation, of which he became the executive director, followed by work in the U.S. Senate for Senator Dan Coats of Indiana. In 1989 President George Herbert Bush appointed him Deputy Assistant Secretary for Family and Social Policy at the Department of Health and Human Services.

In 1994 he moved to The Heritage Foundation for thirteen years, as Senior Fellow on Family and Culture, and built an international reputation through his research and writing on the myriad connections between a well-functioning or wilting society and the strength or weakness of marriage and worship in that society. One of his papers, “Why Religion Matters” became the most read of all publications of The Heritage Foundation.

In 2007 he moved to the Family Research Council to found MARRI, The Marriage and Religion Research Institute, which equips the lay public with social science written for use in their daily discussions about family and culture issues.

Among his many contributions are 22 synthesis papers, written for the layman (starting with Congressmen and their staff) on what the social sciences have uncovered on marriage, family and religious practice, and 50 years of trendline data on the same. In 2016 MARRI became part of The Catholic University of America. Pat is also a Fellow at The Austin Institute, All his work, including a weekly blog on recent social science findings, can be found at <http://marri.us>. Forthcoming work is a book-sized 12 chapter, comprehensive overview of the effects of contraception in physical, psychological, relational and neurological health as well as societal functioning, including fertility, demographics, family structure, public health, crime and abuse.

Dr. Charmaine Yoest

Dr. Charmaine Yoest is a visiting fellow for The Heritage Foundation's Institute for Economic Freedom. She was previously a vice president of The Heritage Foundation, where she led the Institute for Family, Community and Opportunity. This included work on domestic policy issues including health care and welfare reform, education policy, family formation, women’s issues, and religious liberty.

Dr. Yoest previously served in the Trump Administration in the White House and the Department of Health and Human Services. She served as associate director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) where she directed the component’s intergovernmental, public affairs, and public liaison programs. Charmaine also served as the

Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services where she provided leadership for the \$1.3 trillion Department's public affairs programs, and coordination of strategic messaging across the 11 HHS Operating Divisions. Her work involved a focus on the opioid crisis, natural disaster response, and health care reform.

Dr. Yoest has a track record serving in many facets of political life—in the White House, on a presidential campaign, and leading a national nonprofit. She has appeared as a spokesperson on every major television network and cable outlet, and has been published in the leading national publications. She has provided testimony in front of the United States Congress on multiple occasions. She is also the author of *Mother in the Middle* (HarperCollins), an examination of child care policy.

Dr. Yoest began her career working in the White House for President Ronald Reagan in Presidential Personnel and later served as a Senior Advisor to Governor Huckabee's 2008 Presidential Campaign. She was a surrogate for the Trump-Pence 2016 campaign. She also served as President and CEO of Americans United for Life. During her tenure, the public interest law firm grew significantly, more than tripling its budget and donors.

Numerous publications have profiled Charmaine and her work. In a feature piece, *The New York Times* said that "her personal appeal gives her outsize visibility." *The Christian Science Monitor* describes her as "a pragmatic force." *The New Republic* describes her as "compelling." Even *Mother Jones* described her as "charismatic." She was featured in *Time* magazine's 2013 Thanksgiving series along with Michelle Obama and Rick Warren.

Dr. Yoest received her B.A. in Political Science from Wheaton College. Later, she earned an M.A. and Ph.D. from the Department of Politics at the University of Virginia, where she received Mellon, Olin, Bradley and Kohler fellowships and wrote a dissertation on parental leave policy, after directing a national study on parental leave funded by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation.

Charmaine and her husband are the parents of five children. Their oldest three children have been Division One athletes and include an NCAA champion, four-time ACC champion and a CAA champion. Their son is an Army Officer and Blackhawk Pilot.

Dr Nancy Nason-Clark

Director, RAVE Project

Dr. Nancy Nason-Clark is Professor Emerita of Sociology in the department at the University of New Brunswick. She is the principal investigator of The RAVE Project a research initiative funded by the Lilly Endowment. Nancy received her Ph.D. in Sociology from the London School of Economics and Political Science in England. She is the author or editor of twelve books, which include:

Religion and Intimate Partner Violence: Understanding the Challenges and Proposing Solutions. (Oxford University Press, forthcoming, 2017; with Fisher-Townsend, Holtmann and McMullen).

Men Who Batter (Oxford University Press, 2015; with Fisher-Townsend)

Overcoming Conflicting Loyalties (University of Alberta Press, 2015; with Sevcik, Rothery and Pynn)

No Place for Abuse: Biblical and Practical Resources to Counteract Domestic Violence (2nd edition, 2010; with Kroeger)

Responding to Abuse in the Christian Home (2011; edited with Fisher-Townsend and Kroeger)

Refuge from Abuse: Hope and Healing for Abused Christian Women (2004; with Kroeger)

The Battered Wife: How Christians Confront Family Violence (1997)

Beyond Abuse in the Christian Home (2004; edited with Fisher-Townsend and Kroeger)

Feminist Perspectives and Narratives in the Sociology of Religion (2004; edited with Neitz)

Understanding Abuse: Partnering for Change (2004; edited with Stirling, Cameron and Miedema)

She has served as President for three international organizations: the Association for the Sociology of Religion (1998-2000), the Religious Research Association (2001-2004), and the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (2016-2018). Nancy also served two terms (2000-2006) as editor of the international journal Sociology of Religion: A Quarterly Review.

Nancy's research program spans almost 30 years and involves a variety of projects examining the relationship between abuse, religious faith, gender and culture and has taken her to many parts of the world, including India, Eastern Europe, and the Caribbean. Over the years she has supervised many award-winning graduate students who have gone on to have stellar careers of their own.

Katy Faust

Katy Faust is Founder and Executive Director of Them Before Us. They exist to advance social policies that encourage adults to actively respect the rights of children rather than expecting children to sacrifice their fundamental rights for the sake of adult desires. They aim to equip all adults to defend the rights of all children.

Their website states, there's nothing exceptional about the people behind Them Before Us. We aren't professional writers or pedigreed activists. We are just people who think that children deserve to be the primary consideration when considering what is best for, well, children. We

are ordinary people willing to state the cost that children, as well as society, pay when children are deprived of their fundamental needs.

She authored a book called 'Them before us' and a Q and A can be found here. Katy says, one of the greatest challenges facing our culture today is 'shacking up' or cohabitation.

<http://hillsdalecollegian.com/2021/02/qa-katy-faust/>