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2010 Conference Information

Featuring: Mark Hamby

Mark Hamby (M.S.; M.Div.; Th.M.; D. Min. cand.) is founder and President of *Cornerstone Family Ministries* and *Lamplighter Publishing*. He lives in Northeastern Pennsylvania with his wife, Debbie. They raised 3 children who were homeschooled and though they live in various parts of the US, Mark finds that he is more involved in his children's lives than ever before. As an author, speaker, and Bible teacher, what Mark Hamby enjoys most is helping his audience to remove the mask in order to expose the heart. Unless the heart is reached, there can be no lasting change. Through the genre of storytelling and the life-changing power of God's Word, Mark's audiences have learned that the God of all grace is willing and able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we could ask or think.



Speakers for 2010



Shelley Noonan Author and speaker Shelley Noonan's passion is to assist parents in recapturing the lost art of mentoring. With thirteen years of homeschooling her three children and fifteen years of serving the homeschool community. Shelley is a favorite speaker who frequently gives presentations at Christian Women's Clubs, church retreats, and homeschool conferences on a variety of topics. Shelley was trained as a licensed practical nurse and lives with her husband on a farm in northeast Nebraska. Shelley has written three books that spring from her own experiences as a daughter and as a mother. The first two books, *The Companion Guide to Beautiful Girlhood* and *Winsome Womanhood ~ Daybreak*, were created in the way she mentored her own daughter. The third book written with her husband, Robert, also focuses on mentoring but is a book for a father to talk to his daughter about the sometimes-sensitive issues of purity. Shelley's heart is to encourage parents in the important calling of parenting on purpose so that future generations will know, serve and love the Lord.



Greg & Connie Brezina - founded Christian Families Today in 1980 after Greg retired from professional football. Greg is executive director of CFT. Connie volunteers her time to the ministry, teaching at seminars, women's Bible studies and conferences as her schedule allows. Both hold undergraduate degrees from the University of Houston, and Greg has a master's degree in counseling from Liberty University. Their biblical counseling skills have been honed and sharpened through more than 19 years of encouraging and strengthening couples and families. The Brezina family has always been an important part of the GHEA Conference.



Joe & Zan Tyler Zan and Joe Tyler have been married for thirty-two years and have three children whom they homeschooled from kindergarten through high school, for a total of twenty-one years. Zan is currently the Director of Apologia Press, a new division of Apologia dedicated to publishing informational and inspirational resources for homeschooling families. She is also the author of *7 Tools for Cultivating Your Child's Potential*. When the Tylers began homeschooling in 1984, Zan was threatened with jail by South Carolina's state superintendent of education. After prolonged battles for the rights of homeschoolers in her state, Zan founded the South Carolina Association of Independent Home Schools (SCAIHS) in 1990 and served as its president for ten years. Joe, an information systems project manager, has also been deeply involved in the homeschooling movement, both through his own family and the homeschool community at large. He currently serves as the chairman of the SCAIHS board.



Raymond Causey former director of the Urban Family Ministry; is now pastor of South Atlanta Community Church in Fayetteville, GA. Raymond is a graduate of Biola University where he earned a Bachelors Degree in Communications with a minor in Biblical Studies. Raymond is a national conference speaker with Familylife's "A Week-End To Remember" Marriage Conference. Speaking engagements have taken Raymond across the U.S., Africa, Bahamas, Australia, and New Zealand. Raymond has been the guest speaker at several Universities and Christian radio broadcasts. Raymond has been the guest chapel speaker for the Atlanta Falcons and Miami Dolphins professional football teams. Additionally, Raymond serves on the board of the Metro Atlanta Seminary, and is the author of the book "Changing for Good" (Inter Varsity Press). His wife Donna is a homemaker, Bible teacher and mentor. Raymond and Donna have four children Kimya (married), Whitney, Brian and Courtney. The Causey's currently reside in Riverdale, Ga.



Jamie Peavy is a 1997 home school graduate. I guess you could say I come from an era when homeschooling was unpopular and very strange! However, I think it was that “strangeness” that instilled in me a love of learning, a love of God, and a love of country. Although it was “unpopular”, homeschooling gave me many unique opportunities, taught me the importance of a good work ethic, and inspired me to dream big and face the world head on. During my school years, history was by far my favorite subject. I didn’t so much enjoy learning dates and facts, but the lives of the people were fascinating. When the chapters of history start fitting together, it makes sense of the world. It also makes me excited about MY chapter in history, and I look forward to watching God work in our own unique time. After creating the Little Patriots program for the GHEA convention in 1997, I have had the privilege of teaching thousands of children and inspiring others to get excited about learning. I have been teaching 7th and 8th grade history at a Charlotte Mason style school for 4 years and have so enjoyed bringing history to life in the classroom. I also teach a history, literature, and language arts class for homeschoolers, and in my “spare time”, I like to travel!



Ruth Martin is the mother of three children and a veteran homeschooler. She has a master’s degree in learning disabilities and spent many years in public and private school classrooms both teaching and testing children with learning disorders, attention deficit disorders, and emotional disorders. Ruth is the founder of Fellowship of Christian Family Educators, Inc. She has helped start at least 20 local support groups and is presently serving as Support Group Coordinator for GHEA. Ruth and her husband, Jackie, have been homeschooling since 1984.



Reb & Beverly Bradley father of 6, is a pastor who ministers to the Body of Christ at large. Reb has been a radio counselor and talkshow host, and as a writer and national conference speaker he works diligently to strengthen the modern Christian family. He conducts seminars and teaches extensively on issues related to marriage, fatherhood, child training, and single Christian living. Reb is most noted for his book *Child Training Tips: What I wish I knew when my children were young*. Reb and his wife, Beverly, have taught all six of their children at home, with four now grown and two still at home. Beverly is a powerful communicator, and a popular keynote speaker at women's gatherings. Committed to teaching the Word of God without compromise, she speaks with sensitivity, humor, and biblical wisdom in addressing issues related to motherhood, marriage, and home schooling.



Nathan Clark George Award winning singer/songwriter Nathan Clark George has been touring with his music for over a decade, including 4 years full-time in an RV with his family, encouraging a multi-generational vision for the family and the Kingdom of Peace. His discography delivers compelling musical presentations of Scripture along with transparent snapshots of life. Also included is a DVD featuring a full-length concert, as well as a documentary of Nathan and his family and their lives on the road. Most recently, he is excited to be one of the featured artists on the upcoming release, *My Cry Ascends*, performing the beautiful compositions of time-honored Psalms and hymns by Greg Wilbur. It is Nathan's desire to encourage the thoughtful and meaningful approach to corporate worship embodied on this

new project, and he looks forward to introducing several of the selections in his upcoming concerts.