

## Seminar Information

### Partners In The Journey

FOCUS Ministries Office  
57 E. Park Blvd  
Villa Park, IL 60181

Friday and Saturday  
October 20-21, 2023  
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Lunch will be on your own  
12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

**Registration deadline:**  
**October 12, 2023**

Call 630-617-0088 after  
October 12 for space availability

- The seminar on You do NOT need to purchase a Leader's Guide in order to attend this seminar.
- Books and manuals will be available for purchase at the seminar.
- Attendees will receive a certificate of attendance noting the number of training hours.

### Payments

Checks or Money Orders should be made payable to:  
**FOCUS Ministries, Inc.**

**Mail to**  
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57 E. Park Blvd., Villa Park, IL 60181

Credit card payment can only be made online at [www.focusministries1.org](http://www.focusministries1.org)

**ALL FEES ARE NONREFUNDABLE.**

**Paula Silva** is co-founder and president of FOCUS Ministries, Inc. and coauthor of the book, *Violence Among Us: Ministry to Families in Crisis*. Paula has an MA in Counseling from Northeastern Illinois University and has also attended Larry Crabb's School of Spiritual Direction. She has counseled and coached those who experience abusive relationships since 1995. She has been a guest on Midday Connection and This is the Day (Moody Broadcasting Network), the Harvest Show, Time for Hope, and Everlasting Love Christian TV. She presents domestic violence/relationships workshops, seminars, conferences, and trainings. She has facilitated FOCUS support groups since 1995.



**Evelyn Colon** is a Illinois Certified Domestic Violence Professional, Partner Abuse Intervention Co-Facilitator and DV Advocate. Evelyn joined FOCUS in 2007 as a leader and facilitator for FOCUS Support Group Ministries. Evelyn has a heart for hurting women. Her experience, knowledge and education has allowed her to ministered to women in the Christian community that have experienced domestic abuse in the home and re-victimization in the church. Evelyn also is a trainer at Partners in the Journey seminar for FOCUS Ministries Inc.



**Jane Belongea** is a trainer at Partners in the Journey seminar for FOCUS Ministries, Inc. She also is a Certified Focus Ministries Support Leader, since 2015 and facilitates a support group for Focus Ministries Support Group Leaders. With deep passion and gentle humor, Jane loves to serve, encourage and educate women about abuse and the healing hope only found in Jesus Christ.

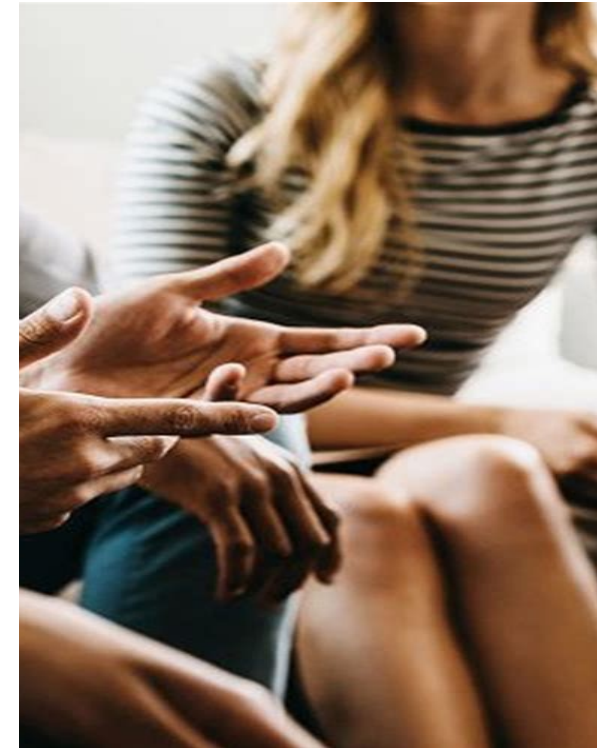


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Villa, Park, IL



**Certificate Training for Facilitators of Faith Based Domestic Violence and Abuse Support Groups**

*Hope, Healing, & Restoration*

**Training for Church Leaders, Lay People & Professionals**

**12 CEU's Available for Counselors, Social Workers CDVP & PAIP**

## FOCUS Support Group Leaders Training Weekend

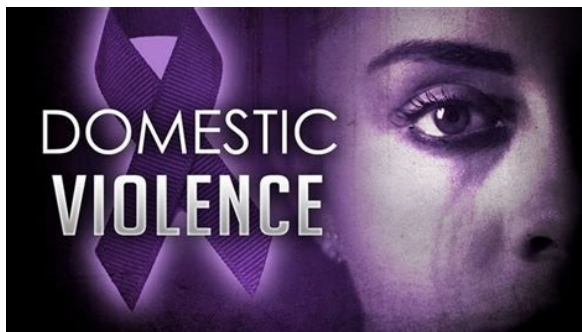
FOCUS Ministries offers a certificate program for support group leaders in our Partners in the Journey Seminars. The training includes an extensive training manual that covers all the aspects of starting a support group, the dynamics of support groups, domestic violence training, how to help a victim, and information on how to provide spiritual direction for victims of abuse.

Our training goes beyond the seminars. Our FOCUS support group leaders become part of a Christian community of leaders worldwide and a member of an established organization that has proven itself since 1995.

FOCUS Ministries is dedicated to serving our leaders by:

- ◆ Offering confidential one-on-one leader consultation regarding areas of concern and problematic issues
- ◆ Providing encouragement, support, and spiritual direction
- ◆ Providing prayer support
- ◆ Providing advertisement of support groups on our website

*"It is hard to designate one area that blessed me. There is so much to take in and process, but my life will forever be changed by what I've learned in the past two days. Lives will be changed based on what I've learned and will be able to impart to others."*



### Seminar Description

- Starting a faith based DV support group: structure, format, advertising
- Dynamics of support groups: team approach
- Curriculum and resources
- Identifying and handling issues within the support group
- Providing guidance and spiritual direction for DV victims
- Understanding faith issues in DV situations
- Understanding the impact of the victim's concept of God in their healing process
- What is Domestic Violence: Types of Abuse, Cycle of Abuse
- Profile of an Abuser
- Why Does She Stay/Helper versus Rescuer
- DV Impact on Children

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## Training Registration

- Registration \$135.00  
(Deadline October 12, 2023)  
Call 630-617-0088 after October 12 for space availability.
- Support Group Leader's Guide \* \$ 40.00
- 12 CEU's for Counselors \$ 40.00  
License Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 CEU's for Social Workers \$ 40.00  
License Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 CEU's for CDVP \$ 40.00  
License Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 CEU's for PAIP \$ 40.00  
License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

- **Note: The Support Group Leader's Guide is not the same as the training manual.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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