

To Serve This Present Age: Reentering Through Faith



Outreach Extensions has collaborated with the National Religious Affairs Association (NRAA), an affiliate of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice, to develop and disseminate effective, meaningful reentry training tools for clergy and laypersons. The NRAA has embarked on a National Reentry Initiative to respond to the needs of the Black Church with regard to reentry and to engage them in training, organizing, and mobilizing efforts to deal with the consequences of crime and reentry on the family and community.

Five topics have been identified by the NRAA as particularly important:

- Reentry and Mentoring Offenders
- Mentoring Children of Offenders
- Racial Disparity/Disproportionate Minority Confinement/Detention Reform
- Public Education, Training, and Civic Participation
- Strengthening Marriages and Families

These five topics are the focus of a one-hour training video that is currently in production as part of the Reentry National Media Outreach Campaign. Offering ideas for local replication, the video will include interviews and comments from experts in the field of criminal justice and “how-to’s” from faith-based practitioners engaged in creative ministries to address reentry challenges. The video will help clergy and laypersons to understand how all the different elements of crime and criminal justice interconnect and the domino effect they have on congregations, victims, families, and communities.

Reentry Campaign participants can now preview the promo for the clergy training video on the Reentry Web site: <http://www.reentrymediaoutreach.org/faith.htm>. The complete video will be available for distribution next spring. Check back often! Additional faith-based reentry training materials will continually be added to this section of the site.



Yes, please add my name to the pre-order list for *To Serve This Present Age: Reentering Through Faith* in VHS or DVD format. I understand that I will be asked to submit a report detailing my use of this important resource.

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