



## **THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.**

**Reverend Dr. T. DeWitt Smith Jr., President**

### **COMMISSION ON SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PRISON MINISTRY**

**Presents its**

### **PNBC's Prison Ministry Certification**

**The Commission on Social Justice and Prison Ministry Certification Project is the first of its kind in the Country. This Certification Project will equip individuals to provide effective engagement to the incarcerated, their families and places of worship.**

**The core of this Certification Project is modeled after the What Shall We Then Do? A Family Freedom Kit produced by the PNBC Commission on Social Justice and Prison Ministry with support from the Annie E. Casey Foundation's "Creating Healing Communities." This Family Freedom Kit, helps PNBC congregations and others, minister and disciple to members of their own congregations who are affected by the criminal justice system – whether as defendants, prisoners, victims of crime, or people coming home from prison, and the family members of all.**

**This *Core Introduction for all participants interested in certification*, provides Biblical foundation for Prison Ministry, Getting to know the Criminal Justice System, The Role of the Pastor and the Stigma that faces the incarcerated and their families, Faith and Forgiveness, Guiding and helping the person arrested, incarcerated or coming home, Guiding and helping the victim and the family of the victim, Dealing with resources, Barriers to the Incarcerated and Do's and Don'ts on Prison Grounds.**

#### **Certification Will Be Granted in:**

**Mentoring to the Incarcerated..... Reverend Dr. Owen Cardwell, Richmond, VA, Instructor**

**This six-hour (6) certification course is based on Biblical Principles designed to equip participants with a working knowledge of mentoring to the incarcerated**

**Volunteers in Prison (VIP).....Reverend Dr. Marty Henderson, Gary, IN, Instructor**

**This six hour (6) certification course is designed provide Biblical foundations to understand Volunteers in Prison. The course will also equip participants to participate in ministry programs on prison grounds.**

**Leadership Training.....Reverend Dave Heffington, Prison Fellowship**

**This six-hour (6) certification course is designed to equip you to develop the leadership team necessary to oversee a highly functioning prison ministry.**

**Reentry and Aftercare .....Reverend Dr. Deedee Coleman, Detroit, MI, Presenter**

**This six-hour (6) certification course will provide Biblical principles for reentry services to returning citizens of our country. It will also give an overview of barriers that face returning citizens upon release and deal with the stigma of incarceration which hinder returning citizens from being productive citizens**

**You can become certified in one area or all four for full certification. The cost of certification for all four sessions is \$40. One certification module is \$10. The fee includes all books, materials and curriculum.**

***Continental Breakfast Included.***