

Men's Mentoring Programs Help Solve Community Woes Caused by Fatherlessness

Christian Men's Network provides effective mentoring curriculum for men & fathers which is used world wide to reduce crime, poverty and build communities.

GRAPEVINE, TX, USA, October 19, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- America leads the world in fatherlessness with 41 percent of children born to single mothers.* Fatherlessness is considered to be a leading indicator to socio-economic problems including poverty, crime, drug addiction, homelessness, and health challenges.** One group has found that mentoring men and teaching character development to fathers and boys is an effective sustainable solution that helps correct these serious community problems.

"Mentoring men helps heal and strengthen communities," states Dr. Paul Louis Cole, Christian Men's Network (CMN) cofounder and president. "Our leaders have seen reductions in crime, violence and abuse as well as increased family security and economic empowerment. Transformation occurs in communities when men and boys are taught how to walk in integrity, courage and the meaning of true manhood."

For thirty-nine years, Christian Men's Network (CMN) has provided curriculum and supported grassroots efforts in all 50 states and is currently active in 116 nations. CMN was launched in 1977 with Maximized Manhood, which was authored by the late <u>Dr. Edwin Louis Cole</u>, the "Father of the Men's Movement." Pastors, business leaders, government officials, school administrators, and prison chaplains find CMN materials remarkably effective in any culture or community. Middle school principals report better attendance and reduced disciplinary incidences. Churches with active men's programs show an average increase of 20% in membership, giving and volunteers. Prison chaplains reported remarkable drops in recidivism below the national average of 43%.

As part of its global initiative this November, Christian men from around the world are converging/gathering at the <u>Lions Roar 2016</u> Global Men's Summit in Dallas Texas November 9-11. Lions Roar is designed to provide teaching and time to exchange strategic solutions. Leaders in men's discipleship are coming from every state and from more than 50 nations to participate in workshops and breakout sessions.

"These influential leaders are coming from the rugged streets of West Baltimore, the rough and tumble favelas of Rio, the tumultuous Philippines, and more," Cole continues, "CMN is more than a ministry, we are a human justice mission strategically focused to defeat fatherlessness, stop child abuse, and improve communities. You can draw great crowds with great speeches, but you'll never change a nation until you mentor a man."

Lions Roar 2016 will focus on helping Christian leaders advance and expand their mission with strategies that include mentoring, youth camps, social media, building strong families and powerful social communities. Dedicated men from all streams of Christianity are invited to Lions Roar on November 9-11, at Gateway Church/Grand Prairie, in Dallas, Texas.

Registration for Lions Roar 2016 is still open. Join men from across the world who are gathering for

this extraordinary event. "Mission" is the theme for the Lions Roar Global Men's Summit. Meetings will be held at Gateway Church, Grand Prairie, TX on Wednesday-Friday, November 9-11. Information can be obtained at 817-437-4888 or www.lionsroar2016.com/join. Group discounts available. Register today.

Watch the Lions Roar video www.lionsroar2016.com/join.

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- *National Vital Statistics Reports. Dec.23, 2015, Vol., 64, No. 12, 2014, Data US births.
- *National Fatherhood Initiative, Statistics on Father Absence + Involvement; US Census Bureau 2012.

About Christian Men's Network

CMN was cofounded by Maximized Manhood author Edwin Louis Cole in 1977, along with his son Paul Louis Cole. CMN is currently active in 116 nations and has impacted over 20 million men worldwide. CMN books, curriculum and videos are the most widely used Christian men's resources in the world. Pastors, churches, business leaders, government officials, school administrators, and prison chaplains find CMN materials remarkably effective in any culture or community.

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