



# **Look Beyond the Church Doors Let's Face Human Trafficking Together**

**A MISSION CONFERENCE**

**PRESENTED BY COMPANIONS IN MISSION MINISTRY NETWORK  
OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CONNECTICUT**

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**SATURDAY MARCH 11, 2023**

**at**

**Christ Church Cathedral**

**45 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103**

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**Keynote Speaker:**

**Rob Morris from Love146**

**(a non-profit international anti-child trafficking organization)**

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**With a panel discussion lead by**

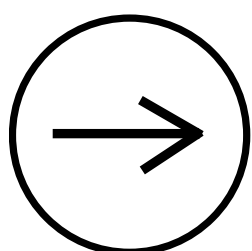
**The Underground NE**

**(faith-based initiative dedicated to ending sex trafficking  
and sexual exploitation throughout Connecticut and New England.)**

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**Plus Workshops:**

- **Getting Started in Mission**
- **Funding - Available Mission Grants and How to Apply for Them**
- **Communicate Your Mission**
- **Mission Beyond the Church Doors: Look, Listen, Love**
- **The Power of the Faith based Community Engaging in the Anti-Trafficking Movement**



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# Conference Schedule:

8:00 AM	Registration Opens
8:45 AM	Music and Conference Welcome
9:00 AM	Key-note Speaker (Rob Morris)
10:00 AM	Panel Discussion - “A Forum on Human Trafficking in Connecticut”
11:00 AM	Workshop sessions #1
12:00 PM	Lunch and Networking
1:00 PM	Workshop sessions #2
2:00 PM	Conference Closing

## About our Keynote Speaker:

**Rob Morris** is the CEO and co-founder of Love146, an international human rights organization working to end child trafficking and exploitation. Prior to co-founding Love146, Rob worked with Mercy Ships International directing training schools at the International Operations Center. He has lectured and taught in over 20 countries on issues of justice, compassion, and human rights, and has been featured in the Huffington Post, the CNN Freedom Project, Forbes, WNPR, Alec Baldwin’s “Here’s the Thing” podcast on WNYC, Fox News, and more.

## About the Panel Discussion:

**A Forum on Human Trafficking in Connecticut** - The Underground NE (UGNE) is a faith-based, non-profit organization that provides ministry and support in the anti-trafficking movement. UGNE is a catalyst in unifying the Church to assist in our vision to: "transform and heal the culture of sexual exploitation in Connecticut and to see a God-shift in a way that compels change in Connecticut" UGNE assists this effort by bring resources to our state through awareness, prevention, and direct support to victims and survivors.

The forum will feature expert panelists that will discuss the definition of trafficking, what trafficking looks like in CT, the signs and indicators of trafficking, and how we can all help in ending trafficking in all of its forms.

## About the Workshops:

- **Getting Started in Mission** - Hear about how a mission for children was conceived and implemented internationally. We will focus on how we got from inception to grass-roots organization to a thriving mission with ideas about how you can get started living God’s mission!
- **Funding - Available Mission Grants** - Learn about mission-related grants totalling more than \$100,000 administered by Companions in Mission and others from the Episcopal Church in Connecticut and how to apply for them.
- **Communicate Your Mission** - Learn practical ways to develop the presentation of your mission in terms that support your goals: Fundraising, community action, increased membership. Consider how best to tell the story of the purposeful work that you do and identify basic strategies to strengthen your communication skills.
- **Mission Beyond the Church Doors: Look, Listen, Love** - A session on discernment in seeing and hearing the mission needs all around us and practical ways to engage in meeting those needs with sensitivity and love.
- **The Power of the Faith based Community Engaging in the Anti-Trafficking Movement** - In this workshop, you will hear about the importance of the faith based community providing hope to those who have been exploited through child trafficking in Connecticut. This session will feature representation from Love 146 and UGNE to discuss services provided to children, youth, and young adult victims and survivors. Participants will learn about the process of trauma informed care, pathway to freedom, and the success of unifying the CT Churches in this cause.