

# Collaborative People Collaborative Marriages

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A conference for couples, singles considering marriage, pastors, family life ministers, licensed professionals, counselors, social workers, and family therapists

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## **Taking Collaboration to the House (When one partner is egalitarian and the other is not)**

**Gerald Ford** is a Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist at Houston Center for Christian Counseling. He is a minister (49 years of Pastoral experience). He holds a

Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Master of Arts in Psychology from Houston Baptist University. He is a member of the North American Society of Adlerian Psychology.



## **Taking Collaboration to Work (How the egalitarian mindset is expressed in the work-side of life, and in valuing both spouses' contribution to work)**

**Dr. James Furr** is the president of Houston Graduate School of Theology. He has served as a congregational leader, professor,

consultant and trainer for thirty-five years. He received his Ph.D. from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Church and Community Studies—a discipline that considers the dynamics of congregational life and leadership, as well as interaction between the church and culture.



## **Taking Collaboration to the Helping Professions (How the counselor, social worker, teacher, minister, or volunteer can introduce and demonstrate the collaborative lifestyle)**

**Dr. Jerry L. Terrill** is a professor at Houston Graduate School of Theology and

the Director of the Counseling Program & Associate Professor of Counseling. Dr Terrill graduated from Calvary Bible College, holds a Masters in Religious Education, a Master of Divinity degree in Institutional/Chaplaincy from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Doctor of Sacred Ministry from Howard University in Pastoral Counseling.

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## **Materials have been adapted for Christian Counseling from the Collaborative Marriage Skills Workshops and the Sound Marital House by John Gottman.**

**Kelsey Seifert** is a Licensed Professional Counselor and National Certified Counselor at the Houston Center for Christian Counseling in Sugar Land, Texas, and is also in private practice in Pasadena, Texas. She holds a Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology from Trinity Western University. She specializes in trauma, anxiety and relationship issues in her clinical work. She has advanced training in Gottman Method Couples Therapy.



## **Taking Collaboration to the Nations (Introducing collaboration in differing cultural contexts)**

**Dr. Ria E Baker** is an Assistant Professor of Counselor Education at the Houston Graduate School of Theology. Dr Baker is a Licensed Professional Counselor and Approved Clinical Supervisor (LPC-S) with a Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision from the University of Texas at San Antonio. Dr. Baker has over 15 years of experience working in clinical, community, ministry, and international university settings with children, adolescents, adults, and families, addressing various mental health and social service needs.



## **Taking Non-Collaboration Seriously (Being a helper in the midst of family violence and spiritual abuse)**

**Sarah Garay** is a graduate of Houston Graduate School of Theology. She is a Sexual Assault Counselor at Fort Bend County Women's Center. She is also a Certified Pastoral Coach with the Baptist General Convention of Texas, and a Registered Nurse at Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital.



## **Taking Collaboration to the Bank (Money Management for the Egalitarian marriage)**

Led by Kelsey Seifert and Spencer Seifert.  
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