

Podcast Interview

FAAST was recently interviewed for the <u>Church</u> <u>Coffee: Christianity, Conservatism, and Culture</u> to discuss human trafficking and how the Church can respond. Our coordinator, Kelly Leary, enjoyed talking with Walter and Rob about FAAST's history, myths about human trafficking, how the Church can fight human trafficking, as well as many other topics. We encourage you to listen to the podcast and share it with your friends.



Freedom Sunday

Freedom Sunday is a day where believers and communities come together in prayer and worship on behalf of those who are trafficked. On one Sunday (or Saturday if that is your Sabbath) Churches around the globe come together where the church service is dedicated to fight human trafficking and educating your congregation. Join with believers around the world as we lift our voices to God for those who are the most needy. We urge you to host a Freedom Sunday on any Sunday (or Saturday) of the year using the materials on our website including Nazarene Compassionate Ministries toolkit, Stop the Traffick's Freedom Sunday packet, Bible Studies, Prayer guides, and posters.



Hands that Heal Training

Educating our community is a vital way to fight human trafficking. One way you can educate your community is by hosting a Hands that Heal training. The Hands that Heal curriculum provides a comprehensive approach to victims of trafficking and educating caregivers so that they may appropriately and effectively provide care and support. The training inspires people to engage in the battle against human trafficking and trains individuals how to provide transformational care to survivors of human trafficking. To learn more about how to host a training, email FAAST at faast@faastinternational.org.

HANDS THAT HEAL

Learning Calls

Our learning calls for FAAST Members and Affiliate Partners have returned. The next learning call will be on October 17, 2023 at 3 pm Eastern/12 pm Pacific. We will hear from Dr. Cindy Mikeal about the psychological aspects of working with survivors of human trafficking. If you would like more information on how you can become an Affiliate Partner or Member, to participate in the learning calls, please email FAAST at faast@faastinternational.org.

Prayer

May God bless you with discomfort At easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships

So that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger

At injustice, oppression and exploitation of people,

So that you may work for justice, freedom and

peace.

May God bless you with tears
To shed for those who suffer pain, rejection,
starvation and war

So that you may reach out your hand to comfort them

And to turn their pain into joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness To believe that you can make a difference in the world,

So that you can do what others claim cannot be done.

Amen.

- Franciscan Benediction