

# NEW JERSEY COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

## *THE ROLE OF THE CHURCH IN NEW JERSEY'S ADDICTION CRISIS*

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# ISSUES & ACTION 2017

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## *The Role of the Church in New Jersey's Addiction Crisis*

Presented by the Public Policy Working Group  
of the New Jersey Council of Churches

### PROGRAM

- 8:30**      **Registration** (coffee, tea, bagels)
- 9:00**      **Welcome, Worship and Greetings**
- Joan Diefenbach, Esq., Director, New Jersey Council of Churches  
Rev. Joyce Phipps, Esq. NJCC Co-Chair, NJCC Public Policy Working Group  
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Rev. Jackie Burgess, United Methodist Church  
Marcus Burnett, Vice President, New Jersey Council of Churches
- 9:30**      **Keynote Address**  
*The Role that Addiction Plays in Contributing to New Jersey's Prison Population*  
Governor Jim McGreevey  
Chair, ReachNJ, Executive Director, Jersey City Employment & Training Program
- 10:30**      **Break** (coffee will be available)
- 10:45**      **Workshops**
- #1**      *The Basics of Opioids*  
Dr. Robert Eilers, Medical Director, NJ Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- #2**      *How to do Outreach into the Community*  
Rev. Joyce Phipps, Esq., and Canon Clara Gregory, Co-Chairs, NJCC Public Policy Group
- #3**      *The Criminal Justice System and Opioids*  
Rev. Charles Boyer, Founder, Salvation and Social Justice
- #4**      *Addiction Issues and Public Policy*  
Roseanne Scotti Director, New Jersey Drug Policy Alliance
- 12:00**      **Lunch**
- 12:45**      **Workshops**  
Workshops will be repeated during this time slot