

# Conference Speakers

## *Susanne Cox Legacy of Hope Ministry*



September 26-27  
First Assembly  
Goldsboro

Offering a Legacy of Hope to those who are hopeless, broken, and hurting is the heartbeat of Susanne Cox. Her own testimony speaks to the power of hope to transform lives. Raised in a denominational church where the born-again experience was never presented, Susanne's early years were marked by alcoholism, chemical dependency, and a relentless pursuit of success as defined by the world. At the height of her despair at age 31, God dramatically saved Susanne and began an accelerated process of transformation in her life that would eventually lead her to Bible College, and then later to answer God's call to the ministry. Susanne invested herself in reclaiming the shattered lives of young ladies in Sri Lanka and India, through the ministry of Home of Hope. As that season of ministry came to an end, God fulfilled another desire of Susanne's heart to find a godly spouse. Ron Cox, a senior pastor of a large church in metropolitan Birmingham, came into contact with her through a series of "divine coincidences". The story of the love that grew between them and the ministry that has emerged since their marriage has been a blessing and encouragement to many. His own testimony of God's grace through a long season of personal adversity is now woven into Susanne's testimony of God's power to restore lives and produce a wonderful harvest in areas once controlled by the enemy. Susanne speaks to churches, conferences, and special meetings throughout the country, delivering a message that is real, humorous, heartwarming, and anointed to restore hope and bring joy.

## *Dr. Lori O'Dea*



October 3-4  
Winston-Salem  
First Assembly

Lori O'Dea combines simplicity and depth in her teaching. As a pastor, speaker, and author, she is committed to the transformational power of God's Word. Audiences love her humorous illustrations, as well as her authenticity.

Lori has served in both church and district ministries, primarily as a teaching and small groups pastor. After earning her Doctor of Ministry degree, she also worked at the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary. She continues to teach periodically for AGTS, while pursuing writing opportunities and speaking at retreats and leadership events.

Lori's passion is simple: communicate the Word of God in such a way that people will understand and live it out with enthusiasm.