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Laure E. Clemons is Executive Director and Founder of Extended Family, a support system for families of prisoners. After her husband was sent to prison in 2003, Laure struggled with financial, emotional, and physical challenges. Extended Family was developed out of the resources and solutions Laure found to survive the prison experience successfully. In 2007 she created Extended Family for Kids, an interactive and educational curriculum for children with an incarcerated family member. The Extended Family for Kids Curriculum Guide has been distributed to counselors, educators, churches and community-based agencies in 14 states. Laure has been a guest on radio and television, gone into prisons to speak to inmates, and been the featured speaker at national and state conferences. She and her husband, Jerry, created the Going Home Workshop based on their family's experience in re-entry. They have led hundreds of inmates through the workshop in prisons throughout Alabama. The Clemons have presented Going Home Workshops to corrections personnel, law enforcement, educators, counselors and other professionals at state and national conferences.

PRESENTATION

Extended Family for Kids – an evidence-based program for children of the incarcerated

In every community there are children facing social stigma, academic challenges, and economic hardship, simply because they have a loved one incarcerated. Many of are headed toward a generational cycle of incarceration. This workshop provides creative, evidence-based solutions for helping children of the incarcerated successfully walk through the challenges they face. Attendees will participate in the "COPS!" Lesson, utilizing school supplies to change a student's perspective of law enforcement. Extended Family for Kids builds self-esteem, decreases stress, addresses anger issues, and strengthens communication and academic skills.

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