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Domestic abuse topic of Rev. Al Miles talk Oct. 2

DECORAH, Iowa – The Rev. Al Miles, nationally known speaker and author on the issues of domestic violence and teen dating abuse, will present “Domestic Violence: What our Community Needs to Know” on Tuesday, Oct. 2, 7:00 p.m., in the Recital Hall of the Luther Center for Faith and Life.

The presentation by Rev. Miles is open to the public with no charge for admission.

On Tuesday, Oct. 2, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., The Rev. Miles will lead a Community Workshop on Teen Dating Violence, facilitated by Helping Services of Northeast Iowa, Inc. For information or to register for the workshop, contact Dennis Osmundson of Helping Services, telephone (563) 864-7163 or e-mail dosmundson@helpingservices.org.

The Rev. Miles will speak at Luther Chapel service Monday, Oct. 1, 10:30 a.m. in the Center for Faith and Life. A reception will follow in the CFL Lobby. The college will host a book signing session with the Rev. Miles Monday, Oct. 1 in the Luther Book Shop, Dahl Centennial Union, 11:15 a.m. to noon.

The Rev. Miles is serving as a Luther College Vocation Visitor Oct. 1-3. His visit is in conjunction with Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and he will take part in domestic violence education, training and awareness activities on campus and in the community.

He will meet with Luther students in classes



Rev. Al Miles

and informal sessions. Since 1993, Miles has worked for Pacific Health Ministry as coordinator of hospital ministry department at Queen’s Medical Center in Honolulu.

He speaks frequently to nationwide audiences from a wide variety of fields on domestic violence and teen dating abuse awareness. He is the author of several books, including “Ending Violence in Teen Dating Relationships: A Resource Guide for Parents and Pastors” (Augsburg Books, 2005), “*Violence in*

Families: What Every Christian Needs to Know” (Augsburg Books, 2002), and “Domestic Violence: What Every Pastor Needs to Know” (Fortress Press, 2000).

His article “Preventing Child Abuse in Church” published in The Christian Ministry magazine in 1994, won an award of excellence from the Associated Church Press.

Miles, who grew up in the ghetto of Gary, Ind., is a graduate of Anderson University and holds the master of divinity degree from the Anderson School of Theology. He has been an ordained minister in the Church of God since 1983.

His professional affiliations include the Association of Professional Chaplains, the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc., the National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women 2002-05, and the Corporate Alliance to End Partner Violence.