



## Jim Daly

President and CEO

Jim Daly is a husband, father, author and broadcaster. He is the president of Focus on the Family and host of its daily radio broadcast which is heard by more than 5.6 million listeners a week and has been honored as Program of the Year by the National Religious Broadcasters.

Under his leadership, the ministry has reinvigorated its traditional focus on helping couples build strong marriages and raise healthy, resilient kids. In just the last 12 months, with the help of Focus on the Family, 568,000 couples have built stronger marriages and 724,000 moms and dads built stronger, healthier, and more God-honoring families.

Daly and his wife, Jean, have two sons and live in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

### **Ask Jim about ...**

- Focus on the Family
- Fatherhood
- Faith



## John Fuller

Co-Host, Focus on the Family Broadcast

John Fuller is vice president of the Audio team, which creates and produces award-winning audio programs, podcasts and radio features. Fuller is co-host of the popular "Focus on the Family Broadcast" that is heard by millions on more than 1,000 AM/FM radio affiliates in the U.S. He also is heard on "Focus on the Family Minute," "Focus on the Family Marriage Podcast," and "Focus on the Family Parenting Podcast."

Connecting through authentic stories and humor, Fuller has spoken in the U.S. and internationally about parenting, marriage, adoption, faith, creativity, workplace relationships and more. He has written for dozens of magazines and wrote the book, ["First-Time Dad: The Stuff You Really Need to Know."](#)

### **Ask John about ...**

- Importance of radio ministry (i.e. share-a-thons)
- Co-hosting the Daily Broadcast
- Fatherhood



### **Dr. Greg Smalley**

Vice President, Marriage and Family Formation

In his role at Focus on the Family, Dr. Greg Smalley develops and oversees initiatives that prepare individuals for marriage, strengthen and nurture existing marriages, and help couples in marital crises. He is the author of 20 books including “Reconnected: Moving from Roommates to Soulmates in Your Marriage” and “9 Lies that Will Destroy Your Marriage.” He and his wife, Erin, co-created “[Ready to Wed](#),” a complete premarital curriculum for engaged couples and the online [Focus on Marriage Assessment](#).

Smalley’s passion for marriage began as a young boy. He is the son of the late Dr. Gary Smalley, a family counselor, president and founder of the Smalley Relationship Center and author of 40 books on marriage. Smalley regularly attended his father’s conferences and absorbed the importance of marriage. Married since 1992, Greg and his wife Erin live in Colorado with their three daughters, Taylor, Murphy and Annie, and their son, Garrison.

#### **Ask Greg about ...**

- Marriage
- Couples in crisis
- Parenting



### **Lisa Anderson**

Director of Young Adults and Boundless

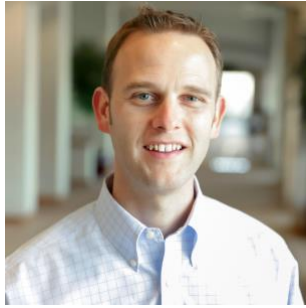
Lisa Anderson manages Focus’ ministry for young adults, with the goal of helping 20- and 30-somethings grow up, own their faith, date with purpose and prepare for marriage and family. She is the author of “[The Dating Manifesto: A Drama-Free Plan for Pursuing Marriage with Purpose](#)” and hosts “[The Boundless Show](#),” a national radio program and weekly podcast, where she leads discussions on timely issues, interviews authors, artists and other newsmakers, facilitates

Q&A and volunteers far too much information from her personal life.

She is driven, in part, by interacting regularly with young adults who, because of the cultural impact of divorce, fatherlessness and a Hollywood-inspired view of romance and relationships, have little idea of how to approach dating and marriage from a God-honoring perspective.

#### **Ask Lisa about ...**

- Singleness
- Dating
- Millennials



## Jeremy Keeton

Senior Director of Counseling Services

Jeremy Keeton is a licensed marriage and family therapist. He leads Focus' team of mental health clinicians and pastoral specialists as they serve as safe and trusted guides on a wide range of family-related issues. Through a one-time consultation, Focus's caring and experienced staff helps callers identify important "next steps" for their circumstances and directs them to

key resources and local counselors through the Focus on the Family [Christian Counselors Network](#). Keeton has extensive experience in counseling men and couples on topics of healthy sexuality, infidelity and pornography addiction. In addition to offering individual and marriage therapy, he has authored materials and conducted recovery groups on these topics. He is co-author of the book *Aftershock: Overcoming His Secret Life with Pornography – A Plan for Recovery*.

### Ask Jeremy about ...

- Clinical psychology
- Relational issues
- Mental health issues



## Brenda Huerta, M.A.

Counselor

Brenda Huerta is a bilingual counselor serving callers who contact Focus on the Family's counseling department. In her role she regularly speaks with people struggling with issues related to parenting adult children, parenting children with ADHD, RAD, ODD, or OCD, extended family relationships, hospitality, women's issues, marriage conflict, adoption, and more. Leading others to Christ,

teaching Bible and parenting classes, serving hurting children, speaking at women's conferences, and offering the hope of Jesus to people in situations that feel hopeless are all opportunities for her to practically live out her faith.

She holds a master's degree in clinical counseling from Colorado Christian University and a bachelor's degree in business administration from ITESM in Mexico City where she grew up and lived until she was 23. She now lives in Colorado Springs and has been married to her husband, Alberto, for over 25 years. They have two daughters, one son, and one son-in-law.

### Ask Brenda about ...

- Parenting adult children
- Extended family relationships
- Women's issues



### **Dr. Danny Huerta**

Vice President, Parenting and Youth

Dr. Huerta is a bilingual psychologist and licensed clinical social worker who oversees Focus on the Family's parenting initiatives. For many years, he has provided families with practical, biblical and research-based parenting advice on topics such as media discernment, discipline, communication, mental health, conflict resolution and healthy sexuality. He is passionate about coming alongside parents as they raise contributors instead of consumers in a culture desperately in need of God's kingdom.

Dr. Huerta has served families through private practice and at the ministry for more than 15 years and is the author of the new book "7 Traits of Effective Parenting."

#### **Ask Danny about ...**

- Biblical parenting advice
- Trauma and Behavior disorders
- Anxiety and depression



### **Bret Eckelberry**

Program Manager, Parenting and Youth

Bret Eckelberry is Focus on the Family's Project Manager for the Parenting and Youth Department where he oversees initiatives such as Bring Your Bible to School Day, Live It Challenges, and more. He is passionate about equipping children and families to practically live out their Christian faith in a society that doesn't always welcome biblical beliefs.

He graduated from the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs with a degree in Innovation in Business Administration and a Leadership Studies minor. In his free time, he enjoys writing and playing a variety of sports. He and his wife live in Colorado Springs.

#### **Ask Bret about ...**

- Bring Your Bible to School Day
- Youth Live It Challenges
- Living out your faith



### **Robert S. Paul, LPC**

Vice President, Focus Marriage Institute

Robert Paul is an accomplished speaker who presents regularly at professional conferences and enrichment events both nationally and internationally. He has co-authored three books: "The DNA of Relationships," with Drs. Gary and Greg Smalley, "The DNA of Relationships for Couples," with Dr. Greg Smalley, and "Finding Ever After". His most recent book, written again with Dr. Greg Smalley, is "9 Lies That Will Destroy Your Marriage: And the truths that will save it and set it free."

He is a former professor at Evangel University where he taught in both the biblical studies and psychology departments, specializing in Marriage and Family Counseling, Human Sexuality and the integration of faith into all areas of life. Paul and his wife, Jenni, live in Springfield, Mo., have been married for over 40 years. They have four children and six grandchildren.

#### **Ask Bob about ...**

- Marriages in crisis
- Communication
- Focus' Hope Restored marriage counseling program



### **Joannie DeBrito, Ph.D.**

Hope Restored Aftercare Coach

Having recently retired from the role of Director of Parenting and Youth, Joannie DeBrito is now working on the Counseling team as a Hope Restored Aftercare Coach. This role allows her to focus on helping couples have more meaningful relationships. However, as a co-creator of Focus' suicide prevention program known as Alive to

Thrive, Joannie continues to speak about suicide and other issues related to youth mental health. With advanced degrees in psychology, social work and family therapy, she is a licensed clinical social worker and a licensed marriage and family therapist. She is a mother of two and grandmother of two and currently lives in Colorado Springs with her husband of over 40 years.

#### **Ask Joannie about ...**

- Suicide Prevention
- Marriage
- Grandparenting



### **Adam Holz**

Site Director, Plugged In

Adam Holz serves as Focus on the Family's site director for "[Plugged In](#)," the ministry's media discernment website that gives families the essential tools they need to understand, navigate and impact the culture.

He's a regular contributor to several other Focus on the Family publications, as well as the devotional Our Daily Bread. Holz spent almost a decade working for The Navigators, with seven years as an associate editor at Discipleship Journal. He's the author of the NavPress Bible Study "Beating Busyness." He and his wife, Jennifer, have three children.

#### **Ask Adam about ...**

- Entertainment
- Media discernment for families
- Movie reviews



### **Mike Haley**

Director of Community Engagement, Resilient Kidz

Mike Haley is a founding director of [Resilient Kidz](#) and helps communities across the country through the ministry's values-based parenting program Raising Highly Capable Kids. ResilientKidz is a subsidiary of Focus on the Family and was created to help the church offer proven, evidence-based programming to community members who are not attending religious services in hopes of reaching them in new

and relevant ways.

He oversees the 13-week bilingual, evidence-based curriculum that helps parents raise healthy, caring and responsible children. This program uses a "train-the-trainer" model, and Haley travels to equip community partners to deliver the program to parents, the greatest influence on a child's development. He and his wife, Angie, have been married since 1994 and live in Colorado Springs with their two boys, Bennett and Brenner.

#### **Ask Mike about ...**

- Raising Highly Capable Kids
- Education
- Churches partnering with local schools



## Robyn Chambers

Executive Director, Advocacy for Children

Robyn Chambers oversees Focus' Sanctity of Human Life and Foster Care and Adoption efforts through the following programs: [Wait No More](#), which prepares hearts and homes for kids in foster care and [Option Ultrasound](#), which provides ultrasound machines and sonography training to qualified pro-life medical clinics in communities with high abortion rates.

Chambers works with a variety of other pro-life organizations that partner with Option Ultrasound, visits pregnancy resource centers and hosts nurse trainings across the United States. She's also a member of the Leadership Alliance for Pregnancy Care Organizations.

### **Ask Robyn about ...**

- Pro-Life and sanctity of human life
- Pregnancy Resource Centers
- Focus' Option Ultrasound program



## Danielle Pitzer

Director, Sanctity of Human Life

Danielle Pitzer is the director of Focus on the Family's sanctity of human life efforts. She plays a large role in advocating for the pre-born through programs such as [Option Ultrasound](#), [See Life](#), and other pro-life initiatives.

Raised by a single mom, Pitzer knew she wanted to help families do better than her own. Her experience shaped her passion for every angle of the family including parenting, marriage, teenagers and babies. In her free time, she enjoys writing, crafting, and playing games with her family. She has been married for 30 years and has three adult children. She currently lives in Colorado Springs.

### **Ask Danielle about ...**

- Pro-Life and sanctity of human life
- Pregnancy Resource Centers
- Motherhood



### **Dr. Sharen Ford**

Director, Foster Care and Adoption

Dr. Sharen Ford helps raise awareness of the need for adoptive families to provide loving and stable homes for the waiting children in the U.S. foster care system through Focus' Wait No More events. She also makes post-placement resources available for adoptive families.

Prior to her current role, Dr. Ford worked for child welfare services at the Colorado State Department of Human Services where she served as the manager for permanency services. She is the former president of the National Association of State Adoption Programs (NASAP).

#### **Ask Sharen about ...**

- Adoption
- Foster Care
- Focus' Wait No More events



### **Helen Richardson**

Manager, Foster Care and Adoption

Helen Richardson manages the Foster Care and Adoption efforts at Focus on the Family by planning [Wait No More](#) events, developing online and social media content, and engaging with local leaders across the country to recruit families for foster care and adoption.

After losing her parents at a young age and spending time in foster care and kinship care until she was 18, she brings a powerful perspective to the ministry. Since her time in foster care, she has seen great improvements in the resources made available for foster families and youth and is passionate about leveraging her personal and professional experience to see that continue.

#### **Ask Helen about ...**

- Adoption
- Foster Care
- Focus' Wait No More events





## Bruce Hausknecht

Judicial Analyst

Bruce Hausknecht, J.D., is an attorney who serves as The Daily Citizen's judicial analyst. He is responsible for research and analysis of legal and judicial issues related to Christians and the institution of the family, including First Amendment freedom of religion and free speech issues, judicial activism, marriage, homosexuality and pro-life matters. He also tracks legislation and laws affecting these issues.

Prior to joining Focus in 2004, Hausknecht practiced law for 17 years in construction litigation and as an associate general counsel for a large ministry in Virginia. He was also an associate pastor at a church in Colorado Springs for seven years, primarily in worship music ministry.

### **Ask Bruce about ...**

- Legal and judicial issues related to Christians and the family
- Freedom of religion and freedom of speech
- Supreme Court rulings



## Jeff Johnston

Culture and Policy Analyst

Jeff Johnston works as a culture & policy analyst, researching and writing about a variety of subjects including marriage, homosexuality, and healthy sexuality.

Though raised in a Christian home and actively involved in his church growing up, Johnston struggled for years to reconcile his Christian faith with his same-sex attractions and sexual addiction. While working as a youth intern at a church in San Diego, he attended a conference, "Hope and Healing for the Homosexual," which began his journey of healing and change. Since then, he has shared the story of God's transforming power with churches, youth groups, schools and the news media. Johnston currently lives in Colorado Springs with his wife and three sons.

### **Ask Jeff about ...**

- Sexuality
- Gender
- Marriage



### **Nicole Hunt, J.D.**

Life Issues Analyst

Nicole Hunt, J.D., is an attorney and serves as a writer and spokesperson at Focus on the Family. She provides analysis and advocacy engagement for Christians to promote faith, family, and freedom. Prior to joining Focus on the Family, Nicole practiced employment law specifically advising businesses and ministries on employment policies and practices. Nicole worked in Washington, D.C. as a Legislative Assistant to two Members of Congress. During her time on Capitol Hill, Nicole provided policy analysis and voting recommendations to Members of Congress on a variety of public policy matters, wrote speeches, drafted committee statements and questions, wrote floor statements, produced legislation and amendments to legislation, met and developed networks with constituents and interest groups, and worked on regional projects.

Nicole earned her J.D. from George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School and her Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Political Science from Westmont College. Nicole enjoys riding horses and spending time camping and hiking with her family in the great outdoors. Nicole is married to her husband, Jeff, and they have four children.

#### ***Ask Nicole about ...***

- Pro-life legislation
- Motherhood
- Bioethical issues



### **Zachary Mettler**

Staff Writer and Communications Liason

Zachary Mettler works as a staff writer and communications liaison for The Daily Citizen at Focus on the Family. In his role, he writes about current political issues, U.S. history, political philosophy, and culture. Mettler earned his Bachelor's degree from William Jessup University and is an alumnus of the Young Leaders Program at The Heritage Foundation.

#### ***Ask Zach about ...***

- The intersection of faith and politics
- Legislation that impacts the family
- U.S. History



## Paul Batura

Vice President, Communications

Paul Batura serves as a corporate spokesperson for the ministry, is responsible for media relations, and is editor-in-chief of The Daily Citizen, the organization's digital Christian news outlet. With nearly three decades of diverse experience in the news media, broadcast journalism, publishing and non-profit administration, Batura has been with Focus on the Family since 1998. Prior to serving in his current capacity, Batura served as a top writer and adviser to both Focus'

founder, Dr. James C. Dobson and its current president, Jim Daly.

He's authored books including "[Chosen for Greatness: How Adoption Changes the World](#)," "[Good Day! The Paul Harvey Story](#)." Batura has also collaborated with Jim Daly on "[ReFocus: Living a Life that Reflects God's Heart](#)" and "[Marriage Done Right](#)."

Batura and his wife, Julie, had the privilege of adopting their three boys, Riley, Will and Alex. They join countless other families in celebrating the courageous decision of birthmothers and birthfathers who choose life.

### **Ask Paul about ...**

- Focus on the Family's past, present, and future
- Fatherhood
- Adoption

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