

# THE CALL TO REVIVE THE FEMALE DIACONATE:

*Thirty Years After Rhodes*

## SPEAKER BIOS

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### **Teva Regule, Ph.D.**

Teva was raised in the Orthodox Church and has been an active member for all of her life. For the past twenty years, her work has focused on the ministry of women in the Church. For over fifteen years, she served as Managing Editor of the *St. Nina Quarterly*, a publication dedicated to exploring the ministry of women in the Orthodox Church and one which aims to cultivate a deeper understanding of ministry in the lives of all Orthodox Christian women and men. In addition, Teva served as an Orthodox consultant for a number of consultations on women and men in the church sponsored by the World Council of Churches.

A life-long student of theology, Teva completed her Master of Divinity degree at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in 2007, graduating with highest distinction. In addition to the ministry of young people and women, she is very interested in the Church's liturgical life. For the past few years, she has focused her studies on liturgical theology and history. She received her Ph.D. in liturgical theology from Boston College.

### **Randa Karadsheh Anderson, Ph.D., LCP**

Dr. Anderson is a Licensed Clinical Psychologist who treats children, adolescents, and adults. She works with individuals experiencing anxiety, depression, grief & loss, divorce, and relationship conflicts. Dr. Anderson often treats women struggling with parenting issues and life transitions.

Dr. Anderson received her Doctorate in Psychology from The University of Chicago. She completed her clinical psychology training at the University of Chicago Hospital and at Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center. Since 1998, she has been a staff psychologist at the Bradley Counseling Center in Lake County where she has provided outpatient psychotherapy, as well as taught child psychotherapy seminars and supervised graduate students.

With an enthusiasm for religious education, Dr. Anderson served for 12 years as the church school director at her parish. She currently assists with an adult education class at her church and has been a guest speaker on "Come Receive the Light" radio program on the Orthodox Christian Network.

### **Deacon Perry T. Hamalis, Ph.D.**

Deacon Perry T. Hamalis, Ph.D. is the Cecelia Schneller Mueller Professor of Religion; Professor of Religious Studies, Religious Studies at North Central College, Naperville, Illinois. He teaches and pursues scholarship in the field of Religious Ethics, with special interest in the Eastern Orthodox Christian tradition, virtue ethics, and the intersection of religion and political philosophy. His works have been published in *Studies in Christian Ethics*, the *Journal of Religion*, the *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*, the *Greek Orthodox Theological Review*, and in numerous encyclopedias. He has contributed essays to edited volumes including *The Orthodox Christian World* (Routledge, 2012), *Toward an Ecology of Transfiguration* (Fordham University Press, 2013), and *Thinking through Faith* (St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2008). His forthcoming monograph, *Formed by Death: Insights for Ethics from Eastern Orthodox Christianity*, will be published in 2015 by University of Notre Dame Press. Dr. Hamalis has lectured on topics pertaining to Religion and Ethics across the country, in Greece, and in South Korea. He also serves as a consultant to the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches. Received his M.Div from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, and his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago, 2004.