

## Resources available through the Safe Church Team Classis Chatham

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### Books:

<b>Book Title:</b>	<b>Author:</b>	<b>Available from:</b>	<b>Year:</b>	<b>Description:</b>
"Preventing Child Abuse."	Beth Swagman	Faith Alive Christian Resources Grand Rapids, MI	2003	A guide for churches through the process of designing and implementing the policies and procedures they need to keep children safe.
"Responding to Domestic Violence."	Beth Swagman	Faith Alive Christian Resources Grand Rapids, MI	2002	A resource book designed to help pastors and other church leaders understand the dynamics of domestic violence so that they can more effectively respond to it. 16 sessions with discussion questions.
"Too Close for Comfort."	Beth Swagman	Faith Alive Christian Resources Grand Rapids, MI	1994	Offering helpful information about abuse and practical suggestions for how churches and individuals can best respond in times of crisis. 6 sessions with discussion questions.
"Stopping the Cycle of Abuse."	Fern Boldt	Rainbow Counselling Centre St. Catharines, ON	1995	A paper looking at the various forms of abuse, see how prevalent they are, learn how the church can help both the victims and the offenders, and show how the church can help stop the cycle of abuse.
"Safekeeping: Session Plans for Developing Abuse Awareness in Kids."	Henni Helleman & Patricia Vos	Faith Alive Christian Resources Grand Rapids, MI	2006	A program that helps churches teach about abuse awareness and prevention to those in Kindergarten – grade 8. 2 sessions per level (K-1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-8) and step-by-step directions to help church leaders feel comfortable addressing the topics of abuse. Includes a leader's guide, reproducible handouts, and 6 picture books.
Also available are samples of a number of CRC Abuse Prevention Policies.				

**Video's:**

<b>Video Title:</b>	<b>Includes:</b>	<b>Length:</b>	<b>Available from:</b>	<b>Year:</b>	<b>Description:</b>
"Hear Their Cries: Religious Responses to Child Abuse."	1 videotape Study guide	Tape is 48 minutes.	Faith Trust Institute Seattle, WA	1992	The role of clergy and lay leaders in ending child abuse.
"Bless Our Children: Preventing Sexual Abuse."	1 videotape Study guide	Tape is 40 minutes.	Faith Trust Institute Seattle, WA	1993	The story of a congregation's efforts to include sexual abuse prevention in the children's religious education.
"Reducing the Risk II – Making Your Church Safe From Child Sexual Abuse"	2 DVD's (3 presentations on each DVD). Study Guide. Training Manual.		Christian Ministry Resources Matthews, NC	2003	Provides churches and ministries a comprehensive support program to reduce the risk of child sexual abuse.
"Wake Up"	1 videotape Guidebook	Tape is 8 minutes.	Bethany Productions Grand Rapids, MI	1993	Helpful in educating congregations about the prevalence and severity of abuse in our community, the damage it does to relationships within the family of God, and the hope that disclosure offers as an initial step toward healing.
"Love – All That And More"	3 DVD's. 6 Session curriculum. Master for handouts. Facilitator's guide.	DVD's are 22, 19, & 23 minutes. Each curriculum session is 50 minutes.	Faith Trust Institute Seattle, WA	2001	A video and curriculum series designed to inform high school and college age youth about the elements that make up healthy relationships, increase awareness and understanding about abuse, and motivate viewers to seek relationships based on equality and mutual respect.

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"Bully Dance"	1 DVD	10 minutes.	National Film Board of Canada Saint-Laurent, QC	2000	Like the dance beat pulsating throughout, the bully's intimidation of a smaller victim is unrelenting; no one stops the dance until serious harm is done. Compels viewers to look at their own actions and to find ways to end peer abuse. Suitable for all ages.