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From Conservative Evangelical to Fierce LGBTQI Advocate and Ally: A Mom's Journey of Love

Susan Cottrell spent twenty-five years in the nonaffirming, conservative evangelical church, many of those years as a leader. But all that changed when her daughter came out. That was the beginning of a journey that led to her fulltime ministry as a fierce LGBTQI advocate and ally, as well as the loving mom of two LGBTQI children.

This presentation can be adapted as needed for any situation. It can be a short presentation (from 10-40 minutes) or expanded into a longer workshop, conference, or weekend retreat.

"Thank you for your love, your faith, your commitment. You spread God's love with every word you speak. In a world that is often dark, you are the vessel that shines God's light and you are our voice of love! How spectacular it would have been to find you 10 years ago! I hope millions hear your amazing story."

Susan Cottrell is the prominent voice for faith parents of LGBTQI children. She is an international speaker, author and spiritual director. As the Founder and President of FreedHearts, a nonprofit organization, Susan champions the LGBTQI community and their families with her characteristic tender-heartedness. She zealously challenges Christians who reject them with her wise insistence that love—of God and others—is the foundation of faith. She spent twenty-five years in the nonaffirming Evangelical church.

Susan, who holds a Master of Arts in Theological Studies has been featured on ABC's 20/20, Nightline, and Good Morning America. Her books, *"Mom, I'm Gay"* (Westminister John Knox Press), and *True Colors* (FreedHearts), have been endorsed by The Human Rights Campaign, PFLAG, and The Gay Christian Network. She and her husband Rob have been married for thirty years, have five children, two of whom are in the LGBTQI community, and live in Austin, Texas. Read more on her website, <http://freedhearts.org>.



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