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First **Do No Harm**

*Why Assisted Suicide Puts
Your Life at Risk*

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7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Belmont Bible Church

5430 Belmont Rd., Downers Grove, IL



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Nine states and the District of Columbia have legalized doctor assisted suicide, with an additional state, Montana, allowing the practice in theory because of a court ruling.

Illinois is one of several others that are considering legalization.

The strong words of warning from **Dr. Madeline Li**, a physician who has “overseen” assisted suicide for hundreds of people in Canada, raises red flags: *“Making death too ready a solution disadvantages the most vulnerable people, and actually lets society off the hook.*

I don’t think death should be society’s solution for its own failures.”

Please join us to learn about the consequences of legalizing assisted suicide and the **real reason healthcare exists in the first place.**

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:



Dr. Stephen Smart
Clinical Associate Professor
of Medicine at University of
Illinois College of Medicine



Dr. Ben German
Illinois representative with the
American Academy of Medical Ethics

S P E A K E R S

Dr. Stephen Smart graduated with a BS in chemical engineering (1984) and MD with honors from Washington University in St. Louis (1988). He completed residency in internal medicine at Barnes Hospital followed by a fellowship in allergy & immunology at the University of Iowa.

Dr. Smart then served 3 years active duty as teaching faculty at Wilford Hall US Air Force Medical Center in San Antonio with the rank of major before moving to Peoria, Illinois in 1996.

He is a Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at University of Illinois College of Medicine and is currently in the private practice of allergy, asthma, and immunology, having joined Springfield Clinic Peoria in 2021.

He has a special interest in medical ethics and is President of the Peoria-area Christian Medical and Dental Association. He is also Past President of the Peoria Medical Society and a past-Trustee of the Illinois State Medical Society.

He has spoken on issues ranging from stem cell research and transgender medicine to Christian approaches to politics.

Dr. Smart was born on the near-south side of Chicago; married 38 years to Kate Smart; they have 8 children, including 4 who were adopted.

Dr. Ben German is an internist practicing primary care on the west side of Chicago. He serves primarily indigent patients at a federally qualified health center. He is an Illinois representative with the American Academy of Medical Ethics, a biomedical advocacy arm of the Christian Medical and Dental Association.

He is proudly married to Andrea, and together, they are raising two children. He views his Christian faith as the basis for everything he does, including medical practice.