

2007 Duke Spirituality & Health Research Class (August)

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Zealand, Australia, UK and now in Canada. He once published a case report on OCD outcome when a patient used religious paradigm with beneficial effects. He is particularly keen to research on cross religious and cross-cultural aspects of forgiveness and intend to disseminate its importance to psychiatry colleagues and patients. Contact: Prakash.Gangdev@sjhc.london.on.ca.

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Serena Lin, D.D. Although she is small in stature and soft-spoken, Serena possesses the drive and means to follow her passions. The State University of New York at Stony Brook needed ministering; she became the Director of Baptist Campus Ministry, serving more than a thousand students and eventually winning 1st place recognition for chaplaincy by the Southern Baptist Convention. The area Chinese also needed a congregation, and she ministered a church for more than ten years. She wanted her two children to grow into learned and articulate citizens, and they have both gone on to top-

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