

## Alumni Spotlight: Kelly Saylor (MACC '10)



**Current title:** Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor

**Family:** Husband: Joshua, Children: Lydia and Hannah

**Favorite professor:** Dr. Kelly Breen Boyce

**Favorite class:** Helping Relationships

**Favorite memory:** Working with my first client in the Helping Relationships course!

**What have you been doing since you left Gordon-Conwell and where are you serving now? Do you have a particular specialization?**

After graduating from Gordon-Conwell I worked in a variety of settings including churches, hospitals, and private practice. Along with Gordon-Conwell alumnus, Mike Vaughn (MACC '03), I opened SureHope Counseling & Training Center, a Christian private practice with two locations in North Carolina, and Unifie Therapist Network, an organization that helps keep Christian counselors connected and supported. I supervise clinicians and specialize in marriage, trauma, and anxiety.

**What do you love about your work?**

Watching the most hopeless of situations move toward healing and restoration. Watching redemption taking place!

**What has been Gordon-Conwell's biggest impact/influence on your counseling practice?**

Gordon-Conwell has been very influential in my counseling practice. I was prepared to be a Christian counselor, met other individuals that were being led in the same direction in ministry, and still work with those individuals today.



**What piece of advice would you give to young alumni who are beginning therapists?**

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Take advantage of every class, knowing that the material will prepare you well. Also, connect with your community. The individuals who are in your classes may be individuals you pair in ministry with one day (like I did). Whether or not that takes place, stay connected and continue to support each other going forward. Being a counselor can be a very isolating type of ministry and having those that understand this supporting you—and you supporting them—is truly a gift.

**Do you have any publications or links to share?**

[SureHope Counseling & Training Center](#)

[Kelly Saylor Counseling & Consulting Services](#)

[Unifie Therapist Directory](#)