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Rev. Manis-Findley is a national speaker and conference leader and has served as faculty/workshop facilitator for several organizations, including: the National College of District Attorney's Conference on Domestic Violence, the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the National Organization for Victim Assistance, Churches United of the Quad Cities (Illinois), Utah Prosecution Council Conference on Domestic Violence, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences School of Nursing Training for Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Conference on Perinatal Care and Pregnancy (screening for domestic violence), Arkansas Court Appointed Special Advocates State Conference, Arkansas Department of Youth Services Conference on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Social Work, Casa Protegida Julia de Burgos (domestic violence shelter in San Juan, Puerto Rico), the General Assembly of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and the Alliance of Baptists National Convocation.

She is the author of three books – Voices of Our Sisters (1996); The Survivor's Voice: Healing the Invisible Wounds of Violence and Abuse (1999); and If this Is Not a Place: A Violence Prevention and Intervention Training Curriculum for Communities of Faith and Clergy (2004) – and numerous publications including: A Person-Centered Approach to Victim Assistance (2003); Meditations for Survivors (1997); Healing and Hope: An Aftercare Guide for Survivors of Sexual Assault (1999); The Sounds of Mourning: Pastoral Care to the Dying and Grieving: Case Studies in Death and Imminent Death (1993); To Make Meaningful Their Days: Pastoral Care and the Blessing of Age, (1992). She also contributed to the following publications: A Symphony for the Senses, Vol.1 (1995, 1998); Kerygma and Church, Essay on Ephesians (1996); The Journey Is Our Home (1999); For the Living of These Days (1995).