UPCOMING MARRIAGE EVENTS

AVAILABLE TO PORTLAND AREA COUPLES



(Descriptions of offerings follow schedule)

| Offering | Start/Duration/Registration* | Location/Contact |
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| AUGUST | | |
| Marriage Encounter | Weekend, Aug 9-11 | Bellevue, WA www.wwme.org or (206) 772-2344 |
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| Marriage Team Coach Training | Starts Sep 28, over 2 weekends | US Digital Outreach Center (host) Vancouver, WA www.marriageteam.org |
| OCTOBER | | |
| Retrouvaille | Weekend, Oct 11-13 | Mt Angel, OR www.HelpOurMarriage.org |
| Betrayal Redeemed, Woman's Conference | Saturday, Oct 6 | Mountain Park Church, Lake Oswego www.TuffStuffMinistries.com |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| Cannon Beach Couples Conf (with Gary Thomas) | Weekend, Nov 1-3 | Cannon Beach Conference Center www.cbcc.net |
| Marriage Encounter | Weekend, Nov 8-10 | Salem, OR http://www.wwme.org or (503) 853-2758 |
| Weekend To Remember | Weekend, Nov 15-17 | Coeur d'Alene Resort, WA www.WeekendToRemember.com |
| Weekend To Remember | Weekend, Nov 15-17 | Semiahmoo Resort, Blaine, WA www.WeekendToRemember.com |
| Weekend To Remember | Weekend, Nov 22-24 | Red Lion on the River, Portland, OR www.WeekendToRemember.com |
| DECEMBER | | |
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| JANUARY 2020 | | |
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| FEBRUARY | | |
| Love Like You Mean It Marriage Cruise | Feb 9-16 | Departing from Fort Lauderdale, FL www.LoveLikeYouMeanItCruise.com |
| Marriage Cruise | | |

* Please recheck details of the seminar with resource provider, plans do change occasionally.

Betrayal Redeemed, A Journey from Hurt to Hope is a one-day workshop for women who have been betrayed. It is brought to you by professional counselors who have experienced betrayal and know the road to recovery.

Blended & Blessed is the only one-day live event and livestream just for stepfamily couples, single parents, dating couples with kids, and those who care about blended families. With some of today's most trusted and respected experts, you'll be challenged, inspired and encouraged. If you are part of a stepfamily, or know someone who is, this is a can't-miss opportunity!

Cannon Beach Couples Conference (Spring) at Cannon Beach Conference Center. Shane and Phillis Womack will address difficult issues such as: How to eliminate sexual refusal; How to develop sexual intimacy; How to avoid emotional affairs, and much more. Their skillful presentation is lively, full of content, interesting, and sprinkled with humor and personal stories.

Cannon Beach Couples Conference (Fall) at Cannon Beach Conference Center. Dr. Gary Thomas is a bestselling author and international speaker. Gary's books have won numerous awards. His writings have established him as a thought leader in the areas of marriage, parenting, and spiritual formation.

Couples Coaching Training How many times have you listened to someone in despair over his/her marriage relationship and wished you could help? If you have a healthy marriage, Marriage Team invites you and your spouse to become a coach couple. During 24 hours of training, you will learn to use a proven curriculum that offers hope and practical skills to couples in all stages of their relationship. Pre-married to seriously challenged couples are saving their marriages with the support of couple coaches like YOU!

Date Night Comedy Comedians will include Ted Cunningham along with Kristin and Danny Adams. Tickets will be available on line starting February 1, for your Valentine's Day gifting.

Date Night PDX is a challenge to all couples to restore the dating habit by Dating 4 Times In 4 Weeks. Having fun together is a great way to build the marriage you've always wanted.

Date Night Challenge The happiest, most fulfilling relationships belong to those who spend meaningful time together – that's especially true for married couples. So all across the Portland Metro area we're encouraging couples to take four dates in four weeks during the month of August 2014. Visit <u>www.DateNightPDX.org</u> to download our remarkable Date Night app. It's filled with interactive games, quizzes, exciting date night ideas, and relationship content.

Engaged Encounter Lay and clergy couples share the joys, troubles, and victories that they have encountered in their marriages. Engaged couples then have opportunities, alone as a couple, to discuss the challenges they will face: such as maintaining open communication and resolving conflicts on issues such as religious differences, money, planning and sex.

Level-Up Your Marriage (aka What's In Your Rearview Mirror) Taking a moment to reflect on your marriage is much like looking in a rearview mirror! There are blissful horizons and memorable sunsets that bring joy to each of your soul. The history of your travels together reminds each couple of progress, excitement and dreams that have been fulfilled. Your journey of marriage may have regrets; ignored detours that could have led to great adventures, and fond celebrations. Often what are seen in reflections are Road Blocks, Construction Zones, Ten-Car Pileups, Bridge Crossings and missed Rest Stops. Stop the hectic drive of family life for a period of refueling, restoration and renewal. With a passion to encourage marriages, join Gil and Brenda Stuart as they share about hazards, rest stops and a ten-car pileup! You will laugh, be challenged and encouraged. Enjoy this rest stop!

Love and Respect We believe love best motivates a woman and respect most powerfully motivates a man. Research reveals that during marital conflict a husband most often reacts unlovingly when feeling disrespected, and a wife reacts disrespectfully when feeling unloved.

Love for a Lifetime, A Marriage Advance Weekend Intensive designed for couples in committed relationships *who won't settle for less than God's best for their marriage*. In these 15 hours, you'll learn skills to enhance your satisfaction, reduce the erosion (dissatisfaction) factors in your marriage, *and make it DIVORCE PROOF*. Go to <u>www.dayspringrecovery.org</u> - Programs - Couples in Recovery - Love for a Lifetime or call Dayspring at 503.244.4350.

Love Like You Mean It Marriage Cruise on February 10-16, 2019, (it is almost full, better to start planning for Feb 9-16, 2020) out of Fort Lauderdale, FL, on the beautiful cruise ship Royal Caribbean "Allure of the Seas." Not only will you hear and experience practical marriage help, you'll laugh together, make decisions together, and love together. And if that's not enough, there will be warm Christian fellowship and entertainment. Sponsored by FamilyLife, the folks that also bring us Weekend to Remember

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Marriage Encounter A weekend that can help married couples turn a good (or even ho-hum or boring) marriage into a GREAT marriage! Rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day! Rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married! Join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive! Sponsored by many denominations.

Marriage Night A great simulcast event encouraging couples with a refreshing vision for a God-honoring relationship. Couples will laugh and learn as they hear from marriage experts and discover how to cultivate a healthy marriage on a lasting biblical foundation. Speakers: Les and Leslie Parrott, Francis and Lisa Chan; and

Comedian Michael Jr. May 31, at NW Contexture, 15660 S. Leland Rd, Beavercreek. Pre-registration required: <u>events.rightnowmedia.org/attendee/site/1227</u>

Marriage Redeemed is a conference to guide couples on their recovery journey from sexual sin. You will provided an opportunities to learn from four couples that have tested and developed the topics in their own marriages and have found success in "Learning a New Dance". Check out their very helpful videos at www.TuffStuffMinistries.com

Marriage Week (February 7-14) is an opportunity for churches to emphasize our Lord's plan for marriage.

Nat'l Assoc. for Relationship & Marriage Education NARME is a national association formed in 2010 to represent the interests and serve the needs of Relationship, Marriage and Family Educators by: Providing ongoing professional training opportunities; Hosting an annual conference featuring skills-based education programs, best practices in the field and the latest research; Disseminating timely and relevant research about the family in America, and the effectiveness of marriage and relationship education programs; Facilitating collaboration among healthy marriage, responsible fatherhood, and other family allies; Supporting public policy that strengthens marriages and families; and Maintaining a website to advance our mission and activities, http://www.narme.org/

National Marriage Week USA (February 7th to 14th) is a collaborative campaign to strengthen individual marriages, reduce the divorce rate, and build a culture that fosters strong marriages. Great resources at www.NationalMarriageWeekUSA.org

Northwest Marriage Conference Strengthen, enrich, and renew your marriage in this one day conference. Speakers include: Mike and Laurie Sheffield, Hosts of Agape Marriage Connection and facilitators of Re-Engage small groups; Pastor Scott LaPierre Senior Pastor of Woodland Christian Church in Woodland, WA and Marriage God's Way; and Dr Steve Stephens, Psychologist and President of Every Marriage Matters. Presented by WAY-FM.

PREP Approach in Therapy Master Class While PREP was designed as a psycho-educational program, the key concepts are particularly potent and easy to use in couple therapy. This is not a training focused on using PREP in a workshop setting; it is a training focused on using and applying powerful strategies in the context of therapy with couples or individuals.

PREPARE/ENRICH Facilitator Training Learn to administer PREPARE/ENRICH Inventories and provide feedback to premarital and married couples using six core and over 20 supplemental exercises. Identify a couple's strength and growth areas, teach them communication and conflict resolution skills, and help them resolve key relationship issues.

Rearview Mirror Seminar Taking a moment to reflect on your marriage is much like looking in a review mirror! There are blissful horizons and memorable sunsets that bring joy to each of your soul. The history of your travels together reminds each couple of progress, excitement and dreams that have been fulfilled.

Restored and Remarried Seminar Encouragement for remarried couples in a stepfamily. Been remarried for awhile or just contemplating the idea? Topics include: Strengthening your relationship, Co-Parenting, Step Parenting, Conflict resolution, Holiday strategies, Finances, and Dealing with the "ex". This seminar is fun and interactive and it's most definitely, "guy friendly." Check Website www.restoredandremarried.com.

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. It is: A marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship; A Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend.; Primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect; Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.

The PREP Approach in Therapy Master Class This training will be a master class from internationally recognized scholars Howard Markman Ph.D., Scott Stanley Ph.D., and Galena Rhoades Ph.D. Their insights and commitment to sound research have led advances in many areas of marital and relationship health, including communication, conflict management, and commitment. These three experts are conducting this training on how to use the skills and strategies of PREP in couple therapy. While PREP was designed as a psycho-educational program, the key concepts are particularly potent and easy to use in couple therapy. This is not a training focused on using PREP in a workshop setting; it is a training focused on using and applying powerful strategies in the context of therapy with couples or individuals.

The Summit on Stepfamily Ministry This is the only event geared toward equipping the church to minister to stepfamilies; a significant percentage of communities and churches. For two days the Summit brings together well-known ministries, experts, counselors, pastors, worship leaders, and lay leaders to network, share best practices, and call the church to prevent redivorce, strengthen stepfamilies, and break the generational cycle of divorce.

Weekend to Remember A weekend to renew your love and commitment to one another, to reminisce all of the reasons why you married, to restore a little romance in your relationship. It is a weekend to discover the blueprints for a healthy, happy marriage. Sponsored by the FamilyLife division of CTU. Reduced rates are available for groups and for military couples (regular, reserves and National Guard). Free registration is available to all full time pastors and lead pastors. The registration fee does not cover hotel and meals. During January 7-28, 2019, your registration will be HALF PRICED when you use group name "MarriagePDX".

Woodland Christian Church Marriage Seminar Enjoy a wonderful day learning what the Bible says about marriage, while growing in your relationship with your spouse and your relationship with Christ! Woodland Christian Church pastors, <u>Scott LaPierre</u> and <u>Doug Connell</u>, teaching. Price: FREE and lunch is provided!!! Questions? Contact Pastor Scott LaPierre: <u>pastorscott@woodlandchristian.net</u>