

UPCOMING MARRIAGE EVENTS
 AVAILABLE TO PORTLAND AREA COUPLES
 (Descriptions of offerings follow schedule)



Updated 6/30/2015

Offering	Start/Duration/Registration*	Location/Contact
JULY		
Engaged Encounter (Catholic expression)	Weekend, Jul 24-26	Collins Retreat Center, Eagle Creek (details below) www.oregonengagedencounter.org
AUGUST		
4 th Annual Date Night PDX	All Month Long	www.DateNightPDX.org and www.EveryMarriageMatters.org
Date Night PDX Comedy Tour	Fri, Aug 7	City Bible Church, Rocky Butte Campus www.DateNightPDX.org
Marriage Encounter (Catholic expression)	Weekend, Aug 28-30	Beaverton, OR (details below) James & Marisol Carter (503) 853-2758
SEPTEMBER		
OCTOBER		
Couples Coach Training	Oct 2-4, 10-11	Vancouver First Church of God, Vancouver www.MarriageTeam.org
Marriage Encounter (Catholic expression)	Weekend, Oct 2-4	Powell Butte, OR (details below) James & Marisol Carter (503) 853-2758
Engaged Encounter (Catholic expression)	Weekend, Oct 9-11	Our Lady of Peace, Beaverton (details below) www.OregonEngagedEncounter.org
Retrouvaille	Weekend, Oct 16-18	Mount Angel Abbey, St Benedict, OR http://RetrouvaillePortland.wordpress.com
NOVEMBER		
Weekend to Remember	Weekend, Nov 6-8	Coeur d'Alene Resort, ID www.WeekendToRemember.com
Marriage Encounter (Catholic expression)	Weekend, Nov 6-8	Mt Angel, OR (details below) James & Marisol Carter (503) 853-2758
Couples Conference	Weekend, Nov 6-8	Cannon Beach Conference Center (800) 745-1546 or www.cbcc.net
Engaged Encounter (Catholic expression)	Weekend, Nov 13-15	Our Lady of Peace, Beaverton (details below) www.OregonEngagedEncounter.org
Weekend to Remember	Weekend, Nov 20-22	Jantzen Beach Red Lion www.WeekendToRemember.com
Weekend to Remember	Weekend, Nov 20-22	Coeur d'Alene Resort, ID www.WeekendToRemember.com
DECEMBER		
JANUARY 2016		
FEBRUARY		
Weekend to Remember	Weekend, Feb 12-14	Empress Hotel, Victoria, BC www.WeekendToRemember.com
"Love Like You Mean It" Marriage Cruise	5 days, Feb 15-20	Departs Miami, FL on Carnival Victory http://www.LoveLikeYouMeanlitCruise.com

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MARCH		
Weekend to Remember	Weekend, Mar 4-6	Sunriver Resort www.WeekendToRemember.com
<i>* Please recheck details of the seminar with resource provider, plans do change occasionally.</i>		

Art of Marriage brings together some of the most respected and influential pastors and experts on marriage and family all in one setting. It also brings a fresh approach to a video event by weaving together some of the following elements to help couples fully experience God's design for marriage: ♥engaging stories; ♥real-life testimonies; ♥man-on-the-street interviews; ♥humorous vignettes. "I had a chance to watch part of 'The Art of Marriage,' and I was dazzled." – Chuck Colson

Basic Mediation Training Designed for those seeking to pursue a career in mediation as opposed to training for volunteer work at a dispute center. Genesis Mediation trains in a collegiate model with several staff members teaching in specialty areas. Both lead trainers have taught at both the undergraduate and graduate level. The 40 Hour Basic Mediation Training meets or exceeds state requirements for the states of Oregon, Washington and Colorado.

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 a professional counselor couple who have experienced betrayal and know the road to recovery.

Comedy Night is a fun way to begin the challenge to Date 4 Times In 4 Weeks during the August Date Night PDX, live at City Bible Church and available to other churches via a streaming internet feed.

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, MarriageTeam 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!

Couples Conference (Fall) at Cannon Beach Conference Center. Led by Rene and Laurie Schlaepfer, they lead a large California church. Laurie is a stay-at-home mom who finds time to teach world religion at the collegiate level. Rene is a gifted speaker with a quick sense of humor and insight into Biblical application for marriage and life.

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 PDX Comedy Tour A hilariously funny evening featuring comedians John Branyan and Jason Earls with hosts Ted and Nancy Lowe. Brief videos are available at www.DateNightPDX.org.

Divorce Options Class A monthly workshop by Genesis Mediation for a maximum of twelve participants, affording plenty of opportunity to ask questions and otherwise interact with the presenters. You will receive presentation notes and other helpful information. Many couples find it helpful to hear the same material at the same time when considering options and information related to divorce. Your spouse may not be ready to consider this topic, but you may want to gather information and understand the options related to divorce or separation. Therefore, you may attend as a couple or as a single.

DivorceCare Find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce. DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Don't go through separation or divorce alone. A national ministry carried out through the local church.

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

www.DateNightPDX.org 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.

How To Avoid Falling For a Jerk(ette) Is there any hope for learning how to avoid marrying a jerk or jerkette? The answer is a resounding... YES! Much, if not all, of what a person will be like can be clearly predicted during dating. Learn what to look for in order to shape an accurate profile of the person you are dating. And, then, how to keep proper balances between the bonding forces which form the attachment in a growing relationship.

Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage Mark Gungor, a speaker on love and marriage, explores the underlying dynamics of male/female relationships, combining striking clarity and practical solutions to common relationship woes. Mark's humor makes his teaching enjoyable, effective and memorable, helping husbands and wives remember these insights and immediately put them to work.

Learning Intelligent Love. This 2 1/2 hour session is the entry point to over 50 different workshops for couples and parents offered by A Beautiful Marriage Relationship Education Center. Learn why marriage education is often superior to therapy and why divorce never solves the problems in relationships.

Learning Intelligent Love class focuses on the 40 years of research about what hold couples together and what breaks them apart. It is the beginning class and the gateway class to A Beautiful Marriage Relationship Education Center, Tigard, OR. A Beautiful Marriage offers assessments, counseling, marriage education, marriage profiles, parenting classes, and special events for couples.

Love and Logic Most parents have good intentions and still struggle with consistency and the practical application of love and logic principles. Small classes are designed to provide personal attention, hands on application as well as discussion and support with other parents.

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 www.dayspringrecovery.org - Programs - Couples in Recovery - Love for a Lifetime or call Dayspring at 503.244.4350.

"Love Like You Mean It" Marriage Cruise on February 15-20, 2016, out of Miami, FL, on the beautiful cruise ship Norwegian Sky. Listen to popular marriage experts Gary Thomas, Dennis and Barbara Rainey, and others. 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 by musical guests Sanctus Real, Steve Green, Acts of Renewal, and more.

Love Song Couples Getaway You blissfully awaken to the soft rays of the sun warming your face... ...step out of your oversized guest room onto your lanai to delight in the tropical surroundings... ...walk along the sandy beach hand-in-hand with your spouse... ...and take a stroll over to the chapel garden to sing praises to the Lord during morning worship, followed by a teaching from Dr. Gary Chapman... ...and that's just the beginning! 2014 getaways in both The Bahamas and Maui.

Marriage101 is a year-long study of the basic building blocks for healthy, Biblically based marriages meeting one Friday per month. The course will utilize the DVD series, "A Biblical Portrait of Marriage", by Dr. Bruce H. Wilkinson. This is an interactive course with a 45-minute video, handouts, and round-table discussion with other couples. For children age 4 and up, we will be showing a fun, G-rated movie. Bring pillows and blankets for the kids to get cozy. Sessions:

Marriage Coach Training If you have a healthy marriage, you and your spouse are invited to become a coach couple. During our 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 couples coaches like you! Check the Website for details: www.marriageteam.org/calendar.html.

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 Redeemed is a couple's conference to help you get your marriage back on a healing path following betrayal. We will provide you with an opportunity to learn from four couple's that have tested and developed the topics in their own marriages and have found success in "Learning a New Dance".

Marriage Restored for couples who have experienced adultery, addiction, pornography, separation or other marriage-threatening circumstances. Hope, love and relationships renewed. Sponsored by the Assembly of God Churches. Further information at www.marriagerestored.com

Marriage Week is an opportunity for churches to emphasize our Lord's plan for marriage.

Mighty Marriages Conference at Cannon Beach Conference Center. Shane and Phyllis Womack have impacted couples with their annual Spring conference drawn from the Song of Solomon. This Fall conference is designed for those who wish to grow in their marriages, and for those wanting to explore deeper topics often beyond the scope of most couples conferences. (Note: Attendance at a Solomon, Sex and Marriage couples conference is a prerequisite.)

Money Map from Crown Financial Ministries You will learn: Fundamental, biblical principles of managing resources, saving, debt and setting priorities; God's nature and how He uses money in your life to lead you to financial freedom; Practical steps to establish a plan to properly manage resources.

Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood is a free 10-hour program including 2 hours of private coaching in the areas of Workforce Advancement and Financial Stability. It also includes an 8-hour weekend workshop in which participants will learn more about healthy relationships (3 hours on Friday night), healthy fatherhood (3 hours on Saturday morning), and be introduced to the highly successful Parenting with Love & Logic® (2 hours Saturday afternoon). A free box lunch will be provided to Saturday workshop participants. www.northwestmarriage.org

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.

Pure Desire: Sexy Christians Sessions discuss the passion, the partnership and the power of sexy Christians. The seminar material is ultimately focused on helping the participants step forward into a greater level of commitment to Christ and to one another which lays the foundation for real intimacy.

Rebuilding Families This weekly support group for blending families led by Maxine Marsolini, author of *Blended Families*, is a safe place to discuss what it means to live in a blended family and explore ways to impart wholesome values and support one another. Join us to learn more about families that are creating one family out of two.

Restored and Remarried Seminar Encouragement for remarried couples in a stepfamily. Been remarried for awhile or just contemplating the idea? Restored and Remarried will encourage and equip couples for the step family adventure. This seminar is fun and interactive and it's most definitely, "guy friendly." Check Website www.restoredandremarried.com.

Retrouvaille The Retrouvaille Program consists of a weekend experience combined with a series of 6 to 12 post-weekend sessions around 6 weeks to 3 months. It provides the tools to help put your marriage in order again. The main emphasis of the program is on communication in marriage between husband and wife. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. Further information at <http://retrouvailleportland.wordpress.com>

Sex, Love & Communication a Jimmy Evans Marriage Simulcast. Would you believe someone who told you that God's plan for marriage includes fulfilling sex, romantic love, and healthy, vibrant communication? You should, because it's true! Jimmy Evans explains important truths that will help you create a beautiful, passionate marriage other couples will want to imitate.

Singles & Single Parents Conference at Cannon Beach Conference Center. Bill and Pam Farrel have made it their life's work to help people succeed in their own lives, and be men and women after God's heart. This program features a complete kids program nursery through high school.

The Marriage Rescue: Emergency Marriage Treatment A three day Weekend Intensive . . . skills based program designed for those who are not living the marriage DREAM . . . Who would like the marriage NIGHTMARE to end without DIVORCE! Learn to recognize danger zones. Rescue and restore your dream. This 18 hour event will give you the equivalent benefit of six months of marriage counseling! Some scholarships available.

Ultimate Great Dates Seminar by Dave and Claudia Arp designed to help couples connect and grow together spiritually. Based on their new book, *10 Great Dates: Connecting Faith, Love and Marriage*.

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 Campus Crusade for Christ. 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. Note: hotel and meals are in addition to registration fee.

What's in Your Rearview Mirror? 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! Their dual presentation style addresses, head-on, tough issues. Rather than waiting until they get home (and forget), couples will have time to talk with each other as new concepts are shared. Any marriage will benefit and gain insight from this seminar. You will laugh, be challenged and encouraged. Enjoy this rest stop!