



Engaged Encounter Notes



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A Love Letter From Our Leaders

Dear Lovers,

Happy New Year!

We hope that you and your family enjoyed the Christmas season. It was great seeing everyone at the Christmas party. Again, an extra special THANKS to Manny and Yvonne for providing us such a wonderful meal and party.

We are excited about the upcoming year. We served 186 engaged couples last year and look forward to increasing that number this year but it can't be done without YOUR help. We are

presenting 8 weekends this year. There are still lots of opportunities to sign up for a weekend, so please let us know where you would like to fill in on the schedule.

Our big push this year is going to be RECRUITING. Bri and Matt have agreed to be our Recruiting Coordination Couple and with everyone's help, we hope to get at least one new couple to join our ministry from each weekend.

If you know married couples who are looking

for that perfect ministry that they can do TOGETHER, please encourage them check us out. We will have a big party to invite interested couples again this February, but as always, we welcome new couples anytime.

We look forward to seeing everyone at St Joseph's for our Mexican Fiesta on January 18th. We will talk about the recruiting plan and more about Convention 2009 too.

Love to all,
Jamie ♥ Dawn

Prayer Requests

- ♥ For the Day family as they welcome their newest bundle of joy born in December.
- ♥ For the Preston family.
- ♥ For all of our priests.
- ♥ For all vocations.
- ♥ For Bri's 2 1/2 year old niece and family as they cope with her leukemia.
- ♥ For the Engaged.
- ♥ For all the other Communities in our Unit, especially those who are struggling with difficult times and those who are trying to start new communities.
- ♥ For the Hutchinson's as they experience the joys of pregnancy.

Contact Info

Thanks to those who have given me your updated info. If you notice anything that still needs to be corrected or need a new copy of the roster, please let me know.

Thanks,

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Christmas Party Recap

We had our annual Christmas Party hosted graciously by Manny and Yvonne Granados. We were treated to an excellent Cuban feast of pork and beans. We enjoyed our meals and then had the “white-elephant” gift exchange which was lots of fun for all. We then moved outside where Manny lit a huge bonfire and we burned the letters for Heaven from the previous weekends. We continued partying into the night as we played a few Christmas games as we enjoyed the warmth of the fire. We were able to raise \$475 from your donations which the community matched and we sent a \$950 check to the Tampa EE Community to help them out .



January Meeting

Love Taps

He who trusts in himself is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom is kept safe.—Proverbs 28:26

Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls.—Matthew 13:45

Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me.—Psalm 119:133

The January meeting will be at St Joseph's in the Cody Center on January 18th at 6:45pm. We will have a Mexican Fiesta. The community will provide the meat and taco fixings—please bring your favorite side dish or dessert. See you there.

Excerpts of Love

Thank you so much for requiring this for marriage. This weekend has been an experience we will remember for the rest of our lives.

Kyle ♥ Heather—November 2007

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! The tools that we have gained in open communication were immediately and successfully in our lives already. This will profoundly affect us for years and years to come.

Jym ♥ Katie—November 2007

The questions were deep and engaging. They allowed us to see ourselves and our relationship in the revealing light of Christ. We stroked the fires of our love with the reaffirmation that this weekend gave us.

Michael ♥ Brittany—November 2007

Weekend Schedule 2008

Weekend	Priest	Senior	Junior	BTS	Registration	NFP	Prayer Coordinator	Follow Up Mtg
January 11 - 13	Fr. Donal	Pendleton	Oehmann	Anderson	Klusman	Schretzmann	Graves	1/18/2008
February 15 - 17	Fr. Murphy	Kelly	Anderson	Granados		Schretzmann		2/29/2008
March 28 - 30				Wilkey		Schretzmann		
April 25 - 27			Klusman	Graves		Schretzmann		4/4/2008
June 27-29	Fr. Bernie	Kelly				Schretzmann		
July	Beach Party - TBD							
August 8 - 10	Fr. Lozier		Oehmann	Granados		Schretzmann		8/22/2008
October 17 - 19			Klusman	Hutchinson		Schretzmann		10/24/2008
November 14 - 16			Schretzmann			Schretzmann		11/21/2008
December	Christmas Party - TBD							