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North American Lutheran Marriage Encounter Presenter Newsletter

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Shown are the North American Region Execs leading the July 5-6 Board Meeting in Dallas, Texas: Dean & Marcia Redman (seated) and Dan & Judy Teuscher. Their three-year term ends with the fall meeting next year, so please be thinking of who you might nominate for these loving tasks.

Presenter Couple Strength as Reported at the NAR Meeting:

	Clergy	3 rd Set	2 nd Set	1 st Set	Total
District 1	6 + 3 writing	9 + 0 writing	6 + 2 writing	5 + 4 writing	35
District II	3 + 2 writing	7 + 1 writing	5 + 1 writing	2 + 1 writing	22
District III	3 + 0 writing	4 + 0 writing	6 + 0 writing	5 + 2 writing	20
District IV	2 + 1 writing	7 + 0 writing	4 + 0 writing	5 + 1 writing	20
Total	20	28	24	25	97

Up from 91 presenters in January

NEXT DEEPER

The next Deeper Weekend is set for November 2-4, 2012 in Houston TX. Note that Deepers are now held from Friday through Sunday making it easier for working couples to participate. Be sure to get registration forms and Deeper Homework to the Deeper Coordinators, Dave & Elsa Larson, as soon as possible.

STATUS OF OUTLINE REVISIONS

OVERVIEW: The CPO (Common Protestant Outline) Committee has just released the three new 1st Set Outlines for Self, Listening, and Risk. The Worldwide committee has worked very hard getting input from all other faith expressions to try to make the talks the best ever! You'll notice that they have switched the songs back to Man of LaMancha as the Worldwide committee felt a stronger example of transformation was needed. It was decided at the NAR Board Meeting to post these three 1st Set talks and, assuming that we get the rest of the talks by the beginning of next year, to set the goal of September 1, 2013 for the switch-over to the new talks. It is strongly recommended by the board that everyone try to have the three 1st Set talks re-written by January 2013, so that they will have that much of the re-writes done. The talks are being released in 4 Phases:

- Phase I was the Friday night revision which we assume all have completed.
- Phase II is the re-writing of the three 1st Set talks: Self, Listening and Risk
- Phase III will be the revision of the rest of the Saturday talks and Covenant.
- Phase IV will be the final talk that combines the last 3 talks: Keeping Our Relationship a Priority, Sharing the Dream, and Continuing Our Journey into one 73-minute talk with all of the presenting team participating. (The draft that the outline committee reviewed had the 1st Set couple introducing the talk, talking about their own experience with the extended dialogue and leading the open sharing. Then the 3rd Set couple discusses being open & apostolic and how we can change the world. The 2nd Set couple then discusses the 5 tools for keeping our relationship a priority, the 1st Set couple talks about Sharing the Dream and inviting, and finally the 3rd Set couple talks about the

donation and wraps up the talk with the weekend packet. Each faith expression has sent their suggestions, and we await the final copy.) It is hoped that this might help us to end the Weekend closer to 3 PM rather than 4 PM.

We have a large supply of the Workbooks with the new Friday night outline which cannot be used once we make the switch to the new talks, so please order generously for your upcoming Weekends. (See note later about the supply couple being unavailable November through April.) If an area finishes their 1st Set and matching Clergy talks earlier and wants to switch then, it would be up to them to copy and replace the 1st Set Workbook pages in the Workbooks. The tentative plan (dependent on the timing of the release of the talks) is to switch to all new talks and all new Workbooks on Sept. 1, 2013. The old Workbook inserts will no longer be able to be used once we switch to the new talks.

HOW TO GET THE OUTLINES:

To get the new (1) outlines only, (2) outlines with mentality, (3) templates, & (4) workbook pages for the three 1st Set talks, and "Helps for Revising Set I Talks," go to www.ilme.org, click on "Resources for Couples who have been on a Weekend," then on "Presenting Couples," enter password: "LME/pc" and find "Outlines." We encourage you to use the templates which have all the suggested wording already placed in them, so a lot of the instructive part of the talk is already there, so much of your personal examples can be cut and pasted in from your previous talks. In many instances it would be wise to use the suggested wording, for instance the Worldwide Committee tells us that they have piloted several wordings for the introduction to the Aldonza song and found the one that worked best to set up the song making it not too harsh.

For those currently writing, it will be up to you and your workshoppers and co-presenters to determine whether to continue with your writing or to wait and switch to the new talk outlines depending on when you plan to present. The new 1st Set talks are now on the ilme website. If you need the ones being presented now, contact Schambers at fjschamber@comcast.net.

So how much do I need to change in the First Set talks??

The changes are really quite minimal. The following summary may be helpful as an overview of the changes.

Changes in 2012 First Set Outlines: Self, Listening & Risk

Self:

The only actual new writing is a brief description of the 2 personality styles not represented by you and your spouse which could be read if either/both are not represented by the Clergy couple, so all 4 personality styles are at least touched on. There is a change from the Prince and the Rose to Aldonza (wording provided) so your personal sharing about self-doubts now relates back to Aldonza not the Prince.

There is a 4 minute increase in time of the talk.

Since this talk is largely instructional, it contains a lot of suggested wording. If you use the templates, those are already written in for you.

Opening prayer replaces opening statement (wording provided)

Introduction of personality styles assessment increased from 1 min. to 3 min. (wording provided)

Suggested wording given to illustrate personality style and behavior and that we can change our behaviors

Description of your dominant personality style shortened from 2:25 minutes to 1minute.

Suggested wording for transitioning from personality styles to behaviors

All 4 presenters illustrate typical behaviors, how they developed , with more emphasis on the the positive and negative effects of behaviors on the relationship. But the only the Clergy or Clergy spouse does the “me” I don’t want others to see section. (wording provided)

Then comes the 1 minute each description of the other 2 personality styles.

Aldonza is then introduced (wording provided) and the song played. The Worldwide Outline Committee felt that a stronger example of transformation was needed so that is why they have gone back to Man of LaMancha. So the sharing on self doubts relates back to that. It is recommended that you use their introductory wording as in conversations with the Worldwide Outline Committee they tell us they struggled with exactly how to word this and piloted several versions and found this to be the one that set up the song so it hopefully doesn’t come off too harsh.

Discussion of Superiority shortened (wording provided)

Suggested wording for reaction to compliments and double standard.

Clergy reading from Psalm 139 added.

Listening

This talk is shortened by 1 minute.

Opening prayer replaces opening statement (wording provided).
Clergy example of difficulty of listening shortened by 1 minute (wording provided).
Only one of the patterns that limit our listening is changed: “Minimizing” replaces
“Personal Past History” so that description needs to be changed.
After couples check all the patterns of listening that limit them, they then identify the
patterns they use most often (wording provided.)
Suggested wording for clergy regarding listening with the heart.
Clergy example of listening with the heart is replaced with explanation of listening with
the heart (wording provided).

Risk

This talk is lengthened by 11 minutes.
Opening prayer replaces opening statement.
The section on how poor self image limits our willingness to trust has been moved from
CS to LH or LW.
“What we are not sharing” moved to the final segment of this talk given by CS or CL.
An exercise on “The Ways I Limit My Trust” has been added. (Wording provided for
the conclusion.)
Examples of trust and risk are given, and then the terms are defined.
Instead of LH and LW each giving an example of risking to trust in dialogue, now LH or
LW gives one example and CL or CS gives one – time increased to 5 min. each.
The story of Dulcinea is introduced (wording provided) and the Dulcinea song is
played.
Added section: LH or LW and CL or CS each share their own story of transformation-
2:30 min each.
Added section: CL or CS inspires the couples to transform their relationship (wording
provided).
CL or CS then introduces the dialogue question.
And LH or LW instead of CL or CS motivates the couples to risk to trust their spouse
with their feelings.



**MARKETING FIRM REVAMPS WEBSITE,
BEGINS THE E-BLASTING PUBLICITY
OF WEEKENDS, AND IS POSTING
ENTRIES ON A GOD LOVES MARRIAGE
FACEBOOK PAGE AND A TWITTER PAG**
At the January NAR Board Meeting a
marketing proposal by “The Leinicke
Group” was accepted for the upcoming 2
years. Craig & Connie Leinicke (pictured)

owners of "Leinicke Group" located in Manchester, Missouri are LME presenters and have made progress with their proposed 3 emphases: (1) the rebuilding of the website and search engine optimization for that site (they report that there have been 3,340 hits since the new website went up in March) and it also now includes a blog, (2) an e-blast of God Loves Marriage newsletter for the Weekends (so far) in the areas of Denver, CO, St. Louis, MO, Deerfield, IL, Black Mountain, NC, Dallas/Fort Worth, TX and Lindsborg, KS, and (3) the design and posting of entries on a God Loves Marriage Facebook page and Twitter. Downloadable Web Banners for church websites and a QR code for your posters will soon be available on the www.ilme.org website. The Leinickes plan to offer eblast support to every area. Those that desire these email newsletters/bulletin announcements to be sent to churches in their area should contact them at: conniel@leinickegroup.com approximately 4 months prior to a desired e-blast for a specific Weekend so they have time to have their staff build the database for your area and create the eblast with the area's specific contact couple information.



NEW WEBSITE

Have you checked out the new, updated, and improved Lutheran Marriage Encounter website: www.GodLovesMarriage.org? It is up and running as of March, 2012. Payments can now be made by PayPal or by credit card which is secured through PaypPal. The website is geared to attract more internet

"seekers." Check out the blog also included on this site.

Facebook

If you are on Facebook, find the GodLovesMarriage page and "like" it to start spreading the word!

Twitter

If you are a "Twitterer," follow Lutheran Marriage Encounter with the account handle: "GodLuvsMarriage." Only 15 characters are allowed, so be sure to spell "loves" as shown.



NEW BROCHURE

Revised brochures which reflect the new vision of the GodLovesMarriage.org media campaign are now available. 30,000 copies at approximately 3 cents per copy have been received, and many of these were passed out to various district leadership couples at the NAR Board Meeting and also to all Reunion attendees, so please contact your district leaders or those who attended the reunion to receive them. Please toss any old brochures you might have as they have outdated information.



NEW BUSINESS CARDS

New business cards have also been designed to match the new www.GodLovesMarriage.org graphics. The business card graphics will soon be provided as an editable PDF on the www.ilme.org website so each couple can personalize their contact information and print them out on business card stock obtainable at any office supply store.



NEW MEMBERSHIP CARDS

One of our newly-encountered couples came up with the idea at a recent District I Board meeting that it would be good to have membership cards to hand out to couples on Sunday afternoon at Weekends. The goal is to have couples not think of the Weekend as a nice past experience but to feel that they are indeed part of Marriage Encounter. Pictured is a just a starter sample of what the front and back might look like—the final copy is in progress. Watch for this to be posted on the ilme website when completed. The current thinking is that they could be printed on business card stock with the option to hand-write in the names, type them in on the page before separating, or put in as merge fields.

GOD LOVES MARRIAGE BRANDING RESOURCES:



VIDEO SLIDE

Soon to be posted on the ilme website. Send to churches so those who use video boards for their announcements on Sunday mornings can insert them.



WEB BANNERS

Soon to be posted on the ilme website. Send to churches for their own websites as a direct link to www.GodLovesMarriage.org.



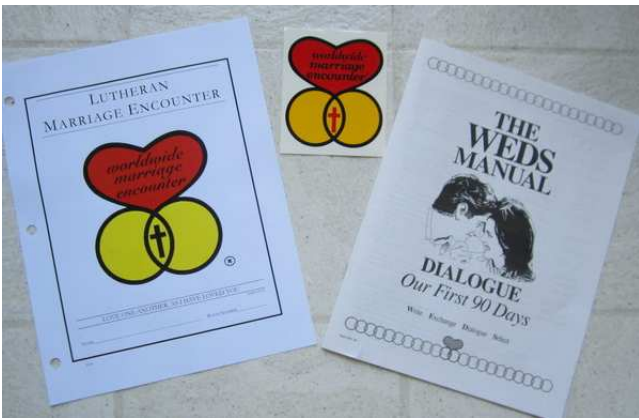
QR CODE

Seen to the left and soon to be posted on the ilme website. Put on your posters so couples can download onto their phones and have a direct link to the www.GodLovesMarriage.org

HAVE TALKS...WILL TRAVEL

We've been asked to create a list of couples who are willing/usually able to travel to other areas to present their talks when needed and may be able to use Frequent Flyer miles or cover their travel costs. If you would be like to be added to this list, please contact us at:

Fred & Julie Schamber -- fjschamber@comcast.net or 724-325-3166.



**WARNING! WARNING! WARNING!
ORDER SUPPLIES EARLY**

Our supply couple Dean & Katie Senne will be spending November through April in Arizona so will not be able to ship supplies during this time (except for a few supplies they take with them for emergencies), so this means we all need

to anticipate and order supplies EARLY i.e., all supplies needed for Weekends next spring will need to be ordered and received by this October. Contact them at: kddesigner@charter.net for supplies.



New Donation Site Established

As most of you know, with the rising costs of hotels and food, it becomes more and more difficult to cover costs of Weekends. That is why your continuing financial support is very important to Marriage Encounter. A new link for making donations has been added to the www.ilme.org website. Simply go to that website and click on

[Support the Dream of Lutheran Marriage Encounter](#) and make your donation by credit card. Or if you wish to make a donation by check (or if you wish to make a donation specifically to the Endowment fund,) you can make your check out to “Lutheran Marriage Encounter” and mail it to your district treasurer or to our North American Region Finance Couple: [Ken & Gina Schiess, 1001 Alba Lane, Leland, NC 28451.](#)

Thank you so much for considering a donation!

And: Attention Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Members:

Have you directed your Thrivent Choice dollars to Lutheran Marriage Encounter? Remember that if you are a member of “Thrivent Financial for Lutherans,” they will be sending an amount based on your investments/policies to one of a thousand Lutheran organizations who have applied and been accepted by Thrivent. LME has now been approved as one of these organizations. If you don’t make the choice for your dollars, Thrivent will choose for you. So please, please consider directing these funds to Lutheran Marriage Encounter. Over \$1,300.00 was received from Thrivent in the past year through this program. Simply go to: www.Thrivent.com, register if you have not already done so, and click on “Direct Choice Dollars” and select Lutheran Marriage Encounter (dba as “Call to Be Family”), or call 800-847-4836 and say, “Thrivent Choice,” and then “Choice Dollars” and direct your choice dollars to Lutheran Marriage Encounter. This is a super-easy way to help our financial picture!



NEW EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN

Jim Bush has lovingly agreed to coordinate the email prayer chain. YEA GOD! Jim & Pam are from the Kansas City, MO area and have been the Lay Contact Couple for KC and District II. If you know a couple who has a prayer need, please pass it on to them. They will then pass it along to the family. Certainly prayers of need are requested, but also prayers of joy are important to lift up to our Lord. To join the list of couples notified of the prayer concerns or to request

prayers, please email them at: ilmeprayers@aol.com. Please pass this information about the joining the email chain and sending prayer requests to all Marriage Encounter couples. Following is the list of "pray-ers" that Jim is currently emailing. If you don't see your current email address on the list, please consider emailing him and adding yourselves.

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UPDATED POWERPOINT

If your area is using the PowerPoint on weekends, be aware that the new updated version is posted on the www.ilme.org website under "Weekend Materials." This includes some new slides for the Friday night revised talk and also includes new, more interesting pictures on the introductory slides for each talk. As

PowerPoints are being used by more and more areas, perhaps at some point there should be a more formal "2nd read" of them. If you have slides that fit something in your talk particularly well, we encourage their use. However, the current policy is that any slides other than the approved PowerPoint on the website should be run by the NARPCC's for approval just to ensure consistency with the outline.

ENCOURAGING WRITING COUPLES

One of the ways decided upon to give couples encouragement for their writing is to have a writing couple, when they have completed a talk or two, give those talks on a Weekend and be a part of all the behind scenes activity with the other presenters. It was decided that if an area wishes to do this for a given Weekend, they should notify the NARPCC's (Fred & Julie Schamber at fjschamber@comcast.net) so we know which Weekends are trying this, and we can assess the extra cost involved, and eventually whether it is felt that this did indeed help the couple get motivated and finish that set of talks. This will give us a way to track whether this is a helpful activity. So far we have heard from District II that they had a 1st Set couple do the 2 talks they had finished, they were re-energized, have finished the other two talks and are ready to do the full set at the next Weekend. So for the cost of one extra couple at a Weekend, this seemed a very good investment.



WORKSHOPPING

It will be important that we spread out the job of our Workshoppers as they will have a very busy loving task during the re-writes, so we list these people again. If there are any additions or corrections to this list, let Chambers know at: fjschamber@comcast.net. We thank

Workshoppers so much for all their efforts!

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REUNION...REUNION...REUNION

A HUGE THANK YOU TO:
Reunion Coordinators Dan & Charlotte Ricks (left) and Roger & Chris Williams for all their hard work on the fantastic July 6-8 International Lutheran Marriage Encounter Family Reunion held in Dallas, Texas! Everything was so well planned, and a great time was had by all!



4TH Of July dinner/party for all those arriving by the 4th. The event was held on the 21st floor of the hotel where fireworks could be seen all around.



Well-known singer/songwriter team Steve & Annie Chapman were the featured leaders ministering through their music with spiritual insights and humor that inspired and entertained.

Awards presented at the reunion:



A very special highlight took place as the 7 couples above were called forward thinking they had been randomly selected for a Newlywed-type game, and then they were surprised by being honored with certificates, gifts, and letters from dignitaries for service to Marriage Encounter spanning 5 DECADES. (All were encountered in the 1970's and have been serving Marriage Encounter since.) They are from left: Tom & Kathy VonBehren, Warren & Connie Warner, Don & Judy Christiansen, Ed & Emily Kast, LeRoy & Frances Ettling, Dick & Jane Knecht, and Dan & Judy Teuscher. A standing ovation expressed the group's gratitude. [See them pictured individually on the Reunion website.]



Last year the LME Strategy Group "Innovations" set up a series of awards to recognize innovation in Lutheran Marriage Encounter. The awards are entitled the Sancho award for local area recognition, the Dulcinea award for District recognition, and the Don Quixote Award for North American Region significant contributions. The first 2 Don Quixote awards were given at the reunion to Steve & Sue Rufe (left) for their creation of the Weekend PowerPoint which is now used by many areas and many faith expressions on Weekends and to previous NAR Publicity/Media/Communication Couple: Mark & Kari Hooper (not present) for all their many hours creating and maintaining the original LME website with online registration.



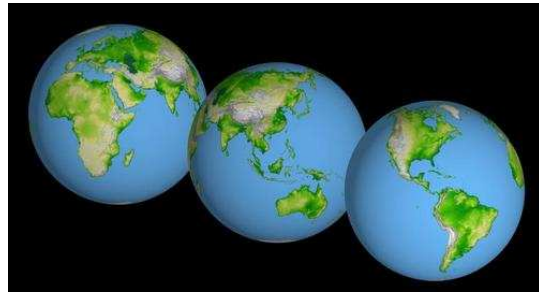
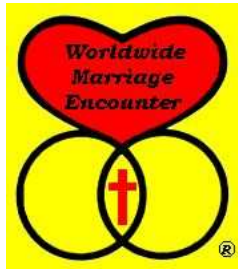
Another event of interest: Finland and District I are partnered in the ER/NAR support pairings. The Finland couples (from left) Asko & Leena Peltola, Juha and Liisa Valila, and Mikko & Ritva Sipila arrived with a Weekend banner for District I which says (in English) " Faith, Hope, and Love." Meanwhile District I with the talents of Ted & Jane Guthrie presented a banner to them which says: "Loving Partners...Sharing the Dream." Other Districts were challenged to also exchange banners with their support pairings.

For the photos taken by Herb & Betty Doller, encountered professional photographers in the Texas community, go to:

www.lme12reunion.shutterfly.com. You'll also find the individual couple photos taken during registration and labeled with their names (which will show if you click on each one individually) at this site. These individual couple photos are in the album entitled "The Family."

For the website that anyone can upload reunion pictures to, go to:

www.lme12reunionshare.shutterfly.com and view the pictures and videos or upload your own.



THE www.ilme.org WEBSITE IS YOUR LIFELINE FOR ALL THINGS LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER. THIS ILME (INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER) WEBSITE INCLUDES ALL KINDS OF DOCUMENTS AND HELPS FOR ENCOUNTERED COUPLES.

For writers: Note that for the new 1st Set talks, all outlines, outlines with mentality, templates, and Workbook pages are now also posted on this website.

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