



# THE PRESENTER HOTLINE

North American Lutheran Marriage Encounter Presenter Newsletter

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## A BIG WELCOME TO OUR NEW WRITING COUPLES WHO ATTENDED THE NOVEMBER 12-14 DEEPER IN HOUSTON!



A combined Lutheran/Methodist Deeper Weekend was held November 12-14, 2010, in Houston, TX, with 3 Lutheran couples and 3 Methodist couples attending. The two presenting couples were from the Methodist faith expression.

*Shown are: Left side from top down: Larry & Shirley Smith, Methodist; Kyle & Liz Rimler, Methodist; Jason & Leah Cole, Lutheran District IV-California; Methodist Clergy Presenters: Rev. Tom & Karen Anderson.*

*Right side from top down: Daniel & Lynette Moran, Methodist; Jim & Diann Daume, Lutheran District II-Missouri; Rev. Mark & Amy Werner, Lutheran District I-Pennsylvania; and Methodist Presenters: Gary & Lisa Morris.*

Please keep these couples in your prayers as they embark on the wonderful world of Presenting!

## Important Notice Regarding the Lutheran Brochures

If you are using the tri-fold brochures, please note that at the bottom of the registration form, it directs couples to mail to a post office box number in Spokane. That post office box has now been closed since Carol Ure's passing. So please replace this with stickers that give your registration couple's address so if someone chooses to mail the form rather than sign up with a credit card on the internet, it will go to your area.

The 800 number and the [GodLovesMarriage@comcast.net](mailto:GodLovesMarriage@comcast.net) email are connected to the Hoopers, so it is fine to still use those.

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### IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE SUPPLY COUPLE

The supply couple, Dean & Katie Senne, want you to know that they will be on vacation during January and February of 2011, so if you have need of supplies for your Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends around that time, please get your order to them NOW. They will not be able to ship in January and February. Contact them at: [kddesigner@charter.net](mailto:kddesigner@charter.net).

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### AN IDEA TO SHARE

This idea came through Interfaith from our Methodist friends. They place a question box in the conference room and allow couples to put in questions which can be answered at the optional question and answer time on Saturday night.

*Editors' note: We tried this on our past weekend and have decided if we do it again, we will stipulate that the questions should be on dialoging or intimate communication. We found that the questions got too much into counseling issues and matters peripheral to the focus of the weekend.*





To truly love another,  
one must discover God's  
beauty and goodness within  
oneself

## **NEW OUTLINE UPDATE—Now working on "Self"**

As reported in the previous Hotline, the drafts of 3 talks (the combined Intro and Feelings talk to be given on Friday night, the Today's World Talk, and the Listening talk) have been sent to the various faith expressions, comments received, and adjustments made. The Friday night combined talk is now being piloted across the US and Canada so they can evaluate how well this will actually work on a Weekend.

We have just received the draft of "Encounter With Self," and the Lutheran committee is currently sending comments on this talk to the compilers of the suggestions, Carl and Dallas Presley. The major change in the Outline Committee draft for this talk is the replacement of The Prince and the Rose story by the Aldonza song from "The Man of La Mancha" to illustrate how we can become trapped in our own self doubts. Other changes include the shortening of several sections, i.e. the description of personality styles and the description of behaviors are shortened by 1 minute and a half-minute respectively.

We thank the committee for taking their valuable time to review these drafts and make suggestions. It is a very tedious process, but we appreciate the efforts of these people to make the talks as good as possible. We are only one of 11 faith expressions making comments, so just a reminder that whatever suggestions we submit may or may not be implemented at the discretion of the Outline Committee.

## MEDIA SLIDES

**IS GOD IN  
YOUR MARRIAGE?**

WANTED: HAPPILY MARRIED COUPLES.  
CONTACT GOD.

*Find the happiness God wants for you on a  
Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend!*

[www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org)

The logo for Worldwide Marriage Encounter, featuring two overlapping circles with a cross in the center, and the text "worldwide marriage encounter" written around the circles.

The Hoopers have created 6 "Is God in Your Marriage?" media slides which they have graciously offered to share. If you'd like them emailed to you, contact us at: [fjschamber@comcast.net](mailto:fjschamber@comcast.net) and we'll be happy to email them to you. They say they can be printed and put on bulletin boards or emailed. Above is the sample of "Wanted: Happily married Couples. Contact God." The other ones are: (Each start with "Is God in Your Marriage?")

- Want to get closer to each other and God?
- Loved the wedding. Invite me to the marriage. Love, God
- Looking for a way to include God in your marriage?
- And two shall become one.
- Does God care about your marriage? You bet.

**Another reminder to **SAVE THE DATE: July 6-8, 2012**  
for the International Lutheran Marriage Encounter Family  
Reunion at the following facility:**

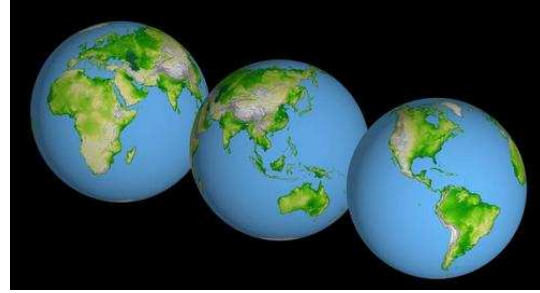
**Doubletree Hotel Dallas-Campbell Centre**

8250 N. Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas, United States 75206-1888  
Tel: 1-214-691-8700 Fax: 1-214-706-0187



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District II will be hosting the 2012 international family reunion. Tentative plans are that it will be held July 6 - 8, 2012, at the Doubletree Hotel Dallas—Campbell Centre in Dallas, TX. Featured speakers being contracted are Steve & Anne Chapman who will open the reunion on Friday night and present several times on Saturday and help with the worship service on Sunday. Costs are yet to be determined, but probably around \$300/couple including 2 nights lodging, 3 meals on Saturday and 2 on Sunday. There is anticipated to be a \$59/night room charge for couples who come early or stay extra days following the reunion.



**A TON OF INFO ON LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER  
AVAILABLE ON THE ILME (INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN  
MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER) WEBSITE**

For all your information needed such as: current workbook, replacement pages, rosters of NAR Leadership Couples, District Leadership Couples, Presenters, Admin documents, Deeper and Kick-off materials, Presenter Hotlines, etc., simply go to: [www.ilme.org](http://www.ilme.org). Click on: "Resources for Couples who have been on a Marriage Encounter;" then click on "Presenting Couples," and enter the password: "LME/pc."

