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Marriage SEMINAR

Friday afternoon, June 30, we held the first session of the marriage seminar. Pastor Carlos taught on the role of the husband and the wife in marriage. He brought out many practical points on how to address different responsibilities in a marriage. We served a meat pocket and cold drink after the session ended. Saturday morning at 9 we began our second session. After a time of praise and worship we served a small breakfast. After that Pastor Alex taught on "How to Apply Love in Marriage". He talked for 4 hours straight with only a 10 minute break and towards the end he was hurrying thru his notes to try and finish up. No one complained or left during that time. He also brought out many practical applications on how to love each other. One thing that kept going thru my mind is how I love seeing Haitians teaching Haitians. They know how to reach their own people with practical stories that they can relate to in their own culture. We finally concluded the session at 2 and served a meal of rice and beans.

Sunday night we held what they called an evening gala. Everyone came dressed in their best and ready for a fun evening of games, more teaching, and a full course meal. We started out with praise and worship which also included communion.

One game they played was where they called up 4 couples and had the ladies go out while the men took off their shoes and mixed them up and piled them on a heap. The women had to come in and see if they could pick out their husbands shoes. All of them got the right ones. Sunday evening ended around 1 a.m. with a large spread of appetizers, rice, chicken, fish, goat, lasagna, pizza, salads, and a cold beverage. We also handed out certificates and t-shirts for each couple. On the back of the shirt it said "I will protect my marriage".

Everyone enjoyed the weekend and wished it could have lasted longer. When asking for testimonies at the end of the evening on Sunday an elderly couple came up and simply said that he always loved his wife but now he loves her even more. We pray many marriages were blessed and that God would continue to bring healing and restoration.

Thank you to each of you for being a part of this event and helping make it happen! To God be the glory!

- Trish B



Marriage SEMINAR CONT.

Our Vision for the Marriage Seminar

- Reduce family problems in Christian homes.
- Improve family management in Christian homes.
- Fight juvenile delinquency.

Specific Objectives

- Reincarnate love in marriages.
- Restore communication in couples.
- Instructing the smaller church (which is the family)
- Provide techniques for good household management.
- Contribute to the rehabilitation of children.

Expected Results

- The rebirth of love in struggling marriages.
- Open and friendly communication.
- Reconciliation in divided couples.
- Innovation in marriage administration.
- The progressive elimination of juvenile delinquency.
- The functioning of micro churches (which is the family).



Youth Clubs



In May we held our first Club session for youth. We felt the need to reach out to the many youth in the area. There are so many young people who are searching for purpose in life. What will I do with my life? What will I study? Who will I marry? All of those questions and more will be addressed in our youth sessions. Many youth are struggling with peer pressure and need someone to help direct them in the right path. There is so much potential in our youth and we don't want to lose them to the ways of the world. Will you help make a difference? Only \$150 will cover one youth session and includes a snack and cold drink. Blessings!



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

July & August (2 - 3 times a week)
Youth Bible Quiz

August 7-13
Kid's Summer Bible school

If you feel led to give towards these activities or any other project of your choice, you can give online at

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A WORD FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT...



Greetings to all!

First of all, I want to thank each one who has supported Restoring Lives Ministries! We would not be able to function without your support! So, thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

We know that God has a great plan for each life, and he has placed a calling on each one of us! So wherever God has you right now, be Faithful!

As you read these verses, be reminded of his plans and be refreshed with these promises!

Jeremiah 29:11-14 KJV

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart. And I will be found of you, saith the LORD:

Colossians 3:17,22-24

17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

22-24 Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God: and whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:8 NLT

He will keep you strong to the end so that you will be free from all blame on the day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns.

Purer in heart, oh God, help me to be.

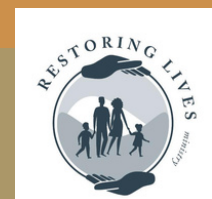
By the renewing of our minds! We will be changed!

God bless
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