

This exclusive event is designed for: the Veteran, who has experienced deployment and their Spouse, who had to hold down the home front.

### The goal of REACH is to assist each couple with :

- ullet **R**ejoining and Rejuvenating their relationship
- **E**quip them with tools to make good choices
- Access to information to keep the communication going
- Caring members of the Reach Team who can listen to them
- **H**eal, Hug, Help others just like them who can benefit from Reach



MAY 10-12, 2024 Lake Gaston, NC

## **REACH Sponsorship**

Your donated funds will provide a peaceful environment for the Military Couples to learn how to cope with the stresses of post-deployment and reintegration here at home. Plus, a fun camp for the kids!

We will host 12 couples and their children. This is at no expense to the couple.

Our Goal is to Raise \$10,000 to cover the cost of this Retreat

These funds will cover:

Lodging for 2 nights Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner on Saturday Instruction Materials Couples' Project Materials Complimentary Childcare

## Help Sponsor a Military Family \$500 per couple \$750 per family

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WORKSHOP ADMISSION & FUN ACTIVIES COMPLIMENTARY FOR MILITARY FAMILY

KIDS ARE WELCOME! KIDS CAMP CHILD CARE PROVIDED WITH GAMES & FUN ACTIVIES.





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# REACH

Military Couples' **Testamonials** 

LAKE GASTON LION'S CLUB

Recently my wife and I attended a marriage retreat at Lake Gaston sponsored by Support US Armed Forces. We have attended several marriage retreats put on by different organizations throughout the past decade, none of which have been very personal. This one was personal and more intimate with fewer couples which was a

When we arrived, Crystal and Bill met us in person to make sure that we got situated in our cabin and that we didn't need anything else. The location was at Lake Gaston, m our caoin and mar we didn't need anything eise. The location was at Lake waste which is a pretty lake with a very calming atmosphere. Though Sarah and I don't which is a pretty take with a very caiming atmosphere. Inough Sarah and I don't have children, the childcare provided at the retreat was a huge benefit for other parents, allowing them to focus on their marriages. There was a good mix of different people and experiences there to draw from. Not all the military personnel attending people and experiences mere to draw from. Not an the minuary personnel attending were from special operations or even just from the Army, which made getting to

know everyone more enjoyable.

This retreat was inspiring and uplifting to our marriage. A highlight of the marriage this retreat was inspiring and upitting to our marriage. A nighting to the marria conference was getting to hear the wisdom and experience from a panel of four Christian couples. All of us in attendance were allowed to direct specific questions to these experienced couples and we all got to benefit from the decades of experience

and situations that they have already been through.

My wife and I were able to establish some friendships with other couples at the retreat that have continued to this day. I found it very encouraging to interact with other couples who love Jesus and have similar values. The team building art project at the end was awesome. Not only did we get to work together with our spouses on a fin the end was awesome. Not only did we get to work together with our spouses on a run project, but it made a nice keepsake to take home with us. We left this retreat feeling refreshed and ready to make decades more memories together. Thank you so much for giving us the opportunity to participate and to meet so many

other wonderful people.





#### Good morning Crystal, Bill & SUPPORT Team,

Thank you so much for this weekend. We appreciate the time & energy that went into making this such a warm & welcoming retreat for our family.

It was great hearing from experienced married couples who have navigated the challenges of marriage & reaped the benefits. We thank you for the Christ centered approach as well, without Him we would not have made it this far!

We had a great experience & learned new tips & techniques to improve our communication. Thanks again!
Chris, Elijah & Emily

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