



2008 Annual National Marriage Encounter Conference Jefferson City Missouri — July 24-27

You are Cordially Invited!

Dear Friends,

To any of you that have experienced Missouri hospitality, thank you for allowing us to treat you in 2004. Also, we say thank you one and all for all of the love and support you have given us over the past several years. We feel truly honored and humbled by your generosity.

Since hosting the 2004 conference, we have been elected to be one of the Heartland Trustee couples. We continue to witness the struggles and successes each affiliate has as they try to live out God's Plan for their marriage and their affiliate.

We've found that it takes constant vigilance and renewal if we are to continue this necessary work. We in Jeff City ME know for us to remain strong, summer conference is a very necessary and fun part of that process. Making time for each other and all of you is an important ingredient to our success.

We want to personally invite you and your families to come join us. Bring as many people as you can – whether Encountered or not. We want to **Pass It On**. Let us know how we can help you to join us July 24 – 27, 2008.

Keep taking care of each other,

*Harry and Cecilia Hentges
2008 Conference Co-Chairs*

PS: We'll treat you in so many ways you're bound to like one of them!



“The Wisdom of the World Cannot Be Contained in a Single Language”

-unknown

Similarly, we believe that knowing and loving God takes place in many different languages and many different faith traditions. The National Marriage and Family Conference is an interfaith event.

Please join us so we can more fully understand and experience God's love through your presence.

To Do List:

1. Register for '08 Conference
2. Send us your email address
3. Start working out again

- ✓ **Psst: Go ahead!** Send your registration in now. A deposit is fine. You can pay toward the balance as the conference approaches. If your plans change, we will courteously refund your money. Won't it feel good to get that marked off your list!
- ✓ Send your email address to:
smith@jeffcityme.org for future updates!

PLEASE: Send us a photo of two or more generations along with your name and a sentence or two describing why this is one of your favorite family pictures. We will use it in our family scrapbook, (a.k.a. conference program.)

Send photos to: smith@jeffcityme.org





2008 National Marriage Encounter Family Conference
Lincoln University, Jefferson City Missouri
July 24 through 27, 2008
www.jeffcityme.org

Husband First Name: _____ Wife First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Are you a Member of National Marriage Encounter? If so please list Affiliate _____

Children Attending (Please include last name if different): _____ Age: _____

Full Package With Lodging:	Couple:	\$395.00	=
	Individual: (Single Adult 18+)	\$200.00	=
	Children: (3-17) In a bed/sep room	\$100.00x _____ (# of Children)	=
	Children: (3-17) Sleeping on floor	\$50.00x _____ (# of Children)	=
	Infant: (0-2)	\$20.00x _____ (# of Infants)	=
	Total Package		=
We would be interested in an adults only dorm: Yes _____ No _____			
Full Package Without Lodging:	Couple:	\$295.00	=
	Individual: (Single Adult 18+)	\$150.00x _____ (# of adults)	=
	Children: (3-17)	\$50.00x _____ (# of Children)	=
	Infant: (0-2)	\$20.00x _____ (# of Infants)	=
	Total Package		=

Make Checks Payable to 08 NME Conference
 Mail to:
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 \$100 Minimum Deposit

Pick Your Day And/or Lodging	Speakers, Workshops, Entertainment and Meals: +	Lodging:	
	Thursday: \$35 x _____ (# of people)	\$25.00 x _____ (# of people)	=
	Friday: \$55 x _____ (# of people)	\$25.00 x _____ (# of people)	=
	Saturday: \$55 x _____ (# of people)	\$25.00 x _____ (# of people)	=
	Sunday: \$35 x _____ (# of people)		=
	Total Package		=
	Early Bird Discount		
	Would you be willing to make a donation to defer the cost of the 2008 Children's Program: Yes () No ()		
	Total Due		=

Early Bird Discount of \$10 per adult (Full Package only) if paid in full by 2/1/2008.

Special Needs: _____

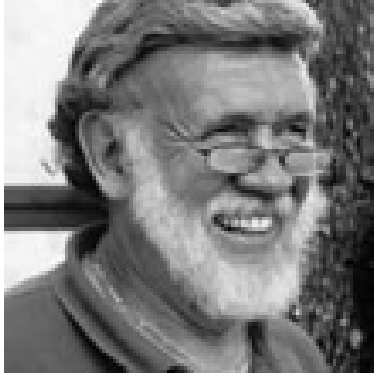
Will you bring a new item to donate for the raffle? Yes _____ No _____

****Bring a couple who did not attend in 2007 and we'll give you \$10 cash when you check-in in 2008****

Our Keynote Speakers

Saturday's Keynote Speaker

Jim Kern, "Connecting With Kids: Passing on Our Values"



Well known across North America as an educator, writer, and speaker, Jim's Kern's presentations have value and meaning to all people interested in relationships.

These messages bring hope and humor as Jim assists the listener to gain understanding of human behavior and to learn how to bring significant change into the lives of associates, students, and family members.

Jim is the author of "Build the Fort...Today" a book that shows how that teacher who slapped your hand, that coach who shouted loudly, and that parent who became impatient are all real human beings. And yes, even that little one who just spilled oil-based paint on the carpet, your child, remains a priceless, precious human being. All human beings are just that ... a mysterious, marvelous creation!

Jim Kern was born and raised in southern Minnesota. After graduating from Byron High School he attended Winona State University where he earned his B.S. degree with majors in English and Physical Education, and later an M.S. degree with emphasis on guidance and counseling. From the University of Wyoming, Jim earned his doctorate in educational psychology.

Jim has taught every age group from kindergarten to seasoned citizens in Minnesota, Michigan and Wyoming. Currently he lives in south Texas with his wife Denise.

Jim gives 150-200 presentations per year to a wide variety of groups. We are very pleased to have him as a keynote speaker at the 2008 National Marriage Encounter Conference in Jefferson City.

"LUV Language"

A workshop by Gary and Karren Ray

Because of health issues Gary and Karren were unable to present their workshop at the '07 Conference in Bowling Green, but are looking forward to doing so at the '08 gathering in Jefferson City.

They would like to give us a sneak preview. You are invited begin writing to each other on the question:

"How do I feel about valuing your feelings and enhancing our dialog?"

Gary and Karren suggest: "As you listen to your spouse's reflection the second time (you know, the one for the heart,) listen for the feelings—the ones you hear, not the ones you think you hear. Listen with love and without judging, comparing or even fixing. Search to understand your spouse's frame of reference (thoughts, expectations, beliefs and values), especially if they are different from your own."

Gary writes, Karren and I believe that God gave us to each other as His special gift because our differences help make each other whole. There is also the possibility that when we get to Heaven, God will ask us what we did to help our spouse attain the purpose He had planned. We believe it begins with listening, understanding, and valuing our spouse.

We're on YouTube! Here's the link:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pr6rtWV1jJc>

Enter this into your browser to watch the promo! Feel free to forward to all your friends, family and associates as another way to advertise and recruit for the conference.

Love, Fr. Bob

EVERYONE will be wearing them... Get yours now!

Thank you to everyone who ordered '08 apparel at the '07 conference!

Still interested in conference shirts? There's still time! We have beautiful, high quality T-Shirts, Polo's and button-ups.

- Short sleeve T's: \$14-16
- Short sleeve Polos: \$22-24
- Long/short sleeve denim shirts: \$27-30.

-All with embroidered conference logo

NEW: children's t-shirts available this time!

These come with silk screen logos.

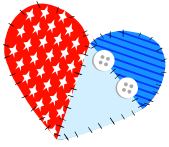
Order online at: www.jeffcityme.org



Silent Auction/Raffle Update

We are very grateful to the many generous people who continue to support the silent auction and raffle fundraisers!

The following have already been promised:



- Cedar Chest—Urban Fuchs
- NME Quilt featuring local affiliates—Judy & Art Rockers (Kathy Jarman's parents)
 - Quilt—Dorene Fuchs
- Stained Glass—Lonia Gubbels & Friends
- Use of Vacation Home in Florida—Kent and Jeanette Babcock



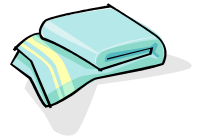
CAMPING

The Jeff City Parks & Rec department operates an RV campground just west of town in Binder Park. Camping is on Rainbow Drive just south of the pavilion with 18 RV campsites with full water, sewer, and electrical hookups. They also feature BBQ grills, covered picnic tables, campfire rings, and a laundry and shower house.

Camping fees are \$13 for a basic site and \$14 for a full hook-up. Reservations can be made two or more weeks in advance by calling (573) 636-0665.

Please note:

Bed linens, pillows and towels will **not** be provided unless requested for the '08 conference.



We will have access only to a very limited supply of these items. So, you are encouraged to bring along your own. If this presents a major obstacle, please contact us and we will try to assist. Please contact Angel Embry at:

embry@jeffcityme.org

Registration Info: www.jeffcityme.org

At the 2008 Conference we'll have dorm rooms with more floor space available to help families save money on lodging.

As with past conferences there will be incentives for early registration and for getting new faces to the conference. So, register early and bring folks with ya! Early registration will ensure that you get the space you need. Remember—no one is too old or too young for a Marriage Encounter conference. **We'll take care of everyone!** (*...and they don't have to be an already encountered couple to attend.*)



Fill out your registration form & mail it in today! We're looking forward to seeing you to Missouri!
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