

Generating a New Matching System for Men, by Men

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Thanksgiving Weekend Retreat



Retreat Basics

It's a new age in our church and we need to figure out how young men and women are going to successfully find spouses going forward. All young men who are potential candidates are invited to a retreat to help us design a new system. Past church methods and resources will be evaluated. Secular world scientific research will be available. Three matched BC couples will present their experience and insights. The online "Meat Market" experience will be critiqued. Join us in creating the future that you would want to live in. Your input is important!

This retreat is geared to young men age 21 and over.

Parents may also attend as well as younger men who support the primary focus of the retreat.

Go to this link for all the details: www.themarriagelibrary.com/Retreat/Announcement.html

Announcement and Basic Information

Here is a Draft Schedule just to get something started. But everyone's input will be taken into account for the final version.

Draft Schedule (subject to change with your input) (Last revised Oct. 2, 2013)

Payment by Credit Card: ucmd.webconnex.com/blessingretreat

Fee is \$120. Includes 2 nights in hotel style double rooms and 6 meals (lunch Friday through breakfast on Sunday)

Other types of Payment (ie. checks): Contact Jim Stephens

(We are hoping to get volunteer drivers to pick you up at the airport if you need a ride. Expect a cost of \$30 for a one-way ride to the retreat)

Retreat Center Website: Potomac Park Retreat and Conference Center:
pnmretreatandcampingnetwork.com/#/potomac-park/potomac-park

Contact if you have questions or great ideas: Jim Stephens or Hiromi Stephens

Attention: Young men everywhere,

The church is in transition. Now's a good time to make a matching system FOR THE YOUNG MEN BY THE YOUNG MEN.

Join us for a 2-day retreat and a straight forward discussion about men's needs and desires, put into us by God. What's the best process for us to find our eternal mates.

Your input is important. If not now, when? Got to start someplace.

Bring a friend or two. Sports, good food, and the opportunity to find your future spouse, what better use of your time is there than that?

Go to this webpage for more details, send us your suggestions, and then join us on Nov. 29-30:
www.themarriagelibrary.com/Retreat/

Facebook Event: Generating a New Matching System for Men, by Men

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DRAFT Schedule (likely to be revised based on input from participants and stakeholders)

FRIDAY
Nov. 29

	10:00am to 11:00am	Arrivals, Registration, Get Rooms:
	11:00am to 12:00noon	Orientation to the Retreat all together and Introductions
	12:00noon to 1:00pm	Lunch
	1:00pm to 1:30pm	<u>Presentation:</u> “Dealing With Big Elephants In The Room: Obstacles to successful matching.” (For example: the Church, your parents, porn, God, the matching process itself.)
	1:45pm to 3:00pm	Discussion Time for your feedback and ideas
	3:00pm to 3:30pm	Break
	3:30pm to 5:00pm	Sports, Meditation, Optional One-on-one time with elders
	5:00pm to 6:30pm	Dinner
Process.	6:30pm to 7:30pm	<u>Presentation:</u> Creating Your Own Best Matching <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Overview of personality “types”- Overview of releasing trapped emotions- Suggestions for your personal matching process
	8:00pm to 9:30pm	Discussion Time for your feedback and input
	9:30pm	Closing all together
	11:00pm	Lights out for whole Retreat Center

SATURDAY
Nov. 30

	8:00am to 9:00am	Breakfast
couples	9:00am to 10:00am	<u>Panel Discussion:</u> Testimonies from 3 matched Lessons learned from men’s point of view Insights from ladies’ point of view
	10:00am to 10:30am	Questions and Answers
	10:30am to 12:00noon	Panelists available for one-on-one
	12:00noon to 1:00pm	Lunch
Audience	1:00pm to 1:30pm	<u>Presentation:</u> Marketing Yourself To Your Target
	1:30pm to 2:30pm	Time for Creating Your Profile
	2:30pm to 3:00pm	Break

3:00pm to 5:00pm	Sports, Meditation, Optional One-on-one time with elders
5:00pm to 6:30pm	Dinner
6:30pm to 7:00pm	<u>Presentation:</u> The “Shopping/MatchBook Experience” Narrowing down your choices of candidates. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Finding “The One” if there is such a thing - Intuition and energy testing technique - What happens from here
7:00pm to 8:00pm	Discussion Time
8:00pm to 9:30pm	Personal Time
9:30pm	Closing all together.
11:00pm	Lights out for whole Retreat Center
SUNDAY	
Dec. 1	
8:00am to 9:00am	Breakfast and Departures