

We finished strong with our summer conferences! The feedback forms were all very enthusiastic and we have already received some personal emails and handwritten notes.

When we look at the expense of these conferences and see what a large part of our budget they are, we sometimes wonder what it would be like with out that financial burden. But, when I look into the joyful eyes of all those coaches and their spouses I realize that the conferences are crucial to our ministry. It is where a personal connection takes place and it seems that every couple is blessed in a special way. We thank God for his faithfulness in convicting hearts at these conferences. Here is a personal handwritten note that was handed to us from a head coach after the conference. It is for you too.

I'm writing to thank you for your program and for devoting your lives to helping couples become closer to Christ. I'm sure you have heard it a lot, but your retreats make me want to become a better husband, father, coach, and most importantly, a better Christian. These retreats allow me to take a step back away from my life and take a deep breath, a long need breath. By bringing couples closer together in Christ you are truly making the world a better place. Thank you and know it is appreciated.

Thanks again for your help in making these conferences happen. If you could ever visit one you would see first hand just how special they are. Now we are busy starting new Bible studies from the requests we received at the marriage retreats. Please pray that God will raise up Lay Leaders for a new 50 or so studies who will love on coaches.

Let me remind you that we do have a 50 K matching gift challenge to help us pay for the conferences that we are trying to reach. It's a great way to double your gift!

God bless,
Tommy Maxwell