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COACHES OUTREACH

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### 2022 summer marriage retreats

June 3-5 Drury Plaza Riverwalk San Antonio, TX

June 10-12 Sheraton Overland Park Kansas City, KS

June 17-19 Drury Plaza Santa Fe, NM

June 10-12 Hilton Garden Inn Granbury, TX

July 8-10 DeGray Lake Resort Bismarck, AR



#### How can ONE weekend make a difference?

This is the time of year when we at CO begin gearing up for our summer Marriage Retreats. We offer five very exceptional weekends in strategic locations designed uniquely to deepen the relationship of coaches and their spouses. Everything is geared toward that end; even the timing. There is a small window from June through the first part of July that coaches can get away before their duties begin for the year. We also try to alleviate the financial burden by charging couples only 20% of the full cost. We don't want money to hold anyone back.

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These Retreats offer first class accommodations in an effort to both honor coaches & spouses for their work and to provide them with much needed refreshment. Each weekend is filled with fun, worship, fellowship and challenge. But the real power of the weekend is the Word of God which gifted speakers teach and apply directly to marriage. Couples are then able to discuss and process biblical truth in small groups with other



"I feel such an overwhelming sense of trust and belonging among the other couples here. They all understand the life of a coach and the important role that comes along with that and the unique struggles and sacrifices that inevitably arise."



"My wife and I found each other this weekend – we have been equipped with new tools and mindsets to rebuild our marriage. We reconnected and found our joy for each other. God opened the door for us and we have a new hope and a new commitment to Him and each other. This weekend has saved my faith and my marriage."

coaching couples and are also given time alone for personal interaction.

I've been attending these summer retreats myself for the last 20 years and I can honestly say there is nothing like them. No one walks away without being deeply changed and challenged. But don't just take it from me – listen to what these couples had to say



"This weekend has not been easy, but boy it was needed. It convinced me that my marriage is worth fighting for. Healing has begun in our relationship and I hope it continues to do so. This weekend saved my marriage...!"

A strong marriage is the key to success, both at home and on the field. This is especially difficult for coaches. The job puts a unique strain on a marriage. Mike Mason writes, "Marriage in the best of circumstances is a crisis."

The demands of a coach make what is already challenging that much more difficult. Long school years, long hours, including weekends, keep coaches away from home. The energy output on behalf of others goes way beyond X's & O's and is particularly draining physically and emotionally. Of course there are also financial pressures to boot. We understand these challenges.

Retreats give couples the opportunity and the resources to reconnect and recommit to one another. They make a difference. That's why coaching couples should make this a priority and why we try to remove any financial barriers for them to attend. If you are a coaching couple, consider this your official invitation.



#### **FROM THE STAFF**

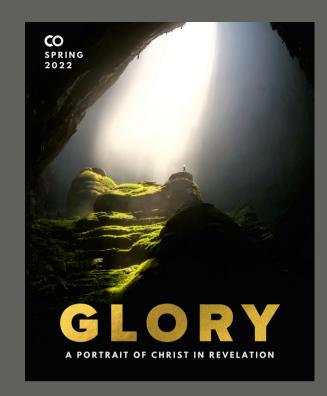
"Our Coaches Outreach Marriage Retreats perform a vital role in a coaching couple's life journey. Sherrie and I made it a priority for 25 years to attend a marriage retreat to strengthen our marriage by keeping Jesus Christ the center of our marriage and my coaching ministry."

- Ron Callahan, Texas State Coordinator

"The Coaches Outreach marriage retreats are a great way for a coaching staff to come together. Bringing other coaching couples to a retreat increases the likelihood of their involvement in the Bible Study and The Reach, making them a better spouse, a better coach while they grow in their relationship with Christ." - Mike Breeden, Director of Field Ministries

"Years ago David and I attended our first retreat. There was some apprehension, but for the low price we decided "why not." The rewards significantly outweighed the risk. Now, 23 years later, after multiple jobs, houses, churches, friends, etc., Coaches Outreach remains our consistent, unwavering ministry, only altering to serve us more effectively." – Anne Ryon, Director of The Reach

"Retreats bring couples closer to God, open their eyes to the calling of coaching, introduce them to other couples on the front lines of ministry, and encourage and renew a couple for the upcoming school year. Not every coach will win a championship, but every coaching couple can model what a Christ-centered marriage is like to his/her athletes. – Robert Irion, Director of Operations



They say, "You shouldn't judge a book by its cover," but our eye-popping cover conveys the excitement in studying one of the most intriguing books in the entire Bible—The Revelation of Jesus Christ. It pictures the difference our Lord makes in an otherwise hopeless life! We've subtitled our study, "A Portrait of Christ in Revelation." In our study —chapters 1-5 and 19-20—Christ himself is center stage.

The four Gospels—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John—certainly reveal our Savior. However, Revelation, the fifth Gospel, paints a very different picture. Christ does not arrive through a humble birth, as an ordinary man to suffer, die, and rise again. Quite the opposite, John saw the Lord as never before. Christ arrives in glorious fashion, looking like deity, ready to rule over the Earth and judge eternal destinies.

Through this God-ordained "getaway," John's experience impacted our understanding of who Christ is and how to serve, even suffer, for him. Revelation shows how God can use a strategic getaway to reveal himself to us and bless others through us. In fact, that's exactly what our Marriage Retreats do for the couples who participate.

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