

Marriages made
to last for a
lifetime



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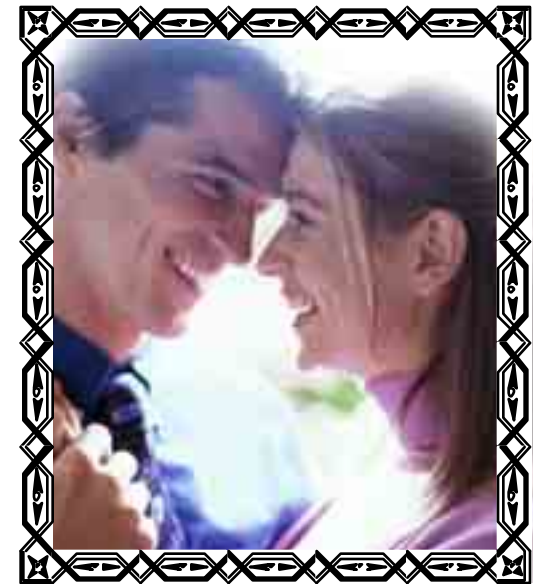
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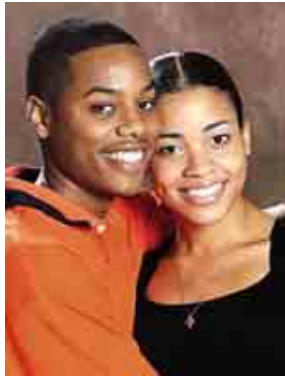
*A Christian Community devoted to nurturing
love for Jehovah God, love for others, and love
for self.—Mt. 30:34-40*

Married Couples Ministry



Welcome!
***Heritage Community
Church is committed to
enrich and strengthen
marriages.***

Marriage Retreat



Each fall Heritage will host a Marriage Conference to refresh good marriages and help heal hurting ones.

What better way to strengthen your marriage than to take concentrated time out from your busy schedule to focus on building your relationship. You will learn about important topics such as: building better communications, finances in marriage, healing wounds from the past, building your mate's self esteem and much more! Watch your bulletin for upcoming events.

Marriage Small Groups

If your small group would like to focus on strengthening marriages, we can point you to a number of resources. One recommendation would be "The Home Builders Series" by Family Life Today. Each Title runs from 4-7 weeks. A sampling of the titles includes:

- Building Your Mates Self Esteem
- Keeping Your Covenant
- Building Your Marriage
- Resolving Conflicts in Marriage
- Improving Communication in your Marriage
- Making your remarriage last
- Overcoming Stress in your Marriage
- Growing Together in Christ
- Building Teamwork into your Marriage

For more information on Married Couples Small Groups, call Al & Wendy Gilbert at 410-969-7560 or email them at: the-gilberts@comcast.net



In House Marriage Classes

Twice a year Heritage Marriage Ministry will be running a 7 week seminar on Monday nights for married couples. Our first one is entitled "Making the Most of Your Marriage" by Dr. Kevin Leman. It will consist of a short video lesson and then facilitated group discussion. Topics include:

- Designed to be different

- Where have all the flowers gone?
- Striking the perfect match
- Looking for Love in two special faces
- Don't rock the jukebox
- Sex begins in the kitchen
- Enjoying the journey

Watch the bulletin for details!

Pre-Marital Mentoring

Heritage Community Church requires all couples to complete mentoring sessions before their wedding date. (They must allow between 9-12 months to ensure completion)

The three goals of mentoring are:

1. To have the couple explore their relationship by taking a premarital inventory so that all issues are surfaced and discussed.
2. To help couples be absolutely sure they are marrying the right person.
3. Mentoring fosters a realistic understanding of what is required to ensure a lifelong committed relationship to God and each other.

The premarital couple meets with their mentors for about six sessions. These sessions are usually held in the mentor's home. The sessions vary in time from 2 to 3 hours, depending on couple's schedules.