

WHAT IS THE COST?

The cost is \$30 per couple to help offset costs for materials and childcare. A notebook will be provided for each participant. No other book is required.

The childcare during the workshop is free. This has resulted in a large number of couples with young children to be able to attend. Registration of children needing childcare is required. There is a childcare form that will need to be completed.

"(Wives) let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious." 1 Peter 3:4

HOW TO REGISTER

Go to www.faithchurch.net and click on the link to register for the Intimate Marriage Workshop.

Registration begins 1/13/23 and ends 1/29/23.

However, early registration is important for printing materials, group placement, and making childcare arrangements!

"For this reason, a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh." Genesis 2:25

Intimate Marriage Workshop

**February 4 - March 18, 2023
6-Week Workshop
Saturday evenings
6:00 – 8:00pm | Faith Church**

**Childcare is available.
Register at www.faithchurch.net**

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS THE IMW?

Since 2006, the Intimate Marriage Workshop (IMW) is an annual 9-week workshop that is designed to strengthen marriages. **This year, it is offered as a 6-week course on Saturday evenings, Feb 4 - Mar 18, from 6:00-8:00 pm.** The Bible-based curriculum will teach couples how to have distinctively Christian marriages as God originally intended. In addition to the Bible-based teaching, there is a companion workbook for each participant with interactive step-by-step exercises for couples to strengthen their relationship.

Each evening, there will be a presentation, followed by a time for individual couples to practice and discuss the exercises privately. Following the couple's individual time, there will be a table discussion (consisting of four couples) about the principles being applied to marriage.

The couple's groups are led by trained Table Leaders and are arranged according to the life stage of the couple. They provide a safe environment for discussing principles without being intrusive regarding relationship struggles. Every year, table discussion has consistently been rated as one of the highlights of the Intimate Marriage Workshop.

WHO IS PRESENTING THE WORKSHOP?

Dick Lehman has served as the Caring Ministries Pastor for the past 22 years at Faith Church. He is a Licensed Professional Counselor, has received training in marital therapy with the Gottman Institute, and has been involved in helping couples strengthen their marriages for over 30 years. He has been married to his wife Susie for 43 years and has 4 sons (three who are married), and five grandchildren. Susie will be a co-teacher with her husband Dick as they present the material of IMW together.

WHAT IS TAUGHT AT IMW?

Using the Bible as our guide, we will learn how to have distinctively Christian marriages as God originally intended. Topics include the covenant of marriage, Biblical responsibilities of husband and wife, maintaining friendship, managing conflicts, and pursuing God's purpose for marriage. In addition to this teaching, couples will have the opportunity to discuss and apply some practical exercises pertaining to the Biblical principles. Couples have found these exercises to be very helpful. While the teaching is based on the Bible, IMW welcomes those who do not attend a church (or attend another church) and seeks to make it a comfortable place for everyone regardless of religious affiliation.

"Enjoy life with the wife whom you love, all the days of your vain life that he has given you under the sun..." Ecclesiastes 9:9

WHO SHOULD COME TO THE IM WORKSHOP?

- Couples from all life stages: engaged couples; young couples without children; couples with young children; couples with teens, and empty nesters.
- Couples desiring to grow in their marriage through equipping themselves with tools to strengthen their relationship.
- Couples hurting in their marriage and wanting to work through their difficulties in a healthier way.
- Couples' small group who desire to come together for a session to experience the IM Workshop as a significant growth opportunity, or who want to support a hurting couple by attending with them.

DO I NEED TO BE A FAITH CHURCH MEMBER?

No, you do not. This workshop is open to all, regardless of religious affiliation or personal beliefs. We do base our teaching on Biblical principles that lead to practical application for the development of healthy marriages within the context of a safe, caring, and non-judgmental community. We welcome couples outside of the Faith Church family, including those who attend other churches, or are uncertain about their own Christian commitment.

"Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered." 1 Peter 3:7