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FamilyLife Supports Local First Responders by Inviting Them To Attend *Weekend to Remember* Marriage Conference for Free

Fire, police and EMT personnel in Stockton and Sacramento offered free event admission in appreciation for their service to the community

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (Oct. 24, 2008) – FamilyLife, the leader in marriage conferences, presents *Weekend to Remember* in Stockton (Oct. 31 – Nov. 2) and Sacramento (Nov. 7 – 9 and Nov. 14 – 16). *Weekend to Remember* is a marriage conference aiming to strengthen healthy marriages and heal troubled ones in a fun, supportive and non-threatening environment.

While every couple is encouraged to attend, FamilyLife has invited local area First Responders and their spouses to attend these conferences free-of-charge in recognition of the sacrifices they make to ensure the safety of their communities and the subsequent toll that their jobs take on their marriages. A First Responder couple includes at least one spouse who is active in the police force, fire department or EMT fields.

The three area FamilyLife conferences are scheduled as follows:

- **Oct. 31 – Nov. 2:** Sheraton Stockton Hotel at Regent Pointe, 110 West Fremont Street, Stockton. Cost for this conference is \$99 per person*
- **Nov. 7 – 9 and Nov. 14 – 16:** DoubleTree Hotel Sacramento, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento. Cost for this conference is \$129 per person.*

* *First Responder couples are invited to attend the conference for free and must register by end of day on the Thursday prior to each conference to guarantee admittance.*

“This conference is not just for couples looking for an overhaul, it is also a positive way to impact and fine-tune all marriages,” said Chuck Douglas, FamilyLife field ministry representative and author of *HomeBuilders: Protecting Your First Responder Marriage*. “However, FamilyLife decided to invite First Responders in the Sacramento and Stockton area an opportunity to attend these conferences for free, because their marriages are up to three times more likely to end in divorce.”

“The *Weekend to Remember* conference saved our marriage,” said George McKinley, a Fair Oaks resident and 20-year veteran of the California Highway Patrol who attended his first FamilyLife conference along with his wife, Debbie, in 1996. “Our relationship was in rough shape, and we are so thankful we found a program that could provide us with the tools we needed to improve our communication and, ultimately, our marriage.”

Couples interested in more information about or to register for the upcoming *Weekend to Remember* conferences can visit www.familylifeweekend.com. First responder couples should call [1-800-FLTODAY] to receive a promotion code, which they will use to register online. All first responders will need to show proper identification to gain complimentary entry into the conference.

To donate to FamilyLife, a 501c3 non-profit organization, that assists couples in Sacramento/Stockton and around the world build healthier marriages and families, please visit www.familylife.com.

About FamilyLife

For more than three decades FamilyLife, a global non-profit organization founded by Dennis and Barbara Rainey, has focused on the mission of using practical, biblical principles to build healthier marriages and families. FamilyLife, a 501c3, works in 100 countries around the world to help to transform lives and restore hope through its *Weekend to Remember* marriage conferences, *Homebuilders* Bible studies, *FamilyLife Today* radio broadcasts, *Hope for Orphans* orphan care ministry, FamilyLife publications, and the internet. For more information visit FamilyLife.com.