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FamilyLife Offers Economic Relief and Hope for Metroplex Marriages by Inviting Recently Unemployed Couples to Attend Marriage Conference for Free

FamilyLife Weekend to Remember event to be held Feb. 13 – 15 in Dallas-Ft. Worth area

DALLAS – FT. WORTH, Tex. (Jan. xx, 2009) – FamilyLife, the global, non-profit leader in marriage conferences, will present *Weekend to Remember* in Dallas on Feb. 13 – 15. The *Weekend to Remember* marriage conference aims to strengthen healthy marriages and heal troubled ones in an engaging, supportive and non-threatening environment.

While every couple is encouraged to attend, FamilyLife would like to extend a special invitation to area couples who have been hit especially hard by the economic crisis to attend the *Weekend to Remember* conference for free. Couples who have faced the loss of one or both jobs in the past six months can register by calling 1-800-FLTODAY. A limited number of free registrations will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

“It’s no secret that money issues are among the top causes of divorce, and with the economy the way it is, elevated financial problems are taking a very serious toll on many marriages and families,” said FamilyLife President, CEO and Co-Founder Dr. Dennis Rainey, who will be a featured speaker at the Dallas conference. “Regardless of your financial situation, you need to make marriage a priority. In that spirit, our goal is to support couples during this uncertain times and equipping them with the necessary communication and conflict resolution tools to survive this crisis as a team.”

Valentine’s Day weekend will kick off *Weekend to Remember’s* 2009 series of more than 130 scheduled conferences across the US. The Metroplex-area conference is being held at the Gaylord Texan Resort (1501 Gaylord Trail in Grapevine) and will feature Dr. Rainey as well as three other key speakers. Registration is \$129 per person, and couples in which at least one spouse has lost a job in the last six months are invited to attend for free.

“While this conference can assist those couples looking for an overhaul, it’s also a positive way to impact and fine-tune all marriages,” said Dr. Rainey. “We live in stressful, distracting times, and amid the blur of modern life it becomes alarmingly easy for couples to grow apart. That’s why it’s critical to strengthen your connection before the gap between you grows too wide. We developed the *Weekend to Remember* program to do just that – help couples enhance and strengthen their most important earthly relationships.”

More than 600 volunteers assist with the FamilyLife ministry in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area, and since the area’s first *Weekend to Remember* conference in 1982, attendance has increased by over 650 percent.

“Of the more than 100 markets where FamilyLife hosts *Weekend to Remember*, Dallas is by far one of our strongest markets and draws some of the events’ largest crowds. In addition, the area also has one of our largest radio audiences,” said Dr. Rainey, who hosts the nationally syndicated radio show *FamilyLife Today*. “We are so inspired by the Dallas community’s commitment to family and marriage, and we are proud to be a part of it.”

Couples interested in more information or registering for an upcoming FamilyLife *Weekend to Remember* conference can visit www.familylife.com/weekend or call 1-800-FLTODAY (1-800-358-6329). To donate to FamilyLife, a 501c3 non-profit organization that assists couples in Dallas and around the world build healthier marriages and families, please visit www.familylife.com.

About FamilyLife

For more than three decades FamilyLife, a global, donor-supported, non-profit organization co-founded by Dr. Dennis and Barbara Rainey, has focused on the mission of using practical, biblical principles to build healthier marriages and families through conferences and media channels. 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.

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