

The Need

Relationships aren't stagnant. People are always moving toward or away from each other. When they aren't intentionally connecting and growing together, the drift begins and isolation grows. It starts slow, building a wall of isolation brick by brick or driving a wedge deeper one blow at a time. But over time, what may have started as a small crack in the marriage becomes a vast canyon.

Marriage thrives when a couple is unified in oneness. But good marriages don't just happen. The garden of marriage requires regular, consistent tending to — pulling the weeds, sowing the seeds, watering the plants. Only then can there be a bountiful harvest.

The Solution

Transformation in marriage begins with time together, but it's more than just being in each other's presence. It starts with longing for a marriage to be more than going through the motions of everyday life. It requires intentional times of connection in order to grow in oneness.

FamilyLife® events set the stage for marriage transformation by creating the space for this intentional connection. Couples can get away from the stresses of everyday life and be encouraged through God's Word and practical help for their marriages.

As the couples journey together to learn more about God's purpose and design for marriage, the truth of the gospel is repeated again and again, creating opportunities for those who do not know Christ to enter into a relationship with Him. Through engaging speakers and real-life application tasks, couples are encouraged and equipped to build a family that cherishes God and makes Him known by living out the ways of Jesus in their marriage, day in and day out.



The Impact

Before the Weekend to Remember® event, the local ministry team received a question: "Is it alright to 'think good thoughts' while you guys have Christian prayer and activities? We're agnostic."

The event's prayer team felt challenged to pray fervently for the couple, who they referred to as R & R. Throughout the weekend, the team continued to pray and looked around in hopes to find the couple, eager to see what God could do in their hearts and lives.

At the close of the event, a couple approached the spiritual follow-up team. They introduced themselves and shared that they gave their lives to Christ that weekend. Their names? Ronald and Ramona*—they were the R & R the team had been praying for. FamilyLife events transform marriages, but they also help people come into relationship with God. Including Ronald and Ramona, 1,014 people gave their lives to the Lord at a Weekend to Remember event this year.

Together, we can provide couples with godly tools and resources that help them dig deeper in connection, moving closer to each other and God. What's more, couples at these events hear the gospel and have the opportunity to enter into a relationship with the Savior. Will you join us today to help couples like Ronald and Ramona experience transformation in Christ?

*Names changed for privacy.



For couples who come to events struggling, they find they're not as alone as they felt. Instead, they discover the problems they experience are common, and are encouraged by the testimonies of other couples who have overcome the same challenges! They now have hope that they too can have a robust, resilient relationship that can leave a legacy for their family. And for those couples who find themselves already doing "good," they find ways to grow deeper in oneness and learn about how they can help other couples around them.

Looking Ahead to

2026



Almost 80 largescale FamilyLife events planned.



Over 75,000 people will experience a large-scale FamilyLife event this year.



Praise God for an Impactful 2025



50,793 people attended a Weekend to Remember marriage getaway.



18,992 event attendees expressed an interest in continued growth.



1,014 Weekend to Remember® guests indicated first-time decisions for Christ.

Project Budget for 2026 & 2027

Weekend to Remember & FL Blended events \$3,820,000

Love Like You Mean It® Marriage Cruise \$1,476,000 Events scholarships \$2,027,000

Piloting digital events \$358,000

Total cost of events initiatives \$7,681,000

