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Team Playbook



Empowering Couples for Winning Marriages - A MarriageTeam E-publication - July 2011

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We are a Recommended Partner of...



Talk Radio Show
 MarriageTeam **LIVE**
 KPAM 860
 Sunday 5-6 PM



Prayer Requests

Good to Great!

Nope, we are not referring to a popular business book by the same name. We are speaking of marriages that are doing well, but wish to do even better. We have a question for you: Does Karin and Dean's story resemble your own?

You've been married for a number of years. You've had your share of bumps-in-the-road, nights on the couch and make up sessions. You've learned through the school of hard-knocks that your individual playbooks didn't sync up shortly after the honeymoon phase wore off. But now, [click here to read more...](#)

THE SCOREBOARD

The Doors Have Swung Open

MarriageTeam has been given the opportunity to receive \$15,000 from the [Mission Increase Foundation!](#)

This amazing opportunity can only happen if friends like you are willing to help. We have been asked to raise an additional \$15,000 by December 1, 2011. If we can, Mission Increase will match it dollar for dollar!

This is a rare opportunity to make a lasting impact on the longevity and growth of MarriageTeam. Please prayerfully consider your response to this opportunity. You can support this opportunity right now by [clicking here.](#)

Thank you!



Pray
for the couples currently being coached.

Pray
that our awareness efforts will be blessed.

Pray
for our newest coaches who are just taking their first couples.

Pray
for more hurting couples to hear about our program and get help!

Our Sponsors



Table Hosts Now Being Seated!

Saturday, October 22 6:00 pm. Mark your calendars now. MarriageTeam's Annual Celebration Banquet.

Special theatrical performances!
Uplifting stories of healed marriages!

You won't want to miss this year's event.

Admission is FREE. RSVP required.

To be a table host OR to reserve your spot, simply [click here](#) or call 360-450-3181.



Coach Training - Every One Bring One!!

Before you know it, September will be here and that brings the annual fall Marriage Coach training, which this year will start on Sep 30. It is not too early to begin to promote coach training to those couples you know who would make good coaches. If you are wondering about the benefits of becoming a coach couple, [Bob Haskins](#) summarizes them very nicely.

Coach training will also be offered for Salem couples starting on Nov 4 at the Church on the Hill in Turner. You can register for these trainings by [clicking here](#).



It's a strong pick!

The Prestigious Midwest Book Review, which reviews only 50% of the books sent to it, has given Rick and Jane a very positive review in their July edition of the "Small Press Bookwatch."



Marriage Myths

Myth:

The divorce rate among 'the church' is as high as among the 'unchurched'.

Truth:

While the divorce rate remains rather high among church attending population at around 35%, it is less than those who don't attend church. Their divorce rate is around 50%.

Question of the Month

Which country has the highest rate of family breakups?



If you know the answer, [click here](#) to post it to our **FACEBOOK PAGE**.

We'll post this edition's answer in next months publication.



We are also on **Twitter**, if you prefer that. Find us at:

www.twitter.com/MarriageTeam



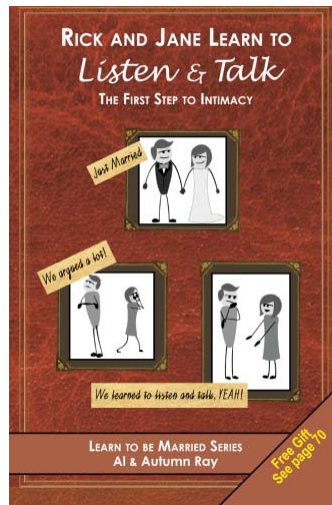
We are SO close now...

New Resources

New Look

New Way of Sharing

Soon MarriageTeam will have a new Web site...



The review says, "Communication is the greatest aspect of a great relationship. "Rick and Jane Learn to Listen and Talk: The First Step to Intimacy" is a book filled with marriage advice to creating good communication skills at any stage of a relationship, working on the same page, remembering that your wife or husband is on your team, and it's best to work toward both of your interests. "Rick and Jane Learn to Listen and Talk" is a strong pick for anyone who feels the love is there but the talking is not."

To find out more or to order copies, [click here!](#)



New Office Manager Joins MarriageTeam!

My name is Carol Perez. I grew up in Wisconsin and received a business degree from UW-Madison. After marrying my husband, Fernando, we moved to Florida. I worked for about six years as a bank internal auditor. We have two sons, Alex, 20 and Michael, 17. After moving to Vancouver in 1993, I was a stay-at-home mom for about 17 years. During that time, I kept busy with volunteer work at church, in children's ministry,

finance and leadership development. I prayed that God would give me a job where I could be who He made me to be. I feel he has answered my prayer. I am currently enjoying the challenge of learning the Office Manager position for MarriageTeam. This week, after explaining marriage coaching to a caller, I was told, "Thank you so much! You have given me hope that my marriage can be better." It's hard not to be excited about a job that lets you offer hope to others on a regular basis. I am happy to be part of the team! I look forward to working with all of you!

Workshop a Huge Success

On Saturday, June 11, Al and Autumn conducted a day long workshop at Western Seminary for counselors, pastors, and lay leaders on marriage coaching. The 13 couple and two single attendees were taught the coaching skills, saw a demonstration and then applied the skills to help another couple resolve a real issue in their relationship. The feedback was extremely

More details to come...

positive. One husband who is a licensed marriage and family therapist in California, a Western Seminary faculty member, and pastor indicated he would like MarriageTeam training for his congregation. Another couple asked for a copy of the MarriageTeam training materials to evaluate them for their church in eastern Washington. A special thanks goes to Chad Hall and Western Seminary for promoting and hosting this event.

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