

Intimate Life Ministries



A training and resource ministry assisting the church in the development of on-going relationship and leadership development ministries.

Key elements in the Intimate Life message include:

- ◆ Our need for meaningful relationships with both God and other people
- ◆ We need to “experience” biblical truth, applying it to the heart as well as the mind
- ◆ God’s provision for both our fallen-ness and our aloneness

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What is a "Parenting with Intimacy" Workshop?

An Intimate Life "Parenting with Intimacy" Workshop provides instruction and direct experience of biblical principles of relationships as they are applied to and experienced in families. Selected chapters of the Intimate Life resource *Parenting with Intimacy* are presented along with opportunities to experience biblical truth right in the session. This workshop will also equip participants in how to begin sharing the powerful principles they have received with others through on-going parenting ministry classes or small groups using the *Parenting with Intimacy* resources.

Each participant will receive a *Parenting with Intimacy* workbook and the church will receive a *Parenting with Intimacy* Leaders Kit which includes: the 8-session *Parenting with Intimacy* Video Series (a \$70 value), the 8-session *Parenting with Intimacy* Audiocassette Series (a \$35 value), the 8-session *Parenting with Intimacy* Teaching Curriculum, with reproducible masters for handouts and overheads (a \$35 value)

WHAT TOPICS WILL BE ADDRESSED?

- God's Design for Family Relationships
- Understanding What Children Really Need
- Knowing and Responding to Your Child's Temperament and Development
- Dealing With Our Own Growing Up
- A "Grace Environment" for Intimacy
- Helping Our Children Resolve Painful Emotions
- Child Discipline = Genuine Discipleship
- Letting Your Child Know You
- Starting a Family Ministry in Your Church

Who Should Attend?

Parents who wish to enrich and strengthen their families. All parents will gain information and participate in exercises that will help them deepen their ability to help children feel loved and cherished. Hurting parents will learn how to restore strained or broken family relationships.

Grandparents who wish to really know and express love to their grandchildren, and appropriately support and love their grown children as well.

Single Parents will especially benefit from practical approaches to loving children that help make the most of their opportunities.

Couples anticipating becoming parents will be well prepared for the challenges of 21st Century family life.

Church staff and lay couples who desire to learn how to start and lead relational family ministry in their church. This training is especially helpful for those who may not have a great deal of confidence in leading parenting classes or groups, yet are perceived by others to have something in their family relationships that others desire.

Participant Comments

What couples are saying about their “Parenting with Intimacy” Workshop experience.

“I wish so badly that I had had this information when my children were younger.”

“I know that it is not too late to make a radical change in my habits and in the lives of my children.”

“I have learned that it is not just what you say to your children, but how you say it! I realize now that when I go home I need to apologize to my son, so that I don't perpetuate the pain and hurt that was passed down to me from my dad.”

“You have taught me how to really consider my children's feelings and to take a closer look at what they need. By God's grace I will make a difference.”

“The information that you have shared with me is invaluable. I trust that it will take me to eternity. I am going to implement this when I return home.”

“Your presentation has greatly impacted my husband and myself. We look forward to enacting these principles in our lives and to extending these principles within our church as a ministry.”

“We now realize the importance of identifying and meeting the needs of our children.”

“Thanks for helping us understand our children. We have fallen in many areas and this has given us the guidance and encouragement we need to get on the right track. This has been an answer to our prayer.”

“Thanks for the enlightenment of parenting our children with kindness and love, for going deeper than the surface in getting to know our children.”

“The sessions and material, I feel, will help to save my relationship with my children.”

“I appreciate the insights both into myself and my kids but love the focus also on my Faithful Father who provides and loves me unconditionally.”

“Thanks for sharing your life and reaffirming the need for us to receive comfort in the process of being able to pass on that comfort to others.”

Benefits of Hosting

Once you have made a commitment to the hosting requirements as detailed in this packet, the first benefit you will receive is a **Host Church Leadership Package**, which includes:

- The 8-session *Parenting with Intimacy* Video Series (a \$70 value)
- The 8-session *Parenting with Intimacy* Audiocassette Series (a \$35 value)
- The 8-session *Parenting with Intimacy* Teaching Curriculum, with reproducible masters for handouts and overheads (a \$35 value)
- 2 *Parenting with Intimacy* workbooks (a \$28 value)
- 100 Brochures* to promote your event.

To assist in the promotion of your event, your church will receive ***100 Brochures** and a **free listing on www.NeverAlone.net** as a church hosting a relational workshop.

*100 Brochures are included in this package. Additional brochures are available for purchase @ \$0.10 per brochure.

Additionally, hosting a "Parenting with Intimacy" Workshop will **benefit your church** in other significant ways:

- Families enriched and strengthened for those who are able to attend the workshop.
- The blessing of equipping lay persons as well as staff members to become integral members of relationship building ministries within your church and in the community.
- The opportunity to bring an ILM trainer into your church to assist you in mobilizing efforts to launch ongoing relationship ministry.
- Receiving the ***Parenting with Intimacy*** ongoing ministry resources – the Church receives the Leaders Kit and each participant receives the resource needed to begin your ongoing courses.

Questions about hosting?

Contact Kim Friesz at 800-881-8008, ext. 226
Kim.friesz@ilministries.org

Workshop Formats

Friday Evening

6:30 – 7:00	Registration & Check-in
7:00 – 9:30	Evening Sessions (Include a short break around 8:15 PM and open resource sales table)

Saturday

9:00 – 12:00	Morning Sessions (Include one break around 10:15 AM and open resource sales table)
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 3:00	Afternoon Sessions (Including orientation for perspective leaders) (Include a short break around 2:00 PM and open resource sales table)
3:00 – 3:20	Final opportunity for resource purchases

Saturday Only

8:30	Registration & Check-in
9:00 – 12:00	Morning Sessions (Include one break around 10:15 AM and open resource sales table)
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 4:30	Afternoon Sessions (Including orientation for perspective leaders) (Include one break around 2:30 PM and open resource sales table)
4:30 – 4:50	Final opportunity for resource purchases

Hosting Requirements

Minimum of 50 paid registrants @\$25.00 per person (\$1250).

The cost for each person registered above the required minimum is also \$25.00, payable to ILM.

Pay for shipping of participant's materials. (This will be included on your invoice.)

Receive shipment of additional ILM resources to offer for sale during breaks and after the event. (This will be shipped separately at ILM's expense.)

Return any unsold resources and money collected from sale of ILM resources at the end of the event (ILM will call tag and pay for return shipment.)

Provide the facility within which the training will take place. The hours required are Friday night 6:00 PM 10:00 PM; Saturday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM. You will also need to provide the following.

1. Classroom-type seating for 60 – 80 people in comfortable chairs.
2. VCR and television/monitor
3. Overhead projector and screen
4. Table for display of additional workshop relevant ILM resources

Cover Trainer expenses, consisting of:

1. Travel expenses. This will vary depending on home base of Trainer couple (will likely be \$150-\$300). *N.B. ILM will work with the Host Church to keep travel expense at a minimum. If projected travel expenses exceed \$300, ILM will contact the Host Church representative to discuss options.*
2. Friday night accommodations. Staying in a "host" home is certainly an option.
3. Intimate Life Ministries will pay the trainer the \$300.00 honorarium.
4. If you are interested in an Intimate Life Ministry staff member as your trainer, the financial arrangements are different. Contact Kim Friesz 800-881-8008 ext. 226 for details.

Coordinate the Saturday luncheon. If lunch is made available on site, charge the participants appropriately (\$3.00 - \$5.00 is fairly typical). This can be an added relational experience and may work best on-site if there are not a variety of easily accessible restaurants where your guests can be served within the hour allotted for lunch. If there are nearby restaurants that fit this description, be sure to provide maps and/or directions in your handouts.

Review and sign Host Church Agreement Form and send with three possible workshop dates and \$250 non-refundable deposit to Intimate Life Ministries. Note: This deposit will be credited to Host Church account at conclusion of workshop.

Intimate Life Ministries will then confirm your workshop arrangements: your date and a trainer couple. See the Galatians 6:6 schedule to confirm the dates the Sr. Pastor or another key ministry leader will attend a retreat.

Abide by the following Cancellation Policy:

- \$250 deposit is non-refundable, once ILM confirms your workshop.
- Host Church may re-schedule workshop. If workshop is re-scheduled, Host Church must compensate Trainer Couple for any expenses incurred as a result of changing travel itineraries. ILM may be required to identify another Trainer Couple.
- If workshop is cancelled, the Host Church will not receive a refund of \$250 deposit. In addition, Host Church must compensate Trainer Couple for any travel expenses incurred.
- If for any reason *Intimate Life Ministries* cancels the workshop, the \$250 deposit will be refunded.

Though not required, we strongly urge you to consider providing childcare and appropriate meal options (even with a nominal charge) for your participants.

Agreement Form

"Parenting with Intimacy" Workshop

We have read and understand the Host Church Packet for the Intimate Life Ministries "*Parenting with Intimacy*" Workshop. We agree to the commitments required as a Host Church, specifically the following:

- Pay registrations to Intimate Life Ministries for a minimum of 50 paid registrations @ \$25 per person - \$1250.00.
- Registrants beyond the minimum: \$25 per person, payable to ILM.
- Payment of \$250.00 non-refundable deposit to ILM, with this signed agreement. (This deposit will be credited to Host Church account at conclusion of workshop.)
- Pay for shipping of participant workbooks to the church.
- Provide the facility in which the workshop will be held.
- Provide the needed equipment specified for use at the workshop.
- Receive shipment of additional workshop-related resources to offer for sale during the workshop. (ILM will ship separately and pay for this shipment.)
- Provide display table for ILM Resources.
- Provide a volunteer to manage resource sales during breaks and for up to 20 minutes after workshop concludes.
- Return all unsold resources and money collected from resource sales to ILM after workshop concludes. (ILM will "call tag" and pay for return shipment.)
- Cover the trainer couple's travel expenses, paid directly to the couple.
- Arrange for Saturday's lunch for all participants.
- Abide by the Cancellation Policy as indicated below.

Cancellation Policy:

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- ◆ Host Church may re-schedule workshop. If workshop is re-scheduled, Host Church must compensate Trainer Couple for any expenses incurred as a result of changing travel itineraries. ILM may be required to identify another Trainer Couple.
- ◆ If workshop is cancelled, the Host Church will not receive a refund of \$250 deposit. In addition, Host Church must compensate Trainer Couple for any travel expenses incurred.
- ◆ If for any reason *ILM* cancels the workshop, the \$250 will be refunded.

Name of Host Church: _____

Address of Host Church: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Please check the appropriate box below:

We have enclosed check # _____ in the amount of \$ 250.00

Please charge our Visa / MasterCard

Card # _____ exp.date _____

In the amount of \$ 250.00.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Preferred Dates: (1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Please send this form with \$250 deposit to:
Intimate Life Ministries, PO Box 201808, Austin, Texas 78720-1808
Attention: Kim Friesz

Or you may fax the agreement with credit card deposit to 512-795-0853.