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Dear Friends and Prayer Partners,

We recently watched the dynamic Christian movie "War Room." I was expecting a story involving the military and warfare. Instead a story unfolded of a husband and wife who were at war with each other and Satan was succeeding in destroying their marriage and family, until the wife was challenged to turn her closet into a "War Room" of intercessory prayer for her husband and marriage. She learned to do battle against the schemes of Satan and see God bring restoration and healing to her marriage. Scripture teaches that believers in Christ are in a spiritual war (Ephesians 6:10-18, 2 Corinthians 10:3-5). Prayer and the Word of God are powerful weapons God gives us to defeat the enemy, but we must learn to use those weapons and "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong" (1 Corinthians 16:13) to see the enemies schemes defeated.

We are very thankful for each of you who intercede in God's War Room for this ministry. We see the powerful results of your prayers and God's working in many who come. Thank you for taking a few moments to read this prayer update and discern how you can stand in the gap for marriages.

Rejoicing in Our Redeemer, Roger and Brenda Daum



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Insights for Relationships by Pastor Roger Daum

There is a great need today for Christian couples with healthy marriages to come along side other couples to mentor them. Mentors are life coaches or disciplers of others. We've already considered two of four qualities God looks for in a godly Biblical mentor.

- 1. Having a problem and working on it.
- 2. Being a learner—Learning how to love and live together in marriage as followers of Christ

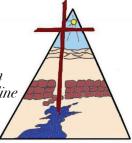
Another characteristic of a Biblical marriage mentor is being willing to illustrate through one's life and marriage the practical application of God's Word. Ezra, an Old Testament teacher illustrated the personal discipline of study, application, and teaching in his life and ministry. In Ezra 7:9b-10 we read that Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the Lord, to practice and teach it in Israel. He was an illustrator of Biblical truths. The Apostle Paul encouraged people to follow his example as he followed Christ 1 Cor. 11:1. Married couples need an example to follow in dealing with their problems in living. You can be an example (illustrator) to them.

To be an effective Biblical mentor we must be personally convinced that Scripture answers every problem in living (including problems in marriage), either in truth or in principle. 2 Tim. 3:16-17 says, "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man (or woman) of God may adequate, equipped for every good work." Your core curriculum to mentor others will be your illustrating how to apply God's Word in your life and marriage.

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Upcoming Conferences

"Essentials For Enjoying Marriage" September 25-26 at East Auburn Baptist in Auburn, Maine. See restorationministriesonline.org/ conference-schedules.html for more details.

A wife writes: We can not express how beneficial the week we spent in Cozad has been for us. We have

grown in our relationship with the Lord and with each other.

A husband writes: Thank you! You have been a part of our journey to freedom and we truly are blessed, for the Lord is our victory!

A couple writes: We just want you to know we are doing wonderful and appreciated the time we got to spend with you. We thank God every day for your ministry of helping marriages and relationships with their struggles. Thank you for showing couples that Jesus can fix anything!

A couple writes: Words cannot thank you enough for your part in God's caring for our hearts. We are eternally grateful for showing us how to care for each other and we are excited to watch God redeem the years the locusts have eaten.

A wife writes: Thank you for the help and encouraging words you gave my husband and me. Thanks for being a shepherd!

Praise & Prayer Items

- 1. For what God is doing in the hearts and relationships of those who respond to Him and His Word. It's been a special blessing this past year to minister to at least 5 couples who are missionaries or in pastoral ministry. The healing of their wounded hearts and relationships is impacting their ministries and those they minister to.
- 2. For those coming for counseling. Many who come have tremendous needs and challenges. Pray they experience the Lord's healing power in their hearts and relationships. Also pray for those who have come to continue to let the Lord have His way in their lives and marriages.
- 3. For God's blessing and anointing upon us as we minister in a large church in Maine through a marriage conference and training leaders and counseling the end of September.
- 4. For Brenda as she and her sister begin another year of sharing life principles (using puppets) with thousands of children throughout Nebraska in school assembly programs. For safety in traveling, for strength and wisdom in sharing.
- 5. Thank God for the opportunity to train Ed and Norma Gaston, our coworkers in the Philippines, who came to Cozad for training in May. God is opening many doors for them to use and share what they have learned with others. (See Philippine Update)
- 6. For God's continued provision for the financial needs of this ministry.

Report From The Philippines:

Ed and Norma Gaston traveled from the Philippines to Cozad for 2 weeks of training this past May. We are humbled to have a little part of equipping these incredible servants of the Lord who are taking what they have learned and using it to train believers and Christian leaders in the Philippines and several Asian countries. Here are a few recent highlights from recent ministry reports:

- Equipping staff with two mission organizations who minister to Muslims in the southern Philippines.
- Our mentoring of parents and teachers in a nearby province sponsored by the provincial governor is getting great results.
- Numerous Christian leaders and their wives who are being trained with the "Equipping People to Help People" materials from Restoration Ministries so we
- can multiply ourselves.
- We will be in 2 Asian countries in of Sept. to train marriage and lay counselors.
- Began the radio school of counseling in the Southern Philippines called "Heart Care". The feedback for the program is very good, and beyond our expectation. The production manager told us he won't be surprised if it gets the highest rating for the next few months. We are amazed at how many had been wanting this training over the air.
- Tomorrow we start a marriage seminar. Please pray for effective ministry among the couples. None of them speak English but we can sense their eagerness to learn. Our translator attended a previous seminar and is also excited over what

God will do. All this is because of the training we got and continued support and partnership through Restoration Ministries. Many thanks.

