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Around the State.....

Dear Pastors:

Florida Church of God Ministries is sponsoring an evening for you. We anticipate it being a time where you are able to ask any questions you may have of us or of Nigel Parker from the Board of Pensions. It will be a relaxed environment of sharing and listening.

We have designated the first week of April and scheduled six regional dinners and want to invite you, lay leaders, and wives to join us for an informal evening to get better acquainted and provide a time for questions as well. The state office is underwriting the cost of these meetings so all you have to do is notify us of your intention to come and tell us how many will accompany you.

The evening schedule is for 6 -9 p.m. Your dinner schedule is found below. We are appreciative of pastors and churches for hosting the evening and providing the facilities.

We need your reservations not later than March 20, 2008. You may contact Fay at the Ministry Resource Center at 407-737-7633. If you have questions regarding this announcement, please contact us.

We are anticipating a delightful evening with you and other congregational leaders. It is our hope you will mark you calendar and commit to joining us one night the first week of April.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gregory A. Wiens
State Pastor

Jacksonville: March 31, 2008
Location: Beverly Hills Church

Perry: April 1, 2008
Location: Perry Church of God

Bradenton: April 3, 2008
Location: Bradenton First Church of God

South Lake Wales: April 4, 2008
Location: South Lake Wales Church

Palm Beach Gardens: April 5, 2008
Location: Church in the Gardens

Orlando: April 7, 2008
Location: Hope Community Church

Send us your news! We want to share the joy with others...send your article and pictures (jpg format please) to rebecca@flcog.org . Articles may be subject to editing.

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John Kaiser Seminar Feedback

Florida Ministries is committed to bringing in quality resource persons to train and develop pastors and lay leaders to make more and better disciples. Recently, Dr. John Kaiser led a Friday Maximum Impact workshop for pastors and a Saturday workshop for lay leaders and pastors on the accountable model of leadership (based on John Carver's governance model for not-for-profit corporations). Dr. Kaiser explained that he is not passionate about church structure. Rather, he is passionate about churches fulfilling the Great Commission. A church's structure can either enhance the making of disciples or impede it and is a means to an end. Here are comments from several pastors.

"Just wanted you to know that the info I received from John Kaiser as far as Guiding Principles, by-laws, and training are what I believe to be probably the most biblical form of information for church organization I have ever seen. I have read a lot of by-laws almost always ending in frustration and disillusionment. The ones from Kaiser go right along with Purpose Driven Model and I think give the church the protection it needs and the freedom for the staff to lead like I have never seen before.

I am anxious to get started. No, I am elated, overjoyed, blown out of the water for the first time since 1978. I feel like a fresh wind is about the blow on our church and even the state if others can catch the vision of the governing model."

Rev. Marty Shea, Lead Pastor, Village View Community Church

"Thanks so much for your work and leadership. I just returned home from the conference with John Kaiser and wanted you to know that his teaching had great impact on the board members I brought with me. It also helped me clarify some issues I have been wrestling with and unable to pin down these last several months. I was energized and I enjoyed a very healthy conversation with my leaders. You have exposed me to so much and I and the church I pastor have benefited from it. This past week was another great example and I appreciate the value you add to my ministry."

Rev. Jack Hilligoss, Lead Pastor, High Point Church, Lake Wales

"Kaiser was very helpful - thanks for your leadership. I learn a lot more listening than simply reading the book. You bring excellent resources to us."

Rev. Ken Bish, Lead Pastor, Church in the Gardens, Palm Beach Gardens



Worship Celebration at Spanish Convention 2008





Florida Church of God Hispanic Ministries recently celebrated "Spanglish Convention 2008" .

Florida State Association Men of the Year Nominations

Dear Pastor ,

Please select and honor an Outstanding Man of God from your Congregation. The loyal, dedicated and sacrificial works some men provide to their congregation and community sometimes goes unrecognized. Each local church is asked to select and honor one man from their congregation as the "Man of the Year". The criteria for selection are up to each local pastor and congregation, as well as gifts and /or presentation for your honoree. All honorees of "Men of the Year" will be recognized during the WCG & MCG convention in Jacksonville. Each church is asked to place an ad of their "Man of the Year," in the convention booklet, including a photo and a brief narrative in the convention booklet.

The deadline for "Man of Year" is March 15, 2008.

Send to:

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Men & Women's Convention 2008
Ad and Sponsors for souvenir program Booklet
Full page \$100.00
Half page \$70.00
Quarter page \$35.00
Business card \$15.00
Sponsors \$5.00
Donations- Any amount
Note: Please add \$15.00 to above price if your ad includes a picture.

Deadline for all ads and sponsors is March 15, 2008 please; your cooperating with us on this will give us time for quality printing service.

Please mail all ads and sponsors to the above address for Minister Alan T. Horne.

Intercessory Prayer Time

A group of us gather weekly on Thursdays @ the FLCOG Ministries Resource Center for a time of prayer for our pastors and churches. If you are interested in joining us for this time, we will begin @ 9AM and go until 10AM. If you have specific prayer requests for your church or pastor, please email those to prayer@flcog.org.

Join us this week wherever you are as we pray for the following "churches of the week":

Lake Placid Community Church- Lake Placid
HighPoint Church- Lake Wales
South Lake Wales Church of God- South Lake Wales

Florida State Men and Women's Convention April 17-20, 2008

"Empowered to serve"
Clarion Hotel and Conference Center
Dixie Clipper Road Jacksonville, FL 32218
Hotel Info: www.jaxclarion.com

Registration: \$100.00 (includes Saturday's banquet dinner)
Hotel rate: \$82.00 per night with breakfast for 2 in a room

Speakers include: Pastor D.H. Dawkins, Senior Pastor, Church of God West Broward; Pastor Gardner of Northside Church of God; Rev. Pamela Gilkes from Church of God of East New York and Pastor J-Anthony Dargan from the New York Congregational Church of God and current President of the National Men's Ministries.

We are asking that all men and boys come in dress uniform of Men's Ministry dark blue blazer, gray pants, and white shirt with burgundy tie and black shoes. Come ready for the Men's March!

On Saturday there will be classes, a golf tournament for those that play, shopping for those that love to pay, topped off with a concert and banquet that night.

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Intimate Life Ministries is committed to doing their part to end the destruction of marriages!

They are committed to:

Provide resources that equip and strengthen marriages.

Provide encouragement and support to ministry marriages by providing FREE marriage retreats for pastors and spouses. If you are a full-time senior pastor, click to find out how you can attend one of our [Galatians 6:6 retreats](#). You can also find out how to invite your pastor to one of these retreats. Call: 800-881-8008 Ext. 206.

Provide valuable training for marriage ministry leaders. Check out our Intimate Encounters

Leader's Trainings. Be sure to take advantage of the early registration price for the March event. Save \$20 if you register by March 14th! Also make special note of our new July date: July 11-12th!

Provide marriage workshops for churches and their communities. Find out how to bring a More Than Married Workshop to your church. Call: 800-881-8008 Ext. 213

Provide information and referrals for marriage small groups, classes and marriage mentors across the country.

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February Special Price \$9.99 each

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Call 800-881-8008 ext. 207 to take advantage of this 10 book special!

Calendar of Events

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Have a wonderful God-filled week!

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