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Chaplain Services

Spiritual, emotional and relationship challenges often seem overwhelming and sometimes separate us from the joy of the Father, but as with all of life's trials and burdens, God often provides clear direction and guidance for overcoming life's circumstances through the advice of wise counsel.

Our Ministry Chaplains are prepared to help and assist you in these challenges through prayer, Scripture, and biblical precepts. Members can access Chaplain Services through a toll-free number, 7 days a week by calling 1-877-872-2735.



Marketplace Chaplains Reach New Milestones in Third Decade of Service



DALLAS, Texas - Marketplace Chaplains USA, a Dallas-based nationwide Corporate Chaplaincy provider, recently entered its third decade of caring for America's workers as the country's only nationwide corporate chaplain program, caring for the needs of men and women in factories and boardrooms all across the U.S.

Heading into the first quarter of 2006, the chaplain care provider now serves nearly 300 client companies in over 1,200 locations covering 37 states and 486 cities.

A total of 1,700 full and part-time chaplains reach into the workplace on a daily basis offering care and compassion to America's hard-working and hard-pressed men and women. There are now 350,000 employees and their family members under the Umbrella of Compassion provided by these marketplace chaplains.

"While numbers themselves are unimportant, the number of people helped by our professional and dedicated Chaplains is truly significant," said Marketplace Chaplains USA Founder and President Gil A. Stricklin, who served as the first chaplain in 1984.

The growth of this unique service provider, which began in 1984 with three companies and a single Chaplain, has greatly accelerated over the last five years. The organization has nearly tripled in size and added approximately 800 chaplains since 1994, 100 in the last two years alone. "We are filling a unique niche in the business world and in ministry by constantly caring for others with compassion, helping hurting men and women of America's growing workforce," Stricklin said.

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There are 67 types of businesses being served by Marketplace Chaplains USA, from Fortune 500 companies to small, family-owned businesses. Pilgrim's Pride, with nearly 40,000 employees, is the second-largest poultry producer in the United States and Mexico, and the largest individual corporation serviced by Marketplace Chaplains USA.

The recent Fall 2005 twin hurricanes, Katrina and Rita, showcased the overarching love and care of the marketplace chaplains, as dozens of these care givers from one end of the Gulf Coast to the other were mobilized to help client company employees and evacuees. "My initial thought concerning Hurricane Katrina and the evacuees was that these people needed exactly what Marketplace Chaplains

USA is very good at, taking care of people on a relational basis, ministering to their particular needs," said



David Weekley, CEO of client company David Weekley Homes in Houston.

A recent McKinsey & Company national study found that employees working for companies who tend to their employees' needs are less fearful, less likely to compromise

their values and more able to throw themselves into their work.

One Marketplace Chaplains USA company, Austaco Inc., one of the largest Taco Bell franchise owners in the U.S., cut its turnover rate from 300 percent to 125 percent after putting Chaplain Care Teams in the company. Also, Austaco was named one of three "elite franchises," by Taco Bell's Corporate Office in Irvine, California.

"In American League baseball, you have the designated hitter (DH). We consider ourselves DH's too - Designated Helpers - to employees across America," Stricklin said.

To contact Marketplace Chaplains USA, call 1-800-775-7657.

The website is: www.marketplacechaplainsusa.com

Communities of Care First Regional Meeting in Melbourne FL

The first regional meeting of AEA's Communities of Care was held in Florida at AEA's Melbourne Campus on January 26-29, 2006. Home fellowship leaders were present from as far away as Maryland and New Jersey with Melbourne, Palm Bay, Merritt Island, Inverness, Crystal River, Gainesville, Saint Cloud, Viera, Kissimmee, and Orlando, being represented from Florida.

The weekend's invited speaker was noted author on the home fellowship movement, Frank Viola who gave a teaching for 10 hours, on the meaning of the Body of Christ and Ecclesia (the called out ones/assembly.) Using 132 scriptures, Viola examined the verses from the original language to shed light on what the church looks like through the eyes of God.



Viola noted at the beginning of the series, research by George Barna stating that over 20 million Christians in America no longer attend a traditional church and his projection that perhaps as many as 50% of traditional churches will no longer be functioning in the coming years. Home church fellowships offer an alternative that may bring many of those back into the assembly so that they may be loved, encouraged, allowed to share their gifts and become equipped to offer Jesus Christ to so many who live in fear, loneliness and despair.

"The Woman is the Heart" Retreat

April 29 - May 2, 2005

The lovely 19th Century Victorian Manchester Inn Bed and Breakfast in Ocean Grove, New Jersey was the setting for "The Woman is the Heart" retreat presented by Virginia Bieber, BCC, MBC, of the Household of Faith Biblical Counseling Ministry. The inn is located between the ocean, the boardwalk, main street shopping, and one of the largest Church Auditoriums on the East coast.



The weekend offered a place for enrichment and renewal for women as well as an opportunity for spiritual growth. The purpose of the weekend was to educate women as to their purpose in the home and in the community as well as in the Body of Christ. The topics studied were:

- Obedience vs. Works
- The Call to Devotion
- A Heart Devoted to God
- How to Become Devoted
- Relationship with Christ
- A Heart Abiding in God's Word
- Developing a Root System in Christ - Jer. 17: 7-8, Ps. 1:3, Ps. 84
- David's Example - One After God's Heart
- Sacrifice of Obedience - Acts 13:22
- The Woman's Unique Purpose
- Keeping Our Hearts
- Spiritual Growth
- The Woman Accentuates the Importance of Her Relationship with God
God's Creation of Man and Woman Differ to Accomplish His Purpose
Prov. 4:23

The group was comprised of 26 women from various denominations. We praised God, worshiped, sang, studied, shopped and fellowshiped together. When we ministered to each other, we were "one" as sisters in Christ.

God moved in the Spirit with a music ministry and an intercession ministry, and spiritual and emotional healing took place in many lives. Days after the retreat, calls came in, as well as verbal feedback during counseling sessions that verified the interaction of the Holy Spirit in teaching and fellowship during those three wonderful days of togetherness. Marriages were healed; friendships restored, unsaid thoughts or repressed emotions were unleashed and expressed openly. Confusion cleared, which led to joyful awareness and self-identification for many. We collectively renewed the tremendous release and comfort to be found in a living, loving, listening God. What a God we serve!

Psalm 27:8 -When you said, "Seek my face," my heart said to You, "Your face, Lord, I will seek." NKJ

Virginia Bieber, BCC, MBC Recognized

Virginia Bieber, BCC, MBC of the "Household of Faith" Biblical Counseling Ministry, was recently given recognition declaring her to be The Longest Standing



Member of the "American Association of Christian Therapists." Her award read in part: "For outstanding leadership in the field of Christian Ministry, by making a difference in the lives of those called by God." This recognition was granted at the AACT's Annual Conference and Assembly, late June of 2005.

During the Conference held in Granbury Texas, Virginia was ordained as a member of AACT's Board of Directors, and accepted the role of Biblical Advisor. As the only guest speaker at their Saturday Night Banquet, she shared the 15 successful years of her Biblical Counseling Ministry of Long Island with a host of attending colleagues and International leaders on why Biblical Counseling versus Christian Counseling.

She is presently in the process of organizing a resource and training program for pastors, counselors, deacons, elders and interested lay people. It will be Credit Certification Curriculum and Virginia is to be its Instructor. The program will consist of four classes which will help add to one's knowledge of faith.

Taken individually, they are intended to work together to learn Biblical Methods of solving problems. There are many interested people on Long Island that have expressed a desire to learn more about understanding human nature and Biblical Counseling Principles so that someday they may be able to pursue an individual Ministry within the body of Christ.

Virginia is in the process of reviewing the Training Program attributes with a number of Pastors in the area.

AEA's India Orphanage To Expand

India's poorest state is Orissa and the poorest part of that state is the Kalahandi region. Dr. and Mrs. Reinhold were driven 9 hours from the nearest two lane paved road to the orphanage sponsored by AEA. In this sea of despair, 32 neatly dressed orphans welcomed the Reinholds' with songs of their love for Jesus.

The youngsters with staff are now housed in a 25x 25 foot building without running water and two bare electric bulbs for light at night. Through the loving concern of members of AEA's Christian Care Ministry and the Medi-Share Program, a new facility is being planned for completion by the end of 2006. The new facility will house 50 children with staff. Pastor Philips Das and his wife Phoebe lead the staff and an evangelistic team of 11 men.



Praying for one another at the conference.

While in India, the Reinhold's addressed two pastors conferences in Raipur and the Kalahandi Region. The Raipur conference included 125 pastors from a 60 mile radius while the Kalahandi Regional conference included 64 leaders. The Leadership Conference organized by Pastor Das was themed, The Harvest is Plentiful but the Laborers are Few.



Dr. Reinhold and AEA Pastor Phillips Das and pastors at Conference in the Kalahandi Region of Orissa, India



Dona Reinhold with Phoebe Das and Indian Christian Women's Conference



Dr. Reinhold with translator Pastor K.C. Gilchrist address 125 pastors at Conference in the Kalahandi Region of Orissa, India



AEA Pastor Phillips Das with wife Phoebe. Dr. Reinhold prayed that Phoebe would have a child nine months from the date of the photo. They have prayed for a family since their marriage began. Word has come that she is with child and due nine months from the photo date.

China Training Center To Begin

By the end of 2006 a new training center is due for completion in highlands of the Southwest city of Dali, not far from the Burma border. Chinese Christians from as far away as Beijing and Kunming will be trained in Chinese Herbal medicine so that they may have a "tent-making ministry" and be welcome as healers in the rural villages of the mountainous regions of Hunnan. The facility will be led by AEA Pastor David Lee in partnership with AEA Pastor Mike Chan. Both Pastor Lee and Chan are heard on Chinese Christian radio in greater Chicago.

AEA President, Dr. E. John Reinhold and his wife Dona flew to China with AEA Pastor David Lee to see the proposed property. Over \$200,000 has been committed by Chinese Christians from around America and \$50,000 by members of AEA's Christian Care Ministry. The first phase will include the acquisition of the property and the completion of buildings existing on the sight. The dorm and class rooms will allow 50 students for each training period. The acreage will also be used to house pastors who were imprisoned 20+ years for their faith. Now in their 80's, many without any support, they will serve in mentor relationships to the students at the center.



The Reinhold's with AEA Pastors Chan and Lee at a prospective property for the Chinese training center near the Chinese-Burma. Pastor Chan far left, Pastor Lee far right.



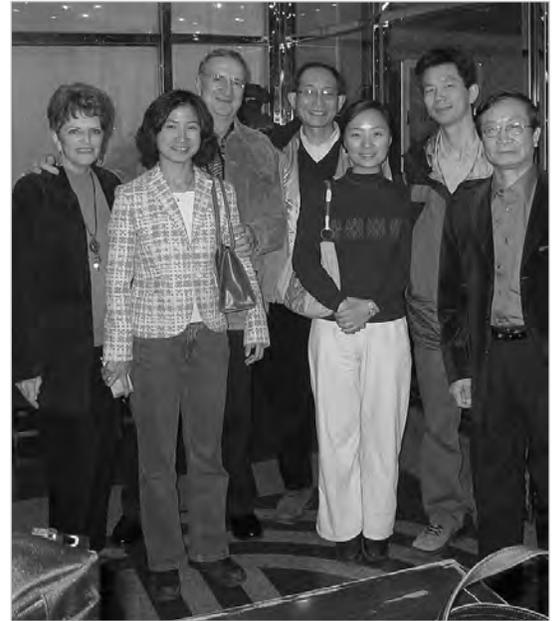
AEA Pastor Mike Chan and wife Carol, President of Majesty Multi-Media Ministries. MMMM has Christian programming in Chinese on Channel 48 in greater Chicago with Chinese outreaches worldwide.



While in China, Dr. and Mrs. Reinhold, Pastor Mike and Mrs Linda Chan, and Pastor David Lee met with believers in the Beijing, Kunming and Dali Christian fellowships. One network represented leadership of over 1,000 fellowships.

"China is moving at a dynamic pace, noted Dr. Reinhold. "Unless American Christians invest heavily in China's spiritual future, we may one day reap the whirlwind. "Now is the time, and AEA will be doing its part to see a harvest for the Kingdom," he added.

AEA Pastor David Lee is spearheading the Chinese Training Center initiative. Pastor Lee appears on Chinese Christian Television Channel 48, Chicago.



The Reinholds' with a Chinese Pastor and wife who had been incarcerated for 22 years at hard labor for his Christian ministry. David Lee on right.



The Land of Beginning Again

By Dr. Marjorie C. Douglas

Thanks to God for all His mercy. We are told in Psalm 37: 12 & 13 that He sits in the heavens and looks down at the wicked and laughs for he sees his day is coming. I am sure that He says, "Those folks down on earth sure do some crazy things." God must say, "Look at that poor lost soul going around in circles like a dog trying to catch his tail and getting nowhere fast." And we, in our human bodies, think that if we get to the other side of the mountain, we will find that wonderful place called The Land of Beginning Again!

We look in all of the nooks and crannies, searching to fulfill our dreams and hoping that our sanity will see us through the obstacles. And then one day we realize that the years have come and gone and our dreams have not filled the deep void in our spirit.

The Land of Beginning Again is in the knowledge of God's Holy Word where all of our mistakes, our heartaches, and all of our poor selfish grief can be dropped like a shabby old coat at the door, never to be put on again. The cross where Christ died is where we find that new life, washed in His blood that He shed forgiving us of all our sins, never to be remembered anymore.

In this tired worn out world, we find our peace and rest in Him, the One who laid down His life that we may have the full measure of life in Him who gives life.

Psalm 91 tells us: "He that dwells in the secret place of the most high shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, You are my strength, my refuge and my fortress. My God, in you I will trust." In Him we have finally discovered The Land of Beginning Again. Through His love and mercy we are made a new person in Christ Jesus.

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