# MARVELOUS FAITH MINISTRIES







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# **Upcoming Events**

The Couples Club presents our **Pre-Thanksgiving**......





Relationship Enhancement Support Class for YOU!!!

BIG Thanksgiving FEAST Dinner, Beverages, Dessert,
"Battle of the Sexes" Game, Discussion Topic led by Ephraim & Anju Abdullah
on "Marriage is BUSINESS", Door Prizes, 50/50 Raffle,
AMC Movie Theatre Gift Card GRAND Door Prize, AND FREE Child Care!!!
What else can you ask for?!

All for JUST \$15 Per Couple!!!

# Sunday, November 18, 2018 6:00PM

8519 Clark Avenue

Cleveland, Ohio 44102

(Held on the Lower Level of Simpson Metro-West UMC)

50/50 Raffle! Tickets just \$1 or \$5 for 6 tickets!!! Winner takes ½ of the pot!!!

Door Prizes for First Timers!!!

Call or Text 216-309-1636 to RSVP especially if you need child care!

BONUS!!! Bring another couple with you, and get a 2<sup>nd</sup> Door Prize ticket entered into the drawing for the Grand Prize!!! Bring a couple under 30 years old and get even



### RESCU

Relationship Enhancement Support Class for YOU!!!

#### Cannon's 50th Gifts

At the October RESCU, we were blessed to celebrate three special occasions in Ohio's "other" Month of Love. In tribute to "Sweetest Day", The Couples Club held a very "special" RESCU Group Session with a candlelit homemade dinner of rotisserie chicken, green beans, scalloped potatoes, and macacorni cheese!! Can you say, "Mmm Mmm GOOD!!"? This dinner was primarily prepared by one of our GREAT resident Club Cooks, Mrs. Fannie Terrell, and boy was it GREAT!!!

Well, in addition to celebrating Sweetest Day with The Couples Club, we also commemorated the 50th, yes, that's right, the FIFTIETH Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John and Doris Cannon!!! The Cannons were our Group Facilitators and speakers for the evening and led us in our Battle of the Sexes Game, but unbeknownst to them, TCC did NOT want to allow such an auspicious occasion to go unnoticed! TCC surprised John and Doris with a \$50 Date Night Gift Card for Dinner and a Movie, a card signed by all in attendance, a nice framed picture of them, and a delicious 50th Anniversary sheet cake, made by "Kakes by Katrina"! The Cannons were rightfully moved and filled with joy and glee! We ended the evening with a special slow dance to John Cannon's favorite love ballad for his wife, Larry Graham's "One in a Million".

Everyone left his event eager to return next month! Hope that YOU will join us on Sunday, November 18, 2018 for RESCU!

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Mr. and Mrs. Stith

# Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Stith

Great Congratulations go out to the former Andrew Stith and Tanisha White in the completion of their nuptials on Saturday, October 27, 2018! The Wedding Ceremony was held at the Mediterranean Party Center in Bedford Heights, Ohio and was solemnized by Elder Marvin Smith of Marvelous Faith Ministries, Inc.

After a seven year relationship, Andrew and Tanisha decided to "jump the broom" and "tie the knot!"

At the fabulously elegant, reception, Mrs. Stith was serenaded by the brothers of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Inc. of which Andrew is a member. Following the serenade Andrew led his bruhs around the dance floor strolling and stepping in great celebration of this occasion that he coined "the greatest day" of his life.

Together, this couple has a total of three young men, Dontae, age 10, Andrew Jr., age 5, and Alijah, who just turned a year old! The next time that you attend an event with The Couples Club, be sure to greet The Stiths with a great BIG CONGRATULATIONS!!!!





In past issues of Love Notes, this was a common article. "Prayer Changes Things". We just want to remind all couples to pray for one another. Pray for all of the couples on our mailing list. Those that you meet at events and outings, pray for them by name. We don't have to know specifically what is going on in their lives but just know that the enemy seeks to steal, kill, and destroy our relationships so we all need prayer and support. Remember to keep all of the couples associated with The Couple's Club in your prayer list. Pray for their relationships, their families, and that God's will be done in their lives. If you would like your special prayer requests listed in this newsletter, please submit them to marvelousfaith@gmail.com before the 20th of each month. Our club's theme scripture is Galatians 6:2, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of the Lord". We are our brothers and sisters keepers!

# 3MB Men Mentoring Men and Boys

#### Vision

Empowering male youth to become positive productive adults while inspiring men to become effective leaders in the community, to assist in filling the gap of the absentee fathers by providing optimistic male role models.

#### **Mission Statement**

To teach and educate male youth and men to make wise decisions and good choices by providing them with mentors, leaders, training, and support through hands-on learning experiences, spiritual education, group discussion, life skills training, social skills, and recreational activities.

3MB Kickback, Fridays 6:30—9 pm for Men and Boys of all ages! Men's Study Group (MSG), 1st & 3rd Thursdays 7 pm Call or text 216-309-1636 to RSVP for more details.

# Relationship Humor

#### WHY MEN ARE NOT SECRETARIES

Husband's note on the refrigerator to his wife: "Doctor's office: Said Pabst beer is normal"

Out of the Mouths of Babes

HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY?

No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before, and you get to find out later who you're stuck with. - Kristen, age 10

You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like the sports, she should like it that you like sports,

WHAT IS THE RIGHT AGE TO GET MARRIED?

Twenty-three is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then. - Camille, age 10

No age is good to get married at. You get to be a fool to get married. - Freddie, age 6

HOW CAN A STRANGER TELL IF TWO PEOPLE ARE MARRIED?

and she should keep the chips and dip coming. Alan, age 10

You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids. - Derrick, age 8

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOUR MOM AND DAD HAVE IN COMMON?

Both don't want any more kids - Lori, age 8

# Relationship Tips

Believe it or Not, Couples, little things DO mean a LOT! Here are a few "little" things that you can do to help KEEP the flame in your relationship!

- 1. Leave a little note for your mate in their briefcase, purse, or lunch bag.
- 2. Offer to do a chore that your mate usually does....or better yet, JUST DO IT.
- 3. GO "Old School" and request a favorite song for your mate on the radio!
- 4. Plan an evening out for just the two of you.
- Bring home your partner's favorite snack without being asked.
- 6. Turn off the TV and ask your mate how was their day.....and then listen.
- Give your mate a back massage.
- Look at your mate and when they least expect it, say, "I love you".







# Men Win It Again



Let's give GREAT "props" or some might say "Kudos" to the men of The Couples Club for being on their winning streak after almost a complete year of Battle of the Sexes Game losses at RESCU Group Meetings, the men have managed to acquire yet another victory!!! The October RESCU game was based on the discussion topic of "His Needs/Her Needs". Each sex was required to make a list of what they thought that the other sex would say that their five greatest needs are. The men won this challenge with a score of 3 to 2!! Way to GO, Men!!!

Now that you KNOW what your ladies need, make sure that you FULFILL those needs!

Pictured here, holding the TCC Game Night Battle of the Sexes Trophy, from left to right are, Mario Wicks, Donald Chatmon, Mike Colvin, Marvin Smith, David Terrell, RESCU first-timer, Roy Smith, Larry Davis, Jr...and given the honor of representing the men of the future, is young Donald Chatmon, Jr.!



Like the Cleveland Browns, the men of TCC are on a new winning streak!...... But don't get too confident, gentlemen, the ladies will be ready to see you again at the November RESCU Group on Sunday, November 18!!!

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# Photo Gallery



"One In A Million" Dance at the October RESCU Group



"His Needs/Her Needs'

John Cannon Sharing



"First-timers" at RESCU! Couples Clubbers James and Deonna White invited FOUR couples this month! Way to GO, Whites!!!







The Smith's 50th Anniversary Card for The Couple's Club!!! PRICELESS!!!



Surprising the Cannons!!! John and Doris Cannon, Celebrating 50 Years of BLISS!



















# "Love Notes" is now BLESSED to have a NEW Editor!!!

MFM posted on VolunteerMatch.org that The Couples Club is in need of an Editor to format Love Notes for us on a monthly basis. Fortunately, Ms. Patti Dillingham of Greenwood, Indiana, which is near Indianapolis, responded!

Patti, who is the mother of two hearing teenage children: Karla Jean who is 16 years old and John Patrick, who is 13, is also deaf. Patti has taught her children sign language and communicates with them that way.

Patti was married for three years many years ago to a man who was also deaf. Currently, although she states that she is ready to "find a nice gentleman one day", she describes herself as a happy single mom with children who "come first"!

Patti is a Christian and attended a Baptist Church as a child. She is seeking a church home with ASL Interpreters currently where her children can learn about "Marvelous God and Jesus" as she says. This is one of the reasons that she was glad to learn of an opportunity to serve God by sharing her skills as an Editor for "Love Notes".



Patti Dillingham "Love Notes" Editor

Although Patti considers herself to be a full-time mom, she works part-time at Kohl's Department Store as an Operations Associate while seeking work in her field of Graphic Design.

Patti graduated from the National Technical Institute for the Deaf in 1988 with a major in Applied Photography. With that background, she held various positions until Smartphones and digital technology made darkrooms extinct.

Patti then went back to school in Louisville, Kentucky, graduating in 1996 to learn about Graphic Design Communications.







Prayer is the key
to Heaven,
but FAITH unlocks
the door!!!





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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RESCU 6 PM	19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving	23	24 November Date Night 6 pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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## The Couple's Club.....Mission Statement

As Christian couples, we seek to unite and fellowship on a monthly basis in support of one another. We desire to have good, clean and wholesome fun in the name of Jesus. We seek to witness to unbelievers in a non-threatening, non-judgmental way, leading by example. We are non-denominational. All are welcome regardless of age, race, religion, nationality, color or creed. Our key goal is to nurture our relationships and "Re-Kindle the Flame".

Our Motto is: Just COME and BRING another couple!

Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. (Galations 6:2, KJV)

