



When was the last time you had a special weekend alone together?

Most couples are busy with work and family. It seems that every moment of the day is planned and there's never enough time to get everything done. When was the last time you had a weekend alone? Consider planning a weekend away just the two of you, to renew your marriage relationship.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is a positive, renewing experience for couples that have a good marriage, but want to make it even better!

What is Worldwide Marriage Encounter?

Marriage Encounter is designed to give married couples the opportunity to examine their lives together. A time to share their feelings, hopes, disappointments, joys and frustrations, and do so openly and honestly in a face-to-face, heart-to-heart encounter with the one person they have chosen to live with for the rest of their lives. It's a weekend to rediscover their relationship. Every marriage deserves that kind of attention!

The emphasis of the weekend is on communication between husband and wife, who spend a weekend together away from the distractions and tensions of everyday life, to concentrate on each other. It's not a retreat, nor a marriage clinic, nor group sensitivity. It's a unique approach aimed at revitalizing Christian Marriage.

Who is it for?

Any married couple that desires a richer, fuller life together. A marriage can never be too good. Marriage Encounter is designed to deepen and enrich the joys a couple shares together, whether they have been married only a short time, or many years.

What happens at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A team of Catholic couples and a Catholic priest give a series of presentations. Each presentation allows you and your spouse a rare opportunity to look at yourself as individuals, then to look at your marriage and relationship to one another, and finally to look at your relationship to God, the Church, and to the world. The weekend starts at 8:00PM on Friday and runs until about 4:30PM on Sunday.

Does the weekend respect the couple's privacy?

YES. The weekend is oriented strictly to each couple. You concentrate on your spouse to such an extent that you are hardly aware of the other couples present. The presentations are given to the group as a whole. After each presentation, the husband and wife have time in the privacy of their room for their own personal discussion.

When and Where?

Weekends are held at hotels and retreat centers. All of the needs of the couples are met at the facility, including food.

How much does the weekend cost?

A \$50 non-refundable registration fee confirms your food and lodging. At the end of the weekend each couple is given a blank envelope and is asked to make a donation. No one is ever refused the opportunity to make a weekend because of lack of funds.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Weekend Reservation Form**

Complete this form and call:

Husband First & Last Name _____	City _____
Wife First & Last Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____	Email Address _____
State _____ Zip _____	Alternate Month _____
Wedding Date _____	
Month Preferred _____	
Husband's Religion/Home Parish _____	
Wife's Religion/Home Parish _____	
Check Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes (\$50 payable to Worldwide Marriage Encounter)
How did you hear about the weekend? _____	
Send me more information about the weekend _____	6/08

couples' responses

The columnist "Dear Abby" has twice written in her column "I highly recommend Marriage Encounter. It's a weekend course for couples whose marriages need revitalizing. It isn't for marriages that are in deep trouble - it's for couples who have lost the intimacy they once enjoyed and seem to be living parallel lives."

Listen to what other couples have said about their own experiences with Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

"This weekend was the most joyous and most stimulating time of our lives. We have had the chance to see how each of us needs to be loved and to give love."

"Having had over twenty years of marriage behind us we thought we could learn little and improve little. We learned much and are still improving."

"Not only did we experience a deep sense of unity and joy during the weekend, but the intimacy and excitement continued after."

"Our weekend was without qualification the most fantastic and moving experience of our lives."

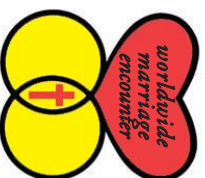
"Our weekend will be a dramatic high point in our lives for years to come."

"Thank you for the most rewarding weekend of our lives. We are looking eagerly to many exciting years together. We wish every young couple could have a Marriage Encounter Weekend."

"We want you to know we thought we had a great marriage. But Marriage Encounter helped make it fantastic!"

Here's what Pope Benedict says about Worldwide Marriage Encounter...

"Marriage Encounter, yes! You are doing such important work in our church, especially in this world we live in. I will pray for you and for your movement."



"Love one another as I have loved you."

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For more information:

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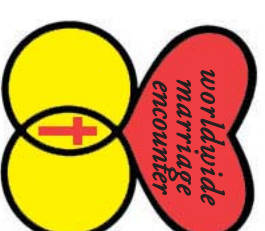
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Or send Name, Address & Phone to office@wmme.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Mission statement:

"Worldwide Marriage Encounter's mission of renewal in the Church and change in the world is to assist Couples and Priests to live fully intimate and responsible relationships by providing them with a Catholic experience and ongoing community support for such a lifestyle"

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**A weekend of discovery...
A lifetime of love**