



GETTING STARTED

With the Marriage in Christ seminar

The Marriage in Christ seminar is a five week program that can be used to support married couples in their vocation. It is easy to follow, with the major presentations on DVD, and scripted notes for the host couple to follow.

The Marriage in Christ Seminar

- Introduces couples to daily prayer together in a simple format that incorporates reading and praying with Sacred Scripture.
- Offers conversation starters to help with communication and simple actions that can become loving habits. Together they work to deepen the love and friendship of the couple and form a powerful antidote to the consumer culture that is pulling married couples apart.
- Encourages couples to invite the Holy Spirit to strengthen their marriage.
- Has an evangelical component and introduces couples to a new or renewed relationship with the Lord. It can be part of an evangelical outreach to neighborhoods and family.
- Has a community aspect. Couples experience the support of other couples in the small groups. At the end of the seminar they often express a desire for more community.

The Marriage in Christ seminar is a tool that can be used for

- Renewal in a church setting
- Support for individual marriages
- Development of a small-group movement
- Activities for established small groups
- Evangelization of neighborhoods

Hosting a MIC seminar requires two simple things from the pastor or church staff

1. Approval to host the seminar in the church.
2. An invitation from the pastor or staff to a couple or a small team of couples to be trained to host the seminar. The training takes about six hours and can be done in their home and at their own pace.

We ask you to consider mature couples with modest leadership skills and a desire to promote marriage and serve the Lord.



Training and support we supply

- Training Guide with introduction to MIC seminar (*six hours and can be done at home.*)
- Training videos and background reading.
- A coach couple to guide the host couples through the training material and to support them through their first seminar. This support can be done on the phone or by email.
- MIC Kit for the host couple that contains **everything** the couple needs to host a seminar:
 1. USB drive with all the material and documents they will need for training discussion facilitators, promoting the seminar, newsletter announcements, follow-up activities, etc.
 2. Convenient checklist to guide the host couple and their team through the whole seminar
 3. MIC episodes on DVD and on the USB drive with copies of the transcript of each episode
 4. Ancillary materials: brochures, pens, tissues
 5. *Marriage in Christ Resource Binder* for the host couple that contains background material, scripted notes to guide the host couple through each session of the seminar, *Discussion Facilitator Handbook*, etc.
- Most materials for the seminar. (*There will be a few things we will ask the church to photocopy.*)

Costs

The training material is \$125 plus shipping per host couple. The MIC Kit contains everything that the couple will need to host the seminar.

The seminar itself costs \$85 per couple. Each couple receives two *Seminar Manuals*, one six week *Follow up Manual* and a small MIC candle. The church is free to adjust the price to cover additional costs for childcare and/or refreshments. The church can also decide if they would like to underwrite the seminar or provide financial aid for individual couples.

Statistics

We have hosted over 130 seminars in 15 states. Over 1300 couples have attended a MIC seminar since 2011.

Website

We invite you to learn more about us on our website www.marriageinchrist.com.

To get started today

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