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# The Winner

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**MAKE 2007 A MEMORABLE YEAR BY JOURNEYING TO THE LANDS OF THE BIBLE**

## **ISRAEL, JORDAN AND THE SINAI**

Would you like a memory-making experience that will profoundly impact your view of God, His Word and your own walk with Him?

An experience you will talk about the rest of your life?

Walt Wiley and Winning With Encouragement invite you to accompany them on an unbelievable trip to Israel, Jordan and the Sinai.



**WHEN?**

**MAY 25 - JUNE 8, 2007**

Is your time limited? How about Israel only?

**MAY 25 - JUNE 4, 2007**



**DETAILS?**

More on this pilgrimage inside ...

Join Winning With Encouragement in

# Israel, Jordan & the Sinai

May 25 - June 8, 2007

The goal of Winning With Encouragement is to encourage

people in their walk with God. Fortunately we have been able to do that in some tremendous places across this great land of ours.

Something we always look forward to is inviting friends to leave this land and travel with us to the actual lands of the Bible. God's Word is exciting in Atlanta, Denver, Columbus and

Erie, but when you read a Bible story standing where it took place, the result is unbelievable. The places you visit cast a tremendous light on the Bible character who was there along with God and what He was trying to do. You leave those places always remembering what happened there and how it affected you personally.

Reading the story of Gideon is great in Abilene, but you should try it while you stand in the very spot where he chose his 300 men. Elijah is Elijah in Montgomery, but he comes to life on Mt. Carmel. Death Valley is interesting, but when you stand in the Valley of Elah, you can sense the presence of David and Goliath. Add to that the events that took place around the Sea of Galilee, in Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethlehem and Caesarea, and you'll never read the Bible the same way. Guaranteed!

Our pilgrimage not only includes all the great sites of Israel, but will feature a journey to the spectacular sites in Petra and a view of the sunrise from the top of Mt. Sinai.

Please go to our website at [www.wwministries.org](http://www.wwministries.org) (select the "tours" tab) and discover all the details surrounding this special opportunity. It would be great to have you come with us on what promises to be a phenomenal experience.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call us at 888-993-1997 (toll free) or email us at [tours@wwministries.org](mailto:tours@wwministries.org).

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## The Wit & Wisdumb of Walt Wiley

This morning I made my regular trip to the local YMCA for my "workout." I'm always amazed at the number of people who gather there so early in the morning. Believe me, I am only there because I believe it's good for me. Do I enjoy it? Heck no, it's hard work. Is there anyone who enjoys this? It's like the guy who said he might consider jogging if he spotted a jogger smiling. Well, take it from me, there aren't many people smiling in the Harris YMCA workout room at 5 a.m. (Okay, okay, maybe there is one, a moosey looking guy named Joey.) This is the kind of stuff you do out of necessity, something you make yourself do. A man got a call from the health spa reminding him of his scheduled workout in the morning. The caller added, "When you come don't forget to wear loose fitting clothing." The man responded, "Look, if I had loose fitting clothing I wouldn't be coming."

I often question how necessary these workouts are. I recently saw a list of things you can do that actually burn thousands of calories and you don't have to go to the Y to do them. And furthermore, they are things you probably do on a regular basis—like jumping to conclusions, beating around the bush, passing the buck and throwing your weight around. And just imagine the calories you burn every day making mountains out of molehills, swallowing your pride, pushing your luck and dragging your heels.

See, there are all forms of exercise. Want a good one that doesn't take a lot of effort and will at the same time amaze you? Try this: While sitting at your desk, lift your right foot off the floor and make clockwise circles with it. Now while doing this, draw the number "6" in the air with your right hand. Notice what happened? Your foot changed directions and it will do it every time. You can keep trying to stop it but there is nothing you can do about it.

All kidding aside, I know exercise is good for me. But even though I know that, I have to discipline myself to do it and I frequently try to talk myself out of it. Think about that! Why would I diligently try to talk myself out of something that is good for me?

But let me remind you of something even more perplexing. The Bible, while agreeing that bodily exercise is good, says that spiritual exercise (Godliness) is better (1 Timothy 4:8). And what leads to Godliness? The answer: Spending time with God. I know I need to do that, I'm well aware of the impact that particular exercise will have on my day and I want to do that. I'm aware that exercise will play a large role in my contentment, my reactions, and my ability to see things from God's perspective. Yet, why is it that I have to work hard at disciplining myself to do it?

Have you worked out today?



**The Look of the Leader Trainers**

In 2007 WWE will host two or three instructor training conferences for *The Look of the Leader*, where you can attend with the purpose of taking the material and teaching it where you are. Be watching for details.

Or to get a heads up please call 877-427-1997 and ask about "the trainers."

**The Envelope**

Enclosed in this edition of *The Winner* is an envelope for your convenience should you desire to assist WWE with a tax-deductible gift. We would enjoy hearing from you this way and would be greatly encouraged. WWE can also receive donations thru their website at [wweministries.org](http://wweministries.org).

**How to get WWE to come to you...**

A man in Tennessee recently asked what many people ask: "How can we get you to come where we are?" The answer is always the same: "We have to be invited." Go to our website at [www.wweministries.org](http://www.wweministries.org) for a list of our offerings and call 877-427-1997 for available dates and details. It's that simple. Looking forward to seeing you where you are.

**Is your address changing soon?**

If so, please drop us a note at [info@wweministries.org](mailto:info@wweministries.org) so you can stay up-to-date with all the happenings at WWE.

**The Tenth Anniversary Celebration**

2007 marks 10 years of full-time ministry for *Winning With Encouragement*, so we are planning a wild celebration on November 2-4 in Atlanta, GA. It will feature testimonies, great music, dinner, a hilarious roast of Walt Wiley, special announcements, and much, much more. Circle the dates for now: November 2-4, 2007!



# Where We've Been

## OCTOBER



❶ Walt and Patti taught the marriage seminar at the First Bible Church in Decatur AL.

Campbell (Regional Director), Bobby Mitchell (Board Chairman), Walt, and Kent Humphreys (President).

❷ Walt and David taught *The Look of the Leader* at the OREUF Teachers Conference held at Victory Christian Center in Charlotte NC. Pictured between David and Walt (l-r) is Michael Pratt, Principal of VCC, and Dr. Tom Agnew, Director of ORUEF.

❸ Walt taught *The Look of the Leader* at the men's retreat for Eastside Baptist Church in Marietta GA. Pictured with Walt is senior pastor, Dr. David Chauncey.

❹ Walt was privileged to speak at the FCCI International Conference in Huntington Beach CA. Pictured (l-r) are FCCI leaders Steve

❺ During "Prime Timers Weekend" at Tuscarora Conference Center (PA), David had a fun time teaching *Finding Encouragement in a Discouraging World*.



## JANUARY



❶ Walt was invited to speak at the Team RFC Staff Retreat held in Mt. Bethel PA. Pictured is RFC President Larry Smiley and Executive Director Paul Neighbors.

Executive Director Tom Agnew and Board Member Donnie Peal visited Fort Sumter National Monument. Walt was not allowed on the excursion because of his known ties to the "northern cause" (born and raised in Chester PA).

❷ Walt and David taught *The Encouragement Seminar* to a group of Christian school administrators in Charleston SC. The event was sponsored by ORUEF. During an afternoon break, David and ORUEF

❸ Braving the snow and cold, David is pictured with Mary and Tim Gair of The Salvation Army in Cincinnati OH where David taught *Finding*

*Encouragement in a Discouraging World* for an Officers' Retreat.

❹ For the second year in a row, David taught a seminar for the staff of Southwest Christian Care in Union City GA (this year it was *Leaving A Legacy*). Although a dedicated and compassionate group, they enjoyed having fun with David by often referring to him as "Doug."

# And Who We Were With

# Where We're Going



# NOVEMBER

1 Walt and Patti taught the marriage seminar at the annual marriage weekend retreat at Harvey Cedars (NJ) Bible Conference.

2 Walt and Patti taught the marriage seminar for the Church of the Open Door of York PA's marriage retreat held in Carlisle. They are pictured with the conference leadership team.

3 Once every five years (1996, 2001, 2006) David has been invited to lead a team building seminar for the staff of Dr. Kenneth Van Dine in Wellsville NY. David is already marking his calendar for 2011!

4 WWE hosted a reunion for Micha Ashkenazi of Jerusalem (our friend, agent and guide for WWE Holy Land tours) while he visited the States. Micha (far right) is pictured here

with (l-r) Jo Shippen (WWE's Board Chair), Ellen Hendrix and Ben Shippen at the Bellmere Garden House in Duluth GA.

5 Over 2000 Christian school teachers watch Walt as he introduces *How to Encourage* in Orlando at a recent ACSI convention.

6 Pictured with Walt is Russell Smith of Grace Bible Church, Binghamton NY, who invited Walt to be the guest speaker for their citywide banquet.

7 Majors Wayne and Cheryl Maynor (front row) hosted David at The Salvation Army Officer's Retreat in Cincinnati OH. Sadly, most in the group did not follow David's instruction "to look surprised!"

## The WWE Quick Reference Guide

Began in Atlanta, GA in 1991 as a ministry to professional athletes.

Reborn in 1997 in Charlotte, NC as a Bible-based seminar ministry.

Speaking and teaching Bible-based seminars worldwide.

Making regular pilgrimages to the lands of the Bible.

Working to encourage people to consider a walk with God or continue in their walk with God.

Supplying people with what they need more than anything else—encouragement.

DATE	ORGANIZATION	EVT	SPK
Mar 2-4	New Song Fellowship Church, Lancaster PA	FEDW	DH
Mar 12	The Salvation Army Officers Council, Oregonia OH	LEG	DH
Mar 19-21	LeTourneau University, Longview TX	MAR	W/P
Mar 23	First Baptist Academy, Naples FL	GEN	WW
Mar 28-30	Evans Roofing Company, Elmira NY	CON	DH
Mar 31	The Salvation Army, Syracuse NY	LofL	DH
Apr 9-11	The Salvation Army Officers Council, Nevada City CA	LEG/GEN	DH
Apr 20-22	First Assembly of God Men's Retreat, Lexington KY	LofL	WW
Apr 28-29	Our Savior Lutheran Church, Centereach NY	MAR/GEN	W/P
May 4-5	Fair Havens Camp Men's Conference, Brooks ME	LEG	DH
May 9-10	CFE, Inc., Raleigh NC	CON	DH
May 15-18	The Salvation Army, Rancho Palos Verdes CA	ENC	DH
May 25-June 8	Pilgrimage: Israel/Jordan/Sinai Peninsula	W/P	
June 17	Ocean City Tabernacle, Ocean City NJ	GEN	WW
June 22-24	PAO Kick-Off Conference, St. Louis MO	GEN	WW
July 13-15	PAO Pacific NW Coaches Timeout, Seattle WA	GEN	WW
July 15-20	Sandy Cove Conference Center, Northeast MD	GEN	W/D
July 28-Aug 4	Maranatha Bible Conference, Muskegon MI	GEN	WW

### EVENTS KEY:

CON = Consulting  
 ENC = The Encouragement Seminar  
 FEDW = Finding Encouragement in a Discouraging World  
 GEN = General  
 LEG = Leaving a Legacy  
 LofL = The Look of the Leader  
 MAR = Marriage Seminar

### SPEAKERS:

DH = David Hodge  
 W/D = Walt & David  
 WW = Walt Wiley  
 W/P = Walt & Patti