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In the past 6 weeks we at Winning With Encouragement have personally talked to hundreds of people. We are not talking about 'how are you' and 'see you later' talk, we are talking about more lengthy, serious conversations on how things are going in each other's lives. Those conversations coupled with the knowledge of what's happening worldwide can become . . . disappointing.



CANADA/ NEW ENGLAND CRUISE:

October 2-10, 2009

Do you want to get away this fall, meet some great people, make new friends and be treated like a king or queen? Walt and Patti Wiley invite you to join them on October 2nd for a night in New York City before boarding the luxurious Princess Cruise Lines on an unbelievable cruise that will help us explore places like Halifax (NS), St. John (NB), Bar Harbor (ME), Boston (MA), and Newport (RI). It promises to be relaxing, memory-creating and fun, and Walt Wiley will lead some teaching sessions while at sea. For general information call WWE at 888-993-1997, or if you are ready to sign up, call our experienced Cruise Counselor Fred Reed, at 800-438-5828, extension 473, for all the options. Don't miss out on this great opportunity.

Know what? We've decided it's time to slip away from real life for a short period of time and do something enjoyable and memory-creating to relieve our minds from the things that tend to be . . . discouraging. We're outta here! We're off to some great places but we don't want to go by ourselves, so we invite you to take advantage of some of these ideas for getting away from it all. Check them out. Come on . . . Let's Go!

ISRAEL:

November 10-19, 2009

Join Walt Wiley of Winning With Encouragement and Jeff Totten, chaplain of the Detroit Tigers, along with their friends from around the country for 8 days exploring the land where Jesus spent His earthly life. We'll be by the Mediterranean Sea in Tel Aviv, spend 2 days around the Sea of Galilee and conclude our pilgrimage seeing all the fascinating sites of Jerusalem. We'll stand at the places where familiar characters once stood and played a role in the stories of the Bible you have read for years. The sites coupled with teaching and devotional thoughts will create life-changing memories. We'd love to have you join us. You can investigate all the details including cost, itinerary, conditions, etc. on WWE's website at www.wweministries.org, or simply call us at 888-993-1997.



GERMANY 2010: Luther Sites and Oberammergau Passion Play (see insert)



Introducing the
E-OGRAM

Need some encouragement?

This summer Winning With Encouragement will introduce a periodic email called the "E-OGRAM" with the purpose of bringing you what you probably need more than anything else . . . encouragement.

The E-OGRAM won't ask for anything, it won't try to get you to sign up for anything, nor is it reporting anything. It will arrive with one goal: to provide encouragement.

To receive it we must have your current email address. If you are not sure that we have that

information, here is what you need to do:

STOP what you are doing right now, **GO** to your computer and **SEND** that information to us at info@wweministries.org.

Hurry, before you forget.



Memories As We Look Back ...

MARCH



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- 1 It was Walt Wiley's privilege to share with the staff of Technocom in Matthews NC. Walt is pictured at the office sign with president Jim Riggins.
- 2 Walt felt fortunate to share with the Charlotte Checkers Hockey players at their chapel meeting organized by team chaplain Tim Donelli. Tim took this picture of Walt and a few of the players.
- 3 *Leaving a Legacy* was David Hodge's topic for The Salvation Army's Soldier Retreat held at Camp Allegheny, PA.
- 4 Pictured with David at Camp Allegheny is the praise team that led the worship time.



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- 1 Walt spoke at the Grandview Park Baptist School and Church in Des Moines, IA. Principal Dick McWilliams (l) poses with Walt along with senior pastor Robert Smith (r).
- 2 Walt was honored to share with a group of students of Charlotte Latin School (NC) and their fathers.
- 3 Pictured with Walt is Melissa Myers (l), director of women's ministries at Church at Charlotte (NC) where he spoke to a gathering of women. Also pictured is participant and friend Mary Prosser (r).
- 4 Baseball was the theme at the Northeast Regional Fireside Meetings of Christian Camp and

- Conference Association (CCCA), where Walt was guest speaker. Bob Strodel (l), executive director of the host camp, Brookwoods Conference Center (Lake Winnepesaukee, NH), and conference organizer Rookie Olson (r), director of Camp Spofford, NH are pictured with Walt.
- 5 *The Encouragement Seminar* was David's topic at The Salvation Army's Territorial Officers Institute in Rancho Palos Verdes CA. The group (pictured in front of a pirate ship) had dinner at Pirate's Adventure one evening.
- 6 David spoke at Walk Thru the Bible's chapel service in Atlanta. Pictured with David (l-r) are Genny Baxley, director of human resources,

- John Houchens, senior vice president for advancement, and Phil Tuttle, president.
- 7 David facilitated *Developing A Winning Team* for the Continuing Education staff of the Western Territory of The Salvation Army. Pictured are three of the attendees (l-r): Major Linda Manhardt, Sid Salcido, and Hope Maxey.
- 8 The Western Pennsylvania Division of The Salvation Army hosted David at their Officers Councils just outside of Pittsburgh. *Finding Encouragement in a Discouraging World* was the theme. Pictured are attendees Captain Elvie Carter and Captain James Jones.

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- 1 Tuscarora Inn and Conference Center in Mt. Bethel, PA hosted their annual Spring Prime Timers Week. Pictured are just some of the attendees of David's sessions on *Leaving A Legacy*.
- 2 George Akselsen (the one who looks like a Viking) presents David with a salmon during the Tuscarora's Prime Timers Week. George serves on the board of directors at Tuscarora and is quite the fisherman! Many attending the Prime Timers week are of Norwegian descent and this was part of the festivities celebrating Norwegian Independence Day.

Partnerships in Ministry ...

JOE GIBBS RACING

Joe Gibbs is a familiar name among sports fans. He has been the coach of 3 Super Bowl Championship teams, he has received Coach of the Year honors, and in 1996 he was enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. He is also a familiar name in another sport, establishing Joe Gibbs Racing in 1996. His teams have won over 145 races and 3 NASCAR Cup Series championships.

Joe Gibbs Racing headquarters is located in Huntersville, NC. With a philosophy that emanates from Joe himself, the organization takes a great interest in the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of all the employees. Bob Dyar has served as lead chaplain for JGR since 1996. He and his staff seek to reach out to 400+ employees by sharing the Gospel, counseling, and personally discipling new believers. They provide daily opportunities to be involved in large and small group Bible studies and spiritual growth groups each week. Bob and his staff also conduct a weekly luncheon for the employees who are served a meal and are challenged with a talk from the Bible.

Winning With Encouragement is proud of their association with Joe Gibbs Racing. Walt Wiley has been privileged to be a frequent presenter at their employee luncheons, and for many years JGR has assisted WWE in its ministry of encouragement.

Chaplain Bob Dyar said this about the relationship between JGR and WWE:

"God has richly blessed our Wednesday Bible studies. Over 100 men and women regularly attend and we always enjoy having Walt here to speak. Our folks love his teaching, his humor, and the encouragement he gives us in our walk with God. Thanks, WWE, and thanks, Walt."

WWE is happy for the encouragement they can offer to the employees at Joe Gibbs Racing and equally as happy for the encouragement they receive from this association.



L-R: Joe Gibbs Racing Team Chaplain Robert (Bob) Dyar, Walt, Assistant Chaplain Brian Martin.

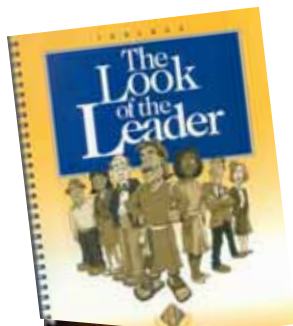
Excitement As We Look Ahead

Check our website at www.wweministries.org for our full schedule and updates.

DATE	ORGANIZATION	EVT	SPK
June 8	Charlotte Latin School Admin. Charlotte, NC	GEN	WW
June 11-12	RHA Howell Corporate Office LaGrange, NC	CON	DH
June 12-14	PAO Coaches Time Out Conf. St. Louis, MO	GEN	WW
June 15	Chick-Fil-A Staff Chapel Atlanta, GA	GEN	WW
June 16-18	Evans Roofing Co./CFE, Inc Raleigh, NC	CON	DH
June 19-21	PAO Carolinas Coaches Time Out Charlotte, NC	GEN	WW
June 22	Chick-Fil-A Staff Chapel Atlanta, GA	GEN	WW
June 29	Chick-Fil-A Staff Chapel Atlanta, GA	GEN	WW
July 11-12	Ocean City Tabernacle Ocean City, NJ	PPZ / GEN	W/P WW
July 25-26	Dogwood Church Peachtree City, GA	GEN	DH
Aug 3-8	Warm Beach Camp Stanwood, WA	FEDW / H-T-E	W/P WW
Aug 10-15	Harvey Cedars Bible Conference Harvey Cedars, NJ	GEN	WW
Aug 27	Church at Charlotte TotTime Teachers Charlotte, NC	GEN	WW
Aug 28-30*	Salvation Army Family Camp Nevada City, CA	GEN	DH
Sept 4-7	Maranatha Bible & Missionary Conference Muskegon, MI	GEN	WW
Sept 10*	Men's Gathering Memphis, TN	GEN	WW
Sept 18-19	Summer Street Church Nantucket, MA	MAR	W/P
Sept 27-Oct 1	FCCI International Conference Naples, FL	GEN	WW
Oct 2	ACSI Teacher Convention Parker, CO	LEG	DH
Oct 2-4	Southlink Church Breckenridge, CO	MAR	DH
Oct 2-10	WWE Hosts Fall Encouragement Cruise from NYC to New England & Canada		W/P
Oct 5-8*	Salvation Army Officers Retreat Monterey, CA	GEN	DH
Oct 11	Washington Redskins Chapel Charlotte, NC	GEN	WW
Oct 13	Covenant Day School Parents Meeting Matthews, NC	GEN	WW
Oct 30-31*	FCCI Regional Meetings Denver, CO	GEN	WW

EVENTS KEY:
 CON = Consulting
 FEDW = Finding Encouragement in a Discouraging World
 H-T-E = How to Encourage Your Spouses
 LEG = Leaving a Legacy
 GEN = General
 MAR = Marriage
 PPZ = Solving the People Puzzle
 WW = Walt Wiley

SPEAKERS KEY:
 DH = David Hodge
 W/P = Walt and Patti Wiley
 * denotes tentative



STUFF THAT YOU CAN TEACH RIGHT NOW FROM WWE

Materials you can use to challenge and encourage your Sunday School class, small group or Bible study. Also can be used in the workplace or at conferences. You'll look and sound good so they'll listen and want to hear more.

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You'll teach 4 observations about significance, 5 criteria used by the world to determine significance, and material to help people realize their importance in the eyes of God. They'll learn how God views things compared to society, 5 things God sees as significant, and that they are more important than they think.

Call WWE at 888-993-1997 to place your order.

(You cannot receive the special sale price thru our website at this time.)

Cost of instructor kit: \$125 each (regularly \$150)

Companion student workbooks are \$6 each

(does not include shipping/handling)

Hurry! This offer expires July 31, 2009

With this update from Winning With Encouragement we have enclosed an envelope. We'd love for you to use it for the purpose of helping us at this time. Your kindness would be greatly appreciated.

(Donations can also be made through our website at www.wweministries.org)

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Not long ago I found myself in my favorite coffee shop stewing over the fact that someone who had promised me something never came through. Since follow-through is a revered quality to me, I felt let down and a little betrayed. Just then I looked out the window and saw a US Postal Service truck go by. Why this thought went through my mind, who knows, but I remember thinking now there is somebody you can count on. I know we find it easy to make jokes about the post office. My favorite Jay Leno joke is something he said after the price of stamps had gone up. He asked, "Do you know why they have to increase the price of stamps? (comedic pause) They have to buy more 'next window please' signs." I think that's funny and it illustrates the way we unfairly poke fun at an organization that in my opinion doesn't deserve it.

Just think about it. I place a letter in a narrow slot in a blue box on a street in Charlotte, NC and 3 days later our son and daughter-in-law read it in Seattle, WA or Mt. Vernon, OH. We take for granted something that's pretty amazing. When is the last time you really experienced something being 'lost' in the mail? Come on! And if that occasionally happened, isn't that understandable from an organization that processes over 203 billion pieces of mail each day? That's 463,000 pieces every minute. I know I sound like attorney Fred Gailey on "Miracle on 34th Street," but it's nonetheless true. The US Postal Service does a pretty good job and I consider them quite dependable.

The dictionary says *dependable* is to be reliable, someone or something you can count on. That's what I expect from

the Postal Service and from people in general. If you say you will be there, be there. If you say it will happen, make sure it happens. That's being dependable, being faithful, being someone who can be counted on.

God's like that, and that's comforting—particularly in these days marked by loss of surety and confidence. He is still dependable. In I Thessalonians 5:24 (*The Message*), Paul describes our Lord this way, "The one who called you is completely dependable. If he said it he will do it!" It may not always be clear and I may be confused by the methods He has chosen in which to do it, but I take comfort in the fact that He is dependable.

How about you? Are you dependable? Do you follow through, show up on time, do what you said you would do and in a commendable manner? What should you be doing right now that you said you would do? Well, go do it! Get it done, make it happen! As you glance over our unsure world, be reminded that no matter what is going on you can depend on God. And the next time you see a postal truck, allow it to remind you of that truth.



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