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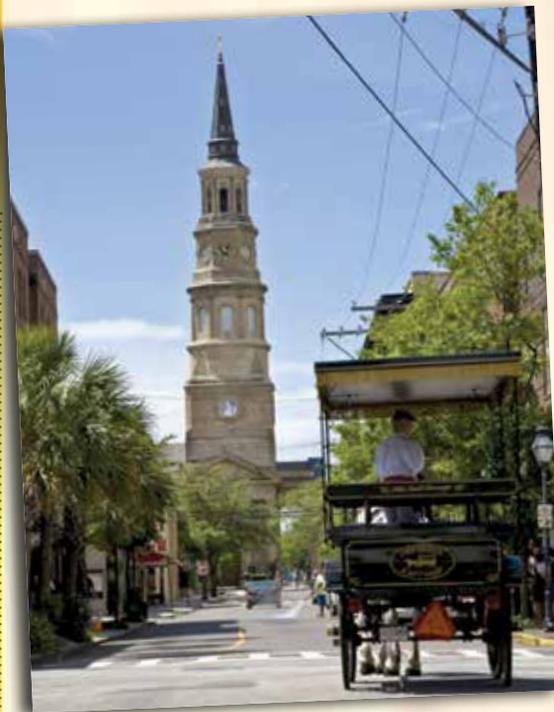
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A weekend you do not want to miss!

Looking for a break or a getaway after the Christmas season? Winning With Encouragement offers a weekend for you to laugh, be entertained, meet some great people, be ministered to, and be encouraged by reports of what's happening at WWE. And guess what? It all happens in the heart of America's favorite city-Charleston, SC. The weekend features 2 nights in one of Charleston's premier hotels. Highlights of the weekend include:

- 2 nights at the beautiful and comfortable French Quarter Inn in the heart of the historic district
- 3 teaching sessions with Walt Wiley reminding you of how important you are to God and how He wants to use you
- 4 meals
- Music and entertainment
- A bus tour of the city
- The unveiling of WWE's latest creation

Limited rooms available, so act now! Details on our website at www.wwministries.org, or call us now at 888-993-1997 to reserve your spot. We're waiting to hear from you!

A Glimpse of the Land, A Look at Your Heart

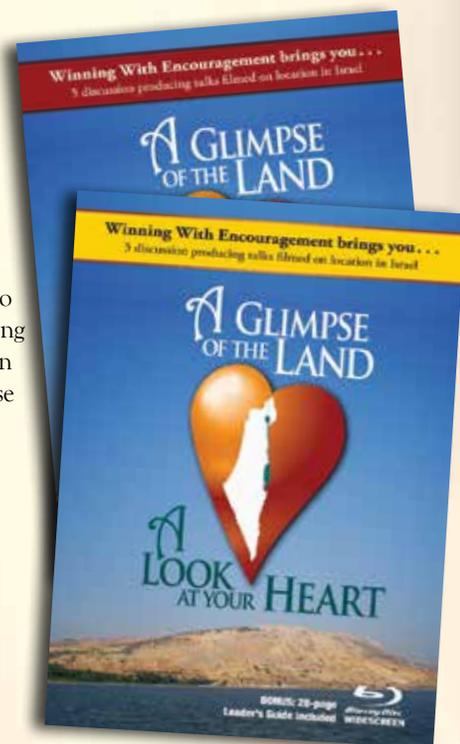
WWE's video series filmed on-site in Israel

This video series available in DVD and Blu-Ray just might be the perfect tool for your existing small group or the one you've always wanted to start.

Released this spring, it has been gobbled up by many who are now using it to educate and stimulate conversation regarding the struggles many of us face as we attempt to live the Christian life. Five sessions aid you in learning about a site in Israel, sense what once happened there and be reminded of a challenge a well-known Bible character was dealing with, ones we face regularly. A leader's guide is included to help the host bring the group together for a lively discussion bound to assist and encourage all those in your group.

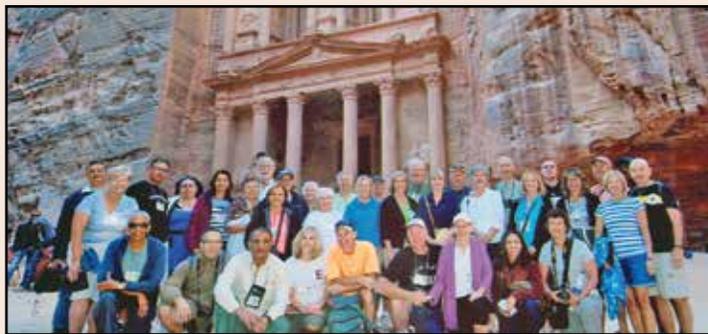
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WWE's October Pilgrimage to Israel and Petra, Jordan

From October 17-28, fifty-two people from across the USA and Puerto Rico took part in the recent WWE pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan. The experience covered 1,500 miles and the group spent time in the Galilee, visited Masada, swam in the Dead Sea, stood in awe in Petra, and of course, walked the path of Jesus in Jerusalem. Here are just a few of the reactions from those who traveled with us:



Standing in front of the Treasury in Petra, Jordan.



Pictured before the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem.

Best experience I have ever had!
- Tracy Wiseman

This trip fulfilled a long-time dream and deepened my passion.
- Bonnie Ferguson

It was the most amazing trip of my life. I will always think of this trip in my prayer life and celebrations. The Bible will be in living color!
- Anonymous

The trip exceeded my expectations. I now have insight that I will carry with me forever.
- Richard Ferguson

It is life changing, even the 2nd time!
- Sue Baker

Memorable, worshipful, well planned. Thank you!
- Bob Ramey

ECHOES IN ISRAEL

An echo is 'the repetition of a sound by reflection'. And that was our theme while we traveled in Israel with 50 people. At many of the sites we visited the people were reminded of a statement once uttered there many, many years ago in conjunction with a popular Bible personality and Bible story. See if you can match the statements listed with the Bible location and character.

"Here are your gods."	Peter at the House of Caiaphas
"Let it be to me according to Your Word."	Jeroboam in Dan
"I perceive that God shows no partiality."	Peter in Caesarea
"But who do you say that I am?"	Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda
"Do you want to be made well?"	Mary in Nazareth
"I do not know the man."	Jesus at Caesarea Philippi

PILGRIM SPOTLIGHT

Accompanying WWE on their recent trip to Israel and Jordan were Dr. and Mrs. Ed Scruggs from Atlanta. Dr. Scruggs is a retired anesthesiologist and he and his wife Ginny now are involved in medical missionary trips assisting and encouraging Christian medical staffs in various parts of the world. The Scruggs have been part of two other WWE trips, and their interest in what they are seeing, their love of laughter and general congeniality add greatly to any trip. Of this recent pilgrimage Ed said, "I loved all of it, especially taking communion in Jerusalem near an empty tomb." Ginny added, "I enjoyed Bethlehem and the reminder of what Christmas is all about. I also appreciated walking the path of Jesus and being reminded of what He did for me."



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Where WWE Has Been

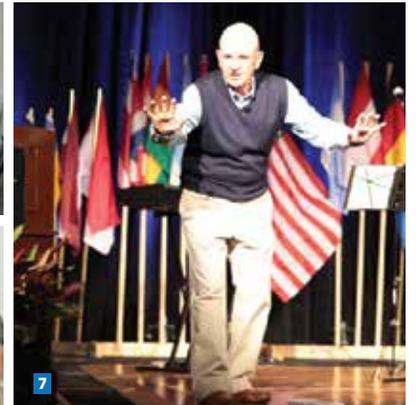


1 Walt and Patti Wiley took part in a Coaches Time Out Conference in Detroit, MI. CTO is a pro athletes ministry to high school and college coaches. Walt is pictured with local pastor and conference presenter, Marvin Williams (middle), and conference coordinator Jeff Totten, chaplain of the Detroit Tigers (right).

2 Walt had the privilege of speaking for a week this summer at Camp Spofford in Spofford, NH at the invitation of camp director Peter Fiorello. Pictured are some of those who were there that week.



3 Walt was invited to return to Harvey Cedars Bible Conference in Harvey Cedars, NJ, where he spoke for a week. This 'Jersey Shore' conference center has been in existence for over 70 years and is directed by Jon Oldham.



4 Walt and Patti Wiley also participated at Maranatha Bible & Missionary Conference, Muskegon, MI for a week this summer. Pictured with Walt is Maranatha's executive director Mark Sumney.

5 Walt was once again invited by Terence Chatmon, president/CEO of the Fellowship of Companies For Christ to serve as master of ceremonies and presenter at their annual conference, this time in Maui, Hawaii. Walt and Patti also taught a breakout session. Walt is pictured here delivering a message at one of the plenary sessions.



6 Patti Wiley is the director of TOT Time, a weekday preschool of Church at Charlotte in Charlotte, NC. Walt had the opportunity to address the faculty prior to the fall semester and is pictured here with the ladies.

7 Walt was able to present *The Look of the Leader* to men who are active in Christian Business Men's Committee in the Charlotte area. Some of the men who participated are pictured here, including the director of CBMC Charlotte Metro Bill Montross (4th from left).

8 Walt spoke to principals and faculty of Childlight schools from around the country at their national convention held in Matthews, NC. Pictured with Walt is Mrs. Bettie Green, director of development at Arborbook Christian Academy of Matthews.

9 Pictured are some of the men who were in attendance at a retreat for men sponsored by Long View Ranch of Mosheim, TN, George and Kay Widmaier, directors. It was Walt's privilege to be invited to share with the men. He is somewhere in this picture.

Where WWE Is Going

DATE	ORGANIZATION	EVT	SPK
Nov 1-3	Harvey Cedars Bible Conference Couples Weekend Harvey Cedars, NJ	MAR	W/P
Nov 10-14	SCORE International Baseball Conf Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic	GEN	WW
Dec 7-8	Catalyst Christian Church Men's Retreat and Sunday Morning Service Lexington, KY	GEN	WW
Dec 13	Hobart Financial Group Holiday Lunch Charlotte, NC	GEN	WW
Dec 25-Jan 3	Israel Pilgrimage		
Jan 10-12	Riverside Presbyterian Couples Weekend and Sunday Morning Service Sterling, VA	MAR GEN	W/P WW
Jan 24-26	Two Rivers Church Men's Retreat Lenoir City, TN	GEN	WW
Jan 31- Feb 2	WWE's Weekend in Charleston, SC	GEN	WW
Feb 14-16	America's Keswick Couples Conference	MAR	W/P
Feb 20-23	Unity Foundation/Faith@Work Lunch Unity Foundation Couples Weekend Alexandria, MN	GEN MAR	WW W/P

EVENTS KEY:
GEN = General
MAR = Marriage

SPEAKERS KEY:
WW = Walt Wiley
W/P = Walt and Patti Wiley



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Two weekends in a row I took part in retreats just for men. I have never been on a women's retreat but I imagine they are quite different from men's retreats. Why? Because men are different from women. Someone once said, "Men socialize by criticizing one another but they don't mean it. Women socialize by complimenting one another but they don't mean it." I noticed that on both retreats men ribbed each other, gave each other a hard time about what they were wearing, what or how much they were eating, which team they rooted for, their vocation and all sorts of things.

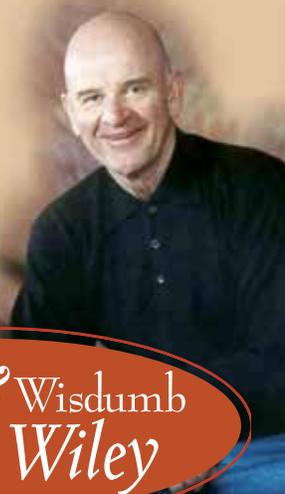
Once when I was going to speak at a women's banquet, somehow or another I got roped into being present at one of the planning meetings. The conversations centered around what people should wear, the event theme, the color of the napkins and tablecloths, the kind of flowers to present to the president, and believe it or not, we spent 50 minutes talking about the table centerpieces--what should those things be and what to do with them at the conclusion of the meeting.

At one men's retreat I recently attended, meals were included but everyone was asked to bring some kind of snack to be used at the breaks. Each participant cooperated and 100 guys arrived wielding chips, cookies, crackers, peanuts and candy; it was quite an array. Everyone tossed their snacks onto two long tables. No napkins, no baskets, no arrangement, no order. When a

guy wanted a snack he simply went to the table, opened what he wanted and left the rest of it sit there. The system seemed to work pretty well. I remember taking a picture of a table piled with snacks. I wanted my wife to see how it's done.

I also recall speaking at an early morning men's meeting in Charlotte. As the men gathered the guy in charge of food arrived with a bag of bagels. He placed the bag on a table, ripped it open and said, "Guys, here's breakfast." Plates? Napkins? More than one knife for the cream cheese spread? Who needs it.

I think of these things when I think of ole Adam standing by himself with a bunch of animals. I guess God felt sorry for him because He said, "It's not good that man should be alone, so I will make a helper who is just right for him." -Genesis 2:18. The woman God crafted was helpful to him. She wasn't perfect, she wasn't like him at all, but she was just what he needed. Whoever said different was wrong?



*The Wit & Wisdumb
of Walt Wiley*