

**WFC**  
*Here To Help*

*Wisconsin Family Council's deep desire is to help your church succeed in its ministry to marriages and families. We share your passion for the family and believe God has called us to serve your church and the families in your fellowship. Please let us know how we can be of help to you.*



*Dedicated to strengthening & preserving,  
marriage, family, life & liberty in Wisconsin*

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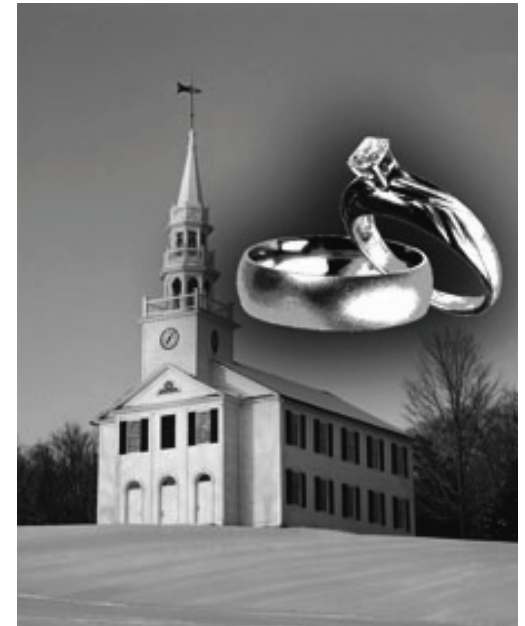
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## Wisconsin Family Council's Marriage & Family Ministry



**M**arriage and family are high-priority items to God. The Bible tells us He established marriage as the first institution. (Gen. 2:24) It was created before gov-

ernment and before the church. God even compares His relationship with His church (His “bride”) to marriage. Scripture makes it clear that marriage is important to God.

Marriage is also important to churches and church leaders. Many churches are recognizing a greater need to invest heavily in marriages and families. Churches with a strong marriage and family ministry find it to be a significant force in church growth and in the spiritual development of believers.

Healthy marriages provide some of the greatest resources for a church. Happily married men and women typically volunteer their time and talents, and also give generously financially. Conversely, unhealthy marriages tend to consume the most resources.

At any given moment, most pastors have at least one married couple they are

counseling. Many pastors spend considerable time and energy in counseling struggling couples in their congregation.

At Wisconsin Family Council (WFC) we too are deeply concerned about marriage and family. We believe passionately that God’s Word holds the key to raising up godly families in Wisconsin. We envision a day when Wisconsin will be filled with healthy families based on the truths of the Bible. Most importantly, we realize it will happen one couple, one church, and one community at a time. The key for WFC is to help each of those groups in this quest.

That is why WFC has launched a Marriage and Family Ministry. The purpose of this ministry is to encourage and equip congregations and communities to value and strengthen individual marriages in their midst.



## Wisconsin Family Council's Marriage & Family Ministry *Resources*

### Couples & Individual Direct Education

WFC can provide seminars and classes in a variety of formats and topical subjects.

- **Healthy relationships**
- **Foundation: God’s design and roles in marriage**
- **Marriage Growth and Development: 5 Love Languages seminar, Love & Respect, Communication and more**
- **Parenting: Shepherding the Heart of Your Children**
- **Stewardship: Good Sense Budget Course**
- **Speakers and Pulpit Supply**
- **Customized education**

### Leader, Trainer or Mentor Education

WFC can provide training for the trainers.

- **Pre-marriage: How to mentor those heading toward marriage**
- **Growth and Development: Couples’ Small Group mentors**
- **Marriage Mentoring: How to mentor all marriages in the body**
- **Stewardship: Good Sense Counselor Training**
- **Customized Education**

### Ministry Planning and Development

WFC can assist churches that want to add a marriage and family ministry or expand an existing ministry.

- **Marriage and Family Ministry creation and development**
- **Training for lay leaders**
- **Implementation of couples’ studies**
- **Implementation of Marriage Life Cycles services**
- **Assistance with implementing the core elements of a Community Marriage Agreement**
- **Special events strategy and planning**
- **Creating marriage and family specialty events for community outreach**
- **Customized planning and development**