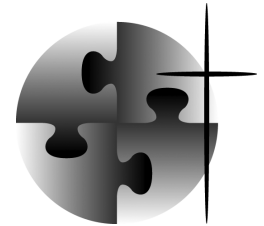


Christian Counselling Ministries News



May 2005

From the Board Chair

We are fast approaching our year end when we review and report at our annual meeting, May 26 @ 7pm at Crossroads Baptist. As a Board we have been involved in Strategic Planning, identifying five key areas. They are: daily finances, stabilizing finances, satellite offices, purchase of building and youth ministry centre. Through much prayer and discussion with input from the Capital Campaign Commit-

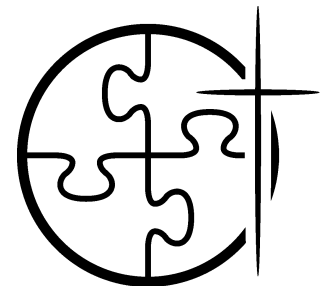
tee, it was decided to not establish a youth ministry centre at this time and to not buy the building. With grateful thanks for their efforts the CCC is now disbanded. Since we have had two requests to establish satellite offices this is under serious consideration. In this coming year we are diligently working on daily finances and coming up with a marketing plan which will broaden our donor base.

Your ongoing support through finances and prayer are deeply appreciated. One of the causes for celebration this year is that our Commitment to Growth is growing. This is the plan where donors give monthly through a Pre-Authorized Remittance to their account. It is a steady and known contribution. If you would be interest in becoming this type of donor or increasing your PAR please contact our office. Blessings on you as we labour together for God's glory in bringing others to wholeness.

Jacquie Ross,
Board Chair

Thanks

Although it was a cold, windy and rainy on Saturday, April 30th, 2005, the turnout for the yard sale at 40 Teakwood Court, Bible Hill was marvelous. Thanks to all who donated items, as well as those who helped organize the work during the days before the day of the sale. A Big thank you goes to Ken and Lois Phillips for holding this yard sale at their home once again. The total raised exceeded \$1400.00.



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HIGHROCK YOUTH MINISTRIES

It has been a time of decision making for HighRock Youth Ministries. And truly there have been times that we have wished God would write out his plan on the wall! At other times His answers have been so clear that it was as if He had. But even knowing you are doing the right thing does not eliminate the stress that change can bring.

Due to numerous factors, the transition period at Life Uncensored has been a rough one for all involved. Yet, even though there have been significant challenges we remain optimistic that "all things will work together for good" and are beginning to see some stabilization occurring. Our greatest need, of course, is to find community businesses to partner with us in the expense of printing the Life Uncensored magazines. Without some quickly generated funds, it may not be possible to continue Life Uncensored the way it now

runs.

A second area that has required change was in regards to the proposed youth center. Though time and energy were being invested by the Steering Committee, there were many factors working against our progress. After much discussion and prayer, a decision was made last month to put our plans on hold. Though many may view this as a set back, we rest, confident of God's perfect timing, knowing that He will unfold the plans He has for us in due time.

Interestingly, in the midst of shutting down one project, God was opening yet a bigger door for us in the schools. A new component was added to our days of ExtremeTalk with a power point presentation on Extreme Behaviors offered to all junior high schools, as full grade assemblies. Exploring subjects that involve increased levels of risk taking - such as tattoos, body piercing, risky

sexual behavior, self-harm and even extreme sports - discussion centered around assessing the level of risk and knowing when one had crossed the line into unhealthy, and potentially dangerous, behavior.

These presentations were done in conjunction with running the ExtremeTalk workshops in all four of our junior high schools. 180 individual workshops sessions were run for grade 8 and 9 students during a two-month period, covering 14 different topics. Many continue to be amazed that we are not only allowed in the schools, but actually invited in! That said, we fully recognize that this day would not have been possible without the assistance of numerous volunteers from various community organizations and the welcoming reception of administrators in local schools.

One final change that should be mentioned is the decision to return the responsibility of planning

monthly/quarterly rallies to the churches. These events spurred the birthing of HighRock Youth Ministries; however, with the continual opening of new doors for us in the community it has become necessary to give back the vision of these inter-denominational events to those who began them.

So, as Spring brings with it the changes that naturally occur with this season (for surely the weather will warm sometime before July!), we are pressing forward, desiring to learn and grow from the changes that have come our way. It is true that HighRock Youth Ministries is constantly evolving; but our reason to exist and our source of strength remain the same - the Lord, Jesus Christ. And so we press on with anticipation of wonderful surprises around each new corner.

After all, "Life is a Journey". We need to expect a few bumps along the way.

Tanya L. Fifield, Director

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