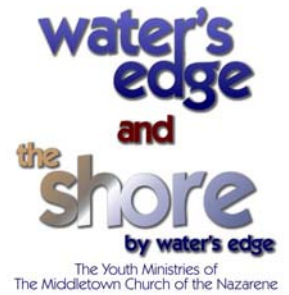


Water's Edge Youth Ministries

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March 19, 2008

Dear [PARENTS' NAMES],

First, I would like to thank you for allowing [CHILD'S NAME] to participate in our 2008 True Love Waits program at the Shore and Water's Edge. As we have said all along, we consider it a privilege to play a part in this important aspect of your child's upbringing.

As we discussed at the outset of this program, the culmination of our campaign will be the True Love Waits ring ceremony for teens and their parents. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the details for this event. Originally we scheduled the ring ceremony for Sunday, March 9. However, due to the snowy weather we have had to cancel two sessions, which means we have to push back that date yet again. The new date for the ring ceremony will be Easter Sunday, March 23. Again, I apologize if this change creates inconveniences for you. Unfortunately the weather has not cooperated with our plans this year. If it is impossible for you to be here Easter Sunday, and would still like to participate in a public ring ceremony, please let me know as soon as possible and we will make every attempt to make accommodations.

The ring ceremony is designed to give teens the opportunity to make a public commitment to living a life of sexual purity, and to give the child's parents and faith community an opportunity to celebrate and affirm that commitment.

The True Love Waits pledge states: "Believing that true love waits, I make a commitment to God, myself, my family, my friends, my future mate and my future children, to a lifetime of purity including sexual abstinence from this day until I enter a Biblical marriage relationship." During our final teaching session campaign we explored the meaning of that pledge phrase by phrase. Teens were invited to make that pledge, or if they had been a part of one of our previous TLW campaigns to reaffirm the commitment they made in the past. Last night, [CHILD'S NAME] indicated that they were reaffirming their previous commitment.

The ring ceremony will take place in our 10:30 am main sanctuary worship service. (Since it is Easter Sunday, that service will be a unity service.) During that service those students like [CHILD'S NAME] who have made a True Love Waits purity pledge in the past will be invited to reaffirm their pledge and to stand behind those making a first time pledge in support and encouragement. Then we will invite all the teens who wish to make a public commitment to purity to come forward. We hope you and your son or daughter will participate in this special service. The example they set and the

encouragement their presence provides to those making first time commitments is important.

If you have any questions about the True Love Waits campaign, or about the ring ceremony, I can be reached at the church office (354-2327), on my cell phone (XXX-XXXX) or by e-mail (pastorbuhro@gmail.com).

Once again, thanks for allowing Water's Edge Youth Ministries minister to your child, and for allowing your child to be a part of our ongoing ministry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Buhro". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Pastor Bradley Buhro
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