

# BEGINNING EXPERIENCE®

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# Ministry Update

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*Team Presidents: Please share this information with your board and team.*

## **Next Executive Director Named.**

As you probably know from a recent e-mail sent to all local team board members, Yvonne Stoops has been named the next Executive Director of Beginning Experience International Ministry, Inc. Yvonne will finish her teaching contract the end of June, relax for a couple of weeks, and begin her new role with the ministry as Executive Director-Elect in mid-July. We anticipate a five- to six- month transition period for training purposes and to move the International Ministry Center to Connecticut where Yvonne lives.

Yvonne is the former president of the Connecticut team and the current secretary of the International Board of Directors. She will resign from the International Board to assume the position of Executive Director.

The recently remarried mother of a son who will graduate from college in June, Yvonne made her initial weekend in Long Island, New York several years after her divorce and then started the team in Connecticut. She is exceptionally well-qualified for the position and I know you will enjoy working with her.

Watch for an announcement to all team members in the next electronic newsletter, "In Motion."

## **Save a Date for a Regional Conference.**

We are trying something new this summer for North American Regional Conferences. Each of the members of the International Board will hold a shorter conference someplace centrally located in the region. The program will either be one day or will span a Saturday-Sunday from approximately noon-noon. We believe this format will make the conferences less expensive to hold—and therefore less expensive to attend with an approximate registration fee of \$125—and we hope it will be convenient for more teams and team members.

With the theme "Celebrating the Vision in a Time of Change," the program will focus on the changes occurring in our ministry while maintaining our focus on mission and will cover the same topics at all locations:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New executive director</li><li>• New brochures</li><li>• New weekend manuals</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New website features</li><li>• New program and resource materials</li><li>• Avoiding the fiscal cliff</li></ul> |
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We plan plenty of opportunity for you to share your experiences with the new materials and ask questions about them. We plan, too, time for prayer and fun!

Dates and locations so far:

- May 18 - Omaha, NE - Archdiocesan Retreat and Conference Center
- July 6-7 - Fremont, OH - Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center
- July 20-21 - Cullman, AL - Sacred Heart Monastery and Retreat Center
- July 27 - Danbury, CT - venue to be announced
- Date to be announced - University of California Newman Center
- Date to be announced - Fargo, ND venue to be determined
- Date to be announced - Texas location to be determined

As always, thanks to each of you for your service to God's suffering people. You are the HEART of Beginning Experience!

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## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE® WEEKENDS

We ask your prayers for the team and the participants on these weekends coming up soon.  
If you would like to send a message of support, the contact information is also listed.

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Team</b>                   | <b>Team Contact</b> |                             |
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