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

Several Regional Conference Choices Still Available

Share your experiences implementing the revised <u>Manual for the Beginning Experience</u> <u>Weekend for Presenting Team</u> and the new <u>Coordinator's Manual</u>, learn about new programs coming this fall, and take advantage of a hands-on opportunity to try out new web site features!

These are among the program topics at Regional Conferences to be held in the coming weeks at various locations around the country. **Registration forms for conferences near you are being sent out by e-mail to all members of your team, and are available on the web site.** Coming up:

July 20-21 - Cullman, Alabama at Sacred Heart Monastery and Retreat Center

Presenters will be Anna Sweat, International Board member assigned to teams in Region 2 (Louisiana and all youth and children's teams), and Ian McDonald, International Board member assigned to teams along the East coast.

July 27-28 - Sacramento, California at California State University Sacramento Newman Center

Presenters are Steven Oldham, past International Board president, and Brenda Szynaka, International Board member assigned to Arizona, Hawaii and teams on the West coast.

July 27-28 - Danbury, Connecticut location

Presenters will be Yvonne Stoops, Executive Director-Elect, and Ian McDonald, International Board member assigned to teams along the East coast.

August 10-11 - Houston, Texas

Presenters will be Rob Rumph, International Board member assigned to teams in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona; and Anna Sweat, assigned to teams in Louisiana and the youth and children's teams.

<u>August 24-25 - Fargo, North Dakota</u>

Presenters will be Jay Fredrick, International Board member assigned to teams in Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota and Kathleen Murphy, Executive Director.

Your August newsletter will be from Yvonne Stoops

Our Executive Director-Elect, Yvonne Stoops, comes on board mid-month, and will be writing the newsletters from this point on. She is looking forward to communicating with each of you and learning more about each of your teams as she begins the transition fully into her new responsibilities

And as I transition out of my responsibilities with the ministry, I want to express my pleasure at having had the opportunity to serve this wonderful ministry for the past eleven years. I'll be leaving with rich memories, especially of team members I've met and worked with, a sense of accomplishment for many of the new tools and revised materials in place, and with an awareness of the many challenges the ministry still faces. But change is very the nature not only of Beginning Experience, but of life as well. I know that together, you and Yvonne will work through the tasks ahead successfully.

My prayers are with each of you; may God shed his blessings on each team and on His ministry to grieving people.

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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.

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