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Dear Fellowship Partners,

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One of my favorite moments of ministry is celebrating those who have completed our programs. Taking Back Ground and the Upper Room has recently come to completion and we honored those who have faithfully walked through this difficult process. We celebrated all the participants by honoring them with certificates of completion at our year-end event. We also had a special dinner, at my house, for the interns and their loved ones. This is the first time we gathered family members (and girlfriends) together to fellowship with one another, and it turned out to be a wonderful evening.

As the celebrations come to an end, we begin to look forward to the coming months. June, in the Pacific Northwest, is a good time of the year. Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) begins to be replaced by sunlight and warmth, and as we come out of hibernation, we begin meeting our neighbors once again. In addition to this, June is also a time of preparation for the summer program at Portland Fellowship.

Each summer, we offer an informal time to gather and continue in the process of encouragement and growth. This year, we are excited to have two of our interns, Julie Kirchhoff and Cole Atkinson, lead our summer program. Julie and Cole both completed the Upper Room program and the Taking Back Ground program and have a desire to give back the encouragement they have received. We, as a staff, are pleased by their love for the Lord and their heart for the sexually and relationally broken. The following is their invitation to this year's summer program:



This year's Summer Series is called "Deeper Foundation". Our hearts desire for this program is to take participants to a whole new level of understanding and relating to God in all the facets of their lives. We will be using a variety of video teachings to cover a range of topics with the goal being to create an unshakable foundation of who Christ is to us and in us. We want to look at the deep places of our lives - relationships, identity, forgiveness - and see God's desire and design to be at the center of them all. In addition, we will walk through the Armor of God verses to help guard and protect the things we learn over the summer.

We also have a great heart for this to be a place of deep communion as the body of Christ. We want this to be a time for community, and a way to learn and grow with one another. We want to provide a space to stay connected to the things and people we love in this ministry. So please come and enjoy the riches of fellowship as we deepen our foundation in Christ, our God who loves us.

"He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to captives, and freedom to prisoners."

ISAIAH 61 : 1

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This summer program is open to all those who are friends of Portland Fellowship. The program this year will be on Wednesday evenings from 7:00PM to 8:30PM, from July 9 through August 27. We encourage you to sign up for the program online by visiting, www.portlandfellowship.com and click "sign in". Log in, or if you are new, create an account. If you have any problems or don't care much for computers, please don't hesitate to call the office.

In Christ,


Jason Thompson
Executive Director

Also, as a reminder: **Restored Hope Network's** annual conference will be held in Portland, Oregon on June 27-28, 2014. We are pleased to have Dr. Crabb as our keynote speaker. Dr. Crabb is a well-known psychologist, conference and seminar speaker, Bible teacher, popular author and founder/director of NewWay Ministries. Other speakers include Dr. Joseph Nicolosi and Drs. Earl and Sandy Wilson. The conference will also have 26 workshops taught by ministry leaders and counselors from all over the country.



Registration and details can be found at: www.restoredhopenetwork.org

prayer

Please pray for the men and women who have completed the Taking Back Ground program. Pray they will continue to walk closely with the Lord and build upon all they have learned and received.

Please pray for the Upper Room Interns. Some will be moving on, while others will continue to support and minister at PF in the coming year. Pray for protection and direction for each of them.

Please keep the staff and leadership of PF in your prayers throughout the summer. Pray for rest on their vacations and wisdom in their planning and preparation in the coming months.

scheduling announcement

Portland Fellowship's Family and Friend's support group, **Hope Group**, will be meeting the 3rd Friday of the month in June, July and August. If you have not signed up for monthly reminders, please do so by visiting the Portland Fellowship website: www.portlandfellowship.com and register and sign up for the Hope Group under "Programs". Please call us with any questions.

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events calendar

June 20

Family and Friends Group
For those who have a loved one involved in homosexuality and want guidance, encouragement and personal support. 6:30 p.m.

June 25

rhn membership day
A gathering of member ministries of Restored Hope Network.

June 26

rhn leadership day
For leaders, pastors & counselors to learn and connect.

June 27-28

rhn annual conference
Annual Hope Conference.
www.restoredhopenetwork.org

Speakers, counseling, youth support and personal support:
can be arranged through the office.

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