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STEVE DOUGLASS REPORTS THAT SPIRITUAL MOVEMENT BUILDING CONTINUES IN THE BAY AREA



For five years, our San Francisco Bay Campus Metro Team has wrestled with incredibly challenging demographics. California has the largest student population in the United States, and most of these transient, economically challenged and very busy students go to community colleges. Their schedules and lack of time have been two major barriers to planting and sustaining movements. After repeated failures to launch new movements, the Metro Team asked something simple and profound. "What is the smallest group of people that can still have the dynamics of discipleship and growth?" They answered,

"Three."

The resulting Groups of Three strategy (called a G3) is about groups of at least three people, meeting about three things: Giving, Growing and Praying. AG3 meets once a week for about an hour to follow a simple format that fits on a one-fourth sheet of paper.

The members ask, "Who has God put in your life to give away the gospel to?" and "What is God teaching you?" The weekly hour is the culmination of what is already happening spiritually in their lives. Then they pray together for the people they've shared about and for continued growth in the things that God is teaching them. G3 groups tend to grow quickly and relationally. By the time they reach six people, with some coaching, the group "pops." Hopefully they form three groups of two, and each group then trusts God to provide a third person. It's just one hour a week, but the students feel part of something bigger than themselves.

At San Jose State, a G3 has strongly influenced the radio and film department. One student, Oswald, recently had the opportunity to share about Christ in

front of his class. This one group quickly planted about eight more G3s in the department. Conservatively, there are G3s on at least 20 campuses in the Bay Area. Clearly, the G3 strategy is multiplying. It is simple, intrinsically motivational and relational. When people begin to act on the question "Who has God put in my life to give away the gospel to?"

Amazing Grace

On February 23 a movie depicting the story of William Wilberforce, the Christian member of Parliament who fought to end the slave trade in England. It also shows the relationship between Wilberforce and John Newton— who wrote the hymn *Amazing Grace*. This story is moving and challenging. We'd like to encourage you to support the Christian filmmakers and see this film. Watch the preview at :

<http://www.AmazingGraceMovie.com>

YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED

Marshall— On February 12 I was hit by another car while driving to school— his fault. Praises that no one was hurt; just the cars. Please pray that God gives me wisdom as I work out the repairs on the car and deal with the insurance company.

Elaine & Corey— Pray for a job for Elaine. Corey is being considered for a promotion . Please pray for that as well. Also, please pray for Corey's brother Erik. Who has been having some gastrointestinal problems. He has been seeing a GI specialist. Erik suffered from cancer several years ago.

Tim & Judy— Please pray for what promises to be an extremely busy ministry month coming up in March. We will be doing 3 FamilyLife conferences. The first will be in Destin, FL the weekend of March 9. We premiered this conference last year and it feels great to be asked to do it again this year. The second conference will be in Lake Mary, FL the weekend of March 16. This is really the Orlando Conference which we have done every year. This year they will have the conference on two weekends back-to-back in the same hotel. The last will be the Atlanta Conference. This conference also will occur on two weekends back-to-back in the same hotel. Pray for lots of good ministry and that God would touch many lives.

FamilyLife Ministries is Celebrating the Big

FamilyLife recently celebrated 30 years of ministry. From the beginning, their mission has been to effectively develop godly families that change the world one home at a time. Here is a brief look back at the milestones of those 30 years.

Conferences: In 1976, Campus Crusade began Family Ministry to provide pre-marriage seminars for its staff members. FamilyLife opened their marriage conferences to the public in 1978. By 2006, approximately 100 FamilyLife conferences and events were being held each year in almost every major city in America.

Radio: The radio program *FamilyLife Today* began on Nov. 28, 1992, and is now broadcast 1,255 times each day on 585 stations to an audience of 1.5 million listeners each week. It is also aired in 12 different countries.

Print: FamilyLife's publications have been printed in 47 languages or dialects. About 1.9 million copies of the HomeBuilders study alone have been printed. In 1996, the Internet site, www.familylife.com, was launched. In 2006, the site logged more than 3.4 million visits.

International: In November of 1991, FamilyLife began its international ministry with a trip to Russia. Currently they have ongoing ministries in 76 countries, 14 of them being led by national staff members.

Resources: Since 1976 more than 1.5 million people have attended the FamilyLife Conferences and even more have used our resources. From bible studies to Resurrection eggs, FamilyLife offers the tools needed to build strong homes.

Current Staff members: 477
Headquarters: Little Rock, Arkansas

