









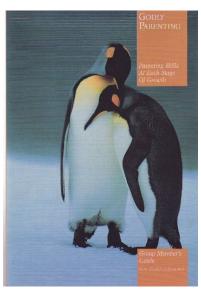
August 2012 Newsletter

Godly Parenting Classes Start September 10th!

Amaris Ministries will be hosting parenting classes beginning Monday, September 10th, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. They will be held in the "Family Room" in the fellowship hall of Christ Community Church, on the corner of 6th and Orange in El Centro (across the street from the Amaris Ministries office). Childcare will be provided.

Betty Predmore of WOVEN will be facilitating the first 6 weeks of the classes, which will be based on the Turning Point produced workbooks called Godly Parenting. This curriculum addresses parenting skills from the time of conception until the child has reached adulthood. It suggests methods for raising healthy, godly children in an increasingly secular society. Specific emphasis is placed on communication and teaching skills, discipline, protection and sexual issues at each age.

We are very excited to announce that the Godly Parenting curriculum has been approved to fulfill the requirement by the County for 12 hours of parenting classes in order to become licensed to be a foster parent and to foster-adopt. A certificate of completion will be issued at the end of the 6 week course.



Nightlight Christian Adoptions out of Orange County is NOW certified to do home studies in Imperial County. They have been working with the state for quite a few months to be able to do this in order to work with Amaris Ministries, so we are very excited about this great opportunity! Now, when a couple from Imperial County wishes to do a private, independent adoption, a social worker from Nightlight will come to Imperial County to do the home study for them.

More Great News: After the 6 weeks of Godly Parenting, Amaris Ministries will continue the parenting classes with mate-

Class size is limited so be sure to call and get your name on the list so we can get your workbook ordered. Workbooks are \$25. If the class fills up, your name can be added to the waiting list for the next time we offer it. Call our office at (760) 337-9444 for more information or to sign up for the class.

Also, if Monday evening in El Centro does not work for your schedule, Betty also facilitates the class at the following times:

Mondays at 1:00 pm at the Turning Point Life Center in Holtville Tuesdays at 2:00 pm at the WOVEN Center in Brawley Thursdays at 1:00 pm at the Real Hope Center El Centro

Call Betty directly at (760) 791-4794 for more information on the above three classes.

"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6



Orphan Sunday: November 4, 2012

On Orphan Sunday, Christians stand for the orphan. We celebrate adoption, foster care, and global initiatives that reveal God's heart. Christians are a people called to defend the fatherless...to care for the child that has no family...to visit orphans in their distress. On November 4th, 2012, thousands of events echo across America and around the globe, all sharing a single goal: that God's great love for the orphan will echo in our lives as well. Orphan Sunday is your opportunity to rouse church, community and friends to God's call to care for the orphan. Please mark this date on your calendar and keep your eyes out in our September Newsletter for different ways you can get your church involved in Orphan Sunday.

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