



## THE MAUPIN MESSAGE

FamilyLife Ministry: Developing godly families, who change the world, one home at a time

Summer 2018

### Summer and Fall Blend with Birthdays

**W**hat an amazingly swift Summer 2018 has been for us! We have one more family birthday to celebrate (Joey hits 28 on September 20) which will wrap up 6—six—significant birthdays since our 34th wedding anniversary on July 22. As I am writing this, Susie has just celebrated her (shhh) 60th (Sept. 2) birthday. Here's the recap:

July 24, our granddaughter, McKayla, turned 6; August 9, granddaughter, Paisley, turned 1; August 11, Brian reached 30; August 16, grandson, Junior, hit 3; August 26, granddaughter, Skylar, made 5 (a whole hand!) and then Susie's b-day on Sept. 2, finally joining me at, well, that ripe age that is now known as the new 40 (caveat to that claim: it comes with the assurance that 9 p.m. is the new midnight). Its been a blast celebrating these achievements. Whew! While all that was going on, FamilyLife had staff training July 25-26 and I spent a few days on the road Aug. 15-22 and Aug. 25-26.

I managed to spend a couple of days with my Mom, 92, who

lives in New Port Richey, FL. She is looking great though has back pain which is nearly constant. It was also great to visit with both of my sisters, Martha, who lives with Mom, and Julie, who just celebrated her 65th birthday on Aug. 14. I also enjoyed a brief visit with my Uncle Bill and Aunt Patty.

While in Chicago, 17 members of the volunteer team with whom Susie and I serve came out for training on discovering group coordinators in advance of **the current 1/2-price registration sale which runs through midnight September 24**. During this sale, couples can register to attend ANY Weekend to Remember getaway and save 1/2 off the cost. The benefit of having a group name (**established at <http://gcmobile.familylife.com>**) is that every time 5 couples register using your active group name, you earn a FREE couple's registration that you can give away or use yourself. What I lead the volunteer team to do is contact those who have active group names so they'll

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#### Travel Plans

#### FY19 Events

**Save the Dates! The Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 event schedules have been finalized and the Weekend to Remember getaways for the cities we currently oversee are all set.**

**St. Louis, Dec. 7-9, 2018 at the Hyatt Regency at the Arch Hotel; Tulsa, February 22-24, 2019 at the Renaissance Tulsa Hotel and Convention Center; Chicago-Oak Brook Hills, March 29-31, 2019 at the Hilton -Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort; Chicago-Lincolnshire, April 12-14, 2019 at the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort.**

## Prayer and Praises

- † Please pray for Joey, who is looking for a job while he and his wife, Brittany, are expecting twin baby girls due in January. Pray the Lord will meet all their needs according to the riches in Christ Jesus.
- † Pray for Dan, who is still seeking reliable transportation that meets his needs (inexpensive/free).
- † Pray for harmony among our children as it remains difficult to find a way to get everyone together at one time. Beyond the size of the group (18 people, including grandchildren—two more coming in January) there is additional opposition that continues to plague planned family gatherings. Pray for healing and for healthy family relations.
- † Please pray we would manage well the travel demands that the role of FamilyLife Live Events Ministry Representative brings to our marriage and family. As we set our schedule for the next several months, pray we, too, would make time for one another.

## Fall 1/2-price WTR Registration sale Going On Now

Planning to attend or invite those you love to attend a Weekend to Remember getaway? Now is the best time to register as FamilyLife's 1/2-price registration sale runs through midnight September 24. Establish your own group name at <http://gcmobile.familylife.com> or use Maupingroup to access the savings. After Sept. 24, using a group name will save \$100 per couple off the regular registration rate.

## Summer Fades as Fall Fast Approaches



The Chicago Weekend to Remember Volunteer team at this year's getaway.

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know two basic things: 1) the 1/2-price sale dates; 2) that couples need to use their group name to get the added benefit of earning FREE registrations. For example, we have a group name, Maupingroup, and anyone who registers to attend any WTR will save \$100 per couple just by using Maupingroup when they register (either by phone at 1-800-FL-TODAY or online at [www.familylife.com/weekend](http://www.familylife.com/weekend)). During the sale, however, couples save \$50-\$75 more and there's no need to use a group name to get the savings. However, the registrations won't count toward earning a FREE couple's registration if the group name isn't used. That information is

what our volunteer teams get to share with those inviting others. If you'd like to earn FREE couple's registrations, you can establish your own group name or use Maupin group (see details at bottom left). Also, **our financial partners can attend at special discounted rate as a thank you for your faithful financial partnership.** Call, text or email for details. We're praying for full ballrooms of people who will hear the life-changing message of Jesus Christ. We'd love to see you in St. Louis, Dec. 7-9; Tulsa, Feb. 22-24; Chicago-Oak Brook Hills, March 29-31; or Chicago-Lincolnshire, April 12-14. We appreciate your prayers and partnership. Thank you for making a difference!