

## PRE-MARRIAGE INFORMATION

We believe that marriage is a sacred gift from God and a lifetime covenant (permanent arrangement) between two people. It is our desire that couples approach marriage according to biblical standards and in a way that is pleasing to God. In this regard, we ask that you accept the following:

- Believing that God has intended that Christians marry only Christians, we require that both bride and groom individually have accepted Jesus Christ as Lord of their lives. (*2 Corinthians 6:14-16*)
  - Believing that the sexual relationship has been designed and intended for Marriage, we ask that you agree to abstain from any sexual relationship until after the wedding. Furthermore, believing that living arrangements that include cohabitation prior to the wedding is a compromise of your Christian witness, we ask that you agree to separate living arrangements until the wedding. (*1 Corinthians 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13*)
  - Believing the Church is God's greenhouse to grow strong marriages, we ask that you find a place of involvement in His Church, the Body of Christ, and pursue a lifestyle of faithfulness to your church family. (*Hebrew 10:19-25*)
1. You must be an active member of Guts Church for at least six months prior to the wedding date.
  2. **There is a minimum four (4) month waiting period from receipt of this application.**
  3. Future Bride and Groom must complete the following applications and schedule an appointment to take a pre-marriage inventory. Bring a \$35 check payable to Life Innovations prior to taking the inventory.
  4. The couple will attend at least four fifty (50) minute pre-marriage sessions **BEFORE** any wedding details will be confirmed.
  5. A pre-marriage recommendation must be given prior to a pastoral commitment from a Guts Church minister.
  6. Upon recommendation, you will meet with the Special Events coordinator to confirm wedding date, presiding minister, complete facilities request form and discuss procedures and scheduling.
  7. **Invitations should not be ordered until recommendation has been made and the wedding date is officially scheduled on the church calendar.**
  8. Any further questions should be directed to the Pastoral Care Department of Guts Church.

## BRIDE QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ How long employed? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you born again? \_\_\_\_\_ How long? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a member of Guts Church? \_\_\_\_\_

List area(s) of involvement at church:

\_\_\_\_\_

List two references that attend Guts Church:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Groom: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known each other? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you dated? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been engaged? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you and your fiancée involved in premarital sex? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been previously married? \_\_\_\_\_ For how long? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any children? \_\_\_\_\_

When is your desired wedding date? \_\_\_\_\_

Where is your wedding to take place? \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Minister to perform service: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe your fiancé: what are some of the qualities of this person you want to marry?

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Remarriage: If married before, what led to the divorce and how will this marriage be affected? What process have you gone through to recover from the devastating effects of your divorce?

## GROOM QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ How long employed? \_\_\_\_\_

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How long have you been a member of Guts Church? \_\_\_\_\_

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