RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND - NOVEMBER 1, 2009

COUPLE COMMENTS

Female: "I had no idea what to expect this weekend. My marriage was dead and this was our last straw. We were living apart and my heart was in so much pain. My husband and I had failed in every way to communicate. All we did was argue every time we tried to talk.

This weekend has been a resurrection of love. We have been given the tools to communicate. WOW! We actually did communicate! Retrouvaille has saved our marriage. My husband is coming home with me tonight. Thank you, God, for directing us to Retrouvaille. We did find each other. Our love was on life support and now we are alive with love and believe in trusting and being honest with each other. Thank you and God bless."

Male: "Before this weekend I was dissatisfied with marriage but had no way of improving it on our own. After this weekend with all of the tools we now have due to Retrouvaille I am much more confident that the faith to a better marriage is much clearer and that success is attainable. Thank you so much!"

Female: "We came to Retrouvaille not knowing what to expect and with the thought that we are not a marriage crisis as such but that we could enhance our relationship on Friday evening already. I had heard enough from presenters that made it clear to me that we had more issues than we were aware of. I have cried a lot and we have talked and talked about what changes we need to make to be able to confidently say our marriage is not 'in crisis'. We are in awe of all the presenters here who courageously told us of their most personal hurts and the raw pain that was conveyed humbled and moved me and reduced me to tears. We have benefited 100% from coming here."

Male: "Retrouvaille has given us the tools to move forward with our lives together. The discussions and dialogues that took

place over the weekend are more than has taken place in a long while. I am now learning to understand my spouse's feelings, my shortcomings, our goals and the love we have for each other."

Female: "The weekend was very good in bringing us together to actually talk to each other. We had been arguing for some time and then totally ignoring each other, each going into our own spaces. Retrouvaille brought us together to actually 'hear' what the other was saying which is different than listening. We managed to put away the past and start to heal and trust each other again, giving our marriage a strong basis for continuation long into the future. Thank you to those leaders who gave so much of themselves so that we can see what is needed in our lives."

Male: My spouse and I really enjoyed the weekend together. I thought it was very well thought out and the sharing by designated couples was truly invaluable. It was great to know we weren't alone. Overall, (this was) a wonderful program to help us start again. There was a nice balance with spiritual side as well."

Male: The weekend has been extremely beneficial to me personally. My marriage was in chaotic unmanageability. This was almost a last resort. The agenda has been set up with a lot of thought. Many people are extremely hurt and the stories are very soothing. Care has been taken not to unjustly point fingers or make judgements for either spouse. I have not been able to open up to my spouse like this in 3-4 years. Thank you so much for providing me with more tools to enable our relationship to get back on line and flourish."