

Greetings!

We are so excited that you have decided to begin your journey together as husband and wife with spiritual guidance. The Bible says, *"Without good direction, people lose their way; the more wise counsel you follow, the better your chances"* (Proverbs 11:14 MSG). We are here to ensure that your chances at a lasting marriage, filled with love and happiness, are great. That begins with you . . . are you up for the challenge? I ask this because living an enjoyable and abundant marriage requires a continual commitment to God and one another. Right now, you are excited about the wedding, and you should be. Keep in mind, the wedding is just an event, but the marriage is a lifetime process of merging two lives. Know that you need one another to live the dream called "Happily Ever After". Even greater, you need to build your marriage on the unshakable foundation of the Word of God. So, attend each of your counseling sessions with a mind to grow, an open heart, and a will to fight.

As you make a commitment to walk through this entire process, I believe you will discover a love affair and intimacy worth chasing after.

In Christ,

*Bishop Larry Taylor &
First Lady Desetra Taylor*

Senior Pastors & Founders



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Service Times

SUNDAY

Morning Glory: 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM
Sunday School: 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Worship Service: 10:45 AM - 1:00 PM

TUESDAY

Chosen Campus Outreach
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Intercessory Prayer: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Bible Study: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Sunday Worship In the Summer

(June - August)

SUNDAY

Sunday School: 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM
Worship Service: 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM



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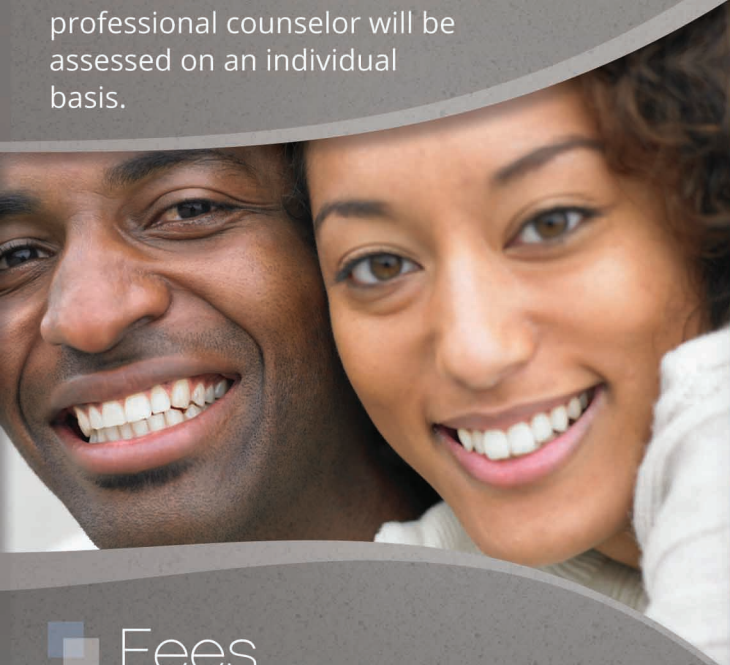
Pre-Marital Counseling

Committing
to God and to one another
Eternally

What To Expect

Premarital Counseling is a 10-week process of interactive sessions where couples have the opportunity to engage in conversations and activities to enhance their relationship. There are a total of eight (8) sessions, in addition to a two-week assessment period. Sessions are held weekly for the duration of two (2) hours.

Couples are required to complete all sessions prior to the wedding ceremony. Couples with special needs or circumstances that require more sessions with a minister or professional counselor will be assessed on an individual basis.



Fees

The premarital counseling program **cost \$250**, which includes pre-marital counseling assessments and materials. Our hope is that by investing a small amount of time and money, you will be assisted in exploring areas of strength and growth in your relationship.

Program Requirements

Premarital counseling is an opportunity for couples to candidly share their hopes, and expectations for their marriage in a safe environment. Most couples only come to counseling after they are experiencing major problems. Our premarital counseling program is preventative as we strive to provide care and instruction to relational issues before they arise.

REQUIRED GUIDELINES FOR SESSIONS

- Must complete and return premarital counseling application, assessments, and fee prior to the start of the session.
- Must have read the premarital counseling brochure.
- Must attend and actively participate in required sessions in its entirety prior to ceremony

Listed above are the required guidelines for all couples requesting to be married by Bishop Larry Taylor or any other Center For Hope Ministries' ordained ministers. No ceremony will be performed without the completion of sessions offered through premarital counseling.

Sessions

Session One/Two

Soul Mate Assessments

Session Three

Getting to Know You

Session Four

Communication &
Emotional Intimacy

Session Five

Personal Differences



Session Six

Conflict Resolution

Session Seven

Spiritual Intimacy

Session Eight

Relating with Money

Session Nine

Sexual Intimacy

Session Ten

Final Assessment

Who Is This For?

Although this is a premarital counseling program, newly married couples (2 years or less) that have never attended a premarital program are also welcome to participate. In an effort to make the premarital counseling process run efficiently and effectively, we recommend that you begin your counseling sessions at least six (6) months prior to your wedding date.