



Dr. Jerry and Lynn Jones



We members of the church of Christ at Fairgrounds are committed to the building of healthy, Godly relationships and marriages. We are hosting Dr. Jerry and Lynn Jones for this purpose so that you and anyone you bring can be uplifted and strengthened by their popular national conference entitled Marriage Matters in Troy, MO.

This incredible conference full of wisdom and advice is free to all who attend, and has been presented over 300 times and helped countless people, whether single, married, divorced or widowed.

This conference is for EVERYONE, so please join us Oct. 8-11, 2017 for Marriage Matters!

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Please join us for...

Marriage Matters

*A Conference Providing
A Practical and Spiritual
Guide for Marriage*

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**Fairgrounds Road Church of
Christ**

**290 Fairgrounds Rd, Troy, MO
63379**



This dynamic teaching couple brings unique experiences and exceptional qualifications to the Marriage Matters conference. Jerry's education includes two master's degrees and a doctorate. His forty-plus year teaching ministry has taken him to 43 states and six foreign countries and includes 17 years of teaching at Harding University. Lynn's education and experience includes a master's degree in clinical psychology, clinical practice and seven years of university-level teaching.

Jerry and Lynn married in 1995, the second marriage for each. Jerry's 35-year marriage ended in 1994 with the loss of his wife after a five year battle with cancer. Lynn's 23-year marriage ended in divorce in 1993.

Jerry and Lynn will openly share their insights and experience in this series of vibrant and sometimes humorous sessions designed to benefit any individual or relationship.

Jerry and Lynn will help you...

- Understand and address the core issues in personalities and relationships,
- Learn the skills necessary for communication and conflict resolution,
- Recognize and target the origins of depression,
- Resolve anger,
- Develop insights in how to really love and forgive yourself and others

Providing a Practical and Spiritual Guide for Marriage...

The Servant Heart – Jerry

The model for all Christians is Jesus who came to the world in the form of a servant. Many problems which plague the home and relationships can be traced back to the absence of a servant heart. Any time individuals are in a marriage for what they can get instead of what they can give, the relationship is headed for trouble.

Recovery from Death and Divorce

The common denominator of both death and divorce is loss. The two major issues that often prevent recovery are failure to forgive and inability or unwillingness to establish a new dream for one's life. Designed for those who have endured loss and for those who desire to better understand the grieving and rebuilding process, this very powerful and authentic presentation draws not only from Jerry and Lynn's professional expertise but from their personal experiences.

Parenting 101

How often have parents looked at each other and said, "All we wanted was a baby to hold." Parenting adds a whole new dimension to individual lives as well as to a marriage, and while the blessings are many, so are the responsibilities and potential heartaches. The question in child rearing is not "How can we rear a good child?" but rather "How can we be good parents?" This down-to-earth yet often humorous presentation provides insight for parents of all ages.

God's Ideal Marriage

God is the "author" of marriage. While there are no perfect marriages, lasting marriages are unified, God-centered, and emotionally intimate. This realistic and entertaining presentation underscores the necessity of common goals and values if a marriage is to thrive.

Affair-Proofing Your Marriage

No marriage is immune to an affair. "It can't happen to me" is Satan's lie. Anyone can be emotionally or physically unfaithful if the foundation for fidelity is not firm and God-centered. Inherent in this forthright and informative presentation is a six-step model describing how good people become entrapped in webs of lies and deceitfulness. While controlling the choices of a spouse is impossible, one can determine the moral direction of his own life by establishing and maintaining sensible boundaries.

Please Listen To Me (Part 1)

Surely "clean house" means "clean house." Perhaps — perhaps not! No one sees the world exactly like another, and often the same words have different meanings. Central to healthy communication is an acknowledgement of each individual's distinct perceptions and ego defenses. This dynamic and humorous session explains that different does not have to mean "wrong" — it usually just means different!

Please Listen To Me (Part 2)

The inability to deal constructively with anger is a major barrier in communication. Determining the source of anger is essential in learning to process it. Learning to "listen" to what lies beneath the words is also crucial if good conflict resolution is to be developed. Full of energy and common sense, this presentation is guaranteed to help you see yourself and those around you more realistically.

Unrealistic Expectations ("This Is Not Quite What I Expected")

Young people usually enter into marriage with very distinct ideas about what the marriage will be and what roles each spouse will play in the marriage. Soon after the honeymoon this youthful idealism begins to give way to the realities of married life. Self-esteem, perfectionism, criticism and depression often become

issues at this time. Working with the origins of these mindsets and seeking realistic resolutions to them are fundamental as the individuals seek to modify their expectations in themselves and the marriage.

Trouble In Paradise: Pornography

This thought-provoking and professionally presented session defines and addresses the origins of all addictive behavior and provides the scientific data explaining sexual addictions. Having grown to epidemic proportions via the internet, pornography is often considered the "secret sin." Unless addressed and treated its addictive powers have a devastating impact on individuals and relationships. The session concludes with the practical information necessary to break out of its bondage.

Loving Your Mate Through The Seasons Of Life (Part 1)

People change throughout their lifespan, so to assume that a marriage will remain the same is erroneous. It, too, will go through different transformations, and each season of a marriage presents special challenges. To maintain a healthy relationship, the couple needs to be aware of the emotional pulse of each other and of the marriage throughout the years.

Loving Your Mate Through The Seasons Of Life (Part 2)

Indicative of the servant heart that permeates a Christian marriage is the desire to know the needs of the spouse and the willingness to adjust to try and meet those needs. What are the needs of husbands and wives and how practically can they be met? Guaranteed to make you laugh while you learn, this energetic session provides the answers!



Conference Schedule

Sunday — Oct. 8

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Classes
 - Women of God — Lynn Jones
 - Men of God — Jerry Jones
- 10:30 a.m. Worship: *The Servant Heart* — Jerry Jones
- 3:00 p.m. *Recovery from Death or Divorce**
- 4:00 p.m. *Parenting 101**
(*"All We Wanted Was a Baby to Hold!"*)
- 5:00 p.m. Break (light supper)
- 6:00 p.m. *God's Ideal Marriage* — Jerry
- 7:00 p.m. *Affair-Proofing Your Marriage**

Monday — Oct. 9

- 6:30 p.m. *Please Listen To Me (Part 1)**
- 7:30 p.m. *Please Listen To Me (Part 2)**

Tuesday — Oct. 10

- 6:30 p.m. *Unrealistic Expectations**
(*"This Is Not Quite What I Expected!"*)
- 7:30 p.m. *Trouble In Paradise: Pornography**

Wednesday — Oct. 11

- 6:30 p.m. *Loving Your Mate Through The Seasons Of Life (Part 1)**
- 7:30 p.m. *Loving Your Mate Through The Seasons Of Life (Part 2)**

* Sessions conducted by Jerry and Lynn Jones

