

Mens Ministry Report

This year has seen the Men's ministry grow and strengthen on the back of the **Men, Mates and Mentors** vision that was launched in 2008. **MMM** has a multifaceted purpose, challenging the men of Sun City to grow to their full potential in God so that they can be better Men, Fathers and Husbands for our families and Church, and to ultimately impact the community around us. Currently we are continuing to put ourselves in a position for God to challenge our values and beliefs through a series called The Valiant Man. This series has proven to be both confronting and life-changing, allowing men to talk openly about the battle all men face in their journey through life in an environment that is both supportive and accountable. Nothing like this course has ever been undertaken in our Church before and the Men are benefiting greatly from the arena of openness and healing that has been generated every Monday night over a 10 week period.

Adding to the Valiant Man course have been breakfasts incorporating facilitated workshops engaging the men to tackle such diverse issues as Men's health, Balanced Wealth Creation and Life Management Practices. The men's Balanced Wealth Creation information and awareness session and the principles we were able to glean, were so beneficial that the men were inspired to lead their families and friends to see an expanded workshop in August, again facilitated by the highly respected Chris Freeman.

Our final event for the 2009 Calendar year will be the "Better Men in Twenty Ten" Men's conference and retreat on Magnetic Island. We will be blessed and inspired by the teachings of the respected Pastor Steve Kennedy who has played a large part in the continued success of the bi-annual Young Guns Boot Camp. Pastor Steve has a tremendous affinity with men seeking direction and purpose for their lives and I am sure that this camp will **empower and release** the men of Sun City to play a more active leadership role in their families, our Church and our community. Can I encourage and challenge all men to continue with the momentum that has been generated this year and add to this by actively looking for opportunities to mentor the young men in our Church so that together we can make a difference.

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