



Kindle the Kindred

an RTG fellowship and bonding retreat

Friday, 31 Mar @ 1700 to Sunday 2 Apr @ noon

Location: Bill Harper's home; 759 Rhoden Cove Rd, Tallahassee FL 32312

Registration and information: www.RTGMinistries.org

Cost: \$90 if dining on site. Space is limited for lodging and dining.

Overview and Scope: To create an environment that will kindle, ignite, and nourish relationships among men. The program will be presented by Mark Woods from Wildmen (Tampa) and is entitled Sons, Kings and Sages. We recommend reading "Fathered by God" by John Eldredge as a primer. Note that several sessions will be presented and for best results and absorption into our hearts we recommend attending each one.

In general, our hope and prayer is that The Holy Spirit will ignite, kindle, and bring men together with transparency, nourishment for the soul, laughter and fun, with Trinity, The Gospel and How We See God and Ourselves in the center. As many of us are older in our "King" or "Sage" phases of life, we feel this message from Mark will bear great fruit, and generate lots of interaction around the fires that will be burning.

Program Elements:

- 1) Mark Woods will be hosting a program entitled "Kings and Sages" which addresses the walk, purpose and calling of men in the later two stages of the Masculine Journey (re: John Eldredge). Again, reading "Fathered by God" is recommended.
- 2) Unstructured quality time outside on the lake shore, activities, around campfires or other venues for relationship building and discussion of the program elements.
- 3) Activities: Fishing (bring canoes, boats, kayaks, etc) , ATV rides, skeet shooting (possibly) campfires, bonfires, flames of pentecost, campfires with laughter and cigars and whatever you would like to bring. Basketball court. Drone flying lessons.

Facilities: 6000 sq ft home, located in north Central Tallahassee. Including RV apartment and fold out beds we have 6 bedrooms, 6.5 baths. 6 queen beds, 1 king bed, two single beds and 5 futons. 2 outdoor fire pits, 2 large bonfires to light (assuming a north wind), hot tub, steam shower, unheated pool (brrr?), 5 porch areas and two story central worship area with balcony. Located on 4 acres adjoining Rhoden Cove of Lake Jackson, not only our 2 acre lot, but the adjoining lot to the west which has been cleared and is now a grove of pines and hardwoods. Read that as: plenty of space to spread out and get quiet or have fun, find peace in God's Creation. (Note: if you and a good friend agree to sleep together on a queen bed in sleeping bags, then you are first in line for a queen) We can handle 25 for overnight lodging in beds alone. We can handle 40 for meals. We can handle plenty to come and hang out. We assume many men from Tallahassee will sleep, shave*, and shower at home and come and go as commuters. *shaving is optional. Check it out on Google Earth: 759 Rhoden Cove Rd, Tallahassee FL 32312

Schedule (which may change slightly)

Friday

5-6 welcome, get settled,
6 pm All hands gathering to discuss the scope and program and "what will this look like"
6:15-7:30 Session 1 "Sons, Kings and Sages"
7:30 pm dinner....then campfires and gatherings
8:30 Movie

Saturday

7 am Daily Prayer (optional)
7:30 breakfast
6:15-7:30 Session 2 "Sons, Kings and Sages"
10:00 - 12:00 free time / activities
12:00 lunch
1:00 to 2:30 Session 3 "Sons, Kings and Sages"
2: 30 to 5:30 free time/ activities
6 pm dinner
7 til... free time
8:30 Movie

Sunday

7 am Daily Prayer (optional)
7:30 breakfast
8:30-9:30 Session 4 "Sons, Kings and Sages"
10:00 - 11:00 worship
(men are free to attend their own church service and return or not)
11:30 Closure of some sort

Meal plan

Dinner Fri - catered
Breakfast Sat & Sun, cooked in house by kitchen team
Lunch Sat, Dinner Sat - catered

Homework: Suggested Reading List:

Read these books, or at least the first several chapters

- 1) Fathered by God by John Eldredge
- 2) The Cure by John Lynch, et. Al
- 3) Wild at Heart by John Eldredge (a primer for those who have never read any Eldredge)