

Summer Banquet Weekends [Still Available]

It's not too early... this summer's Great Banquet weekends are filling up fast. The Men's weekend and first women's weekend is full with a waiting list started. Only God knows who will be at a particular weekend so pray about whom God would have you sponsor before you invite anyone. Please consider and pray about sponsoring a husband and wife as a couple, even if you know only one of them.

If you're sponsoring a woman, please indicate on the application, which weekend she would like to attend [No. 77 or 78]. If she does not have a preference, please indicate that as well.

- When turning into 1st Presbyterian, the Application and the Sponsor's Form must be together.

Please lift up in prayer the upcoming teams and their leadership:

July 29–August 1, 2010 Men's Great Banquet No. 76
 Mike Garro, Lay Director Paul Martin, Head Spiritual

August 5– 8, 2010 Women's Great Banquet No. 77
 Kara Gingerich, Lay Director Jon Tice, Head Spiritual

August 12–15, 2009 Women's Great Banquet No. 78
 Susan Hutchins, Lay Director Steve Sherwood, Head Spiritual

Gathering | Dedication [You are Needed]

Our next community Gathering and Awakening Team Dedication will be at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, May 18th at **Crossroads Community Church**, Kokomo, Indiana. It's special, and maybe the one of the most important Gatherings of the year. Come pray for the Awakening team, and prepare them for God's work in the upcoming June weekend.

Gathering nights are an excellent opportunity to become a server of God for the Banquet weekends. Non-team members play a significant part of the Banquets; therefore, we are asking you to come with open hearts and sign-up for serving meals, bringing snacks and agape, and most importantly, filling the prayer charts. Let's overflow each weekend's chart and double-up every half-hour slot. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.



WHO'S DRIVING YOUR CAR?

Great Banquet History [lampstand ministries.com]

To become familiar with the Great Banquet, let's look first at the history of its counterparts, the Cursillo and the Walk to Emmaus. The Cursillo (3-day course in Christianity) began in Spain in the 1940s in the Catholic Church. It spread to the United States and evolved for Protestants into the Walk to Emmaus under the auspices of the Upper Room and the United Methodist Church. An Emmaus Movement was started by the First Presbyterian Church in Madisonville, Kentucky in 1982. After a 10-year history of the Walk to Emmaus in Madisonville, Rev. John E. Pitzer and lay people from First Presbyterian Church formed the Great Banquet. Governed by an ecumenical board of directors and using the "Cursillo model", but with a different image, the Great Banquet continues to emphasize personal Christian discipleship."

