

## Happily-Ever-After Retreat

I never saw a marriage that couldn't be made better. Once couples say "I do," the relationship is like the one Christians have with Christ; it is a state of constant updating and renewing. Sometimes we forget our wedding day lasted only one day and the "happily ever after" usually lasts many years longer. The event becomes an experience.

It is a good thing our church is scheduling a time for couples to get away, if only for a brief time, to cultivate their relationships. This year we will do that at the upcoming Marriage Enrichment Retreat to be held at the Barren River State Park Lodge on March 9-10, beginning with dinner being served at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening.

How does a couple go about making their relationship more meaningful and satisfying? The retreat leaders, Bro. Billy and Sue Ann, will be focusing on two words: affirmation and communication. The goal will be to learn ways to affirm your mate in a more effective way and to communicate with her or him more openly and honestly. Sounds simple? It's not. It takes time, prayer, and a commitment to make your marriage healthier and happier.

Plan now to attend. You will be glad you did.

Prayerfully,

Bro. Billy