



Premarital Counseling Couple Profile

Thank you for filling out this questionnaire. We are committed, not merely to marrying people, but **preparing a couple for a lifelong, lasting relationship with Christ at the center.**

Many factors in life can destroy a potentially good marriage: background, personal attitudes, sexual promiscuity, family, or personal struggles. We realize some of these questions may seem personal. However, we believe this information is necessary to help us get to know you better so that our counseling can uncover potential problems and prepare for a good foundation. This information is **confidential** and will only be seen by the pastor performing the ceremony and the Heartland senior pastor.

Once this application has been completed, return this in a sealed envelope to the church office, addressed to the officiating pastor. Then an interview will be scheduled for you to meet with a pastor to discuss your questionnaire and your plans. After these steps you will be able to request a reservation on the calendar.

Groom

Full Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____ Apt #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ (if available at work)

Where are you employed? _____ Full time or Part-time (circle)

Are you in school? YES NO If YES, where: _____

Year in school? _____ Major: _____

Future career or employment plans/goals: _____

Bride

Full Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____ Apt #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ (if available at work)

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Your Relationship with Heartland

The following questions are important to us because it is our desire to establish a discipleship relationship with couples and our larger body of Jesus-followers here. Marriage preparation is best done in the context of spiritually mentoring relationships which draw us closer to God and living in the power of the Holy Spirit.

How long have you been attending worship services, etc. at Heartland? Since: _____

Are you both regular attenders (attending 2 or more Sundays a month) of worship services at Heartland? YES NO

If YES, do you receive regular email and text communications from Heartland? YES NO

If NO to any of the previous questions, are you willing as a couple to become regular attenders and participants in the worship services and other opportunities for personal discipleship at Heartland? YES NO

If you are currently living outside the Central City area for either school or work, are you regularly attending and involved in a church ministry close to where you are living? YES NO

If "YES," please provide the name, address, & phone of the Church, and its Senior Pastor

Sr. Pastor: _____ Phone: _____

Initial Wedding Plans

What were the factors which led to your desire to be married here at Heartland?

- We're new to the church and were impressed with its facility
- We heard about the church from friends who attend here
- We've been in the church for a number of months and feel it to be our church home
- I/we grew up through the ministry of Heartland; it is my/our church home
- Other: _____

Tentative Wedding Date: _____ Time of Day: _____ AM/PM

Tentative Rehearsal Date: _____ Time of Day: _____ AM/PM

Ceremony desired at Heartland facility? YES NO

Reception desired at Heartland facility? YES NO

1st/2nd Heartland Pastor(s) requested for ceremony: _____

Our current pastoral team includes Zeke Pipher, JJ Springer, Nathan Musgrave & Travis Purkerson.

Do you anticipate having other clergy from outside the Heartland pastoral team involved in the ceremony? YES NO
If YES, please provide name, address, phone (and/or how to contact)

Are you or your parents **members** of this church? YES NO

General Information

Groom

Father's Name: _____

Address: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Church

Phone: _____

Website: _____

Pastor's Name: _____

Bride

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Please list any books, tapes, or marriage seminars that you have been exposed to recently:

Why is being married in a church important to you?

Relationship History

1. How long have you known each other? _____

2. How long have you been dating? _____

3. How long have you been engaged? _____

4. List and/or describe the factors which have brought you to the point of deciding to marry?

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Groom's Personal History

(Please fill out separately)

Are there any factors or situations in your relationship which may raise a question concerning the wisdom of being married on your anticipated wedding date? Please review the following:

Parental Support

Are your parent's supportive concerning your marriage plans? YES NO SOMEWHAT

Describe your parents' marriage? On a scale of 1-10 (10 the best), is it happy and stable? _____

Describe your relationship with your parents, using the same scale. _____

Communication

Rate your communication capability. POOR FAIR GREAT

How frequently do you experience conflict as a couple? NEVER SELDOM OFTEN

Have you noticed the presence of an emotional or spiritual immaturity in your relationship? YES NO
If YES, please describe...

Do you believe marriage is permanent? YES NO
If NO, in what circumstances do you believe God permits divorce?

Under what circumstances would you consider divorcing your partner?

Challenges

Do you currently face financial struggles? Excessive credit debt, past bankruptcy, unmanageable bills? YES NO

Are your educational or career plans in conflict with the future plans/expectations of your spouse? YES NO

Are there any current or past health problems? YES NO

Have you been married before? YES NO

If YES, when were you married? _____

How did it end? Death – when? _____ Divorce – date finalized _____

Do you have any children? YES NO

If YES, names and ages: _____

Sexuality

1. Are you presently sexually active in this relationship? YES NO

2. Have you been sexually active in this relationship? YES NO

3. Were you sexually active before this relationship? YES NO

4. Any history of being sexually abused? YES NO

If YES, have you received counseling for this? YES NO

If you answered YES to #1. or #2., are you fully willing not to be sexually active during the remainder of your engagement period as part of being obedient to God's desire for your relationship, to His Word, and to the expectations of your pre-marital preparation process?

YES NO

If you are currently cohabiting, are you willing to establish separate residences for the remainder of your engagement period? (Please ask for a copy of Heartland's policy on marriage and human sexuality if you have any questions.)

YES NO

Groom's Spiritual History and Current Relationship with God

Please write out your answer to the following question: If you were to die suddenly, and stand before God, and if He were to ask you, "Why should I let you into my heaven," what reply would you give?

Do you consider yourself a Christian? YES NO

Explain your answer: _____

What are you currently doing on a regular basis (weekly) to nurture your growing relationship with God?

- I read my Bible several times a week in a desire to listen to God's Spirit about my life
- I spend time in prayer each week, committing my life and actions to the Lord
- I am cultivating spiritually strengthening relationships with fellow Christians
- I am part of a small group discipleship experience
- I am reading Christian material (books, magazines) which strengthen my walk with God
- My fiancé and I pray together
- Other: _____

Have you been associated with a church for some significant period of time in your life? YES NO

If YES, which one? _____

Are your parents active spiritually in a church? YES NO

Who, what, or what organization has been significant in your spiritual development?

Final Question

Are you both willing to enter into & complete this premarital process before being married here?

YES NO

Groom's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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