



Premarital Counseling: How To Start

Step 1 - Requesting a pastor

Select and secure the pastor you desire to officiate your ceremony. Note: there are several pastors on staff at Journey of Faith who might be available to perform the ceremony. You may wish to select the pastor who ministers to you on the most personal level. Be sure to let him know if you plan to have your ceremony off site or on Journey of Faith campus.

Step 2 - The interview

You must schedule an interview with a Journey of Faith pastor. Please fill out the application form beforehand and either mail it to the Office Wedding Contact or bring it with you at the time of your interview. The interviewing pastor must have the completed form for your interview.

Step 3 - The test

After being interviewed by the Journey of Faith pastor (and he feels you meet our criteria for being in this program), please contact the Office Wedding Contact, Amanda at 310.372.4641 x271, to set up a time to take the test. She will mail you some preliminary paperwork that you will both fill out and return to her at the time of testing. This test is to be taken by both the bride and groom. Both may take the test at the same time however; if desired, it is fine to take it at separate times. The cost of this test is \$75.00 per couple, due at the time the test is taken.

Step 4 - The wait

Once the test has been taken, it is mailed away for scoring. It can take anywhere from 1 1/2 to 4 weeks to be returned. Once the test comes back, the Office Wedding Contact will give it to the Premarital Mentoring Program Director, Teri Engle. Teri will then set you up with a Christian Mentoring Team couple and, according to how far away your wedding date is, have that couple contact you to set up your mentoring schedule. You may not hear from them right away, however if you have questions, please feel free to call the Office Wedding Contact, Amanda at 310.372.4641 x271.