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# **Leading the Way**

FamilyLife is on a mission to explode our outreach and actively engage the church in building godly families. With marriage under attack and broken families the norm, our calling to share Christ's love and hope has never been more critical.

However, this job of *every home a godly home* is bigger than we can handle by ourselves. So in 2011 FamilyLife launched the HomeBuilder movement to engage, equip, and encourage people to become actively

involved in building godly homes in their own communities and churches. Prior to this launch, FamilyLife was reaching approximately 130,000 people per year in our direct ministry through events and resources (radio resources reach more than 9 million worldwide). In 2011, with the implementation of the HomeBuilder movement through The Art of Marriage®, we reached over 247,000 people. This year we are on course to minister to nearly 500,000 individuals with the hope of Christ for their homes.



How is this happening? We've applied 2 Timothy 2:2 "...what you have heard from me...entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." Paul knew that the growth of the church would be greatly hampered if only a few were teaching. MANY need to be equipped and charged to teach others about the hope that is within them. The job is just too large for only a few to participate.

So we at FamilyLife are actively charging those with a passion to build godly families to turn around and teach others about the hope they have found in Christ. To that end, we are creating several new user-friendly resources with The Art of Marriage video event leading the way.

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#### **The Corbin Family**

Michael, Alecia, Gabriel, Naomi, AnaMarie, & Angelica (+ B13)



## **Catching the Vision**

Art of Marriage hosts all around the world are catching the vision that God wants to use them to spread His gospel to a hurting world. They're saying:

"The event went amazingly well...the greatest news to report is that 27 people accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior at The Art of Marriage!!!! ...It was no doubt one of the most rewarding things I've ever participated in."

"Before our event we were ready to cancel due to the low response, sickness and problems with the delivery of our granddaughter. However, we decided to go ahead with the event and trust the Lord for the results. We had 8 couples with 4 decisions for Christ...one couple was already divorced but wanted to see if they might get some help to start over again. God is GOOD!!"

### Why We Do What We Do

God called us to reach marriages and families with his message of hope. Though the focus of our calling is on our work with FamilyLife, we believe that God has also asked us to minister to one of the greatest symptoms of broken families: homeless and dejected children.

James 2:15-16 states, "If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace, be warmed and filled,' and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that?" We believe that investing in children is investing in godly families for the future. It is part of the vision that God has given our family.

We long to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Please pray for us as we work hard to reach families through our FamilyLife initiatives, and for our open home to children in need here in Arkansas.

Michael & Alecia Corbin

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A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in His holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families. Psalm 68:5-6 NIV

We are praying for you daily! Let us know if we can pray for a specific need on your behalf. Please continue to pray for our family, our ministry, and those we are privileged to touch with the Gospel.

## New from FamilyLife

- Passport2Purity fully revised and updated
- The Art of Marriage Online Edition (Beta Test)
- Stepping Up Video Series (coming August)

#### Coming Up for the Corbin's

May - Twins' adoption finalized

- Children finish school
- Family begins travel to raise ministry support

June - Family travels continue

- Court hearing for B13 - parental rights set to be terminated

July - Family travels conclude

- 2012 Staff Conference with FamilyLife