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Dear Pastors, Friends, and Partners of Selah International,

Spots are filling up for our annual **Selah Refresh Retreat (SR24)**, coming up Nov 7-9 in Columbia, SC. If you are considering attending, please sign up now!

- Pastors, bring your pastoral staff and their wives!
- Church members, share this opportunity with your pastors and consider covering their expenses for this time of spiritual refreshment and enrichment.
- Consider covering the cost for a missionary and wife or a single missionary home on furlough to attend Selah Refresh. It
 will be a great investment!

A detailed flyer is included in this update so you scan the QR code to register for the SR24 as well as any of the three "Add-ons" if you are able to come early. You can also visit https://selahinternational.org/refresh/ to register.

If you are not in vocational ministry, please pray about using your resources to help Selah offset the cost of providing this time of equipping and encouragement for your pastors and missionaries. Please visit <u>selahinternational.org</u> to donate or you can mail a check and specify on the memo – "For SR24."

Any amount given will be a blessing, as we are hoping to host over 125 ministry leaders this year!

Another way in which you might like to contribute would be to provide gifts for those attending SR24. Each year we send our ministry leaders home with books, fresh ideas, tools for discipleship, ideas for gifts for special days, etc. This year, we will be filling over 65 bags of resources for ladies and 65 bags for men in the ministry. Perhaps you would like to share a product or resource and wish to include your business card or a personal note. *If that is the case, please email as soon as possible:* deb@selahinternational.org.

The last couple of months were packed with international and domestic travel, virtual and in person counseling on the Selah Property. Here are a few highlights from April and May:

My son, Zach and I were blessed to be able to participate in a retreat for Fathers and Sons in ministry. It was such an encouraging time to rub shoulders with faithful servants of the Lord whose families have ministry in their "DNA". A huge thank you to Pastor Brent Armstrong and his staff at Tucson Baptist Church for hosting this amazing retreat.





Dawn and I had a wonderful time serving with Steven and Christy Maldoff in Fiji at the BIMI South Pacific Field Conference in the month of April. The Missionary Field Conference is such a life-giving experience for all involved. We were able to rejoice with those who have experienced personal and ministerial victories and mourn with those who have experienced suffering and loss. One family, who have been serving for 25 years in the same region, shared through tears of joy how their steady faithfulness in sowing the seeds of the gospel for over two decades has just recently blossomed into great growth and professions of faith in Christ. Another family shared how they have found healing and a new vigor for

ministry after experiencing great loss and disappointment in their family. We left Fiji blessed and encouraged from being able to rub shoulders with these dear servants of the Lord.

Our sincerest thanks to the individuals and churches who have responded to the need for several projects on the property. New offices as well as a new dock for the lake are underway. I look forward to sharing pictures with you in the upcoming months!

During the months of April and May, we have been able to host three families at the Selah property. This is the heart of Selah International: counseling, encouraging, and strengthening ministry leaders and their families. It is a privilege to sit across from these fellow servants and point them to the Wonderful Counselor through His Word and see them respond in faith in the midst of suffering, sin, and broken relationships. In his book, The Calvary Road, Roy Hession reminds us all of our great need for spiritual renewal. He writes: "The message and challenge of Revival...is convicting in its utter simplicity. It is simply that there is only one thing in the world that can hinder our walking in victorious fellowship with God and being filled with the Holy Spirit-- that is sin in one form or another. And there is only one thing in the world that can cleanse us from sin and from all that keeps us from liberty and victory--and that is the power of the Blood of the Lord Jesus."

Only by His Grace, Chris Phillips



Selah International Counseling Ministries invites you to the 3rd annual Refresh Retreat! Designed for ministry leaders (pastors, missionaries, pastor's wives, etc.), this powerful 2-night retreat will both encourage and equip you to keep on going in Gospel ministry! Space is limited, so register now!

DETAILS

NOVEMBER 7-9, 2024
Conference begins at 5 PM on Thurs, Nov. 7, and ends at 12 PM on Sat, Nov. 9.
COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT COLUMBIA
DOWNTOWN

630 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC 29201 803.799.7800

- · GENERAL SESSIONS
- Counseling case studies & Helps
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RAND HUMMEL

VICE PRESIDENT, THE WILDS CHRISTIAN CAMP

Author and speaker Rand Hummel has been a ministry leader for over 40 years. He served for many years in camp ministry, has taught in various colleges, and currently hosts the "Daily Meditations" podcast. His unique approach to the Word of God will encourage your hearts!

PRE-REFRESH OPPORTUNITIES



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LADIES SHOPPING & COFFEE TRIP Enjoy some local shopping & a stop for lunch at Bitty & Beau's!



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