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Greetings to you,

These are some of the stories we hear on a weekly basis that illustrate the impact that FamilyLife is making, why we are so excited to be joining the ministry of FamilyLife, and our motivation for working hard to join the staff as fully funded missionaries as soon as possible.

Your giving is making a difference not only in our lives, but also in those quoted below and their families through FamilyLife's resources, radio show, Weekend to Remember getaways, and online articles.



Anna
(10)



Danielle
(8)



Julia
(6)



Rachel
(4)



Sarah
(2)



Naomi
(2)

“I called my dad and said I need a marriage Boot Camp - I only had 1 shot at this. My husband told me 2 wks ago he wanted a Divorce. Although we've been in an unhealthy 20yr relationship, the past 3 yrs has been the worst, the past 1 yr = unbearable.

The 'D' word is no longer an Option.

A miracle happened this weekend - my prayers have been answered. Staff kept asking us all weekend if we were having fun: Although humorous moments & our dates were "fun". This was hard work: This was raw and painful it was gut wrenching. I wouldn't change a minute. The Holy Spirit Changed us - I welcome the Journey ahead.” - a couple in Memphis, TN

“Three weeks ago we were filing for divorce;48 hours ago we committed our lives together and family to Christ. Lots of open-heart tears and love came to us from God this weekend.” - a couple in Vail, CA

“This book hit it on the nail with the truth about romance in marriage - both from the husband's point of view and the wife's. It was an eye opener.” - John, commenting on “*Rekindling the Romance*”

“We are halfway through our second year using this devotional for Couples. We have 7 children. What a great book for us to get away with God, and each other. So relevant for today!” - Dan and Sharon, commenting on

- **Anna:** is becoming quite the cook and loves to jump in and help in the kitchen
 - **Danielle:** is enjoying reading “The Young Pilgrim’s Progress” with mom;
 - **Julia:** is convinced she’ll be a famous artist as a teenager
 - **Rachel:** turned 4 and loves to play with magnet dolls;
 - **Sarah & Naomi:** are both doing really well on the “potty training train”.
- So after 10 years, no more diapers at the Lara household!!!

“*Moments with You*” couples devotional

“I have 4 daughters and this book is a great resource for me to be confident in providing my daughter the protection she needs and the direction she desires. Straight talk is far more intimidating than a baseball bat.” - Chad commenting on “*Interviewing Your Daughter’s Dates*”.

“When we were in the process of adopting our Korean-born daughter 27 years ago, the social worker told us, “You are changing your family for generations to come” We have seen how the Lord has blessed our nuclear family of biological, adopted and foster children. Now as our children are adults and starting families of their own, we are blessed with an adopted grandson who is of another race and the adoption of another grandchild from Ethiopia in the works. When our nephew and his wife were adopting their second child, the birth mother told them she picked them because of the strong history of adoption in their extended family. So adoption not only impacts your immediate family, it can set a precedent for future adoptions in your children's families as well. It truly does change your family for generations. Thank you for the emphasis on adoption at Family Life Today”
- Carol, commenting on a recent broadcast (9/17/10) discussing adoption

Thank you so much for support of our ministry through your finances, prayers, and encouragement. As you know all too well from your own family, friends, coworkers, or neighbors this generation needs the help and hope FamilyLife is offering. Thanks for being a part of the solution and helping us join their staff.

Fighting for families,



Abraham & Deborah Lara