

# NEWS FROM THE ROCK

## THE WOODWARDS IN THE SAN JUANS

*InFocus Family Ministries*

October 2009

### Join the "E" Team

What is the "E" team? The "E" team is a better funding model for InFocus Family Ministries. By joining the "E" team you will be able to take advantage of the secure *electronic* pathways that exist today for Kingdom purposes. We use the same automatic bill paying system found in banks today. *Electronic* giving helps us save money, plan more effectively and lets us focus on people to people ministry, not fundraising. Changing our funding model helps to make the ministry stronger. Many of our supporters have already joined the "E" team, giving *electronically* on a monthly basis.

We have received a tremendous amount of encouragement in the last few weeks. Here is a quote from some of our "E" team supporters.

*"Vic's daily walk with my husband has helped him persevere through some really tough times. Vic's ability to listen and willingness to let him rant and rave; and then the speak the truth in love to his heart, has helped him grow. Vic and Monique's support in marriage, walking alongside us, has helped us cement a foundation, especially in the area of communication."*

*"Vic and Mo's ministry here on the island is flourishing. Their outreach effort within our community is beautiful to watch. The children who accompanied them this summer to the Dominican Republic continue to reflect on their experiences and bond together. Not only do Vic and Mo work as missionaries to our own community they have taught a group of young people the value in missions outside of our borders. Pray for their inroads with the Hispanic community in Friday Harbor."*

Would you prayerfully consider joining our "E-Team"? You can give monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually.

Enclosed is information on how you can join and sign-up to become a member of the "E-Team".



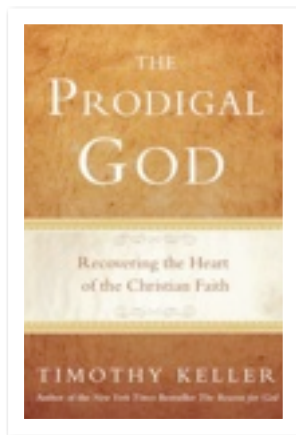
## InFocus Family Happenings...

The Fall Continues with some great small groups: Prodigal God, Grace Based Parenting and Band of Brothers.

This past month we have been specifically encouraged as a marriage has been healed and continues to heal. We get to be a part of what God is doing in this couple's lives. We are going through a couple of different studies together and it is quite amazing seeing God at work.

God has also opened doors for us to connect with people whose marriages have already been shattered. These are tender and painful times. They aren't stories that end up pretty by any stretch, but we know God can make beauty out of ashes, taking our deepest disappointments or mistakes and making something beautiful. This is the very thing he has done and continues to do in the lives of many.

## Book Reviews...



One of the best books I've read in a long time is Timothy Keller's The Prodigal God. Keller challenges us to truly look deeply into one of the most famous of Jesus teachings in the New Testament, The Parable of the Lost Son, or The Parable of the Prodigal Son. Keller; "If the teaching of Jesus is

likened to a lake, this famous parable would be one of the clearest spots where we can see all the way to the bottom."

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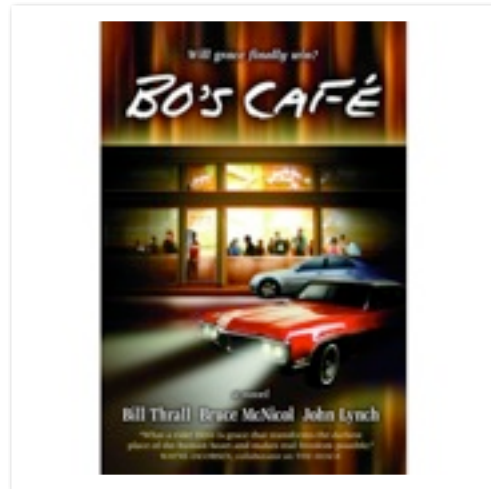
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## Book Reviews cont...



*This book is like a breath of fresh air. It will make you laugh, make you think, make you cry, and make you wonder why you've taken so long to have an intimate relationship with Jesus."* Stacy...

Our friends at Leadership Catalyst, Bill Thrall, Bruce McNicol and John Lynch, have written another great book. This one is a fictional story of God's grace lived out among friends and how the power His grace changes lives. Stop by Bo's Cafe via this book and journey with characters Steven and Lindsey as they have a fresh experience with Jesus. I highly recommend it!

## *Praise report...*

Our Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage conference at Mt. Vernon Christ the King Community Church was amazing. It seemed like registration before the conference went on forever. Over 135 folks attended and were encouraged in their marriages. The continuous laughter throughout the conference warmed our hearts. We had many positive comments and thankful responses from husbands and wives.

If you would like to see a Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage Conference come to your community, please give us a call.

Love, Vic and Monique