



CONFIRMATION

THE FOLLOWING TRUE NORTH RETREAT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED AND AGREED UPON BY THE PEOPLE LISTED BELOW.

DISTRICT:

AGREEMENT DATE:

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

ADDITIONAL CONTACT PERSON:

COMPASS INITIATIVE FIELD

COORDINATOR OR COACH:

RETREAT DETAILS			
RETREAT DATES:		To	
LOCATION:			RETREAT LANGUAGE:
# OF COUPLES:			FORMAT:
			# OF STAFF:
	SPECIFICS	COORDINATING ENTITY	FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF
MEETING VENUE			
HOUSING VENUE			
MEALS			
SNACKS			
SCHEDULE			
MATERIALS	PRE-RETREAT ASSIGNMENTS		
	PARTICIPANT NOTEBOOKS		
	RETREAT MATERIALS		
		NAME OF PRESENTER	
PRESENTATIONS	WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS		
	A SAFE START		
	GETTING OUR FINANCIAL HOUSE IN ORDER		
	MORNING DEVOTIONAL		
	BIBLICAL FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP		
	FINANCIAL BEST QUESTIONS		
	THE POWER OF TIME AND MONEY		
	BUDGETING & DEBT REDUCTION PLANS		
	COMPASS INITIATIVE PROGRAMS		
	CLOSING COVENANT /WORSHIP/COMMUNION		

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DESCRIPTIONS OF RETREAT DETAILS	
MEETING VENUE	Adequate space with seating at tables for participants; podium, amplification, media capability for PowerPoint and video presentations.
HOUSING VENUE	Overnight accommodations for participants and facilitators that need this provision.
MEALS & SNACKS	Meals will be provided as the schedule dictates for participants and facilitators. This can be catered, on location, or arranged at a local restaurant. Snacks and beverages should also be provided for breaks as the schedule dictates.
PRE-RETREAT ASSIGNMENTS	Pre-retreat assignments must be mailed directly to participants through the USPS at 5-6 weeks before the retreat. These include a 30-Day Spending Tracker for each individual, a Christian Legacy Organizer (or the electronic pages) for each couple, and an instructions letter. These are available electronically for customizing and printing.
PARTICIPANT NOTEBOOKS	Each participant will need a copy of the Participant Notebook in a 3-ring binder with a clear-view cover. Heavier than usual paper is suggested. The contents are available electronically for customizing and printing.
RETREAT MATERIALS	Each participant and retreat facilitator should receive a nametag/lanyard and a double-sided table name card. Templates are available electronically for customizing and printing.
PRESENTERS	Will be determined by District Superintendents as soon as possible and may include COMPASS Initiative coaches, District Superintendents, Pastors or leaders from the district, and business professionals.

DESCRIPTIONS OF RETREAT PRESENTATIONS	
WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS	Typically, the DS will open the retreat by welcoming everyone, introducing the staff, orienting people to the venue (restrooms, coffee, etc.), and praying.
A SAFE START	Acknowledging the shame around finances and the hesitancy to talk about money. Creating a safe space to talk spouse to spouse and couple to couple. Share a testimony of the impact of this shame on ministry and the victory over it.
GETTING OUR PERSONAL FINANCIAL HOUSE IN ORDER	Your financial situation does not define you. The 30,000-foot overview of creating a budget, being honest with yourself, gratitude and generosity, goals and dreams, and the benefits of this hard work. Inspirational and light. Often includes funny videos.
MORNING DEVOTIONAL	A 5 to 10-minute devotional to start the day.
BIBLICAL FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP	Faithfulness with our finances is the basis of stewardship. Generosity is a characteristic of God and His church. Sacrifice is a spiritual attitude and discipline. God wants us to say “no” to debt and “yes” to saving.
FINANCIAL BEST QUESTIONS	Very practical discussion of proactively managing and protecting your finances, creating healthy financial habits, being realistic about what you really need, and discovering your and your spouse’s financial strength/weaknesses using DiSC®.
THE POWER OF TIME AND MONEY	A brief introduction to compound interest and how it can work for you or against you. An emphasis on starting retirement savings early.
BUDGETING & DEBT REDUCTION PLANS	Brief instructions on writing a vision statement, setting SMART goals, budgeting, and using the debt snowball strategy. Orient participants to these materials in the Participant Notebook.
COMPASS INITIATIVE PROGRAMS	An introduction to the COMPASS Initiative and its COMPASS Journey and COMPASS Quest programs. Explaining next steps for the participants to create Journey Plans. Explain how the grant process works.
CLOSING COVENANT /WORSHIP/COMMUNION	Read through the Cohort Covenant together. Assign cohorts. Present an inspiring closing worship service. Focus on God’s strength, wisdom, and grace to empower us to follow these plans and to honor Him with all that we have.