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SUBJECT:

2006 Pure Conference for Teens: Dialogue on Sexual Purity

TEXT:

Hannaford Street Bible Church in Helena, Montana is hosting a unique conference for teens on April 27-30. The 2006 Pure Conference is essentially an opportunity for teens to engage in a dialogue on sexual purity - a topic often avoided by churches.

"People may think it's out of place to talk openly about things like sex and dating in the church, but we believe it's too important to be silent about", says youth pastor Gezer Garcia. "Too often, the church's message to teens is condemnation after the fact. We believe it's crucial to bring up the subject in a way where teens can ask questions, be encouraged, and feel open to ask the hard questions."

The conference offers four sessions. Session one, on Thursday night, April 27 at 7:00 pm, is an opportunity for parents of teens to come meet the featured speaker of the conference, Deanna Cathcart, the International Coordinator for Straight to the Heart Ministries. Her message is straight forward, upbeat, and full of hope for teens today. On Thursday, she will be sharing the topics to be discussed with the teens throughout the conference. She will also be answering any questions parents might have.

Sessions two and three for high schoolers are on Friday, April 28 at 7:00 pm and all day Saturday, April 29 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. On these days, teens in grades 9-12 will be encouraged to reach for and attain their goals through living pure lives. There will be personal stories, drama, music, and interactive main sessions with Cathcart. Young adults will encouraged to ask questions and get straight-forward answers.

Session four on Sunday, April 30 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, is similar to sessions two and three, but designed especially for younger teens in middle school, grades 6-8.

Parents are welcome to come with their teens to any of the session.

For more information about the Pure Conference, contact Youth Pastor Gezer Garcia at the church office (406-449-2273) or go to the website at <http://www.hannaford.org/pure>

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