PROSPECTIVE TEAM MEMBERS

MARRIAGE TALK

Purpose of the Talk: This presentation is made jointly by both husband and wife, equally sharing the content and delivery time of their talk. It should explain *how their marriage has* been used by God in their personal relationship, within the family unit, and in their Christian community. This talk should help the Residents realize that marriage will never be successful without the presence of God. (Length 20 minutes)

Points to Cover:

- 1. Marriage is not a "destination", but it is a *point along* the way
- 2. Marriage is not a 50-50 proposition but rather a 100% commitment
- 3. God has to have an active role in a Christian marriage (give examples from your own marriage)

Suggested Approaches:

- 1. Explain the triangle (as you grow closer to God, you grow closer to each other, as you grow closer to each other, you grow closer to God) A cord of three stands is not easily broken
- 2. Marriage is hard work
- 3. "Briefly" summarize your marriage
- 4. What happens when a couple are not equally yoked, not equal in their faith journey when one grows as a Christian and the other does not.

(*Note: Both the* Marriage Talk and the Single Life Talk which follows should focus on life as a process where God is growing you - as an individual and as a couple)

Suggested Scriptures:

Mark 10: 6-9 Matthew 19:3-6