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St. Charles Men's Conference Expands to Stadium

St. Charles, MO- August 6, 2005- Growing local men's ministry holds conference at TR Hughes Stadium.

For the first time the annual Men's Conference sponsored by Ministry to Men will be held outdoors at the TR Hughes ballpark in O' Fallon, MO.

"We are hoping for 5,000 men," said Charlie Williams, Director of Ministry to Men, "we would love to see Father's and Sons attending and spending time together." This year's theme is "a life worth living." The conference has grown so much over the years that the ballpark should provide enough seating to adequately handle the increased crowd capacity.

Ministry to Men is a group of business and professional men in the St. Charles County area who have come together to share their faith in Jesus Christ with other business and professional men in the St. Charles area. The group sponsors two county wide events, the Annual St. Charles County Prayer Breakfast and the Annual St. Charles County Men's Conference.

"We have numerous lunches and events throughout the county to present the claims of Christ in a non-threatening setting," said Williams. "We join together in prayer and bible study to encourage each other in our own walk with the Lord and learn more of what it means to be a follower of Christ."

The featured speaker for the event is Joe White- Author, coach and Missouri Native. Mr. White is the president of Kanakuk Kamps in Branson, MO, and the founder of Kids Across America. Each summer the Kamps host 20,000 campers and 2500 college-age and professional staff. Mr. White is a former 2 year starting defensive tackle for the SMU Mustangs and coach at Texas A & M University. He is a frequent guest on Focus on the Family and Promise Keepers events and speaks at NFL football and professional baseball chapels. Mr. White is the author of 15 books including Faith Training and Pure Excitement, which

was Gold Medallion Book of the year for Teens in 1997. He is also a nationally recognized speaker for such events as Promise Keepers.

The event begins Friday evening September 23rd from 6-9pm. It continues Saturday morning September 24th from 8am-12:30pm. Cost is \$10 per session before September 2nd and \$15 per session after September 2nd. More details are available on the website www.uptotheplate.com.

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