Mark your calendars – March Parents' Club General Meeting and Safe Environment Presentation!

Please join us Tuesday, March 15 at 7:00 in Sweeney Hall for our Parents' Club general meeting and special presentation on "True North: Mapping Your Family's Path Through an Uncertain World" featuring popular local parenting and adolescent development speaker Kathleen Fischer. In an era where our children are increasingly pulled toward "connecting" with others via social media versus meaningful, real life interaction, giving parents the tools they need to nurture and build those tangible and personal relationships is not only timely, it's critically important.

As parents, we hear the scriptural call to "be <u>in</u> the world but not <u>of</u> the world." Still, we wonder how to help our kids navigate through a troubling array of challenges; sometimes we just want to keep them tucked securely at home. Instead, our journey with them through the world begins with our "true north," our faith and the values taught in our home. This presentation will:

- Identify the three jobs of a parent namely: confidence (how to build it, how to promote it), conversation (how to listen and not just hear); and connection (affirming the value of our children and reinforcing the safe haven of the parent/child relationship);
- provide some scriptural "traveling companions;"
- suggest two of our most important parenting tools; and
- consider how to use those tools to protect, to guide, and finally, to launch our kids.

Kathleen Fischer, longtime Dallas resident and mother of three, is a registered nurse with a master's degree. Her area of interest is adolescent social, emotional, sexual and relational development. In a career spanning more than forty years, she has worked in public health settings; taught in public school and at the university level; and presented professional educational seminars. Kathleen continues to be a popular speaker in corporate, professional, church and community settings, often presenting topics from her books, *Bringing Our Boys Through the Second Decade* and *Simple But NOT Easy – Regaining Balance In Our Family Life*. More information may be found at www.kathleenfischer.com/.

Attendance at this presentation qualifies for Safe Environment credit, and desserts and beverages will be served. Complimentary child care will be provided (please RVSP to agwhite@lockelord.com for staffing purposes).

Questions? Comments? RSVP for childcare? Please reach out to Amy White at agwhite@lockelord.com.

Hope to see you there!