

PREMARITAL COUNSELING GUIDE

If you're being married by a Heartland pastor, he or she will require that you complete some premarital counseling which will help you build a good foundation for your marriage. *And if you and your officiating pastor don't already know one another well, your premarital sessions will also give you a chance to get to know each other before the ceremony!*

The 'Prepare' Inventory

Among other resources, our pastors use the 'Prepare' inventory in their premarital counseling sessions. **'Prepare' is a tool designed to help you learn more about yourself and your partner as well as identify areas of strength and areas for growth in your relationship.** *Our pastors like to have couples complete the 'Prepare' inventory four to six months ahead of the wedding date.*

Once we've set you up to complete the 'Prepare' inventory, you'll receive an email from 'Prepare' with a link to their website and the code you'll use to log in and get started. *You and your partner will each complete the online inventory separately. Expect this to take about 45 minutes.* After you've both completed the inventory, the pastor responsible for your counseling will be able to log on and access your results. Our Wedding Team will contact you at this point to schedule your premarital counseling sessions. *The number and length of your counseling appointments to be scheduled will depend on your schedules and the preferences and schedule of the pastor responsible for your counseling.*

When you've both completed your portion of the 'Prepare' inventory, please email Shari Davis at weddings@heartlandchurch.org and let us know that you're ready to schedule your premarital counseling sessions!

Finalizing the Details for Your Wedding Ceremony

If you'll have a Heartland pastor officiating at your ceremony, he/she will talk with you during your premarital counseling sessions to help you work out the details of your wedding ceremony. The [Customizing Your Wedding Ceremony Guide](#) is designed to help as you start thinking about your ceremony.

Premarital Counseling Fees & Payment Details

Heartland's premarital counseling fee is \$150. Payment must be received before we set you up to complete the 'Prepare' inventory. This fee covers the cost of the 'Prepare' inventory as well as all of the administrative costs associated with premarital counseling. *If you are requesting premarital counseling only, this \$150 will be the only fee you'll pay. If you are requesting that a Heartland pastor officiate at your wedding at Heartland or at another site, there are additional fees that will apply – and you'll find the details on that in the [Wedding Fees Summary](#).*

Payment can be made by check payable to **HEARTLAND COMMUNITY CHURCH**. Please write **'PREMARITAL'** and **BOTH OF YOUR NAMES (first and last)** in the memo line of the check. You can then mail the check to the address below, or you can save a stamp and simply drop your check in one of the offering boxes when you are around for a service or meeting.

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Have questions or need additional info?

Please email Shari Davis at weddings@heartlandchurch.org or call 913-341-5820 ext 373!