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Marriage Matters Jackson to Host Dr. Gary Chapman

*Author of **The Five Love Languages** coming to Spring Arbor Nov. 5*

JACKSON, Mich. - Marriage Matters Jackson is excited to host national best-selling author and popular presenter Dr. Gary Chapman, who will show couples how to get ***The Marriage You've Always Wanted***. The one-day event takes place Saturday, Nov. 5, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at Spring Arbor Free Methodist Church in Spring Arbor, just west of Jackson. Tickets are \$99 per couple and include lunch. Visit www.MarriageMattersJackson.com to register or call (517) 796-5116 for more information.

“We are thrilled to bring such a well-recognized and well-respected marriage expert to our area,” notes Shelby Raines, managing director of Marriage Matters Jackson (MMJ). “We have been trying to get MMJ on his calendar for a couple of years so this event is a pretty big deal. Bringing affordable, high-quality events to our local community is one of our primary goals, and hosting someone like Dr. Gary Chapman is truly an outstanding privilege. We are especially thankful to HOME.fm who has stepped forward to help us as a media sponsor and let southwest Michigan know about this special event.”

Chapman, who is the author of the best-selling book, “The Five Love Languages,” will lead a day filled with laughter and learning and show couples how to build ***The Marriage You've Always Wanted***. This event is perfect for couples in all stages of a relationship: those who have been married for many years, those who are newly married, and those who are planning to get married. Everyone will benefit from solutions they can use, plus advice and tips to break unhealthy patterns. Chapman comes from a place of faith, but his information is applicable to couples from all types of backgrounds. Best of all, it is not a dry, formal marriage conference – it's a time of fun and discovery.

Marriage Matters Jackson offers marriage enrichment and strengthening events for couples. The vision of Marriage Matters Jackson is to promote, prepare, and preserve healthy marriages. It seeks to strengthen marriage, and decrease divorce, by communicating the importance of marriage, connecting people to resources, and collaborating with community leaders and organizations. Marriage Matters Jackson is supported by the Weatherwax Foundation and individual donors.