

March 4, 2015

RE: 2015 Good Friday Leadership Breakfast

On April 3, Christian Leaders in Maine Business (CLIMB) will partner with area churches to host the tenth annual Good Friday Leadership Breakfast at Portland's Holiday Inn By the Bay. As in prior years, our desire is to provide an inspirational, high-quality breakfast experience **without charge** to hundreds of invited guests joining in this unique display of Christian unity. You can help us make this possible. While the average contribution for last year's event was almost \$300, all levels are welcome and greatly appreciated. Receipts will be provided for purposes of tax deduction.

We are pleased to welcome Coach Les Steckel, President and CEO of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. His involvement with FCA dates back to 1972 when, as a college football coach, he attended his first FCA conference. He has served FCA in many capacities over the years and became their 7th president in 2005. Coach Steckel's 32 year football coaching career includes college teams at the University of Colorado and the U.S. Naval Academy, as well as a number of NFL teams including the San Francisco 49ers, Minnesota Vikings, Denver Broncos and the New England Patriots. He graduated with a triple-major bachelor's degree in political science, social work and human relations and also served in the US Marine Corps and the Reserves, eventually retiring as a Colonel. His auto-biography, *One Yard Short: Turning Your Defeats Into Victories*, was published in 2006 and chronicles his life journey, leading him to Kansas City to head of FCA, the largest sports ministry in the world. Les lives with his wife Chris in Brentwood, Tennessee. They have three adult children and three grandchildren. Coach Steckel's full biography can be viewed at www.fca.org

John Waller, national singer and songwriter, has also graciously volunteered to encourage us with his gifts and talents on this special morning. We are in for a treat as he and Eastpoint Christian Church provide the music for this event. More information about John can be found at www.todayschristianmusic.com

- contributing at any level, you or your organization will receive an invitation for 2
- contributing at a level of \$350 gives your organization the opportunity to host an entire table, 10 seats, reserved in your name.
- A contribution of \$175 allows you to host a half-table, 5 seats, reserved in your name.

Please respond to this email with your pledge to GFLBContrib@gmail.com, by March 25, 2015 to be included in our event program. Contributions can be sent directly to CLIMB at PO Box 358, Yarmouth, ME 04096. For more information, please visit our website at www.weclimb.wordpress.com

Blessings,

Becky McGilp, Chair

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